

CHAPTER 75

AN ACT concerning certain copy fees for public documents and amending various parts of the statutory law.

BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

1. Section 11 of P.L.1987, c.435 (C.22A:4-1a) is amended to read as follows:

C.22A:4-1a Fees for miscellaneous documents.

11. For services herein enumerated the State Treasurer shall collect the following fees:

a. For filing any original business certificate for which no other fee is fixed by statute or regulation, \$125.

For filing any change or amendment to a previously filed document for which no other fee is fixed by statute or regulation, \$75.

For issuing any certificate or filing any other document for which no other fee is fixed by statute or regulation, \$25.00, except that the provisions of this subsection shall not apply to:

- (1) certificates of appointments for gubernatorial appointees;
- (2) documents filed by public bodies under the "Senator Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act," P.L.1975, c.231 (C.10:4-6 et seq.);
- (3) financial disclosures filed by State officials;
- (4) oaths of office;
- (5) resignation of office holders;
- (6) documents filed by other State government entities indexed in the department's miscellaneous file.

b. For certification or exemplification of any document on file, \$25.00.

c. For certification or exemplification of any signature on file, including the issuance of a certificate for proving a document outside the United States, also known as an apostille, \$25.00; except that in cases of adoption of a child, the fee for an apostille shall be \$5.00.

d. For filing a certified copy of an order of change of name, \$50.00.

e. For a paper copy of any document on file, up to \$0.10 per letter size page or smaller and up to \$0.15 per legal size page or larger. If a roll of microfilm images is requested, the State Treasurer shall collect a fee of \$1.00 for each image on the microfilm roll. If a microfiche copy of a microfiche is requested, \$3.00.

f. For filing a proof of publication, \$10.00.

2. R.S.39:4-131 is amended to read as follows:

Accident reports; availability.

39:4-131. The commission shall prepare and supply to police departments and other suitable agencies, forms for accident reports calling for sufficiently detailed information with reference to a motor vehicle accident, including the cause, the conditions then existing, the persons and vehicles involved, the compliance with P.L.1984, c.179 (C.39:3-76.2e et seq.) by the operators and passengers of the vehicles involved in the accident, whether the operator of the vehicle was using a cellular telephone when the accident occurred, and such other information as the chief administrator may require.

Every law enforcement officer who investigates a vehicle accident of which report must be made as required in this Title, or who otherwise prepares a written report as a result of an accident or thereafter by interviewing the participants or witnesses, shall forward a written

report of such accident to the commission, on forms furnished by it, within five days after his investigation of the accident.

Such written reports required to be forwarded by law enforcement officers and the information contained therein shall not be privileged or held confidential. Every citizen of this State shall have the right, during regular business hours and under supervision, to inspect and copy such reports and shall also have the right in person to purchase copies of the reports at the same fee established by section 6 of P.L.2001, c.404 (C.47:1A-5). If copies of reports are requested other than in person, an additional fee of up to \$5.00 may be added to cover the administrative costs of the report. Upon request, a police department shall send an accident report to a person through the mail or via fax as defined in section 2 of P.L.1976, c.23 (C.19:59-2). The police department may require the person requesting the report to provide a completed request form and the appropriate fee prior to faxing or mailing the report. The police department shall provide the person requesting the report with the option of submitting the form and providing the appropriate fee either in person, through the mail, or via fax as defined in section 2 of P.L.1976, c.23 (C.19:59-2).

The provisions of any other law or regulation to the contrary notwithstanding, reports obtained pursuant to this act shall not be subject to confidentiality requirements except as provided by section 28 of P.L.1960, c.52 (C.2A:84A-28).

When a motor vehicle accident results in the death or incapacitation of the driver or any passenger, the law enforcement officer responsible for notifying the next of kin that their relative is deceased or incapacitated, also shall inform the relative, in writing, how to obtain a copy of the accident report required by this section and the name, address, and telephone number of the person storing the motor vehicle pursuant to section 1 of P.L.1964, c.81 (C.39:10A-1).

