

Act 45 of 2025 was signed by the Governor late yesterday afternoon, thereby enacting the Fiscal Code changes for FY 2025/26. AOPC only learned very recently that as part of Act 45, the Criminal Justice Enhancement Account (CJEA) fee, which provides funding for the payment of district attorney's salaries pursuant to 42 Pa.C.S. § 3575(d), was increased from \$2.50 to \$3.50 and has also been expanded to apply to all summary traffic cases. The CJEA fee is part of the overall Judicial Computer Project/Access to Justice/Criminal Justice Enhancement/Office of Attorney General (JCP/ATJ/CJEA/OAG) surcharge. As a result of the changes in Act 45, **the fee for all cases except summary traffic is now \$41.25, effective immediately.**

The breakdown of this \$41.25 fee that you will collect is as follows:

1. A fee of **\$10** is assessed under Sections 3733(a.1)(1) of the Judicial Code, 42 Pa.C.S. § 3733(a.1)(1), with **\$8** allocated to the Judicial Computer System Augmentation Account and **\$2** to the Access to Justice Account per 42 Pa.C.S. § 3733(a.1)(2)(iii).
2. A fee of **\$2** is assessed under Section 3733.1(a)(3) of the Judicial Code, 42 Pa.C.S. § 3733.1(a)(3), and is deposited into the Access to Justice Account pursuant to 42 Pa.C.S. § 3733.1(a)(3).
3. A fee of **\$2** is assessed under Section 1795.1-E(b)(2) of The Fiscal Code and is deposited into the Access to Justice Account. 72 P.S. § 1795.1-E(b)(2).
4. A fee of **\$3.50** is assessed under Section 1795.1-E(c)(1)(ii) of The Fiscal Code, 72 P.S. § 1795.1-E(c)(1)(ii) and is deposited into the Criminal Justice Enhancement Account pursuant to Section 1795.1-E(c)(3)(ii) of The Fiscal Code, 72 P.S. § 1795.1-E(c)(3)(ii).
5. A fee of **\$2.50** is assessed under Section 1795.1-E(c)(1)(iii), 72 P.S. § 1795.1-E(c)(1)(iii) and is distributed to the Office of Attorney General pursuant to Section 1795.1-E(c)(3)(iii) of The Fiscal Code, 72 P.S. § 1795.1-E(c)(3)(iii).
6. A fee of **\$10.00** is assessed under Section 2802-E(A)(1)(I), 71 P.S. § 720.102(A)(1)(I) and is deposited into the Judicial Department Operations Augmentation Account.
7. A fee of **\$11.25** is assessed under Section 2802-E(A)(2)(I), 71 P.S. § 720.102(A)(2)(I) and is deposited into the Judicial Department Operations Augmentation Account.

Due to the increase of the CJEA fee, the related financial regulations will be updated. We will send you the Court's Order upon issuance.