OFFICE OF THE STATE CONTROLLER

STATE MANDATED COSTS CLAIMING INSTRUCTIONS NO. 2009-05

LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE RELATIONS

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In accordance with Government Code (GC) sections 17560 and 17561, eligible claimants may submit claims to the State Controller's Office (SCO) for reimbursement of costs incurred for state-mandated cost programs. This document contains claiming instructions and forms that eligible claimants can use for filing claims for the Local Government Employee Relations program. The SCO issues these claiming instructions subsequent to the Commission on State Mandates (CSM) adopting the program's Parameters and Guidelines (Ps & Gs). The Ps & Gs are included as an integral part of the claiming instructions.

On December 4, 2006, the CSM adopted a Statement of Decision finding that the test claim legislation imposes a reimbursable state-mandated program on local agencies within the meaning of article XIII B, section 6 of the California Constitution and GC section 17514.

Exception

There will be no reimbursement for any period in which the Legislature has suspended the operation of a mandate pursuant to state law.

Eligible Claimants

Any city, county, special district or other local agency subject to the jurisdiction of the Public Employment Relations Board (PERB) that incurs increased costs as a result of this mandate is eligible to claim reimbursement.

The City of Los Angeles and the County of Los Angeles are not eligible claimants because they are specifically excluded from PERB's jurisdiction pursuant to Government Code Section 3507.

Special districts, subject to tax and spend limitations pursuant to the provisions of Articles XIII A and B of the California Constitution, are eligible to file a claim for reimbursement. To establish proof of eligibility and to minimize payment delays, the SCO requests that special district claimants submit a supporting document affirming that the special district received an annual allocation of property tax revenue from the county pursuant to Article XIII A of the California Constitution. This may include a Board of Directors Resolution establishing the appropriation limit for the fiscal year being claimed, in compliance with Article XIII B of the California Constitution.

Reimbursement Claim Deadline

Claims for the **2014-15** fiscal year may be filed by **February 16, 2016**, without a late penalty. **Claims filed more than one year after the filing date will not be accepted.**

Penalty

- **Initial Claims**

  When filed within one year of the initial filing deadline, claims are assessed a late penalty of 10% of the total amount of the initial claim without limitation pursuant to GC section 17561, subdivision (d)(3).

- **Annual Reimbursement Claim**

  When filed within one year of the annual filing deadline, claims are assessed a late penalty of 10% of the claim amount, not to exceed $10,000, pursuant to GC section 17568.

Minimum Claim Cost

GC Section 17564, subdivision (a), provides that no claim may be filed pursuant to sections 17551 and 17561, unless such a claim exceeds one thousand dollars (**$1,000**), provided that a county may submit a combined claim on behalf of direct service districts or special districts within their county if the combined claim exceeds **$1,000**, even if the individual direct service district's or special district's claim does not each exceed **$1,000**. The county shall determine if the submission of the combined claim is economically feasible and shall be responsible for disbursing the funds to each direct service district or special district. These combined claims may be filed only when the county is the fiscal agent for the districts. A combined claim must show the individual claim costs for each eligible district. All subsequent claims based upon the same mandate shall only be filed in the combined form unless a direct service district or special district provides a written notice of its intent to file a separate claim to the county and to the SCO, at least 180 days prior to the deadline for filing the claim.

Reimbursement of Claims

To be eligible for mandated cost reimbursement for any fiscal year, only actual costs may be claimed. Actual costs must be traceable and supported by source documents that show the validity of such costs, when they were incurred, and their relationship to the reimbursable activities. A source document is created at or near the same time the actual cost was incurred for the event or activity in question. Source documents may include, but are not limited to, notices of order of suspension or revocation, sworn reports, arrest reports, notices to appear, employee time records, or time logs, invoices, and receipts.

Evidence corroborating the source documents may include, but is not limited to, worksheets, cost allocation reports (system generated), purchase orders, contracts, agendas training packets, and declarations. Declarations must include a certification or declaration stating: "I certify, (or declare), under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct," and must further comply with the requirements of the Code of Civil Procedure Section 2015.5.

Evidence corroborating the source documents may include data relevant to the reimbursable activities otherwise in compliance with local, state, and federal government requirements. However, these documents cannot be substituted for source documents.

Audit of Costs

All claims submitted to the SCO are subject to review to determine if costs are related to the mandate, are reasonable and not excessive, and the claim was prepared in accordance with the SCO's claiming instructions and the Ps & Gs adopted by the Commission. If any adjustments are made to a claim, a "Notice of Claim Adjustment" specifying the claim activity adjusted, the amount adjusted, and the reason for the adjustment, will be mailed within 30 days after payment of the claim.

