NEW STATE ARCHIVE FEE COLLECTION BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2013

NOTICE

Re: Act 88 (SLH 2013) \$1 State Archives Preservation Fee

In 2013, a state law (Act 88, SLH 2013) was enacted that established a fund for the preservation and long-term access of government records. The Act provides that in addition to any other fee authorized by law, a \$1 state archives preservation fee is assessed for certain permanent documents. The state agency that receives the document collects the \$1 fee <u>on behalf of the State Archives</u>.

Fund revenues will be used to support long-term access to government electronic records through the State Archives.

What does this mean for you? If you are filing certain documents with the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs Business Registration Division (BREG), you may be assessed the \$1 State Archive preservation fee. Because the fee is limited in application to permanent records, if your document is subsequently rejected by BREG, you may be entitled to a refund of the \$1 fee. You can obtain your refund by contacting the State Archives Division of the Department of Accounting and General Services.