3. Section 65 of P.L.1993, c.210 (C.42:2B-65) is amended to read as follows:

C.42:2B-65 Fees.

65. a. No document required to be filed under this act shall be effective until the applicable fee required by this section is paid. The following fees shall be paid to and collected by the State Treasurer for the use of the State:

(1) Upon the receipt for filing of a certificate of registration of alternate name or a certificate of renewal pursuant to section 4 of this act, a fee in the amount of \$50.

(2) Upon the receipt for filing of an application for reservation of name, an application for renewal of reservation or a notice of transfer or cancellation of reservation pursuant to section 5 of this act, a fee in the amount of \$50.

(3) Upon the receipt for filing of a certificate under subsection b. of section 6 of this act, a fee in the amount of \$25, upon the receipt for filing of a certificate under subsection b. of section 7 of this act, a fee in the amount of \$25 and a further fee of \$10 for each limited liability company affected by such certificate.

(4) Upon the receipt for filing of a notice of resignation and affidavit pursuant to subsection c. of section 7 of this act, a fee in the amount of \$25 and upon the receipt for filing of a certificate of change pursuant to subsection c. of section 7 of this act, a fee in the amount of \$25.

(5) Upon the receipt for filing of a certificate of formation under section 11 of this act a fee in the amount of \$125; and upon receipt for filing, a certificate of correction under section 12 of this act, a certificate of amendment under section 13 of this act, a certificate of cancellation under section 14 of this act, a certificate of merger or consolidation under

section 20 of this act or a restated certificate of formation under section 19 of this act, a fee in the amount of \$100.

(6) Upon filing of an annual report, a fee in the amount of \$50.00.

(7) Upon requesting a reinstatement of a certificate of a limited liability company, a late filing fee of \$200.00 and a reinstatement filing fee of \$75.00.

(8) For certifying copies of any paper on file as provided for by this act, a fee in the amount of \$25 for each copy certified.

(9) The State Treasurer may issue photocopies of instruments on file as well as other copies, and for all of those copies, whether certified or not, a fee in the amount of up to \$0.10 per letter size page or smaller and up to \$0.15 per legal size page or larger thereafter shall be paid.

(10) Upon the receipt for filing of an application for registration as a foreign limited liability company under section 53 of this act or a certificate of cancellation under section 56 of this act, a fee in the amount of \$125.

(11) For preclearance of any document for filing, a fee in the amount of \$50.

(12) For preparing and providing a written report of a record search, a fee in the amount of \$50.

(13) For issuing any certificate of the State Treasurer, including but not limited to a certificate of good standing, other than a certification of a copy under paragraph (8) of this subsection, a fee in the amount of \$50, except that for issuing any certificate of the State Treasurer that recites all of a limited liability company's filings with the State Treasurer, a fee of \$100 shall be paid for each such certificate.

(14) For receiving and filing and/or indexing any certificate, affidavit, agreement or any other paper provided for by this act, for which no different fee is specifically prescribed, a fee in the amount of \$75.

(15) The State Treasurer may in the Treasurer's discretion charge a fee of \$50 for each check received for payment of any fee that is returned due to insufficient funds or the result of a stop payment order.

b. In addition to those fees charged under subsection a. of this section, there shall be collected by and paid to the State Treasurer the following:

(1) for all services described in subsection a. of this section that are requested to be completed within the same day as the day of the request, an additional sum of up to \$50; and

(2) for all services described in subsection a. of this section that are requested to be completed within a 24-hour period from the time of the request, an additional sum of up to \$25.

The State Treasurer shall establish (and may from time to time amend) a schedule of specific fees payable pursuant to this subsection.

c. The State Treasurer may in his discretion permit the extension of credit for the fees required by this section upon such terms as he shall deem to be appropriate.

