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SENATE BILL 482*

Short Title: Permit Fees/AB.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Lucas; Dannelly, Gulley, Hartsell, Jordan, Kinnaird, and Martin of Guilford.

Referred to: Finance.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO INCREASE THE LATE PAYMENT FEE AND TO CREATE A
2 REINSTATEMENT FEE FOR PERMITS SUSPENDED FOR FAILURE TO PAY
3 PERMIT FEES.
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1. G.S. 130A-248(d) reads as rewritten:

7 "(d) The Department shall charge each establishment subject to this section, except
8 nutrition programs for the elderly administered by the Division of Aging of the
9 Department of Human Resources, establishments that prepare and sell meat food
10 products or poultry products, and public school cafeterias, an annual fee of twenty-five
11 dollars (\$25.00). To enable the Department to recoup the costs of collecting late fees, the
12 the Department shall charge an additional ~~twenty five dollar (\$25.00)~~ two hundred fifty
13 dollar (\$250.00) late payment fee to any establishment that fails to pay the required fee
14 within 45 days after billing by the Department. The Department may, in accordance with
15 G.S. 130A-23, suspend ~~or revoke~~ the permit of an establishment that fails to pay the
16 required fee within 60 days after billing by the Department. In order to recoup the
17 additional costs associated with the permit suspension process, the Department shall
18 charge a reinstatement fee to any establishment that requests reinstatement of its permit
19 after the permit has been suspended for failure to pay the required fees. The

1 reinstatement fee shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00) if the establishment ceases operation upon
2 receiving notification from the Department of the permit suspension and pays all required
3 fees within 10 days of receipt of the notification. The reinstatement fee shall be nine
4 hundred dollars (\$900.00) if the establishment does not cease operation upon receipt of
5 the notification or does not pay the required fees within 10 days of receipt of the
6 notification. The Commission shall adopt rules to implement this subsection. Fees
7 collected under this subsection shall be used for State and local public health programs
8 and activities. No more than thirty-three and one-third percent (33-1/3%) of the fees
9 collected may be used to support State health programs and activities."

10 Section 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.