

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE

Report on FINGERPRINT COST ANALYSIS

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The Michigan Department of State Police, Criminal Justice Information Center, has compiled a report on the actual cost of fingerprinting per Public Act 359 of 2004 which states: “The department of state police shall submit a written report to the secretary of the senate and the clerk of the house of representatives by October 1 of each year stating whether the fee increase provided under the amendatory act that added this subsection is sufficient to support the actual costs of fingerprinting and what the actual costs of fingerprinting are.”

The Criminal Justice Information Center has compiled the appropriate information on the actual cost of fingerprinting. The following is a breakdown of the costs:

Contributing Cost Factors	Budget/Cost	Cost per Fingerprint *
Salaries, Wages, & Benefits + Overtime (Involved personnel)	\$ 2,284,332	\$20.65
Indirect Cost Rate (7.4%)	\$ 116,042	\$ 1.05
CSS&M (75% of Criminal History Section)	\$ 250,030	\$ 2.26
Maintenance (Software, hardware, disk space, etc.)	\$ 552,946	\$ 5.00
Workstations	\$ 103,259	\$ 0.93
Actual Cost per Fingerprint	\$ 3,306,609	\$ 29.89

*The above cost per fingerprint is based on an average of 110,632 fingerprint cards per year, which is the average of calendar years 2002 through 2004.

The actual cost of fingerprinting under the current volume as stated above is \$29.89, or approximately \$30 per fingerprint, which is the current charge. Based on the analysis, \$30 covers the costs related to the processing of a fingerprint. However, the AFIS system is running at capacity throughput. If volume increases, an upgrade to the entire AFIS system will be necessary at a cost of approximately \$3 million.

The Michigan Department of State Police concludes that the \$30 fee is sufficient to support the actual cost of fingerprint processing.