On-site audits will be conducted by the SCO as deemed necessary. Pursuant to GC Section 17558.5, subdivision (a), a reimbursement claim for actual costs filed by a claimant is subject to audit by the SCO no later than three years after the date that the actual reimbursement claim was filed or last amended, whichever is later. However, if no funds were appropriated or no payment was made to a claimant for the program for the fiscal year for which the claim was filed, the time for the SCO to initiate an audit will commence to run from the date of initial payment of the claim.

All documents used to support the reimbursable activities must be retained during the period subject to audit. If an audit has been initiated by the SCO during the period subject to audit, the retention period is extended until the ultimate resolution of any audit findings. Supporting documents must be made available to the SCO on request.

Record Retention

All documentation to support actual costs claimed must be retained for a period of three years after the date the claim was filed or last amended, whichever is later. If no funds were appropriated or no payment was made at the time the claim was filed, the time for the Controller to initiate an audit will be from the date of initial payment of the claim. Therefore, all documentation to support actual costs claimed must be retained for the same period, and must be made available to the SCO on request.

Claim Submission

Submit a signed original Form FAM-27 and one copy with required documents. **Please sign the Form FAM-27 in blue ink and attach the copy to the top of the claim package.**

Mandated costs claiming instructions and forms are available online at the SCO's website: **www.sco.ca.gov/ard_mancost.html.**

Use the following mailing addresses:

If delivered by
U.S. Postal Service:

Office of the State Controller
Attn: Local Reimbursements Section
Division of Accounting and Reporting
P.O. Box 942850
Sacramento, CA 94250

If delivered by
other delivery services:

Office of the State Controller
Attn: Local Reimbursements Section
Division of Accounting and Reporting
3301 C Street, Suite 700
Sacramento, CA 95816

For more information, contact the Local Reimbursements Section by email at LRSDAR@sco.ca.gov, by telephone at (916) 324-5729, or by writing to the address above.

Corrected: June 16, 2009
Adopted: May 29, 2009

PARAMETERS AND GUIDELINES

Government Code Sections 3502.5 and 3508.5

Statutes 2000, Chapter 901 (SB 739)

California Code of Regulations, Title 8, Sections 32132, 32135, 32140, 32149, 32150, 32160, 32168, 32170, 32175, 32176, 32180, 32190, 32205, 32206, 32207, 32209, 32210, 32212, 32310, 32315, 32375, 32455, 32620, 32644, 32649, 32680, 32980, 60010, 60030, 60050, 60070

Register 2001, Number 49

Local Government Employee Relations
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I. SUMMARY OF THE MANDATE

The test claim statute amended the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act (hereinafter the "MMBA") regarding employer-employee relations between local public agencies and their employees. The test claim statute and its attendant regulations created an additional method for creating an agency shop arrangement, and expanded the jurisdiction of the Public Employment Relations Board (hereinafter "PERB") to include resolving disputes and enforcing the statutory duties and rights of those public employers and employees subject to the MMBA.

On December 4, 2006, the Commission on State Mandates found that the test claim statute and regulations impose a partially reimbursable state-mandated program on local agencies for the following activities:

1. Deduct from an employees' wages the payment of dues or service fees required pursuant to an agency shop arrangement that was established under subdivision (b) of Government Code section 3502.5, and transmit such fees to the employee organization. (Gov. Code § 3508.5, subd. (b)).
2. Receive from the employee any proof of in lieu fee payments made to charitable organizations required pursuant to an agency shop arrangement that was established under subdivision (b) of Government Code section 3502.5. (Gov. Code, § 3502.5, subd. (c)).
3. Follow PERB procedures in responding to charges and appeals filed with PERB, by an entity other than the local public agency employer, concerning an unfair labor practice, a unit determination, representation by an employee organization, recognition of an employee organization, or election. Mandated activities are:
    a. procedures for filing documents or extensions for filing documents with PERB (Cal.Code Reg., tit. 8, §§ 32132, 32135 (Register 2001, No. 49));
    b. proof of service (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 8, § 32140 (Register 2001, No. 49));

c. responding to subpoenas and investigative subpoenas (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 8, §§ 32149, 32150 (Register 2001, No. 49));

d. conducting depositions (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 8, § 32160 (Register 2001, No. 49));

e. participate in hearings and responding as required by PERB agent, PERB Administrative Law Judge, or the five-member PERB (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 8, §§ 32168, 32170, 32175, 32176, 32180, 32205, 32206, 32207, 32209, 32210, 32212, 32310, 32315, 32375, 32455, 32620, 32644, 32649, 32680, 32980, 60010, 60030, 60050 and 60070 (Register 2001, No. 49)); and

f. filing and responding to written motions in the course of the hearing. (Cal. Code Regs. tit. 8, § 32190. (Register 2001, No. 49.)

