

## CHAPTER 2013-148

### Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 837

An act relating to tax deeds; amending s. 197.502, F.S.; authorizing the tax collector to charge for reimbursement of the costs for providing online tax deed application services; providing that an applicant's use of such online application services is optional under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 197.502, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

197.502 Application for obtaining tax deed by holder of tax sale certificate; fees.—

(1) The holder of a tax certificate at any time after 2 years have elapsed since April 1 of the year of issuance of the tax certificate and before the cancellation of the certificate, may file the certificate and an application for a tax deed with the tax collector of the county where the property described in the certificate is located. The tax collector may charge a tax deed application fee of \$75 and for reimbursement of the costs for providing online tax deed application services. If the tax collector charges a combined fee in excess of \$75, applicants shall have the option of using the electronic tax deed application process or may file applications without using such service.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.

Approved by the Governor June 7, 2013.

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