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SENATE KURY, AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, IN SENATE, AS AS AMENDED, MAY 23, 1978

## AN ACT

- 1 Establishing fees for certain licenses, certificates and
- 2 activities relating to milk marketing and making certain
- 3 repeals.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Short title.
- 7 This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Milk
- 8 Marketing Fee Act."
- 9 Section 2. Definitions and construction.
- 10 The words and phrases used in this act shall have the
- 11 meanings ascribed to them in the act of April 28, 1937 (P.L.417,
- 12 No.105), known as the "Milk Marketing Law," unless the context
- 13 clearly indicates to the contrary.
- 14 Section 3. Milk dealer license fees generally.
- 15 (a) The Milk Marketing Board shall charge and collect
- 16 license fees from milk dealers on a yearly basis, as follows:
- 17 (1) Fixed fee per milk dealer, a license fee of \$50.

- 1 (2) Addition to fixed fee, for milk on which board fixes
- 2 prices under the provisions of the "Milk Marketing Law,"
- 3 received, produced or brought within the Commonwealth during
- 4 the calendar year preceding the period for which the license
- is issued, a license fee of one hundred seventy-five ten-
- 6 thousandths of a dollar (.0175) per hundredweight.
- 7 (3) Addition to fixed fee, for all other milk on which
- 8 price is not fixed under, received, produced or brought
- 9 within the Commonwealth during the calendar year preceding
- 10 the period for which the license is issued, a license fee of
- fifteen ten-thousandths of a dollar (.0015) per
- 12 hundredweight. The provisions of this subsection do not apply
- to subdealers, subhandlers or stores.
- 14 (b) The board shall charge and collect license fees from
- 15 subdealers on an annual basis of \$35 \$37.50 for each route owned
- 16 or operated at the commencement of the license period.
- 17 (c) Except as otherwise expressly provided by law, the
- 18 license fee fixed by this section shall be paid before any
- 19 license, or any renewal thereof, is issued. Where a license is
- 20 applied for by a milk dealer, and the board declines to grant a
- 21 license to the applicant, the license fee shall be charged and
- 22 retained by the board only pro rata for so much of the license
- 23 year as expired prior to the issuance of the order refusing the
- 24 license.
- 25 (d) The board by regulation may establish a payment schedule
- 26 for licensees on a quarterly, semiannual or other basis.
- 27 Section 4. License fees for certain milk dealers.
- 28 (a) Milk dealers who are not engaged in the milk business at
- 29 the commencement of the license period shall pay a proportionate
- 30 amount of the specific annual fee as follows:

- 1 (1) For a license issued on or after October 1, but
- prior to January 1, \$37.50.
- 3 (2) For a license issued on or after January 1, but
- 4 prior to April 1 of the succeeding year, \$25.
- 5 (3) For a license issued on or after April 1, but prior
- 6 to July 1, \$12.50.
- 7 (b) (1) Milk dealers not engaged in the milk business for
- 8 the complete preceding calendar year shall submit with their
- 9 application a license fee as provided by this section and, in
- 10 addition thereto, at such time or times as the board may fix,
- shall pay on a monthly basis an additional license fee of one
- hundred seventy-five ten-thousandths of a dollar (.0175) per
- hundredweight on all milk the prices of which the board fixes
- under the provisions of the "Milk Marketing Law," and a
- license fee of fifteen ten-thousandths of a dollar (.0015)
- per hundredweight on all other milk on which the price is not
- fixed by the board, received, produced or brought within the
- 18 Commonwealth by the dealer during the preceding month.
- 19 (2) The payments required in paragraph (1) shall
- 20 continue until the dealer has been engaged in the milk
- 21 business for a full year at which time the board shall
- 22 establish payment of a license fee based on the provisions of
- 23 section 3.
- 24 (3) The provisions of this subsection do not apply to
- 25 subdealers, subhandlers or stores.
- 26 Section 5. Computation of license fees.
- 27 Milk sold and distributed outside of this Commonwealth in any
- 28 state which charges milk dealers or handlers a license fee may
- 29 be deducted in the determination of the amount of the license
- 30 fee required by this act, on the condition, that such quantity

