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Abstract: Requires a temporary permit fee for each food and beverage vendor at fairs and festivals including the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival.

<u>Present law</u> provides that food and beverage services at the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival are subject to inspection and compliance with applicable provisions of the state sanitary code including the special event food and beverage preparation regulations that pertain to equipment, design, construction, utensils, supplies, preparation, and services.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes food and beverage services to food and beverage vendor and subjects the vendor to permitting requirements.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the La. Dept. of Health (LDH) to charge a temporary permit fee in the amount of \$37.50 to each food and beverage vendor at the festival.

<u>Present law</u> requires LDH to inspect and authorizes LDH to permit food booths at recognized La. fairs and festivals for compliance with the special event food and beverage preparation regulations upon written request and signed agreement from the officials or organizations operating or directing the fairs or festivals.

Proposed law retains present law but makes technical changes.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes LDH to establish and charge reasonable fees for inspections consistent with current administrative regulations not exceed \$25 per fair or festival.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes the inspection fee to a temporary permit fee and increases the maximum amount of the fee to \$37.50 for each food and beverage vendor at the fair or festival.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 40:4.7 and 4.8)