1	Introduced by Committee on Ways and Means			
2	Date:			
3	Subject: Executive Branch fees			
4	Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to adjust certain			
5	Executive Branch fees.			
6	An act relating to Executive Branch fees			
7	It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:			
8	* * * Agriculture * * *			
9	* * * General Powers of Agency; Secretary of Agriculture,			
10	Food and Markets * * *			
11	Sec. 1. 6 V.S.A. § 1 is amended to read:			
12	§ 1. GENERAL POWERS OF AGENCY; SECRETARY OF			
13	AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND MARKETS			
14	* * *			
15	(a) The Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets shall be administered by			
16	a Secretary of Agriculture, Food and Markets. The Secretary shall supervise			
17	and be responsible for the execution and enforcement of all laws relating to			
18	agriculture and standards of weight and measure. The Secretary may:			
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(13) notwithstanding any law to the contrary in this title or Title 9 or 20,
issue all licenses, permits, registrations, or certificates under a program
administered by the Secretary for a term of up to three years; renew and issue
such licenses, permits, registrations, and certificates on any calendar cycle;
collect any annual fee set by law for such multiyear licensure, permit,
registration, or certificate on a pro-rated basis which shall not exceed
150 percent of the annual fee for an 18-month cycle, 200 percent of the annual
fee for a two-year cycle, or 300 percent of the annual fee for a three-year cycle;
and conduct inspections at regulated premises at least once every three years
when inspection is required by law. The authority to mandate licenses,
permits, registrations, or certificates for more than one year shall not extend to
any program administered by the Secretary where the annual fee is more than
\$125.00. The Secretary shall only provide refunds for overpayments of \$25.00
or more on a license, permit, registration, or certificate issued by the Secretary.
The Secretary may assess a late fee of \$25.00 for any license, registration,
permit or certification that is renewed after a second renewal notice has been
mailed by the Secretary to the applicant's last known address of record unless a
higher late renewal fee is otherwise prescribed by statute;
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* * * Certificate of Free Sale * * *
Sec. 2. 6 V.S.A. § 18 is amended to read:

§ 18. CERTIFICATE OF FREE SALE

- (a) The secretary Secretary is hereby authorized to make available certificates of free sale or manufacturing to applicants who manufacture or produce Vermont food or personal care products regulated by the Agency for the limited purpose of facilitating the shipment of such products for sale in foreign countries.
- (b) The agency May adopt rules for the issuance of such certificates.
- (c) The agency Agency shall assess a fee of \$15.00 \$30.00 per certificate to offset administrative costs.
- * * * Commercial Feeds * * *
- 12 Sec. 3. 6 V.S.A. § 324(b) is amended to read:
 - (b) A person shall not distribute in this State a commercial feed that has not been registered pursuant to the provisions of this chapter. Application shall be in a form and manner to be prescribed by rule of the Secretary. The application for registration of a commercial feed shall be accompanied by a registration fee of \$85.00 \$105.00 per product. The registration fees, along with any surcharges collected under subsection (c) of this section, shall be deposited in the special fund created by subsection 364(e) of this title. Funds deposited in this account shall be restricted to implementing and administering the provisions of this title and any other provisions of the law relating to

1	fertilizer, lime, or seeds. If the Secretary so requests, the application for			
2	registration shall be accompanied by a label or other printed matter describing			
3	the product.			
4	* * * Fertilizer and Lime * * *			
5	Sec. 4. 6 V.S.A. § 364(d) is amended to read:			
6	(d) Each separately identified agricultural lime product shall be registered			
7	before being distributed in this State. Registration shall be performed in the			
8	same manner as fertilizer registration except that each application shall be			
9	accompanied by a fee of \$40.00 \$50.00 per product.			
10	* * * Tonnage Fees * * *			
11	Sec. 5. 6 V.S.A. § 366 is amended to read:			
12	§ 366. TONNAGE FEES			
13	(a) There shall be paid annually to the Secretary for all fertilizers			
14	distributed to a nonregistrant consumer in this State an annual fee at a rate of			
15	\$0.25 cents per ton. A person distributing fertilizer to a nonregistrant consumer			
16	in the State annually shall pay the following fees to the Secretary:			
17	(1) a \$150.00 base fee;			
18	(2) \$0.50 per ton of agricultural fertilizer distributed; and			
19	(3) \$30.00 per ton of nonagricultural fertilizer distributed.			
20	(b) Persons distributing fertilizer shall report annually by on or before			
21	January 15 for the previous year ending December 31 to the Secretary			

1	revealing the amounts of each grade of fertilizer and the form in which the			
2	fertilizer was distributed within this State. Each report shall be accompanied			
3	with payment and written permission allowing the Secretary to examine the			
4	person's books for the purpose of verifying tonnage reports.			
5	(c) No information concerning tonnage sales furnished to the Secretary			
6	under this section shall be disclosed in such a way as to divulge the details of			
7	the business operation to any person unless it is necessary for the enforcemen			
8	of the provisions of this chapter.			
9	(d) [Repealed.]			
10	(e) Agricultural limes, including agricultural lime mixed with wood ash,			
11	are exempt from the tonnage fees required in this section.			
12	(f) Lime and wood ash mixtures may be registered as agricultural liming			
13	materials and guaranteed for potassium or potash provided that the wood ash			
14	totals less than 50 percent of the mixture.			
15	(g)(1) All fees collected under subsection (a) subdivisions (a)(1) and (2)			
16	of this section shall be deposited in the revolving special fund created by			
17	subsection 364(e) of this title and used in accordance with its provisions.			
18	(2) All fees collected under subdivision (a)(3) of this section shall be			
19	deposited in the Agricultural Water Quality Special Fund created under section			
20	4803 of this title.			

1	(h) There shall be paid annually to the Secretary for all nonagricultural			
2	fertilizers distributed to a nonregistrant consumer in this State an annual fee at			
3	a rate of \$30.00 per ton of nonagricultural fertilizer for the purpose of			
4	supporting agricultural water quality programs in Vermont.			
5	(1) Persons distributing any fertilizer in the State shall report annually			
6	on or before January 15 for the previous year ending December 31 to the			
7	Secretary revealing the amounts of each grade of fertilizer and the form in			
8	which the fertilizer was distributed within this State. Each report shall be			
9	accompanied with payment of the fees under this section and written			
10	permission allowing the Secretary to examine the person's books for the			
11	purpose of verifying tonnage reports.			
12	(2) No information concerning tonnage sales furnished to the Secretary			
13	under this section shall be disclosed in such a way as to divulge the details of			
14	the business operation to any person unless it is necessary for the enforcement			
15	of the provisions of this chapter.			
16	(3) A \$150.00 minimum tonnage fee shall be assessed on all distributors			
17	who distribute nonagricultural fertilizers in this State.			
18	(4) Agricultural limes, including agricultural lime mixed with wood ash,			
19	are exempt from the tonnage fees required under this subsection.			

