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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 HB 1481, 2025 Regular Session, is amended to read:

585.713 Certificate of registration and inspection.-

- (1) Each dog breeder within this state must apply to the department, on a form 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 satisfactorily showing that the applicant has complied with this part and department rules and has paid the an annual renewal fee in an amount determined by the department.
  - (3) Neither the certificate of registration fee nor the

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annual renewal fee may exceed \$500.

- (4)(3) The department shall provide to each dog breeder subject to this section a written notice and renewal form no less than 60 days before the annual renewal date, which informs the dog breeder of the certificate of registration renewal date and the 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 a natural disaster, hardship, or unusual circumstance, 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 department rules.
- (7)(6) Each dog breeder and dog breeding facility must conspicuously post its certificate of registration and certificate of inspection, respectively, in a place that is in clear and unobstructed public view.
- Section 2. This act shall take effect on the same date that HB 1481 or similar legislation takes effect, if such legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension thereof and becomes a law.