

**COLLECTION DEPARTMENT**  
**Act 375 of 1927**

AN ACT to provide for the collection of past due moneys and accounts belonging to the state of Michigan; to create a department therefor; to prescribe the duties of state officers, departments, commissions and institutions in relation thereto; and to make appropriations for defraying the expenses thereof.

**History:** 1927, Act 375, Imd. Eff. June 2, 1927.

*The People of the State of Michigan enact:*

**14.131 Collection department; creation, control by attorney general.**

Sec. 1. There is hereby created a collection department under the supervision and control of the attorney general for the purpose of collecting all past due moneys and accounts which are owing to the state of Michigan or any department, commission or institution thereof.

**History:** 1927, Act 375, Imd. Eff. June 2, 1927;—CL 1929, 191;—CL 1948, 14.131.

**14.132 Employees; bond.**

Sec. 2. The attorney general shall designate and appoint 1 or more assistant attorneys general and such clerks, stenographers and employees as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this act. Such assistant attorneys general shall give a bond to the state of Michigan in the penal sum of 30,000 dollars each, to be filed with the secretary of state, conditioned to fully account for and pay over all moneys collected under the terms of this act. The said collection department shall be under the direction and control of the attorney general, subject to the general supervision of the state administrative board.

**History:** 1927, Act 375, Imd. Eff. June 2, 1927;—CL 1929, 192;—CL 1948, 14.132.

**14.133 Forwarding of accounts; records; reports.**

Sec. 3. Each state officer, department, institution, or commission from time to time shall forward to the department of treasury statements of all delinquent and past due money, specific taxes, and accounts owing or belonging to this state, or any department, commission, or institution of this state, together with any information as may be necessary to enable the department of treasury to carry out the purposes of this act. The department of treasury shall keep an accurate record and account of all those statements; shall enforce payment and collection of those amounts; shall keep an accurate account of all money collected; shall report monthly all collections made to the department, commission, or institution to which that indebtedness has been incurred; and shall pay over monthly to the state treasurer all money collected unless otherwise provided by law.

**History:** 1927, Act 375, Imd. Eff. June 2, 1927;—CL 1929, 193;—CL 1948, 14.133;—Am. 2002, Act 367, Imd. Eff. May 24, 2002.

**14.134 Action by attorney general; settlement and compromise of claims and accounts.**

Sec. 4. For the purpose of carrying out this act, the attorney general may bring actions and the collection department may settle and compromise claims and accounts and receive and issue receipts for collections and payments subject to the supervisory control of the state administrative board. A claim or account in the amount of more than \$750.00 shall not be compromised or settled at a greater discount than 15%, without the approval of the state administrative board.

**History:** 1927, Act 375, Imd. Eff. June 2, 1927;—CL 1929, 194;—CL 1948, 14.134;—Am. 1983, Act 233, Imd. Eff. Dec. 1, 1983.