

- 1 (4) Agrees to comply with the provisions of this Chapter and the rules
2 adopted by the Board regarding notification and practice.
3 (5) Consents to have an administrative notice of hearing served on the
4 licensing board in the individual's principal state of business,
5 notwithstanding the individual notice requirements of G.S. 150B-38.
6 (6) Pays an annual fee not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00)."

7 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 93-12(7) reads as rewritten:

- 8 "(7) To charge for each examination provided for in this Chapter a fee not
9 exceeding ~~two~~four hundred dollars ~~(\$200.00).~~(\$400.00). ~~This fee shall~~
10 ~~be payable to the secretary-treasurer of the Board by the applicant at~~
11 ~~the time of filing application. In no case shall the examination fee be~~
12 ~~refunded, unless in the discretion of the Board the applicant shall be~~
13 ~~deemed ineligible for examination.~~In addition to the examination fee,
14 if the Board uses a testing service for the preparation, administration,
15 or grading of examinations, the Board may charge the applicant the
16 actual cost of the examination services. The applicant shall pay all fees
17 and costs associated with the examination at the time the application is
18 filed with the Board. Examination fees and costs shall not be refunded
19 unless the Board deems the applicant ineligible for examination."

20 **SECTION 3.** G.S. 93-12(7a) reads as rewritten:

- 21 "(7a) To charge for each initial certificate of qualification provided for in
22 this Chapter a fee not exceeding ~~seventy five~~ dollars ~~(\$75.00).~~one
23 hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00)."

24 **SECTION 4.** G.S. 93-12(8) reads as rewritten:

- 25 "(8) To require the renewal of all certificates of qualification annually on
26 the first day of July, and to charge an annual renewal fee not to exceed
27 ~~fifty~~ dollars ~~(\$50.00).~~one hundred dollars (\$100.00)."

28 **SECTION 5.** G.S. 93-12(8c)f. reads as rewritten:

- 29 "f. For purposes of this section, a firm means an entity,
30 ~~individual~~sole proprietorship, ~~partnership~~partnership, registered
31 limited liability partnership, professional limited liability
32 company, or professional associationcorporation through which
33 one or more certificate ~~holder~~ engages ~~holders~~ engage in the
34 public practice of accountancy through an ~~office~~ or
35 ~~offices~~office."

36 **SECTION 6.** This act is effective when it becomes law.