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General Assembly Approves Sen. Rob Mayer's Bill Extending Collection of Statewide Court Automation Fee

JEFFERSON CITY — The Missouri Senate gave final approval today (5/13) to a bill sponsored by Sen. Rob Mayer, R-Dexter, that will allow Missouri state courts to continue collecting the Statewide Court Automation Fee until 2013 to pay for computerized judicial recordkeeping.

In all Missouri criminal and civil court cases, a portion of court fees collected goes to the State Court Automation Fund. [Senate Bill 265](#) seeks to extend the collection of the fee through Sept. 1, 2013. If Sen. Mayer had not advanced the bill, the fund would have stopped receiving money this fall.

One example of the success of court automation has been the establishment of www.case.net, which provides electronic access to case information to the public.

“Court automation links all of Missouri’s courts and state agencies with each other, makes case filing and processing more efficient, saves taxpayers dollars and enhances public safety,” Sen. Mayer said.

The bill now awaits the governor’s signature.

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