1	(5) All fees collected under this subsection shall be deposited in the
2	Agricultural Water Quality Special Fund created under section 4803 of this
3	title. [Repealed.]
4	* * * Maple Products * * *
5	Sec. 6. 6 V.S.A. § 483 is amended to read:
6	§ 483. LICENSE REQUIRED
7	(a) A dealer or processor who is doing business in this state State, or who
8	wishes to do business in this state State shall first obtain a license to do so from
9	the secretary Secretary.
10	(b) A dealer wishing to be licensed shall apply annually before July 1 to the
11	secretary Secretary for a license on forms supplied by the secretary Secretary
12	and shall pay a license fee of \$20.00 \$30.00.
13	(c) A processor wishing to be licensed shall apply annually before July 1 to
14	the secretary Secretary for a license on forms supplied by the secretary
15	Secretary and shall pay a license fee of \$100.00 \$150.00.
16	* * * Seed Potatoes * * *
17	Sec. 7. 6 V.S.A. § 616 is amended to read:
18	§ 616. FEES
19	(a) The secretary Secretary shall have authority to assess growers who
20	apply for the certification privilege a fee per acre, to be paid in one or more
21	installments.

1	(b) Growers shall be assessed $\$30.00$ $\$35.00$ for the first five acres				
2	inclusive. Over five acres shall be assessed $\$30.00$ $\$35.00$ plus $\$2.00$ $\$3.00$				
3	per acre over five acres.				
4	* * *				
5	* * * Seed Standards; Dealers * * *				
6	Sec. 8. 6 V.S.A. § 648(a) is amended to read:				
7	(a) Inspection fees shall be paid to the secretary Secretary by a				
8	manufacturer or processor that distributes seed in the state State. Fees shall be				
9	established as follows:				
10	(1) thirty-five cents per hundredweight \$10.00 per ton for any seed sold				
11	in containers of more than ten pounds;				
12	(2) a flat fee of $\$75.00$ $\$85.00$ per company for any seed sold.				
13	* * * Livestock Dealers * * *				
14	Sec. 9. 6 V.S.A. § 762(a) is amended to read:				
15	(a) A person shall not carry on the business of a livestock dealer without				
16	first obtaining a license from the Secretary of Agriculture, Food and Markets.				
17	Before the issuance of such license, such dealer shall file with the Secretary an				
18	application for such license on forms provided by the Agency. Each				
19	application shall be accompanied by a fee of \$150.00 \$175.00 for persons who				
20	buy and sell or auction livestock, and \$75.00 \$100.00 for persons who only				
21	transport livestock commercially.				

1	* * * Public Warehouses That Store Farm Products * * *				
2	Sec. 10. 6 V.S.A. § 893 is amended to read:				
3	§ 893. APPLICATION FORMS; FEE				
4	The secretary of agriculture, food and markets Secretary of Agriculture.				
5	Food and Markets shall furnish necessary application forms. The annual				
6	license date shall be April 1. The annual license fee shall be \$100.00 \$125.00				
7	* * * Insecticides, Fungicides, and Rodenticides * * *				
8	Sec. 11. 6 V.S.A. § 918(b) is amended to read:				
9	(b) The registrant shall pay an annual fee of \$125.00 \$175.00 for each				
10	product registered, and \$110.00 \$160.00 of that amount shall be deposited in				
11	the special fund created in section 929 of this title, of which \$5.00 from each				
12	product registration shall be used for an educational program related to the				
13	proper purchase, application, and disposal of household pesticides, and \$5.00				
14	from each product registration shall be used to collect and dispose of obsolete				
15	and unwanted pesticides. Of the registration fees collected under this				
16	subsection, \$15.00 of the amount collected shall be deposited in the				
17	Agricultural Water Quality Special Fund under section 4803 of this title. The				
18	annual registration year shall be from December 1 to November 30 of the				
19	following year.				
20	* * * Pesticides * * *				
21	Sec. 12. 6 V.S.A. § 1109 is amended to read:				

1	§ 1109. LICENSING RETAIL DEALERS				
2	The secretary Secretary may adopt regulations requiring persons selling				
3	Class C pesticides at retail to be licensed under this chapter, and may establish				
4	reasonable requirements for obtaining licenses. The license fee for a retail				
5	dealer shall be \$20.00 \$25.00 for one year or any part thereof for each store of				
6	place of business operated by the retail dealer. The license period shall be				
7	January 1 to December 31.				
8	Sec. 13. 6 V.S.A. § 1112 is amended to read:				
9	§ 1112. LICENSING PESTICIDE APPLICATORS; PESTICIDE				
10	COMPANIES; DEALERS				
11	(a) The secretary Secretary may adopt regulations requiring persons selling				
12	Class A and B pesticides to be licensed under this chapter. In addition, the				
13	secretary Secretary may adopt regulations requiring companies which hire				
14	applicators or conduct pesticide applications to be licensed, and applicators				
15	who use pesticides to be certified under this chapter. The secretary Secretary				
16	may establish reasonable requirements for obtaining licenses and certificates.				
17	The fees for dealers, licensed companies, and applicator certificates under this				
18	chapter shall be as follows:				
19	(1) Class A Dealer License—\$30.00 <u>\$50.00</u> ;				
20	(2) Class B Dealer License—\$30.00 <u>\$50.00</u> ;				
21	(3) Pesticide Company License—\$60.00 \$75.00;				

1	(4) Commercial and Noncommercial Applicator Certification fee-\$25.00					
2	\$30.00 per category or subcategory with a maximum of \$100.00;					
3	(5) Second and third time examination fee for dealer licenses and					
4	applicator certification—\$25.00;					
5	(6) Private Applicator—\$25.00.					
6	(b) All license and certification fees shall be for one year or any part					
7	thereof for each dealer, licensed pesticide applicator company or certified					
8	commercial and noncommercial applicator. The license and certification					
9	period shall be January 1 to December 31. The secretary shall exempt federal					
10	and state agencies and municipalities and public education institutions from					
11	certification and licensing fees.					
12	* * * Supervision, Inspection, and Licensing of Dairy Operations * * *					
13	Sec. 14. 6 V.S.A § 2721 is amended to read:					
14	§ 2721. HANDLERS' LICENSES					
15	* * *					
16	(b) A milk handler shall not transact business in the state State unless the					
17	milk handler secures and holds a handler's license from the secretary					
18	Secretary. The license shall terminate September 1 each year and shall be					
19	procured by August 15 of each year. The secretary Secretary shall furnish all					
20	forms for applications, licenses, and bonds. At the time the application is					
21	delivered to the secretary Secretary, the milk handler shall pay a license					