II. ELIGIBLE CLAIMANTS

Any county, city, or city and county, special district or other local agency subject to the jurisdiction of PERB that incurs increased costs as a result of this reimbursable state-mandated program is eligible to claim reimbursement of those costs. However, the City of Los Angeles and the County of Los Angeles are not eligible claimants because they are specifically excluded from PERB jurisdiction pursuant to Government Code section 3507.

III. PERIOD OF REIMBURSEMENT

Government Code section 17557 states that a test claim shall be submitted on or before June 30 following a given fiscal year to establish eligibility for reimbursement for that fiscal year. The test claim for this mandate was filed by the test claimants, the County of Sacramento and the City of Sacramento, on August 1, 2002. Therefore, the period of reimbursement begins on July 1, 2001.

Actual costs for one fiscal year shall be included in each claim. Pursuant to Government Code section 17561, subdivision (d)(1)(A), all claims for reimbursement of initial fiscal year costs shall be submitted to the State Controller within 120 days of the issuance date for the claiming instructions.

If the total costs for a given year do not exceed $1,000, no reimbursement shall be allowed, except as otherwise allowed by Government Code section 17564.

IV. REIMBURSABLE ACTIVITIES

To be eligible for mandated cost reimbursement for any given fiscal year, only actual costs may be claimed. Actual costs are those costs actually incurred to implement the mandated activities. Actual costs must be traceable and supported by source documents that show the validity of such costs, when they were incurred, and their relationship to the reimbursable activities. A source document is a document created at or near the same time the actual cost was incurred for the event or activity in question. Source documents may include, but are not limited to, employee time records or time logs, sign-in sheets, invoices and receipts.

Evidence corroborating the source documents may include, but is not limited to, time sheets, worksheets, cost allocation reports (system generated), purchase orders, contracts, agendas, calendars, and declarations. Declarations must include a certification or declaration stating, "I

certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct," and must further comply with the requirements of Code of Civil Procedure section 2015.5. Evidence corroborating the source documents may include data relevant to the reimbursable activities otherwise reported in compliance with local, state, and federal government requirements. However, corroborating documents cannot be substituted for source documents.

The claimant is only allowed to claim and be reimbursed for increased costs for reimbursable activities identified below.

Claimants may use time studies to support salary and benefit costs when an activity is task-repetitive. Time study usage is subject to the review and audit conducted by the State Controller's Office.

For each eligible claimant, the following activities are eligible for reimbursement:

A. <u>One Time Activities</u>

1. Establish procedures and documentation for deduction from employees' wages the payment of dues, or service fees, including transmittal of such payments, and handling proof of in lieu fee payments made to charitable organizations as required by the agency shop agreement pursuant to Government Code sections 3502.5, subdivisions (b) and (c).

2. Develop and provide training for employees charged with responsibility for responding to PERB administrative actions, including attorneys, supervisory and management personnel. (One time per employee).

3. Establish procedures and systems for handling PERB matters, including calendaring, docketing and file management systems.

B. <u>On-Going Activities</u>

1. Deduct from employees' wages the payment of dues or service fees required pursuant to an agency shop arrangement that was established under subdivision (b) of Government Code section 3502.5, and transmit such fees to the employee organization. (Gov. Code, §, 3508.5, subd. (b).)

2. On a monthly basis, receive from the employee proof of in lieu fee payments made to charitable organizations pursuant to an agency shop arrangement that was established by signed petition and election in Government Code section 3502.5, subdivision (b). (Gov. Code, § 3502.5, subd. (c).)

