

## BILL AND JOURNAL ROOM - PHOTOCOPY FEE POLICY

The bill and journal room is operated by a private contractor under a contract approved by the Legislative Procedure and Arrangements Committee and signed by the chairmen of the House and Senate Employment Committees.

Under the **GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS** of the contract, the contractor is to collect photocopying fees and transmit those fees to the Legislative Council office.

### PHOTOCOPY POLICY

The following governs photocopying fees:

- The fee for photocopying service is 25 cents per page.
- Fees are not charged for photocopies of the following types of documents normally distributed to the public from the bill and journal room:
  - Bills.
  - Engrossed bills.
  - House and Senate journals.
  - House and Senate calendars.
  - House and Senate committee hearing schedules.
- Fees are not charged for making photocopies for:
  - Legislators.
  - House and Senate employees.
  - Legislative Council employees.

### PHOTOCOPY HISTORY

Before the 2007 legislative session, the contract for operation of the bill and journal room required the contractor to provide a copier and the contractor was allowed to retain the photocopying fees. During the 2005 legislative session the contract printer printed 325 copies of bills and resolutions and 750 copies of the daily journals. During the 2005-06 interim, the bill and journal room was reduced in size, and the contract printer has printed fewer copies of bills and resolutions and journals each session, in reliance on bill and journal room personnel printing copies as needed through a network-connected copier provided in the room. During the 2011 legislative session, the

contract printer printed 175 copies of bills and resolutions and 150 copies of daily journals. The number of bills, resolutions, and journals printed by the contract printer has been reduced significantly over the years as the information is readily available on the legislative branch website.

### CONTRACT PRINTING COSTS

A comparison of contract printing costs from the 2005 legislative session to the 2011 legislative session for these items is:

	2005 Session Cost	2007 Session Cost	2009 Session Cost	2011 Session Cost
Daily journals	\$67,805	\$22,206	\$15,824	\$14,903
Bills and resolutions	\$79,669	\$63,831	\$59,959	\$43,469

### LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY COPIER USAGE AND COSTS

Seven copiers are placed in legislative space areas for use during the legislative session. The following is a comparison of copies made and costs during the 2005, 2007, 2009, and 2011 legislative sessions:

Location	2005 Session Copies	2007 Session Copies	2009 Session Copies	2011 Session Copies
Roughrider Room	109,199	28,920	34,143	10,228
Main clerks	103,000	60,014	75,248	50,559
House page room	101,725	98,540	94,793	94,081
Senate page room	76,529	81,573	64,385	73,171
Secretarial service	60,364	38,658	52,339	49,577
Harvest Room	21,000	10,875	20,018	9,945
Bill and journal room		18,593	137,445	106,151
Total copies	471,817	337,173	478,371	393,712
Total costs	\$12,551	\$22,764	\$26,007	\$9,469

The total costs for rental printers during the 2011 legislative session were reduced due to switching the rental to a small setup fee and a per copy charge. The cost of the copier rental in the bill and journal room was \$2,888. The income from the photocopying fee was \$506.