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Currently, state law requires that any person using explosives in this state register with the Division of Fire Safety, within the Department of Public Safety, and submit an annual per ton fee. That fee is currently \$500 plus \$2.00 per ton of explosives used. This bill allows that fee to be increased up to \$7.50 per ton so long as the fee does not exceed the cost of administering the Missouri Blasting Safety Act. The bill clarifies that the fee does not apply to any person, company, or entity regulated by the Department of Natural Resources under the Surface Coal Mining Law and 10 CSR 40-3.160.