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SENATE BILL

57TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2025

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO LIVESTOCK; INCREASING FEES FOR SERVICES RELATING TO LIVESTOCK.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. Section 77-2-29 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1981, Chapter 357, Section 2, as amended) is amended to read:

"77-2-29. FEES.--The following fees shall be fixed by the board for services rendered pursuant to the provisions of The Livestock Code:

A. an inspection or permit fee not to exceed ~~[sixteen cents (\$.16)]~~ one dollar (\$1.00) per head to be charged for the importation or exportation of sheep and goats pursuant to Section 77-8-3 NMSA 1978 and a service charge in an amount not to exceed ~~[ten dollars (\$10.00)]~~ fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each inspection request; provided that the board

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1 shall not increase the inspection fee more than four cents
2 (\$.04) in any one fiscal year;

3 B. a fee for recording a transfer of a brand
4 pursuant to Section 77-2-7.1 NMSA 1978 in an amount not to
5 exceed [~~one hundred dollars (\$100)~~] two hundred dollars (\$200);

6 C. a fee for recording a brand or researching a
7 brand pursuant to Section 77-2-7.4 NMSA 1978 in an amount not
8 to exceed [~~one hundred dollars (\$100)~~] two hundred dollars
9 (\$200);

10 D. a fee for additional copies of certified copies
11 of brands pursuant to Section 77-2-7.4 NMSA 1978 in an amount
12 not to exceed [~~ten dollars (\$10.00)~~] twenty dollars (\$20.00)
13 per copy;

14 E. a fee for the recording of a holding brand
15 pursuant to Section 77-2-7.9 NMSA 1978 in an amount not to
16 exceed [~~one hundred dollars (\$100)~~] two hundred dollars (\$200),
17 which recording shall be valid for one year from the date of
18 recording, and an additional fee in an amount not to exceed one
19 hundred dollars (\$100) for each annual renewal;

20 F. a fee for the [~~rerecording~~] re-recording of
21 brands pursuant to Section 77-2-7.12 NMSA 1978 in an amount not
22 to exceed [~~one hundred dollars (\$100)~~] two hundred dollars
23 (\$200);

24 G. a fee for the inspection of livestock pursuant
25 to Section 77-9-38 or 77-10-4 NMSA 1978 in an amount not to

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1 exceed [~~fifty cents (\$.50)~~] two dollars fifty cents (\$2.50) per
2 head and a service charge in an amount not to exceed [~~ten~~
3 ~~dollars (\$10.00)~~] fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each inspection
4 request; provided that the board may not increase the
5 inspection fee more than ten cents (\$.10) in any one fiscal
6 year;

7 H. a fee for the inspection of hides pursuant to
8 Section 77-9-54 NMSA 1978 in an amount not to exceed [~~fifty~~
9 ~~cents (\$.50)~~] two dollars fifty cents (\$2.50) per hide and a
10 service charge in an amount not to exceed [~~ten dollars~~
11 ~~(\$10.00)~~] fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each inspection request;
12 provided that the board may not increase the inspection fee
13 more than ten cents (\$.10) in any one fiscal year;

14 I. a fee for the handling of the proceeds of the
15 sale of an estray pursuant to Section 77-13-6 NMSA 1978 in an
16 amount not to exceed [~~ten dollars (\$10.00)~~] seventy-five
17 dollars (\$75.00);

18 J. a fee for the impoundment of trespass livestock
19 pursuant to Section 77-14-36 NMSA 1978 in an amount not to
20 exceed [~~ten dollars (\$10.00)~~] fifty dollars (\$50.00) per head
21 per day and a reasonable charge for the moving of trespass
22 livestock pursuant to Section 77-14-36 NMSA 1978 to be set by
23 the board;

24 K. a fee for the licensing of a livestock auction
25 market pursuant to Section 77-10-2 NMSA 1978 in an amount not

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1 to exceed [~~twenty-five dollars (\$25.00)~~] one hundred dollars
2 (\$100);

3 L. a fee for issuing a transportation permit
4 pursuant to Section 77-9-42 NMSA 1978 in an amount not to
5 exceed [~~fifty dollars (\$50.00)~~] one hundred dollars (\$100);

6 M. a fee for the licensing of a cattle or sheep
7 rest station pursuant to Section 77-9A-2 NMSA 1978 in an amount
8 not to exceed [~~twenty-five dollars (\$25.00); and~~] one hundred
9 dollars (\$100);

10 N. a fee for issuing a certificate of brand
11 exemption pursuant to Section 77-8-22 or 77-9-3 NMSA 1978 in an
12 amount not to exceed [~~one hundred dollars (\$100)~~] two hundred
13 dollars (\$200); and

14 O. a fee for moving a head of livestock to or from
15 a seasonal grazing allotment in an amount equal to fifty
16 percent of the fee for the inspection of livestock per head set
17 by the board pursuant to Subsection G of this section and
18 Section 77-9-38 NMSA 1978, rounded up to the nearest cent."

19 SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the
20 provisions of this act is July 1, 2025.