

## CONSTRUCTION LIEN FUND MEMBERSHIP FEES

Public Act 497 of 2006 amended the Construction Lien Act to require that all licensed contractors to pay a membership fee of \$10 upon initial licensure and a \$10 fee for each year of license renewal for deposit in the Homeowner Construction Lien Recovery Fund, effective January 3, 2007. Separate membership fees must be paid for each active license that you hold.

This change will impact the licenses as follows:

### Residential Builders/M & A Contractors ##

Pay \$10 with initial application:

New Application fee: \$205 (\$180 + \$15 App Fee + \$10 Con Lien)

Pay \$10 per year of license renewal (\$20 total fee due with 2 year renewal;  
\$30 total fee due with 3 year renewal)

Renewal fee for 2 year period: \$140 (June 1, 2009-May 31, 2011)

Renewal fee for 3 year period: \$180 (June 1, 2011-May 31, 2014)

### Electrical Contractors/Fire Alarm Contractors \*

Pay \$10 at initial application:

Add \$10 fee to initial licensing application:

(3 year license cycle fee: \$300 + \$10)

(2 year license cycle fee: \$200 + \$10)

(1 year license cycle fee: \$100 + \$10)

Pay \$10 per year of license renewal (\$30 total fee due with 3 year renewal)

New Renewal fee: \$300 + \$30 (December 31)

### Plumbing Contractors \*

Pay \$10 at initial application:

Add \$10 fee to initial licensing application:

(3 year license cycle fee: \$300 + \$10)

(2 year license cycle fee: \$200 + \$10)

(1 year license cycle fee: \$100 + \$10)

Pay \$10 per year of license renewal (\$30 total fee due with 3 year renewal)

New Renewal fee: \$300 + \$30 (April 30)

### Mechanical Contractors \*

Pay \$10 at initial application:

Add \$10 fee to initial licensing application:

(3 year license cycle fee: \$300 + \$10)

(2 year license cycle fee: \$200 + \$10)

(1 year license cycle fee: \$100 + \$10)

Pay \$10 per year of license renewal (\$30 total fee due with 3 year renewal)

New Renewal fee: \$300 + \$30 (August 31)

## Fees for BCS Residential Builders license, effective June 1, 2008

\* Fees for the Bureau of Construction Codes licenses effective as of January 1, 2009

## Membership Fee Changes

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Under the Act, except for licensed contractors and laborers, the supplier and subcontractors (non-licensed) members are required to pay \$50 fee to become a member before the date of the lien claimant's contract for improvement or materials and pay \$30 renewal fee every 3 years to maintain their membership in the Fund. A laborer who seeks to recover from the Fund is not required to pay a fee until he or she obtains a recovery, at which time a \$15 fee will be withheld from the first time payout from the Fund. The laborer will be assessed the membership renewal fee of \$30 on June 1 every three years. If a laborer, supplier or subcontractor paid an initial fee to become a member of the Fund on or before June 1, 2006, the first renewal fee will be due by June 1, 2009. If a person became a member after June 1, 2006, the \$30 renewal fee will be due by the first June 1 following the third anniversary date of the initial membership date, and a \$30 renewal date by June 1 every third year after the first renewal payment.

#### Examples:

Supplier X paid the initial membership fee of \$50 on February 1, 2005, the first membership renewal fee of \$30 would be due by June 1, 2009.

Supplier Z paid the initial membership fee of \$50 on November 1, 2006, the first membership renewal fee of \$30 would be due by June 1, 2010.

Laborer A paid is awarded a judgment against the Fund, a \$15 fee is withheld from the award as the initial membership application fee, after becoming a member of the Fund, the laborer is required to pay a \$30 renewal fee will be due by the first June 1 following the third anniversary date of the initial membership date, and a \$30 renewal date by June 1st every third year after the first renewal payment.