4. Section 4 of P.L.1997, c.412 (C.46:16-18) is amended to read as follows:

C.46:16-18 Endorsement, fee.

4. a. If a notice of federal lien, a refile of a notice of federal lien, or a notice of revocation of any certificate is presented to the county recording officer, he shall endorse thereon his identification and the date and time of receipt and forthwith file it alphabetically or enter it in an alphabetical index showing the name and address of the person named in the

notice, the date and time of receipt, the title and address of the official or entity certifying the lien, and the total amount appearing on the notice of lien.

b. If a refiled notice of federal lien referred to in subsection a. of this section or any certificate of release, nonattachment, discharge or subordination is presented for filing to the county recording officer, he shall permanently attach the refiled notice of the certificate to the original notice of lien and enter the refiled notice or the certificate with the date of filing in any alphabetical lien index on the line where the original notice of lien is entered.

c. All notices received by a filing officer pursuant to this section and the index of the notices shall be held for public inspection by the filing officer. Upon request, the filing officer shall furnish a copy of any notice of federal lien, or notice or certificate affecting a federal lien, for a fee of up to \$0.10 per letter size page or smaller, and up to \$0.15 per legal size page or larger.

5. Section 6 of P.L.2001, c.404 (C.47:1A-5) is amended to read as follows:

C.47:1A-5 Times during which records may be inspected, examined, copied; access; copy fees.

6. a. The custodian of a government record shall permit the record to be inspected, examined, and copied by any person during regular business hours; or in the case of a municipality having a population of 5,000 or fewer according to the most recent federal decennial census, a board of education having a total district enrollment of 500 or fewer, or a public authority having less than \$10 million in assets, during not less than six regular business hours over not less than three business days per week or the entity's regularly-scheduled business hours, whichever is less; unless a government record is exempt from public access by: P.L.1963, c.73 (C.47:1A-1 et seq.) as amended and supplemented; any other statute; resolution of either or both houses of the Legislature; regulation promulgated under the authority of any statute or Executive Order of the Governor; Executive Order of the Governor; Rules of Court; any federal law; federal regulation; or federal order. Prior to allowing access to any government record, the custodian thereof shall redact from that record any information which discloses the social security number, credit card number, unlisted telephone number, or driver license number of any person; except for use by any government agency, including any court or law enforcement agency, in carrying out its functions, or any private person or entity acting on behalf thereof, or any private person or entity seeking to enforce payment of court-ordered child support; except with respect to the disclosure of driver information by the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission as permitted by section 2 of P.L.1997, c.188 (C.39:2-3.4); and except that a social security number contained in a record required by law to be made, maintained or kept on file by a public agency shall be disclosed when access to the document or disclosure of that information is not otherwise prohibited by State or federal law, regulation or order or by State statute, resolution of either or both houses of the Legislature, Executive Order of the Governor, rule of court or regulation promulgated under the authority of any statute or executive order of the Governor. Except where an agency can demonstrate an emergent need, a regulation that limits access to government records shall not be retroactive in effect or applied to deny a request for access to a government record that is pending before the agency, the council or a court at the time of the adoption of the regulation.

b. A copy or copies of a government record may be purchased by any person upon payment of the fee prescribed by law or regulation. Except as otherwise provided by law or regulation, the fee assessed for the duplication of a government record embodied in the form

of printed matter shall be \$0.05 per letter size page or smaller, and \$0.07 per legal size page or larger. If a public agency can demonstrate that its actual costs for duplication of a government record exceed the foregoing rates, the public agency shall be permitted to charge the actual cost of duplicating the record. The actual cost of duplicating the record, upon which all copy fees are based, shall be the cost of materials and supplies used to make a copy of the record, but shall not include the cost of labor or other overhead expenses associated with making the copy except as provided for in subsection c. of this section. Access to electronic records and non-printed materials shall be provided free of charge, but the public agency may charge for the actual costs of any needed supplies such as computer discs.

