

**LEGISLATIVE DIGEST**

[Administrative Code - Weights and Measures Fees]

**Ordinance amending the Administrative Code, Section 1.13-5, to revise registration fees for inspecting and testing weighing and measuring devices as provided by State law; and making environmental findings.**

Existing Law

California law requires all weighing and measuring devices used for commercial purposes, as defined in the California Business and Professions Code Section 12500(e), to register annually with the County Sealer of Weights and Measures. The fee charged by the County Sealer for such registration is used to offset the costs of inspecting and testing of these devices, and to recover the cost of carrying out this requirement. The State sets the maximum fee that can be recovered by a county.

Amendments to Current Law

In 2012, State law was amended to increase the fees a county may charge for inspecting and testing weighing and measuring devices. Additionally the State of California requires counties to collect a fee to cover the California Department of Food and Agriculture's administrative costs and remit those fees to the State.