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Changes to Recording Fees/Social Security Protection

Governor Doyle signed SB 507 (Act 314) into law on May 12, 2010 legislation that changes the recording fee structure for real estate documents filed with the County Register of Deeds. This legislation directs the Register of Deeds to redact social security numbers (ssn) from electronic format records that are viewable or accessible on the Internet.

Effective June 25, 2010 the cost to record a real estate document in the County Register of Deeds office will be \$30 regardless of the number of pages.

Formerly, the fee was based on the number of pages and has been modified from a per page fee to a standard flat fee of \$30 per document which includes monies to be used to redact any possible social security number that may be on a document before it is posted on the internet. In 2006 the Wisconsin Register of Deeds association lobbied successfully to get legislation passed which allowed them to reject documents for recording that contained a full social security number. Adams County is currently working to identify which documents may have a ssn on them and ensure that it will not be viewable or accessible when they are posted to the internet per the legislation.
