

TITLE: CONCERNING ELECTRONICALLY TRANSMITTED COURT DOCUMENTS.

Summary of Legislation

This bill modifies court procedures for handling electronic records and documents, including arrest and search warrants. Specifically, the acceptable forms of a seal of the court or a public official are expanded to include one that is electronically attached to or associated with an electronic record or document. Further, a judge or magistrate is required to mark as original an affidavit received by electronic transfer that includes an electronic signature. The bill is effective upon the signature of the Governor or upon its becoming law without his signature.

Assessment

The bill is intended to clarify and simplify court procedures. It is not expected to affect state or local revenues or expenditures. As such, it is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

Departments Contacted

Judicial