

## **LEGISLATIVE DIGEST**

[Administrative Code - Due Date for Weights and Measurements Fees and Temporarily Waiving Fees for Taximeter Devices]

**Ordinance amending the Administrative Code by setting March 31 as the annual due date to pay registration fees for weighing and measuring devices and automated point of sale stations used for commercial purposes; retroactively eliminating fees billed by the Tax Collector on or after January 1, 2019, through fees otherwise due prior to March 31, 2025, for each business with a taximeter device; refunding eliminated fees paid to the City, and any penalties paid on such fees; and updating administrative fees to conform with the State of California's annual device administrative fee schedule.**

### Existing Law

Current law does not specify the annual due date for the payment of registration fees for weighing and measuring devices and automated point of sale stations used for commercial purposes. All weighing and measuring devices used for commercial purposes are required to be registered annually with the City. Each annual registration fee includes a business location fee component, a device fee component, and a State of California administrative charge. Similarly, a point of sale station used for commercial purposes is required to be registered annually with the City. A separate registration is required for each separate point of sale station. Each person registering a point of sale station for a business location is required to pay an annual registration fee. Failure to timely pay annual registration fees for weighing and measuring devices and automated point of sale stations used for commercial purposes are subject to penalties billed at 100% of the registration fee.

### Amendments to Current Law

The proposed ordinance would set March 31 as the annual due date to pay registration fees for weighing and measuring devices and automated point of sale stations used for commercial purposes. Failure to timely pay annual registration fees will be subject to penalties under Section 76.1 of Article 2 of the Business and Tax Regulations Code. For businesses with taximeter devices, the business location fee and device fee components of the annual registration fees billed on or after January 1, 2019, through fees due prior to March 31, 2025, will be eliminated. The City will refund eliminated fees and penalties already paid by businesses with taximeter devices.

The proposed ordinance reflects the California Department of Food and Agriculture's revised annual weighing and measuring device fee schedule.