1	application fee of \$50.00 for an initial application and a license fee based on					
2	the following table. For a renewal application, only the fee in the table applies.					
3	Out-of-state firms are to use the company's highest total pounds of milk or					
4	dairy products bought, sold, packaged, assembled, transported, or processed					
5	per production day. Milk handlers' licenses for transportation of bulk milk					
6	will be capped at \$750.00 per year.					
7	Pounds of milk or dairy License handling fee					
8	products bought, sold, packaged,					
9	assembled, transported, or					
10	processed per production day:					
11	500 pounds or less \$50.00 \$60.00					
12	Over 500 but less than 1,000 pounds \$100.00					
13	Over 500 but less than 10,000 pounds \$200.00					
14	1,000 to 10,000 pounds per day \$175.00					
15	10,000 to 50,000 pounds \$350.00					
16	Over 10,000 to 25,000 pounds per day \$275.00					
17	Over 50,000 but less than 100,000 pounds \$750.00					
18	Over 25,000 pounds \$350.00					
19	100,000 to 500,000 pounds \$1,000.00					
20	Over 500,000 pounds \$1,500.00					
21	Processor fee per pasteurizer \$50.00 \$75.00					

1	(c)	[Deleted.]	[Repealed.]
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- 2 Sec. 15. 6 V.S.A § 2722 is amended to read:
- 3 § 2722. APPLICATION
- Applications shall be completely filled out and sworn to by the applicant or
 a partner or officer thereof and in case of renewal shall be filed with the
 Secretary on or before July 15 of each year. New handlers may apply for a
 license at any time. Renewal applications not received on or before August 1
 shall be assessed a late fee of \$50.00 \$100.00. The application for a handler's
 license shall provide the following information and such other information as
 the Secretary by regulation shall reasonably require:

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- 12 Sec. 16. 6 V.S.A. § 2724(b) is amended to read:
- 13 (b) Any commercial enterprise that sells, installs, or repairs milking, milk 14 cooling and storage, or dairy processing equipment shall register with the 15 Secretary. The company shall apply for registration on a form made available 16 by the Agency. The registration shall be valid for three years. Before 17 registering a company, the Secretary shall determine that the company is 18 qualified to sell, perform the installation, or repair milking and dairy 19 processing equipment. The registration form shall be accompanied by a fee of 20 \$100.00 \$150.00. The Secretary may suspend or revoke registration for cause 21 after giving the installer the opportunity to be heard. Registration shall

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terminate on December 31 of each year. Electricians or plumbers licensed pursuant to Title 26 doing only electrical or plumbing work within a farm or plant shall be exempt from this registration provided any work directly related to the processing of dairy products or milking of animals is performed under the supervision of a person that is registered. Any company that fails to renew on or before December 31 shall pay a \$25.00 late fee, and the registration shall lapse if it is more than 30 days late. * * * Frozen Desserts * * * Sec. 17. 6 V.S.A. § 2855 is amended to read: § 2855. LICENSES No person shall manufacture for sale frozen desserts unless that person first secures a license from the secretary of agriculture, food and markets Secretary of Agriculture, Food and Markets. Applications shall be made on forms furnished by the secretary Secretary and be accompanied by a fee of \$70.00 \$75.00. All licenses shall terminate on December 31st 31 of each year. Frozen dessert licenses may be revoked or suspended for cause following due notice and hearing. * * * Dairy Promotion Council * * * Sec. 18. 6 V.S.A. § 2981 is amended to read: § 2981. RATE AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENT

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(b) Each handler shall pay the council each month two cents per
hundredweight on all fluid milk sold for consumption within the state of
Vermont. Each handler shall file a report and pay the handler's hundredweight
fee to the council on forms provided for that purpose, except that handlers who
sell less than 100 quarts of fluid milk per day may file reports and pay the
prescribed hundredweight fees at the end of each three month period. In case
the same fluid milk is handled by more than one handler, the first handler
within the state dealing in or handling the fluid milk shall be the handler within
the meaning of this chapter. [Repealed.]
* * * Livestock and Poultry Products * * *
Sec. 19. 6 V.S.A. § 3306(d) is amended to read:
(d) The annual fee for a license for a retail vendor is $\$15.00$ $\$25.00$ for
vendors without meat cutting operations, \$30.00 \$50.00 for vendors with meat
cutting space of less than 300 square feet or meat display space of less than
20 linear feet, and \$60.00 \$100.00 for vendors with 300 or more square feet of
meat cutting space and 20 or more linear feet of meat display space. Fees
collected under this section shall be deposited in a special fund managed
pursuant to 32 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 5, and shall be available to the
Agency to offset the cost of administering chapter 204 of this title. For all
other plants, establishments, and related businesses listed under subsection (a)

1	of this section, except for a public warehouse licensed under chapter 67 of this
2	title, the annual license fee shall be \$50.00 \$150.00.
3	* * * Nursery Inspection * * *
4	Sec. 20. 6 V.S.A. § 4024 is amended to read:
5	§ 4024. NURSERY LICENSE
6	(a) No person shall operate as a nursery grower or nursery dealer in the
7	state State without first obtaining a nursery license from the secretary
8	Secretary. A nursery grower or nursery dealer shall apply annually for a
9	nursery license on a form provided by the secretary Secretary. The secretary
10	Secretary shall establish by rule the conditions for the issuance, suspension, or
11	revocation of a nursery license, and may place any restrictions or requirements
12	upon the license which he or she deems necessary.
13	(b) A nursery dealer licensed under this section 4024 of this title shall pay
14	the following fee for a license:
15	(1) $\$50.00$ $\$60.00$, if the nursery owns or controls:
16	(A) a nursery of one-half acre or more;
17	(B) greenhouse space of 25,000 square feet or more; or
18	(C) retail space of 25,000 square feet or more.
19	(2) $$20.00 30.00 for all other nursery dealers.
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21	Sec. 21. 6 V.S.A. § 4031(d) is amended to read:

1	(d) The Secretary may collect a fee of $\$60.00$ $\$75.00$ for a three-year
2	permit to engage in commerce with plants described in subsection (a) of this
3	section. The fee shall be credited to a special fund established and managed
4	pursuant to 32 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 5, and shall be available to the
5	Agency to offset the costs of implementing this section.
6	* * * Small Farm Certification * * *
7	Sec. 22. SMALL FARM CERTIFICATION FEE; REPORT
8	On or before November 15, 2016, the Secretary of Agriculture, Food and
9	Markets shall submit to the House Committee on Ways and Means, the Senate
10	Committee on Finance, the House Committee on Agriculture and Forest
11	Products, and the Senate Committee on Agriculture a proposed fee for small
12	farms required to certify compliance with water quality requirements under the
13	required agriculture practices. The recommended small farm certification fee
14	shall be included in the Executive Branch Fee Report submitted to the General
15	Assembly in 2017 under 32 V.S.A. § 605.
16	* * * Certification of Custom Applicators of Manure or Nutrients * * *
17	Sec. 23. 6 V.S.A. § 4987 is amended to read:
18	§ 4987. DEFINITIONS
19	As used in this subchapter, "custom applicator" means a person who is
20	engaged in the business of applying manure or nutrients to land and who
21	charges or collects other consideration for the service. Custom applicator shall

