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**Senate Bill Modernizes the Document Recording Process**

Senate Bill 505 was recently passed by both the Indiana Senate and the House of Representatives, and signed into law by Governor Eric Holcomb on April 21, 2017, taking effect on July 1, 2017.

This legislation, authored by Senator Rodric Bray along with Senators Blake Doriot and Dennis Kruse, modernizes the document recording process and fee structures.

SB 505 specifically addresses the following:

* Replaces the current confusing fee structure with a more predictable and transparent “flat” fee for documents filed with the county recorder;
* Modernizes the bulk user statute to reflect changes in the industry while ensuring the preservation of the public record; and
* Allows for the electronic recording of public documents to increase efficiencies.

“This bill was a collaborative endeavor between our fellow government offices and the lenders and settlement agents of Indiana. The passage of SB505 provides modern recording solutions that will benefit our constituents,” stated Indiana Recorders Association President and Porter County Recorder Jon C. Miller.

SB 505 was supported by several statewide organizations, including the Association of Indiana Counties, the Indiana Attorney General, the Indiana Land Title Association, the Indiana County Councils Association, the Indiana County Surveyor’s Association, the Indiana Society of Professional Land Surveyors, the Indiana Mortgage Bankers Association, the Indiana Credit Union League, the Indiana Bar Association, and the Hoosier Press Association.

Details can be found by calling your County Recorder’s office at

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