

1 AN ACT in relation to local government.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Counties Code is amended by adding Section
5 5-1106.1 as follows:

6 (55 ILCS 5/5-1106.1 new)

7 Sec. 5-1106.1. Public records; Internet access. Any
8 county may provide electronic access to public records
9 through the global information system known as the Internet.
10 A county board may establish a reasonable fee to cover the
11 operational expenses of providing that electronic access,
12 including, but not limited to, expenses for computer support,
13 conversion of records to an electronic format, maintenance,
14 enhancements, upgrades, and replacements. The fee may be
15 assessed for each inquiry or transaction or may be based on
16 actual connect time. The fee must be paid to the county
17 treasurer and deposited into a fund designated as the County
18 Automation Fund.

19 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
20 becoming law.