
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED BY FARRY, GRELL, MILLARD, AUMENT, KAUFFMAN, COHEN,
MURT, ROCK, HESS, D. COSTA, M. K. KELLER, WATSON, GINGRICH,
CLYMER, LAWRENCE, MILNE, QUINN, DAVIS AND GALLOWAY,
APRIL 30, 2013

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, APRIL 30, 2013

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for
3 criminal laboratory user fee.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 1725.3(b) and (c) of Title 42 of the
7 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:

8 § 1725.3. Criminal laboratory user fee.

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10 (b) Amount of user fee.--

11 (1) [Where the prosecution is conducted in a county of
12 the first class or a county of the second class and the
13 county operates a county laboratory that has provided
14 services in the prosecution, the] The director or similar
15 officer of the county laboratory that has provided services
16 in the prosecution shall determine the actual cost of the
17 laboratory services provided in the prosecution and transmit

1 a statement for services rendered to the court. [If a county
2 of the first class or a county of the second class does not
3 operate a county laboratory and laboratory services in the
4 prosecution were provided by the Pennsylvania State Police,
5 the fee shall be determined under paragraph (2).]

6 (2) [Where the prosecution is conducted in a county
7 other than a county of the first class or a county of the
8 second class and] If a Pennsylvania State Police laboratory
9 has provided services in the prosecution, the director or
10 similar officer of the Pennsylvania State Police laboratory
11 shall determine the actual cost of the laboratory services
12 provided in the prosecution and transmit a statement for
13 services rendered to the court.

14 (c) Disposition of fees.--

15 (1) [In a county of the first class or a county of the
16 second class that operates a county laboratory, the] The
17 criminal laboratory user fee for criminal laboratory services
18 provided by a county shall be paid to the county and shall be
19 used solely for operation and maintenance of the county
20 laboratory. [If a county of the first class or a county of
21 the second class does not operate a county laboratory, the]
22 The criminal laboratory user fee for criminal laboratory
23 services provided by the Pennsylvania State Police laboratory
24 shall be paid into the Criminal Laboratory User Fee Fund
25 created under paragraph (2).

26 (2) [In a county other than a county of the first class
27 or a county of the second class or where a county of the
28 first class or a county of the second class does not operate
29 a county laboratory, the criminal laboratory user fee shall
30 be paid into a] A special nonlapsing fund of the State

1 Treasury[, which] is hereby established and shall be known as
2 the Criminal Laboratory User Fee Fund. Money in the Criminal
3 Laboratory User Fee Fund is hereby appropriated to the
4 Pennsylvania State Police and shall be used solely for
5 operation and maintenance of Pennsylvania State Police
6 criminal laboratories.

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8 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.