ABSTRACT

Professional people receive fees for offering services to their clients and this has led to the survival of the profession. It is worth noting that the main reason of existing professions is related to their role in the society. Due to this fact that society needs audit profession because of its accreditation role, therefore, it is required to continue its survival and this depends on auditor's fee for providing the professional services. Thus, researchers are motivated to determine the factors which influence audit fees.

The purpose of this study is to examine the influence of the characteristics of structur governance (board commissioner, audit committee, risk management committee) on audit fees. Management of company must be monitored and controlled to ensure whether its management complies to the regulation and stipulation or not. The existence of structur governance (the board commissioner, the audit committee, and risk management committee) balances is expected to reduce control risk, so low external audit fees can be achieved.

This study uses secondary data from annual reports of manufacturing companies which listed on Bursa Efek Indonesia in 2011-2013. This study uses purposive sampling method and uses multiple linear regression as the analysis instrument. Before being conducted the regression test, it is examined by using the classical assumption tests. The number of companies that were visited in this study were as many as 58 companies.

The results of this study indicate the size of the audit committee and commissioner independent have significant relationship on the external audit fees. However, risk management committee did not have significant influence with external audit fees.

This research suggested to use companies that include data about the audit fee than the data regarding professional fees in its financial statements, to more describe the data that the audit fee,extend the observation period and entering the population of enterprises of all types to the industrial category that research results can be generalize, suggested all members of the board of commissioner has the integrity and good reputation, the audit committee should maximize communication with board of commissioner and controlled all parts actively in supervision, efforted for follow-up to implement and raise awareness the importance of risk management committee, and must be focused consideration for the external auditor's fee received with appropriate.

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