## 173-14-27 **Bed fee collection guidelines.**

- (A) The Ohio department of aging shall collect an annual bed-fee of three six dollars for each bed maintained for resident use by a long term care facility each of the facilities listed in division (A) of section 173.26 of the Revised Code.
- (B) Annually, the Ohio department of aging shall provide each of the facilities listed described in paragraph (A) of this rule with a billing statement requesting payment of the bed fee for the previous calendar year. The billing statement shall include the following information:
  - (1) The time period covered by the billing statement;
  - (2) The basis for calculating the amount owed by the facility;
  - (3) The deadline for receipt of payment;
  - (4) A statement statement indicating that payment shall be made in the form of a check or money order <u>made</u> payable to the office of the long-term care ombudsman of the Ohio department of aging;
  - (5) The address to where the payment shall be sent;
  - (6) The consequences of non-payment.
- (C) Full payment of the bed fee shall be made to the Ohio department of aging within thirty days of the date on which the billing statement was sent to the facility. The department may extend the due date as the department deems appropriate.
- (D) In accordance with section 131.02 of the Revised Code, the Ohio department of aging shall certify to the attorney general the amount of any payment not received by the department within forty-five days after payment is due the final due date.

The attorney general shall give immediate notice by mail or otherwise to the party indebted of the nature and amount of the indebtedness.

The attorney general shall collect the claim or secure a judgment and issue an execution for its collection.

Each claim shall bear interest, from the day on which the claim became due, at the base rate per annum for advances and discounts to member banks in effect at the federal reserve bank in the second federal reserve district. The attorney general and the SLTCO department may adjust any claim in such manner as is equitable. They

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may extend the time of the payment of a claim or judgment for such period of time not to exceed one year as is best for the interests of the state, and they may require and take security for its payment.

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