1	include full-time employees of a person engaged in the business of applying
2	manure or nutrients to land, when the employees apply manure or nutrients to
3	land. A certification fee of \$30.00 will be charged annually to all persons
4	meeting this definition.
5	* * * Weights and Measures * * *
6	Sec. 24. 9 V.S.A. § 2643 is amended to read:
7	§ 2643. LICENSES; INSPECTIONS; PENALTIES
8	(a) No person shall operate a retail point-of-sale laser scanning check-out
9	system with more than three point-of-sale scanning points without first
10	obtaining a license from the Secretary.
11	* * *
12	(2) The annual license fee shall be $$10.00 \ 25.00 per individual
13	point-of-sale scanning point within a store. All single retail units that have
14	three or fewer scanning points shall be exempt from this fee.
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16	Sec. 25. 9 V.S.A. Sec. 2721 is amended to read:
17	§ 2721. LICENSED PUBLIC WEIGHMASTER-LICENSE
18	Any person, who is 18 years of age or older, wishing to be a licensed public
19	weighmaster shall apply to the Secretary upon forms provided by the Agency,
20	and remit a fee of \$15.00 \$25.00. Upon approval, the Secretary shall issue to
21	the applicant a license certificate which shall expire on June 30 unless sooner

1 suspended or revoked under section 2723 of this title. Renewal applications 2 shall be in such form as the Secretary shall prescribe. 3 Sec. 26. 9 V.S.A. § 2725(a) is amended to read: 4 (a) Any person wishing to be registered as a dealer or service person shall 5 apply to the Secretary upon forms provided by the Agency and each 6 application shall be accompanied by a fee of \$50.00 \$60.00. Upon approval, 7 the Secretary shall issue to the applicant a registration certificate which shall 8 expire on June 30 unless sooner suspended or revoked under section 2726 of 9 this title. Any service person who applies for a registration certificate must 10 have obtained a hand seal which has a number registered with the Secretary. 11 Any service person who has been granted a registration certificate shall, with 12 the hand seal, seal all meters with a lead and wire seal at the time as he or she 13 installs, repairs, or adjusts the meters. 14 Sec. 27. 9 V.S.A. § 2730(f)(1) is amended to read: 15 (f)(1) The Secretary shall charge, per unit, the following annual license 16 fees: 17 (A) Retail motor fuel dispenser meter: \$15.00 \$25.00. 18 (B) Vehicle tank meter: \$100.00 \$125.00. 19 (C) Scales: \$10.00 \$25.00. 20 (D) Vehicle and heavy duty scales: \$150.00 \$175.00.

(E) Taxi meter: \$10.00. [Repealed.]

1	(F) Meter: \$15.00 <u>\$25.00</u> .
2	(G) Bulk plant meter: \$100.00. [Repealed.]
3	(H) Truck mounted propane meter: \$150.00 <u>\$175.00</u> .
4	(I) Hopper scales: \$100.00 <u>\$125.00</u> .
5	(J) Propane fill station: \$50.00 <u>\$60.00</u> .
6	(K) Medium duty scales:
7	portable platform scales: \$30.00 \(\frac{\$35.00}{} \).
8	all others: \$30.00 <u>\$35.00</u> .
9	* * * Welfare of Animals * * *
10	Sec. 28. 20 V.S.A § 3903 is amended to read:
11	§ 3903. REGISTRATION OF ANIMAL SHELTERS AND RESCUE
12	ORGANIZATIONS
13	(a) No person may operate an animal shelter or rescue organization unless a
14	certificate of registration for the animal shelter or rescue organization has been
15	granted by the Secretary. Application for the certificate shall be made in the
16	manner provided by the Secretary. No fee shall be required for the certificate.
17	Certificates of registration shall be valid for a period of one year or until
18	revoked and may be renewed for like periods upon application in the manner
19	provided. [Repealed.]
20	(b) An animal shelter or rescue organization registered under this chapter
21	shall not accept an animal unless the person transferring the animal to the

1	shelter provides the following information: the name and address of the person
2	transferring the animal and, if known, the name of the animal, its vaccination
3	history, and other information concerning the background, temperament, and
4	health of the animal.
5	(c) A rescue organization registered under this chapter shall be recognized
6	and approved as a nonprofit organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the
7	Internal Revenue Code 26 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3).
8	Sec. 29. 20 V.S.A. § 3906 is amended to read:
9	§ 3906. LICENSING OF PET SHOPS
10	(a) No person may transact business as a pet shop, as defined in this
11	chapter, unless a license for that purpose has been granted by the Secretary to
12	that person. Application for the license shall be made in the manner provided
13	by the Secretary. The license period shall be April 1 to March 31 and the
14	license fee shall be \$150.00 \$175.00 for each license period or part thereof.
15	(b) [Repealed.]
16	* * * Financial Regulations * * *
17	* * * License Requirements * * *
18	Sec. 30. 8 V.S.A. § 4791 is amended to read:
19	§ 4791. DEFINITIONS
20	As used in this chapter:
21	* * *

1	(8) "Business entity" means a corporation, association, partnership,
2	limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or other legal entity.
3	(9) "Business entity limited lines producer" means a business entity, as
4	defined in subdivision (8) of this section, that is also a limited lines producer,
5	as defined in subdivision (7) of this section.
6	Sec. 31. 8 V.S.A. § 4800 is amended to read:
7	§ 4800. LICENSE REQUIREMENTS
8	The Commissioner shall not issue, continue, or permit to continue any
9	license of an insurance producer, surplus lines insurance broker, managing
10	general agent, reinsurance intermediary, insurance consultant, limited lines
11	producer, business entity limited lines producer, insurance adjuster, public
12	adjuster, and appraiser except in compliance with the following:
13	(1) Application shall be made to the Commissioner by the applicant on a
14	form prescribed by the Commissioner.
15	(2)(A) All license applications shall be accompanied by a \$30.00 fee
16	plus the applicable fees as follows:
17	(i) Initial licensing and biennial renewal licensing fee for
18	insurance producers and limited lines producers, \$30.00.
19	(ii) <u>Initial licensing and biennial renewal licensing fee for a</u>
20	business entity limited lines producer, \$150.00.

