

**Act No. 149 (H.872). Executive Branch; fees**

**An act relating to Executive Branch fees**

This act amends Executive Branch fees as follows:

Secs. 1–29 make changes to fees charged by the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets. These changes include fee adjustments, new fees, and the elimination of one fee.

Secs. 30–34e make changes to fees charged by the Department of Financial Regulation. These changes include new fees, fee increases, and a new exemption for DFR from the statutory definition of a fee. Secs. 34b–34e make changes to the State’s involvement in the EB-5 program.

Sec. 35 increases the marriage license fee collected by town clerks for issuing and recording a marriage or civil union license.

Secs. 36–37 increase certain fees charged by the Department of Public Safety.

Secs. 38–43 make changes to certain fees charged by the Department of Liquor Control. These changes include fee adjustments and new fees.

Secs. 44–45 make changes to certain fees charged by the Agency of Natural Resources, including those charged by the Departments of Fish and Wildlife and of Environmental Conservation.

Sec. 46 pertains to the Department of Labor, and maintains the Workers’ Compensation Fund premium rate at 1.45 percent for fiscal year 2017.

Sec. 47 pertains to the Agency of Education, and creates new fees to fund the Results Oriented Program Approval (ROPA) process.

Multiple effective dates, beginning retroactively on July 1, 2015.