PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE STATE SEALER OF CONSUMER EQUITABILITY

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Explanation – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets formitted material is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: NRS 581.050, 581.067, and 581.075.

Section 1. NAC 581.210 is hereby amended to read as follows:

581.210 Weighing and measuring devices: Tests and services for which fees will be charged; fees for tests; failure to pay fee. (NRS 581.050, 581.067, 581.075)

1. The tests and services for which fees will be charged pursuant to this section include, without limitation:

(a) A retest of:

- (1) A device which was marked "out of order" during a test; or
- (2) A point-of-sale system or cash register found to not be in compliance during a test conducted pursuant to subsection 19 of NRS 581.067.
- (b) A trip to test a device which was not available or ready for testing at the time scheduled for a test.
- (c) A test requested for a device if a special trip is required to perform the test. If, upon the arrival of the inspector, the test scheduled for the device cannot be performed for any reason which is not the fault of the Division or the inspector, any fee which would have been charged for that test remains due.
 - (d) A test requested for a noncommercial device.
 - (e) A calibration according to industrial standards of weights and measures.
- (f) An adjustment of a commercial device immediately following a determination of noncompliance during a [n] annual [n] test conducted by the Division.
 - 2. The fees for tests of devices are:
 - (a) For scale devices:

500 pounds and under tested with a Class F, Echelon III weight \$[25] 32

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500 pounds and under tested with a Class II, Echelon II weight	
kit	45
Over 500 pounds through 2,000 pounds	[50] 90
Over 2,000 pounds through 5,000 pounds	[100] 240
Over 5,000 pounds through 30,000 pounds	[160] 420
Hopper, 5,000 pounds and under	[300] 600
Hopper, over 5,000 pounds	[350] 750
[Livestock or vehicle scale, 40,000 pounds and under	130]
[Livestock or vehicle-scale, o] Over [40,000] 30,000 pounds	[200] 450
(b) For linear devices	[25] 42
(c) For meter devices:	
Dispenser, hose, meter or octane grade tested with a 5-gallon prover	[25] 30
Dispenser tested with a prover larger than 5 gallons	[95] 222
Truck- or rack-mounted meter, rated to a maximum capacity of up to	
120 gallons per minute	[95] 222
Truck- or rack-mounted meter, rated to a maximum capacity of over 120	
gallons per minute	[160] 420
Nontemperature-compensated meter used to measure liquid petroleum	
gas	[100] 222
Temperature-compensated meter used to measure liquid petroleum	
gas	[200] 450
(d) For standards of mass, volume or length, per hour:	
For certification of standards for use in testing a commercial device for	
a service agency or serviceperson	75
For certification of standards for use in testing a noncommercial	
device	95
(e) For point-of-sale systems and cash registers not in compliance:	
For not more than five point-of-sale systems or cash registers	50
For six or more point-of-sale systems or cash registers	125

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3. Failure to pay a fee required pursuant to this section [within 30 days after receipt of] by the due date indicated on the bill for the fee, which shall not be fewer than 30 days from issuance of the bill, is a violation of this section[-], and the Division will, in addition to any civil penalty that may be imposed pursuant to NAC 581.260, impose a late fee equal to 10 percent of the amount of the fee that is paid late.

[Dep't of Agriculture, § 3, eff. 8-6-80] — (NAC A 10-15-81; 11-3-83; A by St. Sealer of Weights & Measures, 11-1-89; 4-18-90; 10-23-91; 11-18-93; R146-98, 12-14-98; R084-00, 6-22-2000, eff. 7-1-2000; R161-03, 1-27-2004; A by St. Sealer of Consumer Equitability by R096-15, 12-21-2015)

Sec. 2 NAC 581.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:

581.220 Weighing and measuring devices: Additional fees for special tests; failure to pay fee. (NRS 581.050, 581.067, 581.075)

1. In addition to the fees prescribed in <u>NAC 581.210</u>, the following fees will be charged for a special test except as otherwise provided in this section:

(a) For each hour for testing a device above the time normally required to			
perform that test	7		
(b) For each hour for witnessing the test of a device that is not conducted by	[40]		
the Division	7		
(c) For mileage, per mile for:			
Pickup truck	1		
[Livestock test truck]	[2]		
Petroleum prover			
truck	[2] 3		
[Motor truck and hopper t] Test truck for scale devices over 2,000			
pounds	[3] 4		
(d) For each hour of required travel of the inspector, in addition to the fees	[40]		
specified in paragraph (c))		

(e) For the per diem of the inspector, the amounts allowed by law for state employees, under conditions set by the Division.

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- 2. The fees for mileage, travel and per diem will be prorated among persons requiring tests of devices in the same area if all the devices can be tested during the same trip.
 - 3. Only the fee prescribed by <u>NAC 581.210</u> for a test of a device will be charged if:
 - (a) The test can be made during a scheduled trip for inspections in the vicinity; or
- (b) The site of the test is within a minimal distance from the base of the inspector or within the same metropolitan area.
 - 4. The amount of charges for:
 - (a) The testing of devices or standards not listed on the schedule of fees;
 - (b) Testing of standards from out of State; or
 - (c) Testing which requires special arrangements or conditions,
- → will be determined by agreement between the State Sealer of Consumer Equitability and the owner or operator of the device or standard to be tested.
- 5. Failure to pay a fee required pursuant to this section [within 30 days after receipt of] by the due date indicated on the bill for the fee, which shall not be fewer than 30 days from issuance of the bill, is a violation of this section[-], and the Division will, in addition to any civil penalty that may be imposed pursuant to NAC 581.260, impose a late fee equal to 10 percent of the amount of the fee that is paid late.

