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**State of California Passes New Surcharge on Parking Tickets**  
*City of Oakland to Pass Along \$3 Fee*

*Oakland, CA* — Drivers should be aware that starting January 3, 2011, the City of Oakland will add \$3 to all parking citations to fund a surcharge imposed by the State of California. The \$3.00 surcharge will fund the State's Trial Court Trust Fund, and will not pay for any City of Oakland programs or services.

The State surcharge is a result of a new State law that went into effect on December 7 imposing a \$3 surcharge on all parking penalties, fines or forfeitures issued by cities and counties. This \$3 surcharge, added to the existing \$10 State surcharge, is paid by the City to Alameda County to fund the State's Trial Court Trust Fund. Surcharges are clearly and separately listed on all City of Oakland parking citations.

For example, as of January 3, the total fine for parking at an expired meter would be \$58 (\$45 City fine + \$10 existing State surcharge + \$3 new State surcharge = \$58).

Although the surcharge took effect on December 7, 2010, the City delayed collecting the fee until January 2011, to accommodate the holiday shopping season and absorbed the surcharge at a cost of about \$75,000.

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