

LEGISLATIVE DOCUMENT SUBSCRIPTION PROGRAM

This memorandum describes the subscription fees and the costs for printing legislative documents during the 2015 legislative session. **Except for the journal index, all of these documents are available on the legislative branch website in advance of printing.**

The memorandum also lists proposed fees for the 2017 legislative session. Past practice has been to base subscription fees on the cost of printing the various documents during the previous legislative session, divided by the number of documents printed. The number of subscribers that paid for the particular documents in 2015, total number of subscribers (some subscribers, e.g., state agencies and representatives of the media, are not charged subscription fees), 2015 subscription fees, and number and cost of legislative documents printed in 2015 are:

- Bills and resolutions - 15 (out of 35) entities paid \$250 each to pick up a set of bills and resolutions, which included engrossed bills and resolutions, and no one paid \$485 to receive a set by mail. The cost of printing 100 copies of introduced and engrossed bills and resolutions was \$34,007, or approximately \$341 per set.
- Journals - 4 (out of 17) entities paid \$110 each to pick up a set of journals, and no one paid \$260 to receive a set by mail. The cost of printing 100 copies of the journals was \$19,257, or approximately \$176 per set.
- Journal index - 1 (out of four) entity paid \$30 each to receive the journal index. The cost of printing and binding 170 copies of the journal index was approximately \$7,208, or approximately \$43 per index.
- *Bill Status Report* - No one paid \$425 to pick up the *Bill Status Report* and no one paid \$565 to receive it by mail. The cost of printing 17 *Bill Status Reports* was \$10,103, or approximately \$595 each.
- Daily calendars - No charge was made for picking up daily calendars (printed at a cost of \$18,564), 18 entities subscribed to pick up daily calendars, and no one paid \$70 to receive the calendars by mail.
- Committee hearing schedules - No charge was made for picking up committee hearing schedules (printed at a cost of \$11,488), 21 entities subscribed to pick up hearing schedules, and no one paid \$40 to receive the schedules by mail. The attached [appendix](#) provides summary information on 2013 and 2015 documents, subscriptions, and costs.

PROPOSED 2017 LEGISLATIVE DOCUMENT SUBSCRIPTION FEES

The following is the proposed 2017 legislative document distribution program and the applicable subscription fees:

- A complete set of bills and resolutions as introduced and printed or reprinted, including a set of all engrossed and re-engrossed bills and resolutions, be available from the bill and journal room only after payment of a subscription fee of \$350 (an increase from \$250 in 2015), with the option for a set to be mailed discontinued.
- A complete set of daily journals of the Senate and House be available from the bill and journal room only after payment of a subscription fee of \$175 (an increase from \$110 in 2015), with the option for a set to be mailed discontinued.
- The index to the House and Senate journals be available only after payment of a subscription fee of \$45 (an increase from \$30 in 2015).
- A printed *Bill Status Report* be available from the bill and journal room only after payment of a subscription fee of \$595 (an increase from \$425 in 2015), with the option for the report to be mailed discontinued.
- House and Senate daily calendars and weekly committee hearing schedules be available at no charge if picked up from the bill and journal room, with the option for a set of House and Senate daily calendars or weekly committee schedules to be mailed discontinued.
- State agencies and institutions and representatives of the media as determined under Joint Rule 802 be able to obtain copies of bills and resolutions, daily journals, daily calendars, and committee hearing schedules without payment of subscription fees. **These state agencies and institutions will be encouraged to access the information on the legislative branch website.**
- Two copies of the *Bill Status Report* be provided to the press room in the State Capitol without payment of subscription fees.
- No more than five copies of a limited number of bills and resolutions be obtained without charge as provided by Joint Rule 603.

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