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HOUSE BILL 469
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Short Title: Permit Fees/AB.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE LATE PAYMENT FEE AND TO CREATE A REINSTATEMENT FEE FOR PERMITS SUSPENDED FOR FAILURE TO PAY PERMIT FEES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 130A-248(d) reads as rewritten:

"(d) The Department shall charge each establishment subject to this section, except nutrition programs for the elderly administered by the Division of Aging of the Department of Human Resources, establishments that prepare and sell meat food products or poultry products, and public school cafeterias, an annual fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00). To enable the Department to recoup the costs of collecting late fees, the Department shall charge an additional ~~twenty-five dollar (\$25.00)~~ seventy-five dollar (\$75.00) late payment fee to any establishment that fails to pay the required fee within 45 days after billing by the Department. The Department may, in accordance with G.S. 130A-23, suspend or revoke the permit of an establishment that fails to pay the required fee within 60 days after billing by the Department. In order to recoup the additional costs associated with the permit suspension process, the Department shall charge a reinstatement fee of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) to any establishment that requests reinstatement of its permit after the permit has been suspended. The

1 Commission shall adopt rules to implement this subsection. Fees collected under this
2 subsection shall be used for State and local public health programs and activities. No
3 more than thirty-three and one-third percent (33-1/3%) of the fees collected may be used
4 to support State health programs and activities."

5 Section 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.