



Ohio Revised Code

Section 1345.67 Maintaining bond.

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(A) Every invention developer rendering or offering to render invention development services in this state shall maintain a bond in the amount of ten thousand dollars issued by a surety company that is authorized to do business in this state. The invention developer shall file a copy of the bond with the secretary of state prior to the time the invention developer first commences business in this state.

(B) The bond required by division (A) of this section shall be payable in favor of the state for the benefit of any person who, after entering into a contract for invention development services with an invention developer, is damaged by fraud, dishonesty, or the failure of the invention developer to provide the invention development services required in performance of the contract. Any person claiming against the bond may maintain an action against the invention developer and the surety. The aggregate liability of the surety to all persons for all breaches of conditions of the bond provided in this section shall not exceed the amount of the bond.

(C) In lieu of furnishing the bond as required by this section, the invention developer may deposit with the secretary of state a deposit in an amount equal to the required amount of the bond. The deposit may be satisfied by any of the following:

(1) Certificates of deposit payable to the secretary of state issued by banks doing business in this state and insured by the federal deposit insurance corporation;

(2) Investment certificates of share accounts assigned to the secretary of state and issued by a savings and loan association doing business in this state and insured by the federal savings and loan insurance corporation;

(3) Cash.

(D) The bond or deposit required by this section shall be canceled or returned to the invention developer two years after he ceases doing business in this state so long as no lawsuits by Ohio



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customers are pending against it at the time. The secretary of state shall cancel or return the bond or deposit as required by this section no later than sixty days after the invention developer gives notice of his eligibility for the cancellation and return of the bond or deposit.