1	(iii) Except as provided in subdivisions (I) and (II) of this
2	subdivision, initial and biennial producer appointment fees for each
3	qualification set forth in section 4813g of subchapter 1A of this chapter for
4	resident and nonresident producers acting as agents of foreign insurers, \$60.00:
5	(I) the Commissioner may charge one fee for a qualification in
6	"property and casualty" insurance; and
7	(II) the Commissioner may charge one fee for a qualification in
8	"life and accident and health or sickness" insurance.
9	(iii)(iv) Initial 24-month appointment and biennial renewal
10	appointment fee for limited lines producers, \$60.00.
11	(iv)(v) Initial 24-month license and biennial renewal fee for
12	resident and nonresident adjusters, and appraisers licenses, \$60.00, and public
13	adjusters, \$200.00.
14	(v)(vi) The initial 24-month license fee and biennial renewal fee
15	for surplus lines brokers, \$400.00.
16	(vi)(vii) The initial 24-month license fee and biennial renewal fee
17	for consultants, \$200.00.
18	(vii)(viii) The initial 24-month license fee and biennial renewal
19	fee for reinsurance intermediaries, \$200.00.
20	(viii)(ix) The initial 24-month license fee and biennial renewal fee
21	for managing general agents, \$300.00.

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2	Sec. 32. 8 V.S.A. § 4813a is amended to read:
3	§ 4813a. DEFINITIONS
4	As used in this subchapter:
5	(1) "Business entity" means a corporation, association, partnership,
6	limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or other legal entity
7	shall have the same meaning as in subdivision 4791(8) of this title.
8	* * *
9	Sec. 33. 9 V.S.A. § 5302 is amended to read:
10	§ 5302. NOTICE FILING
11	(a) With respect to a federal covered security, as defined in 15 U.S.C.
12	§ 77r(b)(2), that is not otherwise exempt under sections 5201 through 5203 of
13	this title, a rule adopted or an order issued under this chapter may require the
14	filing of any or all of the following records:
15	(1) before the initial offer of a federal covered security in this State, all
16	records that are part of a federal registration statement filed with the Securitie
17	and Exchange Commission under 15 U.S.C. § 77a et seq. and a consent to
18	service of process complying with section 5611 of this chapter signed by the
19	issuer and the payment of a registration fee as set forth in subsection (e) or (f)
20	of this section;

- (2) after the initial offer of the federal covered security in this State, all records that are part of an amendment to a federal registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission under 15 U.S.C. § 77a et seq.; and
 (3) to the extent necessary or appropriate to compute fees, a report of the value of the federal covered securities sold or offered to persons present in this State in such form and at such time as the Commissioner may prescribe if the State-specific sales data are not included and available in records filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.
 - (b) A notice filing under subsection (a) of this section is effective for one year from the date the notice filing is accepted as complete by the Office of the Commissioner. On or before expiration, the issuer may renew a notice filing by filing a copy of those records filed by the issuer with the Securities and Exchange Commission that are required by rule or order under this chapter to be filed and by paying an annual renewal fee as set forth in subsection (e) or (f) of this section. A previously filed consent to service of process complying with section 5611 of this title may be incorporated by reference in a renewal. A renewed notice filing becomes effective upon the expiration of the filing being renewed.
 - (c) With respect to a security that is a federal covered security under 15 U.S.C. § 77r(b)(4)(D)(E), a rule under this chapter may require a notice

filing by or on behalf of an issuer to include a copy of Form D, including the
Appendix, as promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, and a
consent to service of process complying with section 5611 of this chapter
signed by the issuer not later than 15 days after the first sale of the federal
covered security in this State and the payment of a fee as set forth in subsection
(e) of this section. The notice filing shall be effective for one year from the
date the notice filing is accepted as complete by the Office of the
Commissioner. On or before expiration, the issuer may annually renew a
notice filing by filing a copy of those records filed by the issuer with the
Securities and Exchange Commission that are required by rule or order under
this chapter to be filed and by paying an annual renewal fee as set forth in
subsection (e) of this section.
(d) Subject to the provisions of 15 U.S.C. § 77r(c)(2) and any rules adopted
thereunder, with respect to any security that is a federal covered security under
15 U.S.C. § 77r(b)(3) or (4)(A)-(C) and that is not otherwise exempt under
sections 5201 through 5203 of this title, a rule adopted or order issued under
this chapter may require any or all of the following with respect to such federal
covered securities, at such time as the Commissioner may deem appropriate:
(1) The filing of documents as deemed appropriate by the
Commissioner.

1	(2) The filing of a consent to service of process complying with section
2	5611 of this chapter.
3	(3) The payment of fees as set forth in subsection (e) of this section,
4	including fees for renewal of a notice filing, as appropriate. The notice filing
5	shall be effective for one year from the date the notice filing is accepted as
6	complete by the office of the Commissioner.
7	(e) At the time of the filing of the information prescribed in subsections (a),
8	(b), (c), or (d) of this section, except investment companies subject to
9	15 U.S.C. § 80a-1 et seq., the issuer shall pay to the Commissioner a fee of
10	\$600.00. If the notice filing is withdrawn or otherwise terminated, the
11	Commissioner shall retain the fee paid. Open end investment companies
12	subject to 15 U.S.C. § 80a-1 et seq. shall pay an initial notice filing fee and
13	annual renewal fee for each portfolio or class of investment company securities
14	for which a notice filing is submitted.
15	(f) Investment companies subject to 15 U.S.C. § 80a-1 et seq. shall pay to
16	the Commissioner an initial notice filing fee and annual renewal fee of
17	\$1,200.00 for each portfolio or class of investment company securities for
18	which a notice filing is submitted.
19	(g) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require the notice filing or
20	payment of notice filing fees with respect to variable annuities or variable life
21	insurance products.

1	(g)(h) Except with respect to a federal covered security under 15 U.S.C.
2	§ 77r(b)(1), if the Commissioner finds that there is a failure to comply with a
3	notice or fee requirement of this section, the Commissioner may issue a stop
4	order suspending the offer and sale of a federal covered security in this State.
5	If the deficiency is corrected, the stop order is void as of the time of its
6	issuance and no penalty may be imposed by the Commissioner.
7	* * * Charging Fees for Regulatory Costs; Exemption * * *
8	Sec. 34. 32 V.S.A. § 602 is amended to read:
9	§ 602. DEFINITIONS
10	As used in this subchapter:
11	* * *
12	(2) "Fee":
13	(A) Means a monetary charge by an agency or the judiciary for a
14	service or product provided to, or the regulation of, specified classes of
15	individuals or entities.
16	(B) The following charges are exempt from the provisions of this
17	subchapter:
18	(i) A charge established under the jurisdiction of the Public
19	Service Board as provided by 30 V.S.A. §§ 20, 21, and 218.
20	(ii) A charge established by the Liquor Control Board as provided
21	by Title 7.

