HB0245/143627/1

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AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 245, AS AMENDED

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1 of the bill, in line 10, after "regulation;" insert "requiring the Department to return certain fees in a certain manner under certain circumstances;"; in line 11, after "Certification;" insert "authorizing the Department to increase certain fees by regulation and to return certain fees in a certain manner under certain circumstances;"; in line 19, after "program" insert "; requiring the Department to adjust certain fees by regulation under certain circumstances and to return certain fees in a certain manner under certain circumstances;"; and in the same line, strike the second "and".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 5 of the bill, in line 6, after "(2)" insert "(I)"; after line 7, insert:

"(II) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL RETURN ANY FEES
COLLECTED THAT EXCEED THE COST OF DEVELOPMENT AND ADMINISTRATION
OF THE PERMIT PROGRAM UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH TO
THE FEE PAYERS ON A PRO RATA BASIS.";

in line 13, after "(3)" insert "(I)"; in the same line, strike "The" and substitute "BY REGULATION, THE DEPARTMENT MAY ADJUST THE"; in the same line, strike "may be adjusted"; and after line 15, insert:

"(II) IF THE DEPARTMENT ADOPTS REGULATIONS TO ADJUST THE FEE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS PARAGRAPH, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE AN ANALYSIS THAT SHOWS:

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1. CURRENT COSTS AND REVENUES OF THE PERMIT PROGRAM UNDER THIS SUBTITLE; AND

2. PROJECTED COSTS AND REVENUES OF THE PERMIT PROGRAM UNDER THIS SUBTITLE AFTER THE FEE ADJUSTMENT.".

On page 2 of the Environment and Transportation Committee Amendments (HB0245/433224/1), in line 6 of Amendment No. 2, after "<u>MAY</u>" insert "<u>, BY</u> <u>REGULATION</u>,"; and in line 12, after "<u>3%</u>" insert "<u>.</u>

3. If the Department adopts regulations to adjust the fee in accordance with this subparagraph, the Department shall provide an analysis that shows:

A. CURRENT COSTS AND REVENUES OF ADMINISTERING THE PERMIT PROCESS; AND

B. PROJECTED COSTS AND REVENUES OF ADMINISTERING THE PERMIT PROCESS AFTER THE FEE ADJUSTMENT".

On page 6 of the bill, in line 11, after "(3)" insert "(I)"; in line 12, after "SUBSECTION" insert ":

<u>1.</u>";

in the same line, strike "SHALL" and substitute "SHALL"; and in line 13, after "ARTICLE" insert "; AND

2. MAY NOT EXCEED THE COST OF ADMINISTERING THE PERMIT PROCESS.

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(II) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL RETURN ANY FEES
COLLECTED THAT EXCEED THE COST OF ADMINISTERING THE PERMIT PROCESS
TO THE FEE PAYERS ON A PRO RATA BASIS.".

On page 16 of the bill, in line 15, strike "**THE**" and substitute "**BY REGULATION**, **THE**"; and after line 22, insert:

"(III) IF THE DEPARTMENT ADOPTS REGULATIONS TO ADJUST THE FEE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS PARAGRAPH, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE AN ANALYSIS THAT SHOWS:

- 1. <u>CURRENT COSTS AND REVENUES OF</u>
 ADMINISTERING THE WETLANDS AND WATERWAYS PROGRAM; AND
- 2. PROJECTED COSTS AND REVENUES OF ADMINISTERING THE WETLANDS AND WATERWAYS PROGRAM AFTER THE FEE ADJUSTMENT.
- (IV) 1. FEES ADJUSTED UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH MAY NOT EXCEED THE COST OF ADMINISTERING THE WETLANDS AND WATERWAYS PROGRAM.
- 2. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL RETURN ANY FEES COLLECTED THAT EXCEED THE COST OF ADMINISTERING THE WETLANDS AND WATERWAYS PROGRAM TO THE FEE PAYERS ON A PRO RATA BASIS.".