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**DEPARTMENT OF  
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**SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY NRS 233B.0608**

**Revised LCB File No. R019-13**

**1. A description of the manner in which comment was solicited from affected small businesses, a summary of their response and an explanation of the manner in which other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.**

- Copies of the proposed regulations, notices of workshop, notices of hearing and notices of intent to act upon the regulation were sent by U.S. mail and email to persons who were known to have an interest in the subject of agriculture inspection fees as well as any persons who had specifically requested such notice. These documents were also made available at the website of the Department of Agriculture, [www.agri.nv.gov](http://www.agri.nv.gov), mailed to all county libraries in Nevada and posted at the following locations:

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- A public workshop and public hearing were held January 28, 2014 and February 11, 2014. There was one attendee at the workshop, Farm Bureau representative Dennis Helwinkle who was in support of the regulation change. There were no attendees present at the hearing.

**2. The manner in which the analysis was conducted.**

Department fiscal and program staff looked at the number of licenses requested and provided annually and determined that the regulation lacks a direct and significant burden or restriction on formation of small businesses by virtue of the small fee imposed.

**3. The estimated economic effect of the proposed regulation on the small businesses which it is to regulate, including, without limitation:**

The estimated economic effect on the business these fees regulate is minimal at \$25 per certificate. NDA provides approximately 75 of these certificates annually to approximately 30 different clients.

**4. A description of the methods that the agency considered to reduce the impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses and a statement regarding whether the agency actually used any of those methods.**

There was no consideration of reduction of impact given that the impact is minimal.

**5. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation.**

There is no cost to the agency for this regulation change.

**6. If the proposed regulation provides a new fee or increases an existing fee, the total annual amount the agency expects to collect and the manner in which the money will be used.**

The agency expects to collect approximately \$1,911 annually which will be used to reimburse staff time to produce certificates.

**7. If the proposed regulation includes provisions which duplicate or are more stringent than federal, state or local standards regulating the same activity, an explanation of why such duplicative or more stringent provisions are necessary.**

The proposed regulation does not overlap or duplicate other state or local governmental agencies, and, it does not overlap or duplicate federal regulations.

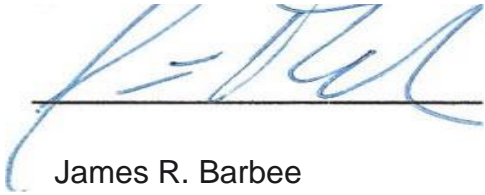
**8. The reasons for the conclusion of the agency regarding the impact of a regulation on small businesses.**

Department fiscal and program staff looked at the number of licenses requested and provided annually and determined that the regulation lacks a direct and significant burden or restriction on formation of small businesses by virtue of the small fee imposed.

**9. Methods used in determining the impact of a proposed regulation on a small business:**

Program and fiscal staff analyzed the number of licenses requested per business per year and the cost that would be incurred by the businesses and determined it was not a significant fiscal impact.

I certify that to the best of my knowledge or belief a concerted effort was made to determine the impact of this proposed regulation on small businesses and that the information contained in this statement is accurate.



James R. Barbee  
Director of the Department of Agriculture