1	(iii) A duly adopted charge concerning only inmates of a
2	correctional or detention facility, students enrolled in an educational
3	institution, or patients admitted to a hospital or rehabilitation facility.
4	(iv) Monies paid into an enterprise or internal service fund.
5	(v) A transfer between agencies of State government or between
6	State government and a political subdivision, as compensation for a service, to
7	support a regulatory activity, or to account for surplus property.
8	(vi) Monies from interest and premium payments, rent or lease
9	payments, proceeds of fair market or negotiated sales, or sales of commercially
10	available items.
11	(vii) Except for the purposes of section 605 of this title, motor
12	vehicle and other highway user fees authorized by the General Assembly for
13	the support of the Transportation Fund.
14	(viii) A charge established by the Department of Financial
15	Regulation as authorized by law.
16	(ix) Any other charge exempt by law.

1	* * * Vermont Center for Crime Victim Services * * *
2	* * * Marriage License Fee * * *
3	Sec. 35. 32 V.S.A. § 1712 is amended to read:
4	§ 1712. TOWN CLERKS
5	Town clerks shall receive the following fees in the matter of vital
6	registration:
7	(1) For issuing and recording a civil marriage or civil union license,
8	\$45.00 $$60.00$ to be paid by the applicant, \$10.00 of which sum shall be
9	retained by the town clerk as a fee, \$20.00 \$35.00 of which shall be deposited
10	in the Domestic and Sexual Violence Special Fund created by 13 V.S.A.
11	§ 5360, and \$15.00 of which sum shall be paid by the town clerk to the State
12	Treasurer in a return filed quarterly upon forms furnished by the State
13	Treasurer and specifying all fees received by him or her during the quarter.
14	Such quarterly period shall be as of the first day of January, April, July, and
15	October.
16	* * *
17	* * * Public Safety * * *
18	* * * Emergency Management * * *
19	Sec. 36. 20 V.S.A. § 39(a) is amended to read:
20	(a) Every person required to report the use or storage of hazardous
21	chemicals or substances pursuant to EPCRA shall pay the following annual

1	fees for each hazardous chemical or substance, as defined by the state
2	emergency response commission State Emergency Response Commission, that
3	is present at the facility:
4	(1) \$35.00 \$40.00 for quantities between 100 and 999 pounds.
5	(2) \$55.00 \$60.00 for quantities between 1,000 and 9,999 pounds.
6	(3) \$90.00 \$100.00 for quantities between 10,000 and 99,999 pounds.
7	(4) \$265.00 \$290.00 for quantities between 100,000 and 999,999
8	pounds.
9	(5) \$800.00 \$880.00 for quantities exceeding 999,999 pounds.
10	(6) An additional fee of \$175.00 \$250.00 will be assessed for each
11	extremely hazardous chemical or substance as defined in 42 U.S.C. § 11002.
12	* * * Fire Prevention; Building Inspection * * *
13	Sec. 37. 20 V.S.A. § 2731(c) is amended to read:
14	(c) The following fire prevention and building code fees are established:
15	(1) The permit application fee for a construction plan approval shall be
16	based on $\$5.50$ $\$8.00$ per each $\$1,000.00$ of the total valuation of the
17	construction work proposed to be done for all buildings, but in no event shall
18	the permit application fee exceed \$185,000.00 nor be less than \$50.00.
19	* * *
20	* * * Liquor Control * * *
21	* * * Licensing * * *

1	Sec. 38. 7 V.S.A. § 231 is amended to read:
2	§ 231. FEES FOR LICENSES AND PERMITS; DISPOSITION OF FEES
3	(a) The following fees shall be paid:
4	(1) For a manufacturer's or rectifier's license to manufacture or rectify
5	malt beverages and vinous beverages or to manufacture or rectify spirits and
6	fortified wines, \$285.00 \$310.00 for either license.
7	(2) For a bottler's license, \$1,705.00 <u>\$1,865.00</u> .
8	(3) For a wholesale dealer's license, \$1,140.00 \$1,245.00 for each
9	location.
10	(4) For a first-class license, \$230.00 \$250.00.
11	(5) For a second-class license, \$140.00 <u>\$155.00</u> .
12	(6) For a third-class license, \$1,000.00 \$1,095.00 for an annual license
13	and \$500.00 <u>\$550.00</u> for a six-month license.
14	(7) For a shipping license for vinous beverages:
15	(A) In-state consumer shipping license, initial and renewal, \$300.00
16	<u>\$330.00</u> .
17	(B) Out-of-state consumer shipping license, initial and renewal,
18	\$300.00 <u>\$330.00</u> .
19	(C) Retail shipping license, \$230.00 \$250.00.
20	(8)(A) For a caterer's license, \$230.00 \$250.00.
21	(B) For a commercial catering license, \$200.00 \$220.00.

1	(C) For a request to cater permit, \$20.00.
2	(9) [Repealed.]
3	(10) [Repealed.]
4	(11) For up to ten fourth-class vinous licenses, \$65.00 \$70.00.
5	(12) For an industrial alcohol distributors license, \$200.00 \$220.00
6	(13) For a special events permit, \$35.00 <u>\$40.00</u> .
7	(14) For a festival permit, \$115.00 <u>\$125.00</u> .
8	(15) For a wine tasting permit, \$25.00.
9	(16) For an educational sampling event permit, \$230.00 \$250.00.
10	(17) For an outside consumption permit, \$20.00.
11	(18) For a certificate of approval:
12	(A) For malt beverages, \$2,275.00 \$2,485.00.
13	(B) For vinous beverages, \$900.00 \$985.00.
14	(19) For a solicitor's license, \$65.00 \$70.00.
15	(20) For a vinous beverages storage license, \$215.00 \$235.00.
16	(21) For a promotional tasting permit for a railroad, \$20.00.
17	(22) For an art gallery or bookstore permit, \$20.00.
18	(23) For a fortified wine permit, \$100.00.
19	(24) For a public library or museum permit, \$20.00.
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21	* * * Liquor License * * *

- Sec. 39. 7 V.SA. § 239 is amended to read:
- 2 § 239. LICENSEE EDUCATION

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- 3 (a) A new first-class, second-class, third-class, fourth-class, or farmers' 4 market license, or manufacturer's license shall not be granted until the 5 applicant has met with a liquor control investigator or training specialist 6 attended a Department of Liquor Control in-person seminar or completed the 7 appropriate Department of Liquor Control online training program for the 8 purpose of being informed of the Vermont liquor laws, rules, and regulations 9 pertaining to the purchase, storage, and sale of alcohol beverages. A 10 corporation, partnership, or association shall designate a director, partner, or 11 manager who shall comply with the terms of this subsection.
 - (b) Every first-class, second-class, third-class, fourth-class, or farmers' market licensee, and every holder of a manufacturer's license shall complete the Department of Liquor Control in-person licensee training seminar or the appropriate Department of Liquor Control online training program at least once every two years. A corporation, partnership, or association shall designate a director, partner, or manager who shall comply with the terms of this subsection. A first-class, second-class, third-class, fourth-class, or farmers' market license, or manufacturer's license shall not be renewed unless the records of the Department of Liquor Control show that the licensee has complied with the terms of this subsection.