3. When a person or entity other than the public entity files with the PERB an unfair practice charge, unit determination, representation by an employee organization, , recognition of an employee organization, or an election request, or the public agency employer is ordered by PERB to join in a matter, the following activities are reimbursable:

    a. filing documents or requests for extension of time to file documents with PERB (Cal. Code Regs., tit.8, §§ 32132, 32135);

    b. proof of service, including mailing and service costs (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 8, § 32140);

c. preparation for and participation in informal conferences as required by any PERB Board agents and PERB Administrative Law Judges to clarify issues and explore the possibility of a voluntary settlement including, but not limited to, preparation of briefs, documentation and evidence, exhibits, witnesses and expert witnesses (Cal. Code Regs., tit.8, §§ 32170, subd. (e) and 32650);

d. responding to subpoenas and investigative subpoenas, including the time spent obtaining the information or documentation requested in the subpoena, and copying and service charges (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 8, §§ 32149, 32150);

e. the conduct of depositions, including service of subpoenas, deposition reporter and transcription fees, expert witness fees, preparation for the deposition and the time of any governmental employee or attorney incurred in the conduct of the deposition (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 8, § 32160);

f. preparation for and participation in any hearing as required by any PERB Board agent, PERB Administrative Law Judge, the five-member PERB, or the General Counsel, including preparation of answer to complaint or answer to amendment, witnesses, evidence, exhibits, expert witnesses, statements[1,2], stipulated facts[3] and informational briefs, oral argument, response to exceptions, response to administrative appeal or compliance matter.

Effective July 1, 2001 through May 10, 2006: California Code of Regulations, title 8, §§ 32168, 32170, 32175, 32176, 32180, 32205, 32206, 32207, 32210, 32212, 32310, 32315, 32375, 32455, 32620, 32644, 32649, 32680, 32980, 60010, 60030, 60050, and 60070. (Register 2001, No. 49.)

Effective May 11, 2006: California Code of Regulations, title 8, §§ 32168, 32170, 32175, 32176, 32180, 32205, 32206, 32207, 32210, 32212, 32310, 32315, 32375, 32455, 32620, 32644, 32649, 32680, 32980. (Register 2001, No. 49.)

Effective May 11, 2006, responses to petitions for board review pursuant to former sections 60010, 60030, 60050, and 60070 of the California Code of Regulations, title 8, are not reimbursable. (Register 2006, No. 15.)

g. The preparation, research, and filing of motions, including correction of transcript and responding to written motions in the course of a hearing and immediately after. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 8, § 32190, 32209.)

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[1] Section 32206.

[2] Section 32455 – preparation of written position statements or other documents filed with the General Counsel.

[3] Section 32207.

C. Non-Reimbursable Activities

1. The following activities initiated by the local public agency are *not* state-mandated activities:

   a. file an unfair practice charge (Cal. Code of Regs., tit. 8, §§ 32602, 32604, 32615, 32621, 32625, 32650);

   b. appeal of a ruling on a motion (Cal. Code of Regs., tit. 8, § 32200);

   c. amend complaint (Cal. Code of Regs., tit. 8, §§ 32625, 32648);

   d. appeal of an administrative decision, including request for stay of activity and appeal of dismissal (Cal. Code of Regs., tit. 8, §§ 32350, 32360, 32370, 32635, and 60035);

   e. statement of exceptions to Board agent decision (Cal. Code of Regs., tit. 8, § 32300);

   f. request for reconsideration (Cal. Code of Regs., tit. 8, § 32410); and,

   g. request for injunctive relief (Cal. Code of Regs., tit. 8, § 32450).

2. Sections 3501, 3507.1 and 3509 of the Government Code do not apply to persons who are peace officers as defined in section 830.1 of the Penal Code. Therefore, increased costs related to peace officers are ineligible for reimbursement under this program. (Gov. Code, § 3511.)

3. Effective May 11, 2006, activities based on former sections 60010, 60030, 60050, and 60070 of California Code of Regulations, title 8, are not reimbursable.

V. CLAIM PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION

Each of the following cost elements must be identified for the reimbursable activities identified in section IV of this document. Each reimbursable cost must be supported by source documentation as described in section IV. Additionally, each reimbursement claim must be filed in a timely manner.

A. Direct Cost Reporting

Direct costs are those costs incurred specifically for reimbursable activities. The following direct costs are eligible for reimbursement.

1. Salaries and Benefits

Report each employee implementing the reimbursable activities by name, job classification, and productive hourly rate (total wages and related benefits divided by productive hours). Describe the specific reimbursable activities performed and the hours devoted to each reimbursable activity performed.

2. Materials and Supplies

Report the cost of materials and supplies that have been consumed or expended for the purpose of the reimbursable activities. Purchases shall be claimed at the actual price after deducting discounts, rebates, and allowances received by the claimant. Supplies that are withdrawn from inventory shall be charged on an appropriate and recognized method of costing, consistently applied.

