

ADDITIONAL REGULATION NOTICE INFORMATION  
(AS 44.62.190(d))<sup>1</sup>

1. Adopting agency: Department of Environmental Conservation
2. General subject of regulation: Fees for Retail Food Establishments
3. Citation of regulation (may be grouped): 18 AAC 31
4. Department of Law file number, if any: JU2015200976
5. Reason for the proposed action:
  - ( ) Compliance with federal law or action (identify): \_\_\_\_\_
  - ( ) Compliance with new or changed state statute
  - ( ) Compliance with federal or state court decision (identify): \_\_\_\_\_
  - ( ) Development of program standards
  - (x) Other (identify): Align program receipts with actual program costs.
6. Appropriation/Allocation: Environmental Health/Food Safety and Sanitation Program
7. Estimated annual cost to comply with the proposed action: The Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Environmental Health, Food Safety and Sanitation program's fees for retail food establishments are being increased to cover the direct costs of permitting, technical assistance, inspections, compliance enforcement, and plan review activities. Affected parties should review the proposed regulation revisions to find the relevant permit fee/s pertaining to their food establishment operation/s.
  - a.) A private person: Persons that operate retail food establishments, including food services, markets, and food processors, will be affected. Retail food establishments will experience a cost increase for each permit renewal ranging from \$25-\$155 depending on the type of permit (average increase is \$76 per year per permit). For new retail food establishments, and those with significant changes to their operations, there is also an increase in plan review fees ranging from \$15-\$430 depending on the type of operation (average increase is \$190 per plan review). Additional costs will also be imposed on establishments that currently receive discounts set forth in 18 AAC 31.050(d), 18 AAC 31.050(e), 18 AAC 31.050(f), and 18 AAC 31.050(i), as these discounts are proposed to be repealed.
  - b.) Another state agency: Limited cost impact. There will be additional costs to state agencies that pay annual permit fees for contracted food establishment services, including: Dept. of Corrections, Dept. of Transportation and Public Facilities (Alaska Marine Highway System), Alaska Railroad Corporation, Dept. of Health and Social Services, Dept. of Labor and Workforce Development, Dept. of Natural Resources, and

the Alaska Legislature. The increase for annual permit renewal fees for state agencies range from \$40-\$105 per permit depending on the type of permit.

c.) A municipality: Limited cost impacts. Municipalities and local governments that purchase permits for retail food establishments will be affected. See part a.) above for the range of potential fee increases.

8. Cost of implementation to the state agency and available funding (in thousands of dollars):

	Initial Year FY 2017	Subsequent Years
Operating Cost	\$0	\$0
Capital Cost	\$0	\$0
1002 Federal receipts	\$0	\$0
1003 General fund match	\$0	\$0
1004 General fund	\$0	\$0
1005 General fund/ program	\$0	\$0
Other (identify)	\$0	\$0

9. The name of the contact person for the regulation:

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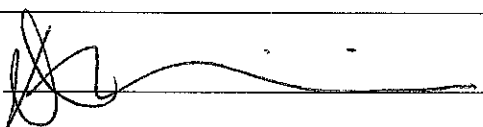
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10. The origin of the proposed action:

☒ Staff of state agency  
☐ Federal government  
☐ General public  
☐ Petition for regulation change  
☐ Other (identify): \_\_\_\_\_

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