1	(c) Each licensee shall ensure that every employee who is involved in the
2	sale or serving of alcohol beverages completes a training program approved by
3	the Department of Liquor Control before the employee begins serving or
4	selling alcoholic beverages and at least once every 24 months thereafter. Each
5	licensee shall maintain written documentation, signed by each employee
6	trained, of each training program conducted. A licensee may comply with this
7	requirement by conducting its own training program on its premises, using
8	information and materials furnished or approved by the Department of Liquor
9	Control. A licensee who fails to comply with the requirements of this
10	subsection shall be subject to a suspension of no less than one day of the
11	license issued under this title.
12	(d) The following fees for Department of Liquor Control in-person or
13	online seminars will be paid:
14	(1) For a first-class or first- and third-class licensee seminar either in
15	person or online, \$25.00 per person.
16	(2) For a second-class licensee seminar either in person or online,
17	\$25.00 per person.
18	(3) For a combination first-class, first- and third-class, and second-class
19	licensee seminar either in person or online, \$25.00 per person.
20	(4) For a manufacturer's or fourth-class or farmers' market licensee
21	seminar either in person or online, \$10.00 per person.

1	(5) For common carrier seminars either in person or online, \$10.00 per
2	person.
3	(6) For all special event, festival, educational sampling, art gallery,
4	bookstore, museum and library permit holders for either in-person or online
5	seminar, \$10.00 per person.
6	(e) Fees for all seminars listed in this section and under other sections of
7	this title with regards to in-person or online training shall be deposited directly
8	in the Liquor Control Enterprise Fund.
9	Sec. 40. 7 V.S.A. § 1002 is amended to read:
10	§ 1002. LICENSE REQUIRED; APPLICATION; FEE; ISSUANCE
11	* * *
12	(d) A person applying simultaneously for a tobacco license and a liquor
13	license shall apply to the legislative body of the municipality and shall pay to
14	the Department only the fee required to obtain the liquor license. A person
15	applying for a tobacco license shall submit a fee of \$100.00 \$110.00 to the
16	legislative body of the municipality for each tobacco license or renewal. The
17	municipal clerk shall forward the application to the Department, and the
18	Department shall issue the tobacco license. The tobacco license fee shall be
19	forwarded to the Commissioner for deposit in the Liquor Control Enterprise
20	Fund.
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1	Sec. 41. 7 V.S.A. § 1002a is amended to read:
2	§ 1002a. LICENSEE EDUCATION
3	(a) An applicant for a tobacco license that does not hold a liquor license
4	issued under this title shall be granted a tobacco license pursuant to section
5	1002 of this title only after the applicant has met with a liquor control
6	investigator attended a Department of Liquor Control in-person seminar or
7	completed the appropriate Department of Liquor Control online training
8	program for the purpose of being informed about the Vermont tobacco laws
9	pertaining to the purchase, storage, and sale of tobacco products. A
10	corporation, partnership or association shall designate a director, partner, or
11	manager to comply with the requirements of this subsection.
12	(b) The holder of a tobacco license that does not also hold a liquor license
13	issued pursuant to this title for the same premises shall:
14	(1) Complete the department's Department's in-person or online
15	enforcement seminar at least once every three two years. A corporation,
16	partnership, or association shall designate a director, partner, or manager to
17	comply with this subdivision.
18	(2) Ensure that every employee involved in the sale of tobacco products

completes a Department of Liquor Control in-person or online training

program or other training programs approved by the department of liquor

control Department before the employee begins selling or providing tobacco

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1	products, and at least once every 24 months thereafter. A licensee may comply
2	with this subdivision by conducting its own training program on its premises
3	using information and materials furnished by the department of liquor control.
4	A licensee who fails to comply with the requirements of this subsection shall
5	be subject to suspension of the tobacco license for no less than one day.
6	(3) Fees for Department of Liquor Control in-person and online
7	seminars for tobacco only will be \$10.00 per person.
8	* * * Electronic Cigarette Licenses * * *
9	Sec. 42. 7 V.S.A. § 1002b is added to read:
10	§ 1002b. ELECTRONIC CIGARETTES; LICENSE REQUIRED; FEE
11	[]
12	* * * Alcoholic Beverages * * *
13	* * * Prohibited Acts; Common Carriers * * *
14	Sec. 43. 7 V.S.A. § 66(f) is amended to read:
15	(f) A common carrier shall not deliver vinous beverages or malt beverages
16	until it has complied with the training provisions in subsections 239(a) and (b)
17	and subdivision 239(d)(5) of this title and been certified by the Department of
18	Liquor Control. No employee of a certified common carrier may deliver
19	vinous beverages or malt beverages until that employee completes the training
20	provisions in subsection 239(c) of this title. A common carrier shall deliver
21	only vinous beverages or malt beverages that have been shipped by the holder

1	of a license issued under this section or a vinous beverage storage license	
2	issued under section 68 of this title.	
3	* * * Natural Resources * * *	
4	* * * Fish and Wildlife * * *	
5	Sec. 44. 10 V.S.A. § 4255 is amended to read:	
6	§ 4255. LICENSE FEES	
7	(a) Vermont residents may apply for licenses on forms provided by the	
8	Commissioner. Fees for each license shall be:	
9	(1) Fishing license \$26.00	
10	(2) Hunting license \$26.00	
11	(3) Combination hunting and fishing license \$41.00 \(\frac{\$42.00}{}\)	
12	(4) Big game licenses (all require a hunting license)	
13	(A) archery license \$23.00	
14	(B) muzzle loader license \$23.00	
15	(C) turkey license \$23.00	
16	(D) second muzzle loader license \$17.00	
17	[Repealed.]	
18	(E) second archery license \$17.00	
19	[Repealed.]	
20	(F) moose license \$100.00	
21	(G) season bear tag \$5.00	

