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DIVISION 2. HEALING ARTS [500 - 4999.129] (*Division 2 enacted by Stats. 1937, Ch. 399.*)

CHAPTER 5.5. Registered Dispensing Opticians [2550 - 2568] (*Chapter 5.5 added by Stats. 1939, Ch. 955.*)

ARTICLE 3. Fiscal Provisions [2565 - 2568] (*Article 3 added by Stats. 1982, Ch. 418, Sec. 9.*)

2565. The amount of fees prescribed in connection with the registration of dispensing ophthalmic businesses shall be as set forth in this section.

- (a) The application fee for registration shall be a minimum of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) and shall not exceed two hundred dollars (\$200).
- (b) The initial registration fee shall be a minimum of two hundred dollars (\$200) and shall not exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).
- (c) The renewal fee shall be a minimum of two hundred dollars (\$200) and shall not exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).
- (d) The delinquency fee shall be a minimum of fifty dollars (\$50) and shall not exceed seventy-five dollars (\$75).
- (e) The fee for replacement of a lost, stolen, or destroyed certificate shall be twenty-five dollars (\$25).
- (f) The California State Board of Optometry may periodically revise and fix by regulation the fees specified in subdivisions (a), (b), (c), and (d), and these revised fees shall not exceed the reasonable regulatory cost.

(Amended by Stats. 2021, Ch. 630, Sec. 69. (AB 1534) Effective January 1, 2022.)

2566. The amount of fees prescribed in connection with certificates for contact lens dispensers is as follows:

- (a) The application fee for a registered contact lens dispenser shall be a minimum of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) and shall not exceed two hundred dollars (\$200).
- (b) The initial registration fee shall be a minimum of two hundred dollars (\$200) and shall not exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).
- (c) The biennial fee for the renewal of certificates shall be a minimum of two hundred dollars (\$200) and shall not exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).
- (d) The delinquency fee shall be a minimum of fifty dollars (\$50) and shall not exceed seventy-five dollars (\$75).
- (e) The California State Board of Optometry may by regulation provide for a refund of a portion of the application fee to applicants who do not meet the requirements for registration.
- (f) The California State Board of Optometry may periodically revise and fix by regulation the fees specified in subdivisions (a), (b), (c), and (d), and these revised fees shall not exceed the reasonable regulatory cost.

- (g) The fee for replacement of a lost, stolen, or destroyed certificate is twenty-five dollars (\$25).

(Amended by Stats. 2021, Ch. 630, Sec. 70. (AB 1534) Effective January 1, 2022.)

2566.1. The amount of fees prescribed in connection with certificates for spectacle lens dispensers shall be as set forth in this section:

- (a) The application for registration fee shall be a minimum of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) and shall not exceed two hundred dollars (\$200).
- (b) The initial registration fee shall be a minimum of two hundred dollars (\$200) and shall not exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).
- (c) The renewal fee shall be a minimum of two hundred dollars (\$200) and shall not exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).
- (d) The delinquency fee shall be a minimum of fifty dollars (\$50) and shall not exceed seventy-five dollars (\$75).
- (e) The fee for replacement of a lost, stolen, or destroyed certificate is twenty-five dollars (\$25).

(f) The California State Board of Optometry may periodically revise and fix by regulation the fees specified in subdivisions (a), (b), (c), and (d), and these revised fees shall not exceed the reasonable regulatory cost.

(Amended by Stats. 2021, Ch. 630, Sec. 71. (AB 1534) Effective January 1, 2022.)

2566.2. Every registration issued to a dispensing ophthalmic business, contact lens dispenser, and spectacle lens dispenser shall expire 24 months after the initial date of issuance or renewal. To renew an unexpired registration, the registrant shall, before the time at which the license would otherwise expire, apply for renewal on a form prescribed by the board, and pay the renewal fee prescribed by this chapter.

(Amended by Stats. 2021, Ch. 630, Sec. 72. (AB 1534) Effective January 1, 2022.)

2567. (a) All fees collected from persons registered or seeking registration under this chapter shall be paid into the Optometry Fund, and shall be available, upon appropriation, to the California State Board of Optometry for the purposes of this chapter. Any moneys within the Contingent Fund of the Medical Board of California collected pursuant to this chapter shall be deposited in the Optometry Fund. Any moneys within the Dispensing Opticians Fund collected pursuant to this chapter shall be deposited in the Optometry Fund.

(b) The board may employ, subject to civil service regulations, whatever additional clerical assistance is necessary for the administration of this chapter.

(Amended by Stats. 2021, Ch. 630, Sec. 73. (AB 1534) Effective January 1, 2022.)

2568. The board shall report to the Controller at the beginning of each month for the month preceding the amount and source of all revenue received by it pursuant to this chapter, and shall pay the entire amount thereof to the Treasurer for deposit in the Optometry Fund.

(Amended by Stats. 2020, Ch. 121, Sec. 8. (AB 896) Effective September 24, 2020.)