

ADMINISTRATIVE FUND TAX

A.R.S. § 23-961 (G) Every insurance carrier on or before March 1 of each year shall pay to the state treasurer for the credit of the administrative fund, in lieu of all other taxes on workers' compensation insurance, a tax of not more than three per cent on all premiums collected or contracted for during the year ending December 31 next preceding, less the deductions from such total direct premiums for applicable cancellations, returned premiums and all policy dividends or refunds paid or credited to policyholders within this state and not reapplied as premiums for new, additional or extended insurance. Every self-insured employer, including workers' compensation pools, on or before March 31 of each year shall pay a tax of not more than three per cent of the premiums that would have been paid by the employer if the employer had been fully insured by an insurance carrier authorized to transact workers' compensation insurance in this state during the preceding calendar year. The commission shall adopt rules that shall specify the premium plans and methods to be used for the calculation of rates and premiums and that shall be the basis for the taxes assessed to self-insured employers. The tax shall be not less than two hundred fifty dollars per annum and shall be computed and collected by the commission and paid to the state treasurer for the credit of the administrative fund at a rate not exceeding three per cent to be fixed annually by the industrial commission. The rate shall be no more than is necessary to cover the actual expenses of the industrial commission in carrying out its powers and duties under this title. Any quarterly payments of tax pursuant to subsection I of this section shall be deducted from the tax payable pursuant to this subsection.

SPECIAL FUND TAX

A.R.S. § 23-1065 (A) The industrial commission may direct the payment into the state treasury of not to exceed one per cent of all premiums received by private insurance carriers during the immediately preceding calendar year. The same percentage shall be assessed against self-insurers based on the total cost to the self-insured employer as provided in section 23-961, subsection G. Such assessments shall be computed on the same premium basis as provided for in section 23-961, subsections G, H, I, J and K and shall be no more than is necessary to keep the special fund actuarially sound. Such payments shall be placed in a special fund within the administrative fund to provide, at the discretion of the commission, such additional awards as may be necessary to enable injured employees to accept the benefits of any law of this state or of the United States, or both jointly, for promotion of vocational rehabilitation of persons with disabilities in industry.

APPORTIONMENT TAX

A.R.S. § 23-1065 (F) If the total annual reserved liabilities of the special fund obligated under subsections B and C of this section exceed six million dollars, as determined by the annual actuarial study performed pursuant to subsection I of this section, the commission, after notice and a hearing, may levy an additional assessment under subsection A of this section of up to one-half per cent to meet such liabilities. . . .

TAX PAYMENTS AND PENALTIES

A.R.S. § 23-961 (I) Any insurer that, pursuant to this section, paid or is required to pay a tax of two thousand dollars or more for the preceding calendar year shall file a quarterly report, in a form prescribed by the commission, accompanied by a payment in an amount equal to the tax due at the rates prescribed in subsection G of this section for premiums determined pursuant to subsection G of this section or an amount equal to twenty-five per cent of the tax paid or required to be paid pursuant to subsection G of this section for the preceding calendar year. The quarterly payments shall be due and payable on or before the last day of the month following the close of the quarter and shall be made to the state treasurer.

A.R.S. § 23-961 (K) An insurer who fails to pay the tax prescribed by subsection G or I of this section or the amount prescribed by section 23-1065, subsection A is subject to a civil penalty equal to the greater of twenty-five dollars or five per cent of the tax or amount due plus interest at the rate of one per cent per month from the date the tax or amount was due.