BILL ANALYSIS

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H.B. 950 By: Casteel (Madla) Intergovernmental Relations 4/24/2005 Engrossed

AUTHOR'S/SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

H.B. 950 proposes to increase fees to help offset the rising costs associated with conducting business and maintaining offices in a county. The bill proposes to increase the personal property records filing to \$5.00 for the first page and \$4.00 for each additional page containing visible marks. H.B. 950 also proposes to increase the real property records filing to \$5.00 for the first page and \$4.00 for each additional page containing visible marks and \$4.00 for each 8 1/2" x 14" attachment or rider.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 118.011(a), Local Government Code, to amend the fee for a personal property records filing from \$2.00 per page, to \$5.00 for the first page, and \$4.00 for each additional page or part of a page on which there are visible marks of any kind; and to amend the fee for a real property records filing from \$3.00 for the first page, \$2.00 for each additional page or part of a page on which there are visible marks of any kind; and \$2.00 for all or part of each 8-1/2" x 14" attachment or rider, to \$5.00, \$4.00, and \$4.00, respectively.

SECTION 2. Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2005