- (B) THE FILING OFFICE SHALL MAKE AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC RECORDS INDEXED BOTH IN THE NAMES OF DEBTORS AND BY UNIQUE FILE NUMBERS, BASED UPON WHICH COPIES OF FILED RECORDS MAY BE OBTAINED.
- (C) IN COMPLYING WITH ITS DUTY UNDER SUBSECTION (B), THE FILING OFFICE MAY COMMUNICATE INFORMATION IN ANY MEDIUM.

9-524. RESERVED.

9-525. FEES.

- (A) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C), THE FEE FOR FILING AND INDEXING A RECORD UNDER THIS PART, OTHER THAN AN INITIAL FINANCING STATEMENT OF THE KIND DESCRIBED IN § 9–502(C), IS:
- (1) \$20 IF THE RECORD IS COMMUNICATED IN WRITING AND CONSISTS OF ONE OR TWO EIGHT OR FEWER PAGES;
- (2) \$75 IF THE RECORD IS COMMUNICATED IN WRITING AND CONSISTS OF MORE THAN  $\frac{1}{2}$  EIGHT PAGES, AND
- (3) \$20 IF THE RECORD IS COMMUNICATED BY ANOTHER MEDIUM AUTHORIZED BY FILING-OFFICE RULE.
- (B) THE NUMBER OF NAMES REQUIRED TO BE INDEXED DOES NOT AFFECT THE AMOUNT OF THE FEE IN SUBSECTION (A).
- (C) . THIS SECTION DOES NOT REQUIRE A FEE WITH RESPECT TO A RECORD OF A MORTGAGE WHICH IS EFFECTIVE AS A FINANCING STATEMENT FILED AS A FIXTURE FILING OR AS A FINANCING STATEMENT COVERING AS-EXTRACTED COLLATERAL OR TIMBER TO BE CUT UNDER § 9–502(C). HOWEVER, THE RECORDING AND SATISFACTION FEES THAT OTHERWISE WOULD BE APPLICABLE TO THE RECORD OF THE MORTGAGE APPLY.

## 9-526. FILING-OFFICE RULES.

- (A) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT AND PUBLISH RULES TO IMPLEMENT THIS SUBTITLE. THE FILING-OFFICE RULES MUST BE:
  - (1) CONSISTENT WITH THIS SUBTITLE; AND
- (2) ADOPTED AND PUBLISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE 10, SUBTITLE 1 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.
- (B) TO KEEP THE FILING-OFFICE RULES AND PRACTICES OF THE FILING OFFICE IN HARMONY WITH THE RULES AND PRACTICES OF FILING OFFICES IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS THAT ENACT SUBSTANTIALLY THIS SUBTITLE, AND TO KEEP THE TECHNOLOGY USED BY THE FILING OFFICE COMPATIBLE WITH THE TECHNOLOGY USED BY FILING OFFICES IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS THAT ENACT SUBSTANTIALLY THIS SUBTITLE, THE DEPARTMENT, SO FAR AS IS CONSISTENT WITH THE PURPOSES, POLICIES, AND PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE, IN ADOPTING, AMENDING, AND REPEALING FILING-OFFICE RULES, SHALL: