Chapter 142

(House Bill 647)

AN ACT concerning

Corporations and Associations – Fees for Processing Articles of Dissolution, Certificates of Cancellation, and Other Documents – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing certain fees charged by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation for processing articles of dissolution, certificates of cancellation, and certain other documents filed by certain business entities with the Department; and generally relating to fees charged to business entities by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Corporations and Associations

Section 1–203(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Corporations and Associations

Section 1-203(b)(1), (2), and (4)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Corporations and Associations

Section 1-203(b)(14)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Corporations and Associations

1-203.

- (a) In addition to any organization and capitalization fee required under $\S 1-204$ of this subtitle, subject to subsection (c) of this section, the Department shall collect the fees specified in subsection (b) of this section.
- (b) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (10) of this subsection, for each of the following documents, the nonrefundable processing fee is \$100:

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Articles of incorporation

Articles of amendment

Articles of extension

Articles of restatement of charter

Articles of amendment and restatement

Articles supplementary

Articles of share exchange

Articles of consolidation or merger

[Articles of dissolution]

Articles of revival for stock corporation

Articles of revival for nonstock corporation

Articles of conversion

- (2) For each of the following documents, the nonrefundable processing fee is as indicated:
 - (i) Notice of change of address of principal office.....\$25
- (ii) Notice of change of name or address of resident agent......\$25, up to a maximum of \$30,000 for a bulk filing
 - (iii) Certificate of correction.....\$25
- (4) For each of the following documents recorded or filed the nonrefundable processing fee is \$100:
- (i) Certificate of limited partnership, certificate of limited liability partnership, articles of organization of a limited liability company, certificate of trust of a business trust, including certificates of amendment [and certificates of cancellation], certificates of reinstatement, and articles of reinstatement; and
- (ii) Any statement filed by a partnership under Title 9A of this article.
- (14) THERE IS NO PROCESSING FEE FOR DOCUMENTS FILED TO DISSOLVE, CANCEL, OR TERMINATE AN ENTITY UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2021.

Approved by the Governor, May 18, 2021.