

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 605

BY REPRESENTATIVE RISER

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 30:21.1, relative to expedited processing; to provide for expedited processing
3 fees, costs, and waiver of expedited processing fees; and to provide for related
4 matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 30:21.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §21.1. Expedited processing fee

8 A. In addition to any fees provided by law or regulation, an expedited
9 processing fee shall be charged to each applicant whose request for expedited
10 processing is granted.

11 B.(1) The expedited processing fee shall be equal to the direct cost incurred
12 by the department for the expedited processing or review, including each overtime
13 hour, or portion thereof, that any employee devotes to the expedited processing or
14 review, at a rate not to exceed one-and-one-half times the standard hourly wage,
15 including related benefits, of the highest paid eligible employee needed for the
16 review.

17 (2) In addition, the department shall assess an administrative surcharge of
18 up to twenty percent of the total overtime cost, which shall be no less than five
19 hundred dollars.

20 C. This fee does not include any costs for mailing or delivery services
21 beyond the department's normal level of service. If additional or expedited shipping
22 is requested, those costs shall be borne by the applicant.

1 D. The expedited processing fee shall be waived if the need for the expedited
2 processing is caused solely by an error, mistake, or delay on the part of the
3 department.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____