- 1 of milk is actually computed in determining the amount of such
- 2 license fee in such other state. In computing the license fee to
- 3 be charged by the board, the fluid milk equivalent of milk other
- 4 than fluid milk, shall be ascertained and fixed in such manner
- 5 as the board shall prescribe, except in the case of farm-
- 6 separated sour cream used exclusively in making butter to be
- 7 marketed or ultimately sold as such, in which case the total
- 8 quantity of such milk shall be computed according to pounds of
- 9 butterfat of sour cream rather than the fluid milk equivalent
- 10 thereof. Nothing herein is to be construed as requiring, in the
- 11 computation of the license fee, the inclusion of milk which is
- 12 received by the applicant milk dealer or handler from another
- 13 milk dealer or handler, subject to license hereunder, which milk
- 14 has been included in the computation of such other dealer's fee;
- 15 or milk which is produced by the applicant dealer or handler and
- 16 not sold by him to stores or consumers. Applicant milk dealers
- 17 or handlers, other than subdealers or subhandlers, receiving
- 18 their entire supply from milk dealers or handlers who have paid
- 19 a license fee thereon to this board, shall pay the license fee
- 20 of \$50.
- 21 Section 6. Milk Haulers License.
- The annual fee for a Milk Haulers License shall be \$25 \$30.

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- 23 Section 7. Weighing or Measuring Permit.
- 24 The annual fee for a Weighing or Measuring Permit shall be
- 25 \$10 for each location.
- 26 Section 8. Certified Tester's Certificate of Proficiency.
- 27 SECTION 7. FEES FOR MILK TESTER'S CERTIFICATES.
- 28 The annual fee for a Certified Tester's Certificate of
- 29 Proficiency CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY IN MILK TESTING shall be
- 30 \$10 \$25. THE FEE FOR AN ANNUAL MILK TESTER'S CERTIFICATE SHALL <--

- 1 BE \$20.
- 2 Section 9. Weighing and Sampling Certificate of Proficiency.
- 3 SECTION 8. FEES PAID BY MILK WEIGHERS AND SAMPLERS.
- 4 The annual fee for a Weighing and Sampling Certificate of <--

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- 6 SAMPLING shall be \$10 \$15. THE FEE FOR AN ANNUAL MILK WEIGHING <---
- 7 AND SAMPLING CERTIFICATE SHALL BE \$15.
- 8 SECTION 9. TRANSFER FEE.
- 9 THE FEE FOR TRANSFER OF A LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THE ACT OF
- 10 APRIL 28, 1937 (P.L.417, NO.105), KNOWN AS THE "MILK MARKETING
- 11 LAW, " SHALL BE \$10.
- 12 SECTION 10. MISCELLANEOUS FEES.
- 13 THE MILK MARKETING BOARD SHALL CHARGE AND COLLECT FEES FOR
- 14 PROVIDING COPIES OF OR FOR CERTIFICATION OF PAPERS, TESTIMONY
- 15 AND RECORDS. THE FEES SHALL BE COLLECTED FROM THE PERSONS
- 16 REQUESTING THE DOCUMENTS OR CERTIFICATION AND SHALL BE IN SUCH
- 17 AMOUNT AS TO FULLY OFFSET THE COSTS INCURRED BY THE BOARD IN
- 18 PROVIDING THE DOCUMENTS OR CERTIFICATION.
- 19 Section 10 11. Repeals.
- 20 (a) Sections 408, 409 AND 410, and the second paragraph of <-
- 21 section 550 AND SECTIONS 601 AND 1105 of the act of April 28,
- 22 1937 (P.L.417, No.105), known as the "Milk Marketing Law," are
- 23 repealed absolutely.
- 24 (b) Sections 601, 407, 602 and 603 of the "Milk Marketing
- 25 Law," are repealed to the extent such sections set fees for
- 26 licenses, certificates or activities for which new fees have
- 27 been prescribed in this act.
- 28 (c) All other acts or parts of acts are repealed to the
- 29 extent of their inconsistency with this act.
- 30 Section <del>11</del> 12. Effective date.

- 1 This act shall take effect immediately and shall be
- 2 retroactive to January 1, 1978.