

Ohio Revised Code

Section 4131.03 Coal-workers pneumoconiosis fund.

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- (A) For the relief of persons who are entitled to receive benefits by virtue of the federal act, there is hereby established a coal-workers pneumoconiosis fund, which shall be separate from the funds established and administered pursuant to Chapter 4123. of the Revised Code. The fund shall consist of premiums and other payments thereto by subscribers who elect to subscribe to the fund to insure the payment of benefits required by the federal act.
- (B) The coal-workers pneumoconiosis fund shall be in the custody of the treasurer of state. The bureau of workers' compensation shall make disbursements from the fund to those persons entitled to payment therefrom and in the amounts required pursuant to sections 4131.01 to 4131.06 of the Revised Code. All investment earnings of the fund shall be credited to the fund.
- (C) The administrator shall have the same powers to invest any of the surplus or reserve belonging to the coal-workers pneumoconiosis fund as are delegated to the administrator under section 4123.44 of the Revised Code with respect to the state insurance fund.
- (D) If the administrator determines that reinsurance of the risks of the coal-workers pneumoconiosis fund is necessary to assure solvency of the fund, the administrator may:
- (1) Enter into contracts for the purchase of reinsurance coverage of the risks of the fund with any company or agency authorized by law to issue contracts of reinsurance;
- (2) Pay the cost of reinsurance from the fund;
- (3) Include the costs of reinsurance as a liability and estimated liability of the fund.