1	(H) additional deer archery tag \$5	23.00
2	(5) Trapping license \$5	23.00
3	(6) Hunting license for persons 17 years of age or under	\$8.00
4	(7) Trapping license for persons 17 years of age or under \$	10.00
5	(8) Fishing license for persons 15 through 17 years of age	\$8.00
6	(9) Super sport license \$1.	50.00
7	(10) Three-day fishing license \$	11.00
8	(11) Combination hunting and fishing license for persons	
9	17 years of age or under \$	12.00
10	(12) Mentored hunting license \$	10.00
11	(b) Nonresidents may apply for licenses on forms provided by the	
12	Commissioner. Fees for each license shall be:	
13	(1) Fishing license \$51.00 <u>\$</u>	52.00
14	(2) One-day fishing license \$5	21.00
15	(3) [Repealed.]	
16	(4) Hunting license \$1	00.00
17	(5) Combination hunting and fishing license \$135.00 \$1	38.00
18	(6) Big game licenses (all require a hunting license)	
19	(A) archery license \$5	38.00
20	(B) muzzle loader license \$	40.00
21	(C) turkey license \$5	38.00

1	(D) [Repealed.]	
2	(E) [Repealed.]	
3	(F) moose license	\$350.00
4	(G) early season bear tag	\$15.00
5	(H) additional deer archery tag	\$38.00
6	(7) Small game licenses	
7	(A) all season	\$50.00
8	(B) [Repealed.]	
9	(8) Trapping license	\$305.00
10	(9) Hunting licenses for persons 17 years of age or under	\$25.00
11	(10) Three-day fishing license	\$23.00
12	(11) Seven-day fishing license	\$31.00
13	(12) Archery-only license (does not require hunting license)	\$75.00
14	(13) Fishing license for persons aged 15 through 17 years	
15	of age	\$15.00
16	(14) Super sport license	\$250.00
17	(15) Combination hunting and fishing license for persons	
18	aged 17 years of age or under	\$30.00
19	(16) Mentored hunting license	\$10.00
20	(c) A permanent or free license may be secured on application to	the
21	Department by a person qualifying as follows:	

1	(1) For \$50.00, a A Vermont resident 65 70 years of age or older may
2	purchase receive one or all of the following licenses at no cost:
3	(A) a permanent fishing license;
4	(B) if the person qualifies for a hunting license, a combination fishing
5	and hunting license, which shall include all big game licenses, except for a
6	moose license;
7	(C) if the person qualifies for a trapping license, a trapping
8	license; and
9	(D) if the person qualifies for an archery license, an archery license.
10	* * *
11	* * * Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations; Stormwater
12	Discharge Permits * * *
13	Sec. 45. 3 V.S.A. § 2822(j) is amended to read:
14	(j) In accordance with subsection (i) of this section, the following fees are
15	established for permits, licenses, certifications, approvals, registrations, orders,
16	and other actions taken by the Agency of Natural Resources.
17	* * *
18	(2) For discharge permits issued under 10 V.S.A. chapter 47 and orders
19	issued under 10 V.S.A. § 1272, an administrative processing fee of \$240.00
20	shall be paid at the time of application for a discharge permit in addition to any

1	application review fee and any annual operating fee, except for permit
2	applications under subdivisions (2)(A)(iii)(III) and (V) of this subsection:
3	* * *
4	(B) Annual operating fee.
5	* * *
6	(iv) Stormwater.
7	* * *
8	(VIII) Individual permit or approval under a general permit for
9	a discharge from a medium concentrated animal feeding operation: \$1,500.00
10	per facility.
11	(IX) Individual permit or approval under a general permit for a
12	discharge from a large concentrated animal feeding operation: \$2,500.00 per
13	<u>facility.</u>
14	* * *
15	* * * Labor * * *
16	* * * Workers' Compensation Fund * * *
17	Sec. 46. WORKERS' COMPENSATION RATE OF CONTRIBUTION
18	For fiscal year 2017, after consideration of the formula in 21 V.S.A.
19	§ 711(b) and historical rate trends, the General Assembly has established that
20	the rate of contribution for the direct calendar year premium for workers'
21	compensation insurance shall be set at the rate of 1.45 percent established in

1	2015 Acts and Resolves No. 57, Sec. 25, notwithstanding 21 V.S.A. § 711(a).
2	The contribution rate for self-insured workers' compensation losses and
3	workers' compensation losses of corporations approved under 21 V.S.A.
4	chapter 9 shall remain at one percent.
5	* * * Agency of Education * * *
6	* * * Results Oriented Program Approval * * *
7	Sec. 47. 16 V.S.A. § 1697 is amended to read:
8	§ 1697. FEES
9	(a) Each individual applicant and licensee shall be subject to the following
10	fees:
11	(1) Processing of application \$50.00 per application
12	(2) Issuance of Level I license \$50.00 per year
13	for the term
14	of the license
15	(3) Issuance of Level II license \$50.00 per year
16	for the term
17	of the renewal
18	(4) Official copy of licenses \$10.00
19	(5) [Repealed.]
20	(6) Issuance of provisional, emergency, \$50.00 per year
21	or apprenticeship license for the term of the license

1	(7) Peer review process \$1,200.00 one-time fee
2	(b) Each Vermont Teacher Preparation Program seeking Results Oriented
3	Program Approval (ROPA) shall be subject to the following fees:
4	(1) New programs. Colleges and universities which do not currently
5	have approved ROPA programs and seek to establish new preparation
6	programs will be charged \$2,000.00 for the initial application of the program
7	for one endorsement area. The charge for each additional endorsement area
8	beyond one will be \$500.00.
9	(2) Expanding endorsements. Colleges and universities which currently
10	have approved ROPA programs and seek to establish new endorsement
11	programs will be charged \$1,000.00 for one new endorsement area. The
12	charge for each additional endorsement area beyond one will be \$500.00.
13	(3) Substantive change.
14	(A) Colleges and universities which currently have approved ROPA
15	programs and seek to implement a substantive change to their program will be
16	charged \$500.00 for the substantive change for one endorsement area. The
17	charge for each additional endorsement area affected by the substantive change
18	beyond one will be \$500.00.
19	(B) Substantive change includes:
20	(i) adding levels of instruction (moving from elementary K-12).

1	(ii) fundamentally altering the model of instruction (adding a
2	graduate program to an undergraduate program).
3	(4) Endorsement reinstatement. Colleges and universities with approved
4	ROPA programs that seek to reinstate lapsed endorsement programs will be
5	charged \$500.00 for each endorsement area.
6	(5) Full ROPA Review. Colleges and universities with approved ROPA
7	programs that are seeking continued ROPA approval which is required every
8	seven years will be charged \$500.00 for the review of one endorsement area.
9	The charge for each additional endorsement area beyond one will be \$500.00.
10	(c) Fees collected under this section shall be credited to special funds
11	established and managed pursuant to 32 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 5, and
12	shall be available to the Agency to offset the costs of providing those services.
13	* * * Effective Dates * * *
14	Sec. 48. EFFECTIVE DATES
15	(a) Notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214, Sec. 5 (fertilizer tonnage fee) shall
16	take effect retroactively on January 1, 2016.
17	(b) This section shall take effect on passage.
18	(c) The remaining sections of this act shall take effect on July 1, 2016.