



**CITY OF DIXON  
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**City of Dixon Business License Renewals to Include  
\$1 Surcharge Mandated by Senate Bill 1186**

Governor Brown signed Senate Bill 1186 requiring cities to charge and collect a \$1.00 fee on each new or renewed business license beginning January 1, 2013. SB 1186 primarily amends the procedures for construction-related accessibility claims. One component of the bill seeks to bolster the Certified Access Specialist Program (CASp) administered by the State Architect and local governments.

The City of Dixon will comply with the legal mandate to impose an additional state fee of \$1.00 on all businesses. This will appear as Senate Bill 1186 charge on the renewal notice. The fee will be charged for new or renewed business licenses, including out-of-town businesses, non-profits, exempt businesses, and home-based businesses. The bill divides the money with 30% transmitted to the State Architect and 70% retained by the City for use in its CASp program and administrative costs.

This bill also requires local entities to transmit to local businesses information regarding compliance with and legal obligations under state disability laws. The \$1 surcharge will be in effect for business licenses issued between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2018.

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