

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

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

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 12 Section 1. Section 585.713, as created by HB 1581, 2023
 13 Regular Session, is amended to read:

14 585.713 Certificate of registration and inspection.—

15 (1) Each dog breeder within this state must apply to the
 16 department, on forms supplied by the department, for a
 17 certificate of registration. Each application for a certificate
 18 of registration must be accompanied by a registration fee in an
 19 amount determined by the department.

20 (2) The certificate of registration must be renewed
 21 annually on its anniversary date upon satisfactory showing that
 22 the applicant has complied with this part and the rules of the
 23 department and has paid the an annual renewal fee in an amount
 24 determined by the department.

25 (3) Neither the certificate of registration fee nor the

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26 | annual renewal fee may exceed \$500.

27 | ~~(4)~~~~(3)~~ The department shall provide to each dog breeder
28 | subject to this section a written notice and renewal form 60
29 | days before the annual renewal date, informing the dog breeder
30 | of the certificate of registration renewal date and the
31 | applicable fee.

32 | ~~(5)~~~~(4)~~ The department may assess penalties for late
33 | filing, not to exceed \$500. Upon application before the renewal
34 | date, the department may, for good cause, such as natural
35 | disasters, hardship cases, or unusual circumstances, supported
36 | by written documentation, extend the renewal date without
37 | penalty for up to 90 days.

38 | ~~(6)~~~~(5)~~ The department shall issue a certificate of
39 | inspection to any dog breeding facility that meets the
40 | requirements of this part and the rules of the department.

41 | ~~(7)~~~~(6)~~ Each dog breeder and dog breeding facility must
42 | conspicuously post its certificates of registration and
43 | inspection in a place that is in clear and unobstructed public
44 | view.

45 | Section 2. This act shall take effect on the same date
46 | that HB 1581 or similar legislation takes effect, if such
47 | legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an
48 | extension thereof and becomes a law.