
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED BY CALTAGIRONE, COHEN, FRANKEL, JAMES, THOMAS,
D. COSTA, WATSON, DeLUCA, BARBIN AND ROZZI, FEBRUARY 9, 2015

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 9, 2015

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in governance of the
3 system, further providing for 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) The director or similar officer of the county
12 laboratory that has provided services in the prosecution
13 shall determine the actual cost of the laboratory services
14 provided in the prosecution and transmit a statement for
15 services rendered to the court.

16 (2) If a Pennsylvania State Police or Office of Attorney
17 General laboratory has provided services in the prosecution,
18 the director or similar officer of the Pennsylvania State

1 Police or Office of Attorney General laboratory shall
2 determine the actual cost of the laboratory services provided
3 in the prosecution and transmit a statement for services
4 rendered to the court.

5 (c) Disposition of fees.--

6 (1) The criminal laboratory user fee for criminal
7 laboratory services provided by a county shall be paid to the
8 county and shall be used solely for operation and maintenance
9 of the county laboratory. The criminal laboratory user fee
10 for criminal laboratory services provided by the Pennsylvania
11 State Police laboratory shall be paid into the Criminal
12 Laboratory User Fee Fund created under paragraph (2) [.] (i).
13 The criminal laboratory user fee for criminal laboratory
14 services provided by the Office of Attorney General shall be
15 paid into the Forensic Analysis Reimbursement Fund created
16 under paragraph (2) (ii).

17 (2) (i) A special nonlapsing fund of the State Treasury
18 is hereby established and shall be known as the Criminal
19 Laboratory User Fee Fund. Money in the Criminal
20 Laboratory User Fee Fund is hereby appropriated to the
21 Pennsylvania State Police and shall be used solely for
22 operation and maintenance of Pennsylvania State Police
23 criminal laboratories.

24 (ii) A special nonlapsing fund of the State is
25 hereby established and shall be known as the Forensic
26 Analysis Reimbursement Fund. Money in the Forensic
27 Analysis Reimbursement Fund is hereby appropriated to the
28 Office of Attorney General and shall be used solely for
29 the operation and maintenance of Office of Attorney
30 General criminal laboratories.

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