

TITLE 6: CRIMES AND CRIMINAL PROCEDURE
DIVISION 4: DISPOSITION OF OFFENDERS

§ 4281. Parole Supervision: Assessment Fee Program.

There is hereby established in the Office of the Board of Parole, under the supervision of the Board of Parole, a Parole Supervision Assessment Fee Program to be administered by the Chief Parole Officer, or other person designated by the Board.

Source: PL 14-33, § 3.

Commission Comment: PL 14-33 took effect on October 8, 2004 and contained the following short title and findings, in addition to severability and savings provisions:

Section 1. Title. This Act shall be known as the Parole Supervision Assessment Fees Program Act of 2004.

Section 2. Findings. The Legislature finds that certain inmates are released by the Board of Parole on parole from incarceration at the Division of Corrections, Department of Public Safety, with certain parole conditions. In enforcing these parole conditions, the Chief Parole Officer and Parole Officers are required to conduct periodic job site visits, home visits, other inspections, and investigations both during and after normal working hours. Parolees found in violation of their parole conditions are required to report to the Board of Parole Office, further investigation or other action may then be taken by the Parole Officers and Board if necessary. The Legislature also finds that the Adult Probation Office of the Commonwealth Superior Courts assess fees for all persons placed on probation.

Additionally, the Legislature finds that due to the economic setbacks being experienced by the Commonwealth, it is necessary to take measures in order for government agencies to be self-supporting to a certain degree. This proposed measure is intended to address this issue to ensure that such agency or program is adequately and properly funded. The implementation of a Parole Supervision Assessment Fees Program will allow for the continuation of services while lessening the burden on the taxpayers.

Furthermore, the Legislature finds that parolees should be held financially and personally accountable for the services they receive from the Office of the Board of Parole in order to become law abiding and productive members of society.

It is the consensus of the members of the Legislature that implementation of the Parole Supervision Assessment Fee Program is long overdue and shall be implemented immediately.