3. Contracted Services

Report the name of the contractor and services performed to implement the reimbursable activities. If the contractor bills for time and materials, report the number of hours spent on the activities and all costs charged. If the contract is a fixed price, report the services that were performed during the period covered by the reimbursement claim. If the contract services were also used for purposes other than the reimbursable activities, only the pro-rata portion of the services used to implement the reimbursable activities can be claimed. Submit contract consultant and invoices with the claim and a description of the contract scope of services.

4. Fixed Assets and Equipment

Report the purchase price paid for fixed assets and equipment (including computers) necessary to implement the reimbursable activities. The purchase price includes taxes, delivery costs, and installation costs. If the fixed asset or equipment is also used for purposes other than the reimbursable activities, only the pro-rata portion of the purchase price used to implement the reimbursable activities can be claimed.

5. Travel

Report the name of the employee traveling for the purpose of the reimbursable activities. Include the date of travel, destination point, the specific reimbursable activity requiring travel, and related travel expenses reimbursed to the employee in compliance with the rules of the local jurisdiction. Report employee travel time according to the rules of cost element A.1, Salaries and Benefits, for each applicable reimbursable activity.

B. Indirect Cost Rates

Indirect costs are costs that are incurred for a common or joint purpose, benefiting more than one program, and are not directly assignable to a particular department or program without efforts disproportionate to the result achieved. Indirect costs may include (1) the overhead costs of the unit performing the mandate; and (2) the costs of the central government services distributed to the other departments based on a systematic and rational basis through a cost allocation plan.

Compensation for indirect costs is eligible for reimbursement utilizing the procedure provided in the 2 CFR Part 225 (Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-87). Claimants have the option of using 10% of labor, excluding fringe benefits, or preparing an Indirect Cost Rate Proposal (ICRP) if the indirect cost rate claimed exceeds 10%.

If the claimant chooses to prepare an ICRP, both the direct costs (as defined and described in 2 CFR Part 225, Appendix A and B (OMB Circular A-87 Attachments A and B)) and the indirect shall exclude capital expenditures and unallowable costs (as defined and described in 2 CFR Part 225, Appendix A and B (OMB Circular A-87 Attachments A and B).) However, unallowable costs must be included in the direct costs if they represent activities to which indirect costs are properly allocable.

The distributions base may be (1) total direct costs (excluding capital expenditures and other distorting items, such as pass-through funds, major subcontracts, etc.), (2) direct salaries and wages, or (3) another base which results in an equitable distribution.

In calculating an ICRP, the claimant shall have the choice of one of the following methodologies:

1. The allocation of allowable indirect costs (as defined and described in 2 CRF Part 225, Appendix A and B (OMB Circular A-87 Attachments A and B)) shall be accomplished by (1) classifying a department's total costs for the base period as either direct or indirect, and (2) dividing the total allowable indirect costs (net of applicable credits) by an equitable distribution base. The result of this process is an indirect cost rate which is used to distribute indirect costs to mandates. The rate should be expressed as a percentage which the total amount allowable indirect costs bears to the base selected; or

2. The allocation of allowable indirect costs (as defined and described in 2 CFR Part 225, Appendix A and B (OMB Circular A-87 Attachments A and B)) shall be accomplished by (1) separate a department into groups, such as divisions or sections, and then classifying the division's or section's total costs for the base period as either direct or indirect, and (2) dividing the total allowable indirect costs (net of applicable credits) by an equitable distribution base. The result of this process is an indirect cost rate that is used to distribute indirect costs to mandates. The rate should be expressed as a percentage which the total amount allowable indirect costs bears to the base selected.

VI. RECORDS RETENTION

Pursuant to Government Code section 17558.5, subdivision (a), a reimbursement claim for actual costs filed by a local agency or school district pursuant to this chapter[4] is subject to the initiation of an audit by the State Controller no later than three years after the date that the actual reimbursement claim is filed or last amended, whichever is later. However, if no funds are appropriated or no payment is made to a claimant for the program for the fiscal year for which the claim is filed, the time for the Controller to initiate an audit shall commence to run from the date of initial payment of the claim. All documents used to support the reimbursable activities, as described in Section IV, must be retained during the period subject to audit. If an audit has been initiated by the Controller during the period subject to audit, the retention period is extended until the ultimate resolution of any audit findings.

VII. OFFSETTING REVENUES AND REIMBURSEMENTS

Any offsets the claimant experiences in the same program as a result of the same statutes or executive orders found to contain the mandate shall be deducted from the costs claimed. In addition, reimbursement for this mandate received from any federal, state or non-local source shall be identified and deducted from this claim.

