



Ohio Revised Code

Section 3709.09 Board of health to establish uniform system of fees; adoption of rules.

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(A) The board of health of a city or general health district may, by rule, establish a uniform system of fees to pay the costs of any services provided by the board.

The fee for issuance of a certified copy of a vital record or a certification of birth shall not be less than the fee prescribed for the same service under division (A)(1) of section 3705.24 of the Revised Code and shall include the fees required by division (B) of section 3705.24 and section 3109.14 of the Revised Code.

Fees for services provided by the board for purposes specified in sections 3701.344, 3711.10, 3718.06, 3729.07, 3730.03, and 3749.04 of the Revised Code shall be established in accordance with rules adopted under division (B) of this section. The district advisory council, in the case of a general health district, and the legislative authority of the city, in the case of a city health district, may disapprove any fee established by the board of health under this division, and any such fee, as disapproved, shall not be charged by the board of health.

(B) The director of health shall adopt rules under section 111.15 of the Revised Code that establish fee categories and a uniform methodology for use in calculating the costs of services provided for purposes specified in sections 3701.344, 3711.10, 3718.06, 3729.07, 3730.03, and 3749.04 of the Revised Code. In adopting the rules, the director shall consider recommendations it receives from advisory boards established either by statute or the director for entities subject to the fees.

(C) Except when a board of health establishes a fee by adopting a rule as an emergency measure, the board of health shall hold a public hearing regarding each proposed fee for a service provided by the board for a purpose specified in section 3701.344, 3711.10, 3718.06, 3729.07, 3730.03, or 3749.04 of the Revised Code. If a public hearing is held, at least twenty days prior to the public hearing the board shall give written notice of the hearing to each entity affected by the proposed fee. The notice shall be mailed to the last known address of each entity and shall specify the date, time,



and place of the hearing and the amount of the proposed fee.

(D) If payment of a fee established under this section is not received by the day on which payment is due, the board of health shall assess a penalty. The amount of the penalty shall be equal to twenty-five per cent of the applicable fee.

(E) All rules adopted by a board of health under this section shall be adopted, recorded, and certified as are ordinances of municipal corporations and the record thereof shall be given in all courts the same effect as is given such ordinances, but the advertisements of such rules shall be by publication in one newspaper of general circulation within the health district. Publication shall be made once a week for two consecutive weeks or as provided in section 7.16 of the Revised Code, and such rules shall take effect and be in force ten days from the date of the first publication.