c. Whenever the nature, format, manner of collation, or volume of a government record embodied in the form of printed matter to be inspected, examined, or copied pursuant to this section is such that the record cannot be reproduced by ordinary document copying equipment in ordinary business size or involves an extraordinary expenditure of time and effort to accommodate the request, the public agency may charge, in addition to the actual cost of duplicating the record, a special service charge that shall be reasonable and shall be based upon the actual direct cost of providing the copy or copies; provided, however, that in the case of a municipality, rates for the duplication of particular records when the actual cost of copying exceeds the foregoing rates shall be established in advance by ordinance. The requestor shall have the opportunity to review and object to the charge prior to it being incurred.

d. A custodian shall permit access to a government record and provide a copy thereof in the medium requested if the public agency maintains the record in that medium. If the public agency does not maintain the record in the medium requested, the custodian shall either convert the record to the medium requested or provide a copy in some other meaningful medium. If a request is for a record: (1) in a medium not routinely used by the agency; (2) not routinely developed or maintained by an agency; or (3) requiring a substantial amount of manipulation or programming of information technology, the agency may charge, in addition to the actual cost of duplication, a special charge that shall be reasonable and shall be based on the cost for any extensive use of information technology, or for the labor cost of personnel providing the service, that is actually incurred by the agency or attributable to the agency for the programming, clerical, and supervisory assistance required, or both.

e. Immediate access ordinarily shall be granted to budgets, bills, vouchers, contracts, including collective negotiations agreements and individual employment contracts, and public employee salary and overtime information.

f. The custodian of a public agency shall adopt a form for the use of any person who requests access to a government record held or controlled by the public agency. The form shall provide space for the name, address, and phone number of the requestor and a brief description of the government record sought. The form shall include space for the custodian to indicate which record will be made available, when the record will be available, and the fees to be charged. The form shall also include the following: (1) specific directions and procedures for requesting a record; (2) a statement as to whether prepayment of fees or a deposit is required; (3) the time period within which the public agency is required by P.L.1963, c.73 (C.47:1A-1 et seq.) as amended and supplemented, to make the record available; (4) a statement of the requestor's right to challenge a decision by the public agency to deny access and the procedure for filing an appeal; (5) space for the custodian to list reasons if a request is denied in whole or in part; (6) space for the requestor to sign and date the form; (7) space for the custodian to sign and date the form if the request is fulfilled or

denied. The custodian may require a deposit against costs for reproducing documents sought through an anonymous request whenever the custodian anticipates that the information thus requested will cost in excess of \$5 to reproduce.

g. A request for access to a government record shall be in writing and hand-delivered, mailed, transmitted electronically, or otherwise conveyed to the appropriate custodian. A custodian shall promptly comply with a request to inspect, examine, copy, or provide a copy of a government record. If the custodian is unable to comply with a request for access, the custodian shall indicate the specific basis therefor on the request form and promptly return it to the requestor. The custodian shall sign and date the form and provide the requestor with a copy thereof. If the custodian of a government record asserts that part of a particular record is exempt from public access pursuant to P.L.1963, c.73 (C.47:1A-1 et seq.) as amended and supplemented, the custodian shall delete or excise from a copy of the record that portion which the custodian asserts is exempt from access and shall promptly permit access to the remainder of the record. If the government record requested is temporarily unavailable because it is in use or in storage, the custodian shall so advise the requestor and shall make arrangements to promptly make available a copy of the record. If a request for access to a government record would substantially disrupt agency operations, the custodian may deny access to the record after attempting to reach a reasonable solution with the requestor that accommodates the interests of the requestor and the agency.

h. Any officer or employee of a public agency who receives a request for access to a government record shall forward the request to the custodian of the record or direct the requestor to the custodian of the record.