VIII. STATE CONTROLLER'S CLAIMING INSTRUCTIONS

Pursuant to Government Code section 17558, subdivision (b), the Controller shall issue claiming instructions for each mandate that requires state reimbursement not later than 60 days after receiving the adopted parameters and guidelines from the Commission, to assist local agencies and school districts in claiming costs to be reimbursed. The claiming instructions shall be derived from the test claim decision and the parameters and guidelines adopted by the Commission.

[4] This refers to Title 2, division 4, part 7, chapter 4 of the Government Code.

Pursuant to Government Code section 17561, subdivision (d)(1)(A), issuance of the claiming instructions shall constitute a notice of the right of the local agencies and school districts to file reimbursement claims, based upon parameters and guidelines adopted by the Commission.

IX. REMEDIES BEFORE THE COMMISSION

Upon the request of a local agency or school district, the Commission shall review the claiming instructions issued by the State Controller or any other authorized state agency for reimbursement of mandated costs pursuant to Government Code section 17571. If the Commission determines that the claiming instructions do not conform to the parameters and guidelines, the Commission shall direct the Controller to modify the claiming instructions to conform to the parameters and guidelines as directed by the Commission.

In addition, requests may be made to amend parameters and guidelines pursuant to Government Code section 17557, subdivision (a), and California Code of Regulations, title 2, section 1183.2.

X. LEGAL AND FACTUAL BASIS FOR THE PARAMETERS AND GUIDELINES

The Statement of Decision is legally binding on all parties and provides the legal and factual basis for the parameters and guidelines. The support for the legal and factual findings is found in the administrative record for the test claim. The administrative record, including the Statement of Decision, is on file with the Commission.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE RELATIONS CLAIM FOR PAYMENT

For State Controller Use Only

(19) Program Number 00298
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PROGRAM 298

(01) Claimant Identification Number			**Reimbursement Claim Data**	
(02) Claimant Name			(22) FORM 1, (04) A. 1.(g)	
County of Location			(23) FORM 1, (04) A. 2.(g)	
Street Address or P.O. Box		Suite	(24) FORM 1, (04) A. 3.(g)	
City	State	Zip Code	(25) FORM 1, (04) B. 1.(g)	
		Type of Claim	(26) FORM 1, (04) B. 2.(g)	
	(03)	(09) Reimbursement ☐	(27) FORM 1, (04) B. 3.(g)	
	(04)	(10) Combined ☐	(28) FORM 1, (06)	
	(05)	(11) Amended ☐	(29) FORM 1, (07)	
Fiscal Year of Cost	(06)	(12)	(30) FORM 1, (09)	
Total Claimed Amount	(07)	(13)	(31) FORM 1, (10)	
Less: **10% Late Penalty** (refer to attached Instructions)		(14)	(32)	
Less: **Prior Claim Payment Received**		(15)	(33)	
Net Claimed Amount		(16)	(34)	
Due from State	(08)	(17)	(35)	
Due to State		(18)	(36)	

(37) CERTIFICATION OF CLAIM

In accordance with the provisions of Government Code Sections 17560 and 17561, I certify that I am the officer authorized by the local agency to file mandated cost claims with the State of California for this program, and certify under penalty of perjury that I have not violated any of the provisions of Article 4, Chapter 1 of Division 4 of Title 1 Government Code.

I further certify that there was no application other than from the claimant, nor any grants or payments received for reimbursement of costs claimed herein and claimed costs are for a new program or increased level of services of an existing program. All offsetting revenues and reimbursements set forth in the parameters and guidelines are identified, and all costs claimed are supported by source documentation currently maintained by the claimant.

The amount for this reimbursement is hereby claimed from the State for payment of actual costs set forth on the attached statements.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signature of Authorized Officer

Date Signed _____

Telephone Number _____

Email Address _____

Type or Print Name and Title of Authorized Signatory

(38) Name of Agency Contact Person for Claim

Telephone Number _____

Email Address _____

Name of Consulting Firm / Claim Preparer

Telephone Number _____

Email Address _____

PROGRAM 298	LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE RELATIONS CLAIM FOR PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS	FORM FAM-27

(01) Enter the claimant identification number assigned by the State Controller's Office.

(02) Enter claimant official name, county of location, street or postal office box address, city, State, and zip code.

(03) to (08) Leave blank.

(09) If filing a reimbursement claim, enter an "X" in the box on line (09) Reimbursement.

