

1 [Business and Tax Regulations Code - Emergency Medical Services Fees]

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3 **Ordinance amending the Business and Tax Regulations Code to require that payment**
 4 **of emergency medical services fees be made to the Department of Public Health rather**
 5 **than the Department of Emergency Management.**

6 NOTE: **Unchanged Code text and uncodified text** are in plain Arial font.
 7 **Additions to Codes** are in *single-underline italics Times New Roman font*.
 8 **Deletions to Codes** are in *strikethrough italics Times New Roman font*.
 9 **Board amendment additions** are in double-underlined Arial font.
 10 **Board amendment deletions** are in ~~strikethrough Arial font~~.
 11 **Asterisks (* * * *)** indicate the omission of unchanged Code
 12 subsections or parts of tables.

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11 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

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13 Section 1. The Business and Tax Regulations Code is hereby amended by revising
 14 Section 249.8, to read as follows:

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16 **SEC. 249.8. ~~PRIVATE AMBULANCES~~EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES.**

17 (a) Every person, firm or corporation engaged in operating a private ambulance that
 18 requires a Certificate of Operation shall pay an initial application fee of \$10,000 at the time of
 19 filing the initial application, and an annual renewal fee of \$5,000 to the ~~Department of~~
 20 ~~Emergency Management~~Department of Public Health.

21 (b) Every person, firm or corporation holding a Certificate of Operation must also
 22 pay an annual ambulance permit fee of \$1,600 for each vehicle to the ~~City~~
 23 ~~Treasurer~~Department of Public Health. ~~Effective July 1, 2010, this fee must be paid to the Department~~
 24 ~~of Emergency Management.~~

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1 (c) As authorized by Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations, the following
2 fees are due and payable to the ~~Department of Emergency Management~~Department of Public
3 Health by every person, firm, or corporation applying for and renewing the certification for an
4 Emergency Medical Services ("EMS") Training Program:

5 (1) EMS Training Program Initial Application: \$1,775 for a Paramedic Program,
6 \$1,185 for an Emergency Medical Technician ("EMT") Program, and \$595 for a Continuing
7 Education Program.

8 (2) EMS Training Program Renewal, due every four years from the time of the last
9 renewal: \$890 for a Paramedic Program, \$650 for an EMT Program, and \$360 for a
10 Continuing Education Program.

11 (d) As authorized by Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations and Section
12 1797.212 of the California Health and Safety Code, the following fees are due and payable to
13 the ~~Department of Emergency Management~~Department of Public Health by persons applying for
14 and renewing EMT Certificates:

15 (1) Application for initial EMT Certificate: \$145.

16 (2) Renewal of current and valid EMT Certificate, not including EMT-Paramedic:
17 \$107 due every two years.

18 (3) Application for initial EMT-Paramedic Accreditation: \$31.

19 (e) As authorized by Sections 1798, 1798.2, and 1798.164 of the California Health
20 and Safety Code, the following fees are due and payable annually in advance to the
21 ~~Department of Emergency Management~~Department of Public Health by the following facilities (as
22 defined in Section 901 of the ~~San Francisco~~ Health Code) that receive patients through
23 Ambulance Service Providers:

24 (1) Receiving Hospital: \$10,719.
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1 (2) STEMI (ST segment elevation myocardial infarction) ~~Heart Attack~~ Center:
2 \$13,310.

3 (f) The fees in this ~~s~~Section 249.8 shall be retroactive and effective as of May 1,
4 2009.

5 (g) Beginning with fiscal year 2009-2010 and annually thereafter, the fees set forth
6 in this ~~s~~Section 249.8 may be adjusted each year, without further action by the Board of
7 Supervisors, as set forth in this subsection (g). Not later than April 1, the Director of the
8 ~~Department of Emergency Management~~Department of Public Health shall report to the Controller
9 the revenues generated by the fees for the prior fiscal year and the prior fiscal year's costs of
10 operation, as well as any other information that the Controller determines appropriate to the
11 performance of the duties set forth in this Article. Not later than May 15, the Controller shall
12 determine whether the current fees have produced or are projected to produce revenues
13 sufficient to support the costs of providing the services for which the fee is assessed and that
14 the fees will not produce revenue that is significantly more than the costs of providing the
15 services for which the fee is assessed. The Controller shall, if necessary, adjust the fees
16 upward or downward for the upcoming fiscal year as appropriate to ensure that the program
17 recovers the costs of operation without producing revenue that is significantly more than such
18 costs. The adjusted rates shall become operative on July 1.

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20 Section 2. Effective Date; Retroaction Application.

21 (a) This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after enactment. Enactment occurs
22 when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the ordinance unsigned or does not
23 sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board of Supervisors overrides the
24 Mayor's veto of the ordinance.

1 (b) This ordinance shall apply to any fees imposed by Section 249.8 of the Business
2 and Tax Regulations Code that are payable on or after July 1, 2017.

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