i. Unless a shorter time period is otherwise provided by statute, regulation, or executive order, a custodian of a government record shall grant access to a government record or deny a request for access to a government record as soon as possible, but not later than seven business days after receiving the request, provided that the record is currently available and not in storage or archived. In the event a custodian fails to respond within seven business days after receiving a request, the failure to respond shall be deemed a denial of the request, unless the requestor has elected not to provide a name, address or telephone number, or other means of contacting the requestor. If the requestor has elected not to provide a name, address, or telephone number, or other means of contacting the requestor, the custodian shall not be required to respond until the requestor reappears before the custodian seeking a response to the original request. If the government record is in storage or archived, the requestor shall be so advised within seven business days after the custodian receives the request. The requestor shall be advised by the custodian when the record can be made available. If the record is not made available by that time, access shall be deemed denied.

j. A custodian shall post prominently in public view in the part or parts of the office or offices of the custodian that are open to or frequented by the public a statement that sets forth in clear, concise and specific terms the right to appeal a denial of, or failure to provide, access to a government record by any person for inspection, examination, or copying or for purchase of copies thereof and the procedure by which an appeal may be filed.

k. The files maintained by the Office of the Public Defender that relate to the handling of any case shall be considered confidential and shall not be open to inspection by any person unless authorized by law, court order, or the State Public Defender.

6. Section 1 of P.L.1959, c.43 (C.48:2-56) is amended to read as follows:

C.48:2-56 Fees and charges.

1. The Board of Public Utilities is hereby empowered, authorized and required to charge and collect fees and charges for the purposes and in the amounts hereinafter set out.

A. Filing of Annual Reports

	Charge Per Report
(1) Sewer	\$20.00
Classes A, B, C, and D ...	20.00
Class E (Income Sheets)	5.00
(2) Railroad	50.00
Nonoperating	10.00
(3) Telephone	
Class A	50.00
Class B	20.00
(4) Water	
Class A	50.00
Classes B and C	20.00
Class D	10.00
Class E (Income Sheets)	5.00
(5) Bus	
Class A	50.00
Class B	25.00
Class C	10.00
(6) Gas	50.00
(7) Electric	50.00
(8) Combination gas and electric	100.00
(9) (Deleted by amendment, P.L.1993, c.124).	

B. Examination and Audit of Annual Reports

(1) The total fee is to be based on reported intrastate operating revenues, and, except as noted below for certain interstate utilities, will consist of a base charge plus an incremental charge per unit of \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof for each such unit in excess of the lower limit of the indicated range.

If the Reported Operating Revenues Fall Within the Range	The Base Charge is	The Incremental Charge per \$1,000 Unit is
Under \$10,000	\$10.00	.....
\$10,000 to 25,000	15.00	.....
25,000 to 50,000	25.00	.....
50,000 to 500,000	25.00	\$0.50/M
500,000 to 1,000,000	250.00	0.39/M
1,000,000 to 5,000,000	445.00	0.15/M
5,000,000 to 10,000,000	1,045.00	0.10/M
10,000,000 to 50,000,000	1,545.00	0.08/M
50,000,000 to 100,000,000	4,745.00	0.07/M

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100,000,000 to 200,000,000	8,245.00	0.05/M
200,000,000 and over	13,245.00	0.03/M

(2) Public utilities engaged in interstate commerce who are required to file annual reports with the board and who derive 50% or more of their operating revenues from interstate commerce shall pay a fee for examination and audit of their annual report in accordance with the following schedule. The board may establish reasonable rules for the determination of such intrastate revenues in cases where the same have not been reported.