(10) If filing a combined reimbursement claim on behalf of districts within the county, enter an "X" in the box on line (10) Combined.

(11) If filing an amended reimbursement claim, enter an "X" in the box on line (11) Amended.

(12) Enter the fiscal year for which actual costs are being claimed.

(13) Enter the amount of the reimbursement claim as shown on Form 1 line (11). The total claimed amount must exceed $1,000; minimum claim must be $1,001.

(14) Initial claims must be filed as specified in the claiming instructions. Annual reimbursement claims must be filed by **February 15**, or otherwise specified in the claiming instructions, following the fiscal year in which costs were incurred or the claims must be reduced by a late penalty. Enter zero if the claim filed on time. Otherwise, enter the penalty amount as a result of the calculation formula as follows:

- Late Initial Claims: Form FAM-27 line (13) multiplied by 10%, without limitation; or
- Late Annual Reimbursement Claims: Form FAM-27, line (13) multiplied by 10%, late penalty not to exceed $10,000.

(15) Enter the amount of payment, if any, received for the claim. If no payment was received, enter zero.

(16) Enter the net claimed amount by subtracting the sum of lines (14) and (15) from line (13).

(17) If line (16), Net Claimed Amount, is positive, enter that amount on line (17), Due from State.

(18) If line (16), Net Claimed Amount, is negative, enter that amount on line (18), Due to State.

(19) to (21) Leave blank.

(22) to (36) Bring forward the cost information as specified on the left-hand column of lines (22) through (36) for the reimbursement claim, e.g., Form 1, (04) A. 1. (g), means the information is located on Form 1, line (04) A. 1., column (g). Enter the information on the same line but in the right-hand column. Cost information should be rounded to the nearest dollar, i.e., no cents. Indirect costs percentage should be shown as a whole number and without the percent symbol, i.e., 35.19% should be shown as 35. **Completion of this data block will expedite the process**.

(37) Read the statement of Certification of Claim. The claim must be dated, signed by the agency's authorized officer, and must type or print name, title, date signed, telephone number, and email address. **Claims cannot be paid unless accompanied by an original signed certification**. **(Please sign the Form FAM-27 in blue ink and attach the copy to the top of the claim package.)**

(38) Enter the name, telephone number, and email address of the agency contact person for the claim. If the claim was prepared by a consultant, type or print the name of the consulting firm, the claim preparer, telephone number, and email address.

SUBMIT A SIGNED ORIGINAL FORM FAM-27 AND ONE COPY WITH ALL OTHER FORMS TO:

Address, if delivered by U.S. Postal Service:

OFFICE OF THE STATE CONTROLLER
ATTN: Local Reimbursements Section
Division of Accounting and Reporting
P.O. Box 942850
Sacramento, CA 94250

Address, if delivered by other delivery service:

OFFICE OF THE STATE CONTROLLER
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PROGRAM 298	LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE RELATIONS CLAIM SUMMARY	FORM 1

(01) Claimant	(02) Fiscal Year 20___/ 20___
(03) Department	

Direct Costs	Object Accounts						
(04) Reimbursable Activities	(a) Salaries	(b) Benefits	(c) Materials and Supplies	(d) Contract Services	(e) Fixed Assets	(f) Travel	(g) Total
A. One-Time Activities							
1. Establish Procedures and Documentation							
2. Training for Employees							
3. Establish Procedures and Systems							
B. Ongoing Activities							
1. Deduction from Employees' Wages							
2. Receipt of Proof of In Lieu Payments							
3. Reimbursable Activities for PERB Matters							
(05) Total Direct Costs							

Indirect Costs		
(06) Indirect Cost Rate	[From ICRP or 10%]	%
(07) Total Indirect Costs	[Refer to Claim Summary Instructions]	
(08) Total Direct and Indirect Costs	[Line (05)(g) + line (07)]	

Cost Reduction	
(09) Less: Offsetting Revenues	
(10) Less: Other Reimbursements	
(11) Total Claimed Amount [Line (08) - {line (09) + line (10)}]	

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(01) Enter the name of the claimant.

(02) Enter the fiscal year of costs.

(03) If more than one department has incurred costs for this mandate, give the name of each department. A separate Form 1 must be completed for each department.

(04) For each reimbursable activity, enter the totals from Form 2, line (05), columns (d) through (i), to Form 1, block (04), columns (a) through (f), in the appropriate row. Total each row.

(05) Total columns (a) through (g).

