

**DIRECTIVE 2008-27**

February 20, 2008

To: ALL COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS  
Re: Pollworker Compensation Rule

As your board was informed in Advisory 2007-09, the federal minimum wage increased from \$5.15 per hour to \$5.85 per hour effective July 24, 2007. Therefore, all boards of elections are now required to pay a poll worker who worked a full election day of 14 hours not less than \$81.90 in accordance with R. C. 3501.28(C).

In addition, R.C. 3501.28 (D) requires the secretary of state to establish by rule the maximum amount of per diem compensation that may be paid to election judges after an increase in the federal minimum wage. Administrative Rule 111-13-01, entitled *Compensation of Precinct Officials* has been adopted effective February 14, 2008. A copy of the rule is attached to this Directive. Pursuant to OAC 111.13.01 the maximum a board of election may now pay a poll worker per diem is \$107.91.

Therefore, in accordance with R.C. 3501.28 (C) and (D), and OAC 111-13-01 all Boards of Election are hereby directed, until such time of notice of another increase in the federal minimum wage, to now pay its poll workers at least the new federal minimum wage of \$5.85 per hour which is \$81.90 for a 14 hour election day, but not more than the maximum amount of \$107.91 per election day.

If you have any questions, please contact Patricia Wolfe, Elections Administrator or Jacqueline Rothschuh, Elections Assistant Administrator at 614-466-2585 or via email.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Brunner