For Intrastate Revenues Within the Range		The Fee is
Under	\$10,000	\$25.00
\$10,000 to	50,000	50.00
50,001 to	200,000	75.00
200,001 to	500,000	150.00
500,001 to	1,000,000	300.00
over	1,000,000	500.00

C. Pamphlets and Publications Charge Per Copy

(1) Annual report of the Board of Public Utilities ... \$2.00

(2) Utility annual report forms

Sewer	5.00
Income Sheets	2.00
Railroad	10.00
Telephone	10.00
Water	
Classes A, B and C	10.00
Class D	5.00
Class E (Income Sheets)	2.00
Buses	
Class A	10.00
Class B	5.00
Class C	2.00
Gas	10.00
Electric	10.00

(3) Pamphlets containing rules and regulations and all other pamphlets published by the board

Pamphlets with less than 25 pages... 2.00

Pamphlets with 25 pages or more but less than 50 pages 2.50

Pamphlets with 50 pages or more 2.50

Plus \$0.25 for each additional 25 pages or fraction thereof in excess of 50 pages

(4) Uniform system of accounts 10.00

(5) Photocopies of documents or reports--

per page..... up to \$0.10 for letter size or smaller up to \$0.15 for legal size or

larger

Charge for

	Each Year Covered
(6) Compilation of board's decisions ...	\$2.00
(7) Statistics of utilities--private and municipal	3.00
D. Subpoenas--Petition for and Issuance	Charge per Subpoena
(1) Subpoena for the attendance of witnesses	\$2.00
(2) Subpoena duces tecum	5.00

E. Applications and Petitions Submitted to the Board

(1) For approval of issuance of securities or evidences of indebtedness the filing fee shall be based on the estimated proceeds before costs and expenses of issuance. When the actual proceeds become known, the fee will be adjusted accordingly. The total filing fee will consist of a base charge plus an incremental charge per unit of \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof of proceeds in excess of the lower limit of the range of the indicated block. In the case of stock dividends, the proceeds shall be taken as the amount to be transferred from earned surplus account.

If the proceeds of the Trans- action Fall Within the Range	The Base Charge is	The Incremental Charge per \$1,000 Unit is
Under \$5,000	\$10.00	.....
\$5,001 to 10,000	15.00	.....
10,001 to 20,000	30.00	.....
20,001 to 30,000	50.00	.....
30,001 to 100,000	50.00	\$0.70/M
100,001 to 500,000	99.00	0.60/M
500,001 to 1,000,000	339.00	0.50/M
1,000,001 to 5,000,000	589.00	0.40/M
5,000,001 to 10,000,000	2,189.00	0.35/M
10,000,001 to 25,000,000	3,939.00	0.30/M
25,000,001 and over	8,439.00	0.25/M

(2) For increases in rates or fares, whether by petition, filing of revised tariff, or by petition for negotiated relief under R.S.48:2-21.1, provided that when two petitions or a petition with an amendment relate to one and the same increase only one fee shall be charged, the fees are to be based on the proposed increase in annual operating revenues for which application is made and will consist of a base charge plus an incremental charge per unit of \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof for each such unit in excess of the lower limit of the indicated range.

If the Proposed Increase Falls Within the Range	The Base Charge is	The Incre- mental Charge per \$1,000 Unit is
Up to \$5,000	\$25.00	.....
\$5,000 to 30,000	25.00	\$2.00/M

30,000 to	100,000	75.00	1.80/M
100,000 to	300,000	201.00	1.60/M
300,000 to	600,000	521.00	1.40/M
600,000 to	1,000,000	941.00	1.20/M
1,000,000 to	5,000,000	1,421.00	1.00/M
5,000,000 to	10,000,000	5,421.00	0.80/M
10,000,000 to	20,000,000	9,421.00	0.60/M
20,000,000 and over		15,421.00	0.30/M

Filing of an initial rate, a contract for a special rate or any other document involving a tariff change not otherwise provided for above
25.00

In addition to the filing fee computed in accordance with the foregoing, the public utility shall pay a processing fee of 1/10 of 1% of the new or initial annual operating revenues or increase in annual operating revenues that may be authorized by the board, which fee in no event shall be less than \$25.00

Filing automatic adjustment clause tariff
revision..... \$25.00

(3) For sales of property or leases of property
(Based on the Consideration or Annual Rental) Filing Fee

Up to	\$1,000	\$10.00
\$1,001 to	5,000	25.00
5,001 to	10,000	50.00
10,001 to	20,000	75.00
20,001 to	50,000	150.00
50,001 to	100,000	250.00
100,001 and over	.....	350.00

(4) For approval of mergers Filing Fee

The filing fee for approval of mergers is to be based on the total utility plant account of the surviving utility and will be computed according to the schedule of charges set forth herein for sales of property or leases of property.

