
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Amusement ride permit and inspection fees

- Increases the permit fee for an amusement ride by \$75 (from \$150 to \$225).
- Increases by \$50 the annual inspection and reinspection fee per ride for kiddie rides (from \$100 to \$150), roller coasters (from \$1,200 to \$1,250), aerial lifts or bungee jumping facilities (from \$450 to \$500), and other rides (from \$160 to \$210).
- Increases from \$105 to \$154 the maximum amount of the fee for the inspection and reinspection of inflatable rides that the Director of Agriculture may establish by rule.

Enforcement of Soil and Water Conservation Law

- Allows the Attorney General to seek civil penalties under the law governing soil and water conservation for violations of any provision of that law, rather than only rules adopted under that law.

Wine tax diversion to Ohio Grape Industries Fund

- Extends through June 30, 2021, the extra 2¢ per-gallon earmark of wine tax revenue that is credited to the Ohio Grape Industries Fund.

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(R.C. 1711.53)

The bill:

1. Increases the permit fee for an amusement ride by \$75 (from \$150 to \$225);
2. Increases from \$105 to \$154 the maximum amount of the fee for inspection and reinspection of inflatable rides that the Director of Agriculture may establish by rule; and
3. Increases by \$50 the annual inspection and re-inspection fee per ride as illustrated below:

| Type of ride | Fee amount under current law | Fee amount under the bill |
|--|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Kiddie ride | \$100 | \$150 |
| Roller coaster | \$1,200 | \$1,250 |
| Aerial lift or bungee jumping facility | \$450 | \$500 |
| Other rides | \$160 | \$210 |

Enforcement of Soil and Water Conservation Law

(R.C. 939.07)

The bill allows the Attorney General, on request of the Director, to seek civil penalties under the law governing soil and water conservation for violations of any provision of that law. Current law only authorizes the Attorney General, at the request of the Director, to seek civil penalties against a person that has violated or is violating a rule relating to any of the following:

1. Agricultural pollution abatement;
2. Wind and water erosion of soil; and
3. Composting of dead animals at agricultural operations.

Wine tax diversion to Ohio Grape Industries Fund

(R.C. 4301.43)

The bill extends through June 30, 2021, the extra 2¢ per-gallon earmark of wine tax revenue that is credited to the Ohio Grape Industries Fund. Continuing law imposes a tax on the distribution of wine, vermouth, and sparkling and carbonated wine and champagne at rates ranging from 30¢ per gallon to \$1.48 per gallon. From the taxes paid, a portion is credited to the Fund for the encouragement of the state's grape and wine industry. The remainder is credited to the GRF.