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## ENHANCED ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS

**House Bill 6283** 

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Committee: Advanced Technology and

**Computer Development** 

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## A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 6283 AS INTRODUCED 11-10-98

Under the Enhanced Access To Public Records Act, a public body may provide enhanced access (inspection, purchase, or copying by digital means) to public records, charge a reasonable fee for the access, and charge a reasonable fee for providing access to a geographical information system (a database of maps) or the output from such a system. The bill would create a mechanism by which a public body could provide access to its map database to a second public body without charging the receiving public body a fee. In order to receive access to or output from another public body's map database, the receiving public body would have to abide by a written intergovernmental agreement that would prohibit the transfer of the information to a third party unless certain criteria specified in the bill were met. The bill would also permit the receiving public body to charge a third party a reasonable fee that would cover the operating costs of both the public body providing the data and the public body receiving the data. The bill would also specify that these new provisions were to be liberally construed to facilitate the sharing of access to and output from systems without financial detriment to the public bodies.

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