[Dep't of Agriculture, § 4, eff. 8-6-80] — (NAC A 10-15-81; 11-3-83; A by St. Sealer of Weights & Measures, 11-1-89; 4-18-90; 10-23-91; 11-18-93; R146-98, 12-14-98; R084-00, 6-22-2000, eff. 7-1-2000; R161-03, 1-27-2004)

Sec. 3. NAC 581.280 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 581.280 Issuance of license: Prerequisites; inspection of devices; failure of inspection; period of validity of license. (NRS 581.050, 581.057, 581.065, 581.067)
- 1. To obtain a license to use a weighing or measuring device as commercial weighing and measuring equipment, an applicant must provide to the Division information concerning the device, including:
 - (a) The date on which the device was purchased or installed;
 - (b) The manufacturer and model or type of the device;

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- (c) The address where the device is located; and
- (d) The name of the person who installed the device.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in this section, upon receiving the information pursuant to subsection 1 about a weighing or measuring device, the Division will, as soon as practicable, inspect the device. If the Division determines that the device meets all the applicable standards and the applicant has paid the applicable fees, the Division will issue a license for the device to be used as commercial weighing and measuring equipment.
- 3. The Division may waive the initial inspection of a weighing or measuring device required pursuant to subsection 2 if the Division determines that the device was adjusted after installation by a person who is registered with the Division pursuant to NRS 581.103 to adjust such a device. If the Division waives the initial test, the Division will:
- (a) Immediately issue a license for the weighing or measuring device to be used as commercial weighing and measuring equipment; and
- (b) As soon as practicable thereafter, inspect the device to ensure that it meets all the applicable standards.
- 4. If a weighing or measuring device fails an inspection conducted pursuant to subsection 3, the Division will immediately suspend the license issued for the device. If, during the period for which the license was issued, the device:
 - (a) Passes an inspection conducted by the Division, the Division will reinstate the license.
- (b) Fails to pass an inspection conducted by the Division, the Division may revoke the license.
- 5. A license issued for a weighing or measuring device to be used as commercial weighing and measuring equipment is valid from [October] September 1 or the date on which it is issued, whichever is later, until the next following [September 30] August 31.
- 6. If a weighing or measuring device used as commercial weighing and measuring equipment was approved by the Department for use on or after July 1, 2003, but before January 27, 2004, a license shall be deemed to have been issued for the device by the Division pursuant to this section, effective on the date on which the device was approved for commercial use.

(Added to NAC by St. Sealer of Weights & Measures by R161-03, eff. 1-27-2004)

Sec. 4. NAC 581.285 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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- 581.285 Renewal of license: Notice; payment of fee; inspection of device; failure of inspection. (NRS 581.050, 581.057, 581.065, 581.067)
- 1. On or before [August 1] July 10 of each year, the Division will send a notice of renewal for each license then in force that has been issued by the Division for a weighing or measuring device to be used as commercial weighing and measuring equipment. If a license that is suspended as of the date the Division sends the notices of renewal is subsequently reinstated, the Division will, at the time of the reinstatement of the license, provide a notice of renewal to the holder of the license.
- 2. The notice of renewal must include the amount of the renewal fee which must be paid on or before [September 30] *August 31* of that year. If the renewal fee is paid timely, the Division will:
- (a) Renew the license for the weighing or measuring device to be used as commercial weighing and measuring equipment; and
- (b) As soon as practicable thereafter, inspect the device to ensure that the device continues to meet all the applicable standards.
- 3. If, at the inspection conducted pursuant to subsection 2, a weighing and measuring device fails to meet the applicable standards, the Division will immediately suspend the license issued for the device to be used as commercial weighing and measuring equipment. If, during the period for which the renewal was issued, the device:
 - (a) Passes an inspection conducted by the Division, the Division will reinstate the license.
- (b) Fails to pass an inspection conducted by the Division, the Division may revoke the license.

(Added to NAC by St. Sealer of Weights & Measures by R161-03, eff. 1-27-2004)

Sec. 5. NAC 581.295 is hereby amended to read as follows:

NAC 581.295 Licensing fees: Amount; late payment. (NRS 581.050, 581.065, 581.067, 581.075)

- 1. The fee for the annual licensing of a device is:
- (a) For scale devices:

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500 pounds and under tested with a Class II, Echelon II weight kit	
Over 500 pounds through 2,000 pounds	
Over 2,000 pounds through 5,000 pounds	[80] 200
Over 5,000 pounds through 30,000 pounds.	[140] 350
Hopper, 5,000 pounds and under	[200] 500
Hopper, over 5,000 pounds	[250] 625
[Livestock or vehicle scale, 40,000 pounds and under	100 -]
[Livestock or vehicle scale, o] Over 40,000 30,000	
pounds	[150] 375
(b) For linear devices	[15] 35
(c) For meter devices:	
Dispenser, hose, meter or octane grade tested with a 5-gallon prover	[10] 25
Dispenser tested with a prover larger than 5 gallons	
Truck- or rack-mounted meter, rated to a maximum capacity of not more than 120	
gallons per minute	[75] <i>185</i>
Truck- or rack-mounted meter, rated to a maximum capacity of more than 120	
gallons per minute	[140] 350
Nontemperature-compensated meter used to measure liquid petroleum gas	[75] <i>185</i>
Temperature-compensated meter used to measure liquid petroleum gas	[150] <i>375</i>
2. Failure to pay a fee required pursuant to this section [within 30 days after re	ceipt of] by
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[Dep't of Agriculture, § 2, eff. 8-6-80] — (NAC A 10-15-81; 11-3-83; A by St. Sealer of Weights & Measures, 11-1-89; 4-18-90; 10-23-91; 11-18-93; 2-20-96; R146-98, 12-14-98; R084-00, 6-22-2000, eff. 7-1-2000; R161-03, 1-27-2004) — (Substituted in revision for NAC 581.200)

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