HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS
2020 Second Extraordinary Session

Amendments proposed by Representative Zeringue to Engrossed House Bill No. 94 by Representative Zeringue

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 4, after "certain time;" and before "to provide" insert "to provide relative to the powers, duties, and authority of the secretary of state; to provide for criminal penalties;"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, delete lines 13 through 15 in their entirety and insert the following:

"(4) "License renewal fee" means any fee associated with the renewal of an occupational license, permit, or certification, or other license attributable to the affected business's operation that becomes due for payment during the period specified in Subsection B of this Section.

B.(1) An affected business shall not be required to pay any license renewal fee during the COVID-19 public health emergency or within six months after the termination of the emergency as provided in this Chapter. Payment of the fee shall not be deferred by any agency.

(2)(a) Within ten days of the effective date of this Act, the secretary of state shall develop a standard application form for each affected business to complete to qualify for the fee exemption provided for in this Section. The application form shall include an attestation that the business meets the qualifications provided for in this Section and shall indicate to the applicant that intentionally providing false statements on the form may subject the applicant to criminal penalties.

(b) The secretary of state shall provide the application form to each agency that regulates any industry provided for in this Section. Each agency shall make the form available to all applicants licensed, certified, or permitted by the agency. Upon submission of the form to the respective agency, the individual applying shall be exempt from payment of the fee as provided for in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection. A separate application shall be submitted for each fee exemption.

(c) Any individual who intentionally submits false information on the form shall be subject to the criminal penalties provided for in R.S. 14:133.

(d) The provisions of this Section shall not apply to fees collected pursuant to R.S. 3:4622, R.S. 4:169, R.S. 40:31.37, and R.S. 49:222."

30 AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, after line 21, add the following:

"Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval."

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