

By the Committee on Agriculture

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2       An act relating to fees; amending s. 581.217, F.S.;  
3       requiring applicants seeking to participate or renew  
4       registration in the state hemp program to submit with  
5       their application a fee to be specified by rule of the  
6       Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services;  
7       limiting the amount of the fee; authorizing the  
8       department to waive registration fees by rule;  
9       requiring fee proceeds to be deposited in a specified  
10      trust fund for the administration of the state hemp  
11      program; providing a contingent effective date.

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13 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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15       Section 1. Paragraph (e) is added to subsection (4) of  
16      section 581.217, Florida Statutes, as created by SB 1020, 2019  
17      Regular Session, to read:

18       581.217. State hemp program.—

19       (4) REGISTRATION.—A person or an entity:

20       (e) Who applies for initial registration or for renewal of  
21      registration for participation in the state hemp program must  
22      submit with his, her, or its application a fee to be specified  
23      by department rule which may not exceed \$500 per application.  
24      The department may waive payment of the fee by rule. Fees  
25      collected pursuant to this subsection shall be deposited in the  
26      Plant Industry Trust Fund for operations explicitly related to  
27      the administration of the state hemp program.

28       Section 2. This act shall take effect on the same date that  
29      SB 1020 or similar legislation takes effect, if such legislation

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30 is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension  
31 thereof and becomes a law.