



Ohio Revised Code

Section 1109.68 Using copying or reproduction processes.

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(A) A bank may, for any business purpose, retain a document, paper, or other instrument or record by use of a process to record, copy, photograph, or store a representation of the original document, paper, or other instrument or record, if all of the following apply:

(1) The process correctly and accurately copies or reproduces, or provides a means for correctly and accurately copying or reproducing, the original document, paper, or other instrument or record with regard to both its substance and appearance, except the copy or reproduction need not reflect the original paper or other medium, size, or color, unless the medium, size, or color is necessary to establish the authenticity of the original.

(2) The process does not permit the recording, copy, photographic image, or stored representation of the original document, paper, or other instrument or record to be altered or manipulated.

(3) Any medium the process uses to record, copy, photograph, or store a representation of the original document, paper, or other instrument or record is a durable medium for retaining and reproducing records.

(B) The superintendent of financial institutions shall identify and publish a list of processes that satisfy the conditions of division (A) of this section.

(C) Each bank that uses a process authorized by this section to preserve any of its records shall also provide for safekeeping and for examining, viewing, or projecting the records preserved, and for producing reproductions of the original records.

(D) Recordings, copies, photographic images, or stored representations of original documents, papers, or other instruments or records made in accordance with this section, or reproductions of original documents, papers, or other instruments or records produced from recordings, copies, photographic images, or stored representations made in accordance with this section, when properly



identified by the officer by whom or under whose supervision they were made or who has custody of them, have the same effect at law as the original records or records made by any other legally authorized means. They may be offered in the same manner and shall be received in evidence in any court where the original records, or records made by other legally authorized means, could have been introduced and received. Certified or authenticated duplicates of recordings, copies, photographic images, or stored representations of original documents, papers, or other instruments or records made in accordance with this section, or of reproductions of original documents, papers, or other instruments or records produced from recordings, copies, photographic images, or stored representations made in accordance with this section, shall be admitted in evidence in the same manner as the original documents, papers, or other instruments or records.