

INFORMATION PAPER

Subject: Commission Dues

- I. Background: The dues formula was established based on budgets from other Interstate Compacts of similar size and responsibility. In October 2008, the Commission adopted an annual dues formula based on \$1.00 per child of an active duty military member residing in each member state and the District of Columbia. The sole change to this funding formula was in 2011 which established a range between \$2,000 to \$60,000.
- II. Language: (Sec 2.102 of the Commission Rules)
 - a. The Commission shall determine the formula to be used in calculating the annual assessments to be paid by states. Public notice of any proposed revision to the approved dues formula shall be given at least 30 days prior to the Commission meeting at which the proposed revision will be considered.
 - b. The Commission may consider the population of the states, the number of student's subject to the compact within each state, and the volume of student transfers between states in determining and adjusting the assessment formula.
 - c. The approved formula and resulting assessments for all member states shall be distributed by the commission to each member state annually.
 - d. The dues formula shall be based on the figure of one dollar per child of military families eligible for transfer under this compact, and beginning in FY 2014 this calculation shall be based upon the State in which each military family resides, except that effective FY 2013, and each year thereafter, no state dues assessment shall exceed the sum of sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000.00) per year and effective FY 2014, and each year thereafter, no state dues assessment shall be less than two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00).
- III. Information: The annual dues assessed to each State are used for, but not limited to:
 - a. All travel, meal and rooming costs for the State Commissioner or designee to attend the Annual Business Meeting.
 - b. Access to MIC3 materials and publications to publicize the Compact.
 - c. Maintain sufficient funds for three full time staff at the National Office to carry out the day to day business of the Commission.



IV. References or resources

- a. Chapter 200, Section 2.102 of the Rules of the Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission
- b. MIC3 Legal – Frequently Asked Questions, drafted by the Legal Counsel, Richard Masters