

Sec. E.106 EXECUTIVE BRANCH FEES AND FUND DEFICITS;
PROPOSED INCREASES AND FOREGONE REVENUE;
REPORT

(a) According to the report submitted by the Commissioner of Finance and Management pursuant to 2021 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec. E.106, \$22,000,000 in revenue was foregone in one fiscal year due to lack of inflationary increases in certain fees, including Agency of Transportation fees.

(b) On or before November 15, 2022, the Commissioner of Finance and Management shall submit an inventory of all existing fees within state government to the Joint Fiscal Committee in excel format. This inventory shall include all fees collected by the executive branch, including the Secretary of State, the Attorney General and the State Treasurer, as well as fees collected by the Judicial Branch. For fees within the Judicial branch, the Commissioner shall have the assistance of the State Court Administrator. The fee inventory shall contain the following information for each fee in existence on the preceding July 1:

(1) the statutory authorization and termination date if any;

(2) its current rate or amount and the date this was last set or adjusted by the General Assembly or by the Joint Fiscal Committee;

(3) the fund into which its revenues are deposited;

(4) the revenues derived from it in each of the two previous fiscal years and an estimate of what will be collected in the current fiscal year;

(6) in the case of licensing and registration fees, whether the fee is collected annually, biennially, or on some other set timeframe;

(c) On or before November 15, 2022, the Commissioner of Finance and Management shall provide a list of all funds to the Joint Fiscal Committee for which one or both of the following conditions are true:

(A) the fund was in a deficit at the end of the most recent fiscal year or is expected to be in a deficit at the end of the current fiscal year; or

(B) general funds were needed in any of the last three years to address a fund deficit or to support the related operating costs of programs supported by the fund.

(d) On or before January 15, 2023, the Commissioner of Finance and Management shall submit a copy of the reports described in subsection (b) and (c) to the House Committees on Government Operations and on Ways and Means and the Senate Committees on Finance and on Government Operations. The report shall include a proposal to increase any fee identified in subsection (b) where the revenue raised by the fee does not fully cover the cost of providing the service, product, or regulatory function supported by that fee.