ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 412–COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

March 25, 2019

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing notaries public. (BDR 19-890)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to notaries public; revising the fees that a notary public may charge for taking an acknowledgment; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law authorizes a notary public to charge for taking an acknowledgment: (1) a fee of \$5.00 for the first signature of each signer; and (2) a fee of \$2.50 for each additional signature of each signer. (NRS 240.100) This bill provides that a notary may charge a fee of \$5.00 for each signature.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 240.100 is hereby amended to read as follows: 240.100 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, a notary public may charge the following fees and no more:

For taking an acknowledgment, for [the first] each	
signature of each signer	\$5.00
[For each additional signature of each signer	
For administering an oath or affirmation without a	_
signature	2.50
For a certified copy	



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- 2. All fees prescribed in this section are payable in advance, if demanded.
- 3. A notary public may charge an additional fee for traveling to perform a notarial act if:
- (a) The person requesting the notarial act asks the notary public to travel:
- (b) The notary public explains to the person requesting the notarial act that the fee is in addition to the fee authorized in subsection 1 and is not required by law;
- (c) The person requesting the notarial act agrees in advance upon the hourly rate that the notary public will charge for the additional fee; and
 - (d) The additional fee does not exceed:
- (1) If the person requesting the notarial act asks the notary public to travel between the hours of 6 a.m. and 7 p.m., \$10 per hour.
- (2) If the person requesting the notarial act asks the notary public to travel between the hours of 7 p.m. and 6 a.m., \$25 per hour.
- → The notary public may charge a minimum of 2 hours for such travel and shall charge on a pro rata basis after the first 2 hours.
- 4. A notary public is entitled to charge the amount of the additional fee agreed to in advance by the person requesting the notarial act pursuant to subsection 3 if:
- (a) The person requesting the notarial act cancels the request after the notary public begins his or her travel to perform the requested notarial act.
- (b) The notary public is unable to perform the requested notarial act as a result of the actions of the person who requested the notarial act or any other person who is necessary for the performance of the notarial act.
- 5. For each additional fee that a notary public charges for traveling to perform a notarial act pursuant to subsection 3, the notary public shall enter in the journal that he or she keeps pursuant to NRS 240.120:
 - (a) The amount of the fee; and
- (b) The date and time that the notary public began and ended such travel.
- 6. A person who employs a notary public may prohibit the notary public from charging a fee for a notarial act that the notary public performs within the scope of the employment. Such a person shall not require the notary public whom the person employs to





- surrender to the person all or part of a fee charged by the notary public for a notarial act performed outside the scope of the employment of the notary public.





