## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Establishes a new fee for radioactive waste disposal processing and provides for an increase in certain fees assessed by the Dept. of Environmental Quality.

<u>Present law</u> provides for the powers and duties of the secretary of the Dept. of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and allows the DEQ to charge certain fees. <u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u>.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides additional fees that the secretary may assess under his authority as follows:

- (1) Annual fee for dependent mobile laboratories not to exceed \$363 per mobile.
- (2) The accreditation fees for in state laboratories receiving national accreditation not to exceed one and one half times the regular fees.
- (3) The accreditation fees for out-of-state laboratories receiving state accreditation not to exceed one and one-half times the regular fees.
- (4) The accreditation fees for out-of-state laboratories receiving national accreditation not to exceed two times the regular fees.
- (5) Interim accreditation application fees not to exceed two times the regular fees.

Proposed law authorizes increases in air fees as follows:

- (1) Criteria pollutant annual fee not to exceed \$20 per ton in two phases. The first phase will increase the fee to \$16.61/ton effective 7/1/22. The second phase will increase the fee to \$20/ton effective 7/1/23.
- (2) Minimum fee for criteria pollutants not to exceed \$250.
- (3) New fee for asbestos disposal certification forms \$5000 for one fiscal year.

Proposed law authorizes increases in solid waste fees as follows:

- (1) Waste tire transporter authorization application fee not to exceed \$250.
- (2) Maximum annual tonnage fee for type I facilities \$120,000.
- (3) Maximum annual tonnage fee for type II facilities \$30,000.
- (4) Permit application review fee for type I, I-A, II, and II-A standard permits applicants may be increased to \$6125.
- (5) Permit application review fee for type III standard permits applicants may be increased to \$1325.
- (6) Permit application review fee for type I, I-A, II, and II-A permits-modification applicants may be increased to \$2650.
- (7) Permit application review fee for type III permits-modification applicants may be increased to \$813.
- (8) All transporters of solid waste with a facility \$250.00

<u>Proposed law</u> relative to radioactive waste disposal processing, authorizes a fee of \$250 to be billed at the wellhead regardless of the field. Further authorizes device, product, or sealed source evaluation 6A device evaluation (each) increased to \$5000. Device, product, or sealed source evaluation 6B sealed source design evaluation (each) increased to \$2000. Device, product, or sealed source evaluation 6C update sheet increased to \$500. Further authorizes fees for a commercial naturally occurring radioactive materials waste disposal application fee of \$23,000 and a commercial naturally occurring radioactive materials waste disposal annual fee of \$20,000.

(Amends R.S. 30:2011(D)(22)(c); Adds R.S. 30:2014(D)(4)(d))