

SENATE BILL 2216
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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 2, Part 1 and Title 68, Chapter 11, Part 3, relative to the cost of furnishing certain medical records.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-304(a)(2), is amended by adding the following new subdivision (C):

(C) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a)(2)(A), if the patient is not indigent, reasonable charges for furnishing medical records, a health record or part thereof to a patient or a lawyer authorized by the patient to review the patient's records for any of the purposes set out in subsection (a)(2)(B) shall be as follows:

(i) Not more than twenty dollars (\$20.00) for medical records forty (40) pages or less in length and twenty-five cents (\$.25) per page for each page copied after the first forty (40) pages and the actual cost of mailing.

(ii) Any third-party provider of record copying and related services shall be subject to the reasonable cost limits contained in this section and shall not impose any charge or fee for such services in excess of such cost limits.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2002, the public welfare requiring it.

