- (e) The Commission shall maintain testing equipment for the purpose of calibrating master standard watt-hour meters used by public service companies furnishing electricity. Such companies using this service shall pay to the Commission the fees fixed from time to time by order of the Commission. In setting such fees the Commission shall give consideration to its estimated expenses associated with maintaining the testing equipment.
- (f) The Commission shall charge and collect the following fees under the provisions of §§ 50A through 50K, inclusive, of this article: for the issuance of a taxicab driver license, \$1.00; for the renewal of a taxicab driver license, \$1.00; for the issuance of a duplicate taxicab driver license, \$2.00.1
- (A) ALL COSTS AND EXPENSES OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE STATE BUDGET AND PAID PURSUANT TO APPROPRIATION IN THE FIRST INSTANCE FROM THE STATE TREASURY. THE STATE TREASURY SHALL BE REIMBURSED THEREFOR BY PAYMENTS TO BE MADE THERETO FROM ALL MONEYS COLLECTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION. THE TOTAL OF THE COSTS AND EXPENSES SHALL BE BORNE BY THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANIES SUBJECT TO THE COMMISSION'S JURISDICTION, TO BE ASSESSED IN THE MANNER PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION.
- THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSION SHALL ESTIMATE PRIOR TO THE START OF EACH STATE FISCAL YEAR THE TOTAL COSTS AND EXPENSES, INCLUDING (I) THE COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES OF THE COMMISSION, AND ITS OFFICERS, AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES, (2) THE COST OF RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS, SECURITY, HEALTH INSURANCE, AND ALL SOCIAL BENEFITS REQUIRED TO BE PAID BY THE STATE FOR THE PERSONNEL OF THE COMMISSION, AND (3) ALL OTHER ITEMS OF MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION EXPENSES AND ALL OTHER DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS; BUT EXCLUDING THE COSTS OF MAINTAINING TESTING EQUIPMENT REIMBURSABLE UNDER SUBSECTION (C) HEREOF. BASED ON THIS ESTIMATE, THE CHAIRMAN SHALL DETERMINE THE AMOUNT TO BE PAID BY EACH PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY, AND A BILL SHALL BE RENDERED THEREFOR TO EACH SUCH PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY. THE BILL FOR EACH PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY SHALL BE RENDERED ON OR BEFORE MAY FIRST OF EACH YEAR, AND SHALL THE AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE PRODUCT OF THE **ESTIMATED** COSTS AND **EXPENSES** OF CONDUCTING COMMISSION'S TOTAL OPERATIONS DURING THE ENSUING STATE MULTIPLIED FISCAL YEAR PROPORTION BY THE COMPARES THE GROSS OPERATING REVENUES FOR THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY DERIVED FROM INTRASTATE UTILITY OPERATIONS IN THE LAST PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR, OR THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD AS DETERMINED BY THE OTHER TWELVE MONTH PERIOD AS DETERMINED BY THE CHAIRMAN, TO THE TOTAL OF THE GROSS OPERATING REVENUES DERIVED FROM INTRASTATE UTILITY OPERATIONS FOR ALL PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANIES IN THE STATE WHICH ARE ASSESSED UNDER THIS SECTION OVER THE SAME PERIOD; BUT THAT THE MINIMUM ASSESSMENT FOR ANY PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY SHALL BE TEN DOLLARS. THE AMOUNT OF THE BILL RENDERED SHALL BE PAID BY THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY TO THE COMMISSION ON OR BEFORE IJUNE THIRTIETHIJ JULY I FOLLOWING; BUT THAT A PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY MAY ELECT TO MAKE PARTIAL PAYMENTS FOR THE COSTS AND EXPENSES ON TO MAKE PARTIAL PAYMENTS FOR THE COSTS AND EXPENSES ON