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March 14 - On January 22, 2014, The Informed Cynic, under the Inspection of Public Records Act, made a request for copies of invoices from the several law firms engaged by the Co-op between 2010 and 2014 plus a small number of related documents. After a long delay, 344 pages were supplied at a cost of \$1/page. Not all the documents were supplied as agreed upon and there are many redactions in the invoices. We feel this is a violation of the IPRA, the Co-op by-laws and likely contempt of court. The charge of \$1 per page is unreasonable and bears more relationship to the attempt to discourage requests of records than the actual cost of producing the documents. The SEC policy on copy charges was raised from 25 cent to one dollar after the court mandated that the IPRA was legal and must be honored by the SEC