

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

**ACT 202 (HB 291)**

**2015 Regular Session**

**Anders**

New law defines "regular employee" as a person who holds a valid license/permit and who works for 32 or more hours per week.

Prior law set a \$75 license fee for each professional license which is issued or renewed by the commissioner.

New law establishes a license fee range of \$75 to \$150 per each professional license issued or renewed by the commissioner.

Prior law set a \$130 permit fee for each nursery stock dealer's permit which is issued or renewed by the commissioner.

New law establishes a permit fee range of \$130 to \$175 per each nursery stock dealer's permit issued or renewed by the commissioner.

Prior law set a \$70 permit fee for each cut flower dealer's permit which is issued or renewed by the commissioner.

New law establishes a permit fee range of \$70 to \$140 per each cut flower dealer's permit issued or renewed by the commissioner.

New law authorizes the commission to promulgate rules and regulations, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, necessary to implement the provisions of new law.

Prior law authorized the commission to assess a civil penalty of \$250 if the person, subject to the civil penalty, has not been found guilty of violating existing law or any rule or regulation adopted pursuant to existing law in a prior adjudicatory proceeding held by the commission.

New law increases the penalty from \$250 to \$500.

Prior law authorized the commission to assess a civil penalty of \$500 if the person, subject to the civil penalty, has been found guilty of violating existing law or any rule or regulation adopted pursuant to existing law in a prior adjudicatory proceeding held by the commission.

New law increases the penalty from \$500 to \$1,000.

Prior law authorized the commission to assess a civil penalty of \$1,000 if the person, subject to the civil penalty, has been found guilty of violating existing law or any rule or regulation adopted pursuant to existing law in two or more prior adjudicatory proceedings held by the commission.

New law increases the penalty from \$1,000 to \$1,500.

Effective Aug. 1, 2015.

(Amends R.S. 3:3803(16) and (17), 3806(B), (C), and (D), and 3810.2(A); Adds R.S. 3:3803(18) and 3806(H))