

**UNIFORM PARTNERSHIP ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 72 of 1917**

**449.48 Registration or renewal for limited liability partnership; filing.**

Sec. 48.

(1) The registration or renewal of a registration for a limited liability partnership shall be filed by delivering the registration to the department together with the fees and any other documents required by section 44 or 47. The department may establish procedures for accepting the registration by means of facsimile transmission.

(2) If the registration substantially conforms to the requirements of section 44 or 47, the department shall indorse upon it the word "filed" with the date of filing, and shall file and index the registration or a photostatic, micrographic, photographic, optical disc media, or other reproduced copy of registration. If requested at the time of filing, the department shall include in the indorsement the hour of filing.

(3) The records and files of the department relating to registered limited liability partnerships shall be open to reasonable inspection by the public. The records or files may be maintained either in their original form or in a photostatic, micrographic, photographic, optical disc media, or other reproduced form.

(4) The department may make copies of all documents filed under section 44 or 47 by a photostatic, micrographic, photographic, optical disc media, or other process, and may destroy the originals of the documents copied. A photostatic, micrographic, photographic, optical disc media, or other reproduced copy certified by the department, which may be sent by facsimile transmission, shall be considered an original for all purposes and is admissible in evidence in the manner as an original.

(5) A fee received under section 44 or 47 shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the department to be used by the department in carrying out the duties required by this section. After the payment of the amounts appropriated by the legislature for the necessary expenses incurred by the department, the money remaining shall be credited to the general fund of the state.

(6) A minimum charge of \$1.00 for each certificate and 50 cents per folio shall be paid to the department for certifying a part of a file or record pertaining to a registered limited liability partnership. The department may furnish copies of documents, reports, and papers required or permitted by law to be filed with the department, and shall charge for those copies pursuant to a schedule of fees that the department adopts with the approval of the state administrative board. The department shall retain the revenue collected under this subsection to be used by the department to defray the costs for its copying and certifying services.

(7) If a domestic or foreign registered limited liability partnership pays fees or penalties by check and the check is dishonored, the fee shall be considered unpaid and the filing of all related documents is rescinded.

(8) The department may accept a credit card, in lieu of cash or check, as payment of a fee under this act. The department shall determine which credit cards may be accepted for payment.

(9) The department may charge a nonrefundable fee of up to \$50.00 for a document submitted or certificate sent by facsimile transmission. The department shall retain the revenue collected under this subsection to be used by the department in carrying out its duties under this section.

(10) If the department rejects the filing of a registration or renewal registration, the department shall refund any fees paid except for \$25.00, which the department shall retain to defray its costs incurred under this section.

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