By Senator Martin

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to fees; amending s. 585.713, F.S.; requiring dog breeders to pay registration and renewal fees in amounts to be determined by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing a limit on such fees; requiring the department to notify a certificateholder of the annual renewal fee by a specified date; providing a contingent effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 585.713, as created by SB $__$ or similar legislation, is amended to read:

585.713 Certificate of registration and inspection; fees.-

- (1) Each dog breeder with one or more breeding female dogs within this state must apply to the department, on forms supplied by the department, for a certificate of registration.

 Each application for a certificate of registration must be accompanied by a registration fee in an amount determined by the department.
- (2) The certificate of registration must be renewed annually on its anniversary date upon satisfactory showing that the applicant has complied with this part and the rules of the department and has paid the annual renewal fee in an amount determined by the department.
- (3) Neither the certificate of registration fee nor the annual renewal fee may exceed \$500.
- $\underline{\text{(4)}}$ The department shall provide to each dog breeder subject to this section a written notice and renewal form 60

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days before the annual renewal date, informing the dog breeder of the certificate of registration renewal date <u>and the</u> applicable fee.

- (5)(4) The department may assess penalties for late filing, not to exceed \$500. Upon application before the renewal date, the department may, for good cause, such as natural disasters, hardship cases, or unusual circumstances, supported by written documentation, extend the renewal date without penalty for up to 90 days.
- $\underline{(6)}$ (5) The department shall issue a certificate of inspection to any dog breeding facility that meets the requirements of this part and the rules of the department.
- (7) (6) Each dog breeder and dog breeding facility must conspicuously post its certificates of registration and inspection in a place that is in clear and unobstructed public view.
- (8) (7) A private dog owner may breed one dog, one time for personal benefit and may gift or sell any dog from that litter which he or she chooses not to retain. A private dog owner within the same household who breeds a second litter of dogs must register as a dog breeder pursuant to this part.
- Section 2. This act shall take effect on the same date that SB ____ or similar legislation takes effect, if such legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension thereof and becomes a law.