

## **Licensed Establishment Fee Increases**

The Environmental Health and Food Safety (EHFS) office staff understand that any cost increase can be challenging, and we want to provide some information to help clarify the changes.

During the 2025 legislative session, the state legislature passed **House Bill 853: Revise Fees for Licensed Establishments**, which created a new fee structure, added additional categories, and provided additional definitions concerning licensed establishments in the state. The governor signed this bill into law on May 13, 2025. The full bill history and text can be viewed [here](#).

**The EHFS office does not have the authority to set or modify license fees** – they are established in state law and must be followed. The bill did not include provisions for discounts or adjustments.

**License fees had remained unchanged for 16 years.** The recent adjustment was made to better align the fees with the actual costs of conducting inspections and follow-up across the state.

This bill did not change the process of renewing existing licenses. Licenses must be renewed before December 31<sup>st</sup> to avoid late fees and inactivation. Please visit [this page](#) for frequently asked questions concerning license renewal. Additional license renewal information can be found [here](#).

If you have additional questions or comments for EHFS staff that have not been answered on this page, please use [this link](#) to submit your inquiry.