

(Adopted October 29, 2010)(Amended May 5, 2023)

**RULE 320. AUTOMATIC ADJUSTMENT BASED ON CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR REGULATION III FEES**

- (a) Purpose  
The purpose of this rule is to automatically adjust most fees established in Regulation III by the California Consumer Price Index each year, unless a rule adopted for a specific year provides otherwise for some or all of those fees.
- (b) Applicability  
Effective July 1 of each calendar year after October 29, 2010, each fee set forth in Regulation III shall be automatically adjusted by the change in the California Consumer Price Index for the preceding calendar year, as defined in Health and Safety Code §40500.1(a).
- (c) Exceptions
  - (1) The provisions of subdivision (b) shall not apply for any fiscal year for which a rule is adopted for a specific fee or fees or for all fees that provides for a different adjustment or no adjustment. In such a case, subdivision (b) shall again apply for the subsequent years.
  - (2) The provisions of subdivision (b) shall not apply to any fee which is charged for a dishonored check, which shall be as set forth by statute, nor to Rule 317, which shall instead be automatically adjusted as stated in Rule 317(d)(2).
  - (3) The provisions of subdivision (b) shall not apply to any fee for which the rate is set by state law or a specific rule that precludes such automatic adjustments.
- (d) This rule shall become inoperative if the voters do not enact Proposition 26 on the November 2, 2010 ballot.