(06) Indirect costs may be computed as 10% of direct labor costs, excluding fringe benefits, without preparing an Indirect Cost Rate Proposal (ICRP). If an indirect cost rate of greater than 10% is used, include the ICRP with the claim.

(07) Local agencies have the option of using the flat rate of 10% of direct labor costs or using a department's ICRP in accordance with the Office of Management and Budget Circular 2 CFR, Chapter I and Chapter II, Part 200 et al. If the flat rate is used for indirect costs, multiply Total Salaries, line (05)(a), by 10%. If an ICRP is submitted, multiply applicable costs used in the distribution base for the computation of the indirect cost rate by the Indirect Cost Rate, line (06). If more than one department is reporting costs, each must have its own ICRP for the program.

(08) Enter the sum of Total Direct Costs, line (05)(g), and Total Indirect Costs, line (07).

(09) If applicable, enter any revenue received by the claimant for this mandate from any state or federal source.

(10) If applicable, enter the amount of other reimbursements received from any source including, but not limited to, service fees collected, federal funds, and other state funds that reimbursed any portion of the mandated cost program. Submit a schedule detailing the reimbursement sources and amounts.

(11) From Total Direct and Indirect Costs, line (08), subtract the sum of Offsetting Revenues, line (09), and Other Reimbursements, line (10). Enter the remainder on this line and carry the amount forward to Form FAM-27, line (13) of the Reimbursement Claim.

PROGRAM 298	LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE RELATIONS ACTIVITY COST DETAIL	FORM 2

(01) Claimant	(02) Fiscal Year 20___ / 20___

(03) Reimbursable Activities: Check only one box per form to identify the activity being claimed.

A. One-Time Activities

- ☐ 1. Establish Procedures and Documentation
- ☐ 2. Training for Employees
- ☐ 3. Establish Procedures and Systems

B. Ongoing Activities

- ☐ 1. Deduction from Employees' Wages
- ☐ 2. Receipt of Proof of In Lieu Payments
- ☐ 3. Reimbursable Activities for PERB Matters

(04) **Description of Expenses**			**Object Accounts**					
(a) Employee Names, Job Classifications, Functions Performed and Description of Expenses	(b) Hourly Rate or Unit Cost	(c) Hours Worked or Quantity	(d) Salaries	(e) Benefits	(f) Materials and Supplies	(g) Contract Services	(h) Fixed Assets	(i) Travel
(05) Total ☐ Subtotal ☐ Page: ____of____								

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(01) Enter the name of the claimant.

(02) Enter the fiscal year for which costs were incurred.

(03) Check the box which indicates the activity being claimed. Check only one box per form. A separate Form 2 must be prepared for each applicable activity.

(04) The following table identifies the type of information required to support reimbursable costs. To detail costs for the activity box checked in block (03), enter the employee names, position titles, a brief description of the activities performed, actual time spent by each employee, productive hourly rates, fringe benefits, supplies used, contract services and travel. **The descriptions required in column (4)(a) must be of sufficient detail to explain the cost of activities or items being claimed.** For audit purposes, all supporting documents must be retained by the claimant for a period of not less than three years after the date the claim was filed or last amended, whichever is later. If no funds were appropriated or no payment was made at the time the claim was filed, the time for the Controller to initiate an audit will be from the date of initial payment of the claim. Such documents must be made available to the SCO on request.

Object/ Sub object Accounts	Columns									Submit supporting documents with the claim
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	
Salaries	Employee Name/Title	Hourly Rate	Hours Worked	Salaries = Hourly Rate x Hours Worked						
Benefits	Activities Performed	Benefit Rate			Benefits = Benefit Rate x Salaries					
Materials and Supplies	Description of Supplies Used	Unit Cost	Quantity Used			Cost = Unit Cost x Quantity Used				
Contract Services	Name of Contractor Specific Tasks Performed	Hourly Rate	Hours Worked Inclusive Dates of Service				Cost = Hourly Rate x Hours Worked			Copy of Contract and Invoices
Fixed Assets	Description of Equipment Purchased	Unit Cost	Usage					Cost = Unit Cost x Usage		
Travel	Purpose of Trip Name and Title Departure and Return Date	Per Diem Rate Mileage Rate Travel Cost	Days Miles Travel Mode						Total Travel Cost = Rate x Days or Miles	

(05) Total line (04), columns (d) through (i) and enter the sum on this line. Check the appropriate box to indicate if the amount is a total or subtotal. If more than one form is needed to detail the activity costs, number each page. Enter totals from line (05), columns (d) through (i) to Form 1, block (04), columns (a) through (f) in the appropriate row.