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| Short Title: Standards Lab Fees Established. | (Public) |
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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

2 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE STANDARDS LABORATORY.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Article 1 of Chapter 81A of the General Statutes is amended by adding the following new section:

# "§ 81A-11. Fee schedule.

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(a) The following fees apply to all weights that are tested and certified to meet tolerances less stringent than American National Standards Institute/American Society for Testing and Materials (ANSI/ASTM) Standard E617 Class 4. If the weight error exceeds three-fourths of the applicable tolerance, adjustment shall be required and the unit fee shall be doubled. Even if weights are rejected or condemned, fees shall be assessed for the test performed.

| 14 | Customary             | Fee/Unit        | Metric               | Fee/Unit        |
|----|-----------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| 15 | <u>0 - 2 lb</u>       | <u>\$ 2.00</u>  | <u>0 - 1 kg</u>      | \$ 2.00         |
| 16 | <u>3 - 10 lb</u>      | \$ 3.00         | <u>2 - 5 kg</u>      | \$ 3.00         |
| 17 | <u>11 - 50 lb</u>     | <u>\$ 5.00</u>  | <u>6 - 30 kg</u>     | \$ 5.00         |
| 18 | <u>51 - 500 lb</u>    | <u>\$ 10.00</u> | <u>31 - 200 kg</u>   | <u>\$ 10.00</u> |
| 19 | <u>501 - 1000 lb</u>  | <u>\$ 15.00</u> | <u>201 - 450 kg</u>  | <u>\$ 15.00</u> |
| 20 | <u>1001 - 2500 lb</u> | \$ 20.00        | <u>451 - 1000 kg</u> | \$ 20.00        |
| 21 | <u>2501 - 5000 lb</u> | \$ 25.00        | 1001 - 2000 kg       | \$ 25.00        |

| 1  | (b) The fo  | ollowing fees apply to all  | weights that are tested | d and certified to meet   |  |  |
|----|---|---|-------------------------|---------------------------|--|--|
| 2  | ANSI/ASTM Standard E617 Class 4 or NIST Class P tolerances. If the weight error         |   |                         |                           |  |  |
| 3  | exceeds three-fourths of the applicable tolerance, adjustment shall be required and the |   |                         |                           |  |  |
| 4  |   | unit fee shall be doubled. Even if weights are rejected or condemned, fees shall be |                         |                           |  |  |
| 5  | assessed for the t  | est performed.  | •                       |                           |  |  |
| 6  | Customary   | Fee/Unit  | Metric                  | Fee/Unit                  |  |  |
| 7  | <u>0 - 10 lb</u>  | \$ 6.00   | <u>0 - 5 kg</u>         | <u>\$ 6.00</u>            |  |  |
| 8  | <u>11 - 50 lb</u>   | \$ 10.00  | <u>6 - 30 kg</u>        | <u>\$ 10.00</u>           |  |  |
| 9  | <u>51 - 500 lb</u>  | \$ 20.00  | 31 - 200 kg             | \$ 20.00                  |  |  |
| 10 | 501 - 1000 lb   | \$ 30.00  | 201 - 450  kg           | \$ 30.00                  |  |  |
| 11 | <u> 1001 - 2500 lb</u>  | \$ 40.00  | 451 - 1000 kg           | <u>\$ 40.00</u>           |  |  |
| 12 | 2501 - 5000 lb  | \$ 50.0 <u>0</u>  | 1001 - 2000 kg          | <u>\$ 50.00</u>           |  |  |
| 13 | (c) The following fees apply to all weights that are calibrated. Calibration means      |   |                         |                           |  |  |
| 14 | determining actu  | ial mass and apparent m   | ass values. Tolerance   | e testing fees shall be   |  |  |
| 15 | assessed on weig  | hts that can only be adjust   | ed to a lower tolerance | e or are rejected for any |  |  |
| 16 | reason.   |   |                         |                           |  |  |
| 17 | Customary   | Fee/Unit  | Metric                  | Fee/Unit                  |  |  |
| 18 | <u>0 - 20 lb</u>  | <u>\$ 15.00</u>   | <u>0 - 10 kg</u>        | <u>\$ 15.00</u>           |  |  |
| 19 | <u>21 - 50 lb</u>   | \$ 30.00  | <u>11 - 30 kg</u>       | <u>\$ 30.00</u>           |  |  |
| 20 | <u>51 - 1000 lb</u>   | <u>\$ 50.00</u>   | <u>31 - 450 kg</u>      | <u>\$ 50.00</u>           |  |  |
| 21 | <u>1001 - 2500 lb</u>   | <u>\$ 100.00</u>  | <u>451 - 1000 kg</u>    | \$ 100.00                 |  |  |
| 22 | <u>2501 - 5000 lb</u>   | \$ 150.00   | <u>1001 - 2000 kg</u>   | \$ 150.00                 |  |  |
| 23 | (d) The following fees apply to volumetric flasks, graduates, or test measures.         |   |                         |                           |  |  |
| 24 | Customary   | Fee/Test Point  | Metric                  | Fee/Test Point            |  |  |
| 25 | <u>0 - 5 gal</u>  | <u>\$ 15.00</u>   | <u>0 - 20 liters</u>    | <u>\$ 15.00</u>           |  |  |
| 26 | Over 5 gal  | Add \$0.20 per  | Over 20 liters          | Add \$0.05 per            |  |  |
| 27 |   | each additional   |                         | each additional           |  |  |
| 28 |   | <u>gallon</u>   |                         | <u>liter</u>              |  |  |
| 29 | (e) The fo  | llowing fees apply to tape  | measures and rigid rul  | les.                      |  |  |
| 30 |   | Set Up Fee \$20.00 p  | er instrument           |                           |  |  |
| 31 |   | Calibration \$ 5.00 pc  | er calibration point    |                           |  |  |
| 32 | (f) The fo  | llowing fees apply to liqui   | d-in-glass and electror | nic thermometers.         |  |  |
| 33 |   | <u>Set Up Fee</u> \$20.00 /   | instrument              |                           |  |  |
| 34 |   | Calibration \$10.00 /   | calibration point       |                           |  |  |

36 (g) Any special tests or weight cleaning shall be billed at the rate of \$35.00 per hour prorated to the nearest tenth of an hour, with a minimum charge of \$17.50.

\$ 5.00

Ice Point Test

- (h) If travel is required in connection with the performance of any of these services, the Department shall be reimbursed at the rates provided in G.S. 138-6.
- (i) The Department may refuse to accept for testing any weight or measure the Department deems unsuited for its intended use."
- Sec. 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 1992, and applies to fees assessed on or after that date.

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