109:2-18-04 **Reimbursement of training costs.**

- (A) Every appointed peace officer or trooper is required to comply with the annual continuing professional training requirements set forth herein. Only public appointing authorities qualify for reimbursement for the cost of continuing professional training programs.
- (B) Public appointing authorities entitled to reimbursement for each appointed peace officer or trooper who successfully completes the training program shall be reimbursed in an amount no less than twenty dollars per hour per officer per year for those years in which sufficient funding is available. If sufficient funding is not available for a given year, it shall be within the executive director's sound discretion to make pro rata or other partial reimbursements as are reasonable under the circumstances.
- (C) To be eligible for reimbursement of any training costs, a public appointing authority shall comply with the annual roster reporting requirements of division (B) of section 109.761 of the Revised Code.
- (D) Except as otherwise noted in this rule, aA public appointing authority that complies with paragraph (C) of this rule shall be entitled to reimbursement for the training of each appointed peace officer or trooper whom the appointing authority verifies as having completed the annual continuing professional training requirements set forth in sections 109.802 and 109.803 of the Revised Code.
 - (1) <u>Public appointing authorities shall not be reimbursed for any training as described in paragraph (F) of rule 109:2-18-02 of the Administrative Code.</u>
- (E) Each application for reimbursement or extension shall be made in a manner prescribed by the executive director on a form prescribed by the executive director, and supported by documentation required by rule 109:2-18-05 of the Administrative Code.
- (F) If a public appointing authority applies for reimbursement and if one or more of its appointed peace officers or troopers has not complied with the continuing professional training requirement both of the following apply:
 - (1) The public appointing authority is entitled to reimbursement for every other appointed peace officer or trooper of the public appointing authority who has complied with the continuing professional training requirements.
 - (2) If the appointed peace officer or trooper whom the executive director granted an extension complied with the continuing professional training requirements prior to the date on which the extension ends, the public appointing authority

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is entitled to reimbursement for the training programs completed by that peace officer or trooper.

- (G) Failure to report compliance with the continuing professional training requirements set forth in paragraph (C) of rule 109:2-18-04 of the Administrative Code by January thirty-first will result in a forfeiture of the appointed authority's eligibility for reimbursement.
- (H) Each public appointing authority that receives funds under this section shall keep those funds separate from any other funds of the appointing authority and shall use those funds solely to defray the cost of continuing professional training programs.
- (I) The training cost reimbursement decisions of the executive director are subject to the appeals process of Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

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