

House Bill 1279 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Knight of the 126th and Yates of the 73rd

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To authorize the Probate Court of Spalding County to charge a technology fee for each civil
2 case filed; to specify the uses to which such technology fees may be put; to provide an
3 effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

5 **SECTION 1.**

6 The clerk of the Probate Court of Spalding County shall be entitled to charge and collect a
7 technology fee for the filing of each civil action. The technology fee shall be set by the
8 court, provided that the fee shall not exceed \$5.00. Such fee shall be used exclusively to
9 provide for the following technological needs of the court and the clerk of the probate court:
10 the purchase, lease, maintenance, and installation of computer hardware and software; and
11 the purchase, lease, maintenance, and installation of equipment and software used for
12 imaging, scanning, facsimile, communications, projections, and printing. All funds collected
13 pursuant to this Act shall be maintained in a segregated fund by the clerk of the probate court
14 and shall be used only for authorized purposes at the direction of the chief judge of the
15 probate court.

16 **SECTION 2.**

17 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2012.

18 **SECTION 3.**

19 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.