(5) For approval of a municipal consent \$20.00

Where petition requests approval of more than one municipal consent on the same route for each such additional consent 10.00

(6) For rehearing, reopening, reargument or reconsideration of any matter 15.00

(7) For approval of contracts under Revised Statutes 48:3-7.1..... 100.00

(8) For establishment of new railroad-highway crossing at grade..... 50.00

(9) For grade crossing separation 100.00

(10) For relocation or widening of grade crossing..... 100.00

(11) For abandonment of grade crossing ... 50.00

(12) For discontinuance of station agents and stations 50.00

(13) For authority to exercise eminent domain-- for each separate parcel of property

- involved 100.00
- (14) Any application or petition not herein specifically designated or described..... 25.00
- (15) For inspection or test of electric, water or gas meter 5.00
(This fee is to be returned to the customer and collected from the utility in cases where the meter is found to be registering fast beyond the allowable limit of accuracy established by the board.)

F. Buses or Other Motor Vehicles

- (1) For approval of transfer of municipal consents..... \$25.00
- (2) For approval of conditional sale contract, notes or chattel mortgage based on the principal amount involved

	Filing Fee
\$5,000 or less	10.00
5,001 to 10,000	15.00
10,001 to 25,000	25.00
25,001 to 50,000	50.00
50,001 to 100,000	75.00
Over \$100,000	100.00

- (3) For changes, extensions or consolidation of existing autobus routes 25.00
- (4) For approval of leases of equipment 25.00

Charges

- (5) For inspection of new bus equipment and issuance of certificate of compliance--each bus 115.00
- (6) Specification recheck--each bus 50.00
- (7) For issuance of duplicate certificate of compliance--each 2.00
- (8) For inspection of autobus for restoration to service after removal for lack of insurance 70.00
- (9) For each periodic inspection of autobus by board's inspector (including first recheck)--each bus 85.00
- (10) Additional maintenance recheck--each bus 35.00
- (11) Self inspection--each bus 30.00

G. Miscellaneous Filing Fee

- (1) Formal complaints--Costs to be assessed against the respondent utility if the complaint is sustained by the board \$25.00
- (2) Answers to formal complaints 10.00
- (3) Where the answer sets up a prayer for affirmative relief 25.00

- (4) Amendment to any petition or answer .. 10.00
- (5) Reports and statements filed by pipeline companies as required by board's rules issued under the authority of Title 48 of the Revised Statutes except accident reports 200.00
- (6) (Deleted by amendment, P.L.1993, c.124).
Charge Per
Copy
- (7) Extra copy of any decision, order or certificate of the board up to \$0.10 per letter size page or smaller, up to \$0.15 per legal size page or larger
- (8) Certification of any document 2.50

All filing fees shall be paid at the time of the original filing of the report, application, petition or other document or paper in the matter. No pleading will be considered filed until the appropriate fees are paid. In cases where such payment is not feasible, as may be determined by the board, the amount will be due and payable on the presentation of an invoice.

When a petition covers more than one matter or makes a prayer for relief with respect to more than one matter, the fee for filing the same shall be the sum of the fees that would be paid for each individual matter.

When several utilities or petitioners join in the filing of a single petition, then the fees herein provided shall apply to each petitioner as may be appropriate.

7. This act shall take effect immediately but shall be inoperative until the 60th day following enactment.

Approved September 10, 2010.