

General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 135

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AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MAXIMUM CHARGE FOR CERTAIN OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES, CERTIFICATIONS, PERMITS AND REGISTRATIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 20-281c of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1,
- 3 2023):
- 4 (a) The board shall grant the certificate of "certified public
- 5 accountant" to any person who meets the good character, education,
- 6 experience and examination requirements of subsections (b) to (d),
- 7 inclusive, of this section and upon the payment of a fee of [one hundred
- 8 fifty] one hundred dollars.
- 9 Sec. 2. Subsection (g) of section 20-281d of the general statutes is
- repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1,
- 11 2023):
- 12 (g) The board shall charge a fee of [one hundred fifty] one hundred
- dollars for the initial issuance and the professional services fee for [class
- 14 I] <u>class B</u>, as defined in section 33-182*l*, for each annual renewal of such
- 15 license.
- Sec. 3. Subsection (a) of section 20-292 of the general statutes is

- repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,* 2023):
- 19 (a) Each licensed architect shall renew his or her license annually.
- 20 Pursuant to section 20-289, a licensee shall pay to the department the
- 21 professional services fee for [class F] <u>class B</u>, as defined in section 33-
- 22 182*l* and shall submit proof of, or attest to, completion of continuing
- 23 education requirements.
- Sec. 4. Section 20-305 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 25 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):
- 26 Applications for licensure under this chapter shall be on forms
- 27 prescribed and furnished by the Department of Consumer Protection.
- 28 The nonrefundable application fee for a professional engineer license
- 29 shall be eighty dollars. The nonrefundable application fee for an
- 30 engineer-in-training license shall be seventy-six dollars, which shall
- 31 accompany the application and which shall include the cost of the
- 32 issuance of a license. The nonrefundable application fee for a land
- 33 surveyor license shall be eighty dollars. The nonrefundable application
- 34 fee for a surveyor-in-training license shall be sixty-four dollars, which
- 35 shall accompany the application and which shall include the cost of the
- 36 issuance of a license. The initial license fee for a professional engineer
- 37 license or a land surveyor license shall be [two hundred twenty] <u>one</u>
- 38 <u>hundred</u> dollars. The application fee for a combined license as
- 39 professional engineer and land surveyor shall be eighty dollars. The
- 40 initial license fee for such combined license shall be [two hundred
- 41 twenty] <u>one hundred</u> dollars.
- Sec. 5. Subsection (a) of section 20-306 of the general statutes is
- 43 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1*,
- 44 2023):
- 45 (a) (1) The Department of Consumer Protection shall notify each
- 46 person licensed under this chapter of the date of the expiration of such
- 47 license and the amount of the fee required for its renewal for one year.

- Such license renewals shall be accompanied by the payment of the professional services fee for [class G] <u>class B</u>, as defined in section 33-182*l*, in the case of a professional engineer license, a professional engineer and land surveyor combined license, or a land surveyor
- license. The license shall be considered lapsed if not renewed on or before the expiration date.
 - (2) Annual renewal of an engineer-in-training license or a surveyor-in-training license shall not be required. Any such license shall remain valid for a period of ten years from the date of its original issuance and, during this time, it shall meet in part the requirements for licensure as a professional engineer or land surveyor. It shall not be the duty of the department to notify the holder of an engineer-in-training license or a surveyor-in-training license of the date of expiration of such license other than to publish it annually in the roster.
 - (3) Renewal of any license under this chapter or payment of renewal fees shall not be required of any licensee serving in the armed forces of the United States until the next renewal period immediately following the termination of such service or the renewal period following the fifth year after such licensee's entry into such service, whichever occurs first. The status of such licensees shall be indicated in the annual roster of professional engineers and land surveyors.
- Sec. 6. Subsection (a) of section 20-308 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1*, 2023):
 - (a) The board may, upon application and the payment of a fee of [one hundred ninety] <u>one hundred</u> dollars to the Department of Consumer Protection, authorize the department to issue a license as a professional engineer, or a combined license as a professional engineer and land surveyor or, upon application and the payment of a fee of [one hundred ninety] <u>one hundred</u> dollars, to issue a license as a land surveyor to any person who holds a certificate of qualification, licensure or registration issued to such person by the proper authority of any state, territory or

possession of the United States, or any country, or the National Bureau of Engineering Registration, provided the requirements for the licensure or registration of professional engineers or land surveyors under which such license, certificate of qualification or registration was issued shall not conflict with the provisions of this chapter and shall be of a standard not lower than that specified in section 20-302. Upon request of any such applicant the board may, if it determines that the application is in apparent good order, authorize the department to grant to such applicant permission in writing to practice engineering or land surveying or both for a specified period of time while such application is pending. The board may waive the first part of the examination specified in subdivision (1) of section 20-302 in the case of an applicant for licensure as a professional engineer who holds a certificate as an engineer-in-training issued to him by the proper authority of any state, territory or possession of the United States, provided the requirements under which the certificate was issued do not conflict with the provisions of this chapter and are of a standard at least equal to that specified in said subdivision (1). The board may waive that part of the examination specified in subdivision (3) of section 20-302 relating to the fundamentals of land surveying, in the case of an applicant for licensure as a land surveyor who holds a certificate as a surveyor-in-training issued to him by the proper authority of any state, territory or possession of the United States, provided the requirements under which the certificate was issued do not conflict with the provisions of this chapter and are of a standard at least equal to that specified in said subdivision (3).

Sec. 7. Subsection (f) of section 20-314 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1*, 2023):

(f) All licenses issued under the provisions of this chapter shall expire annually. At the time of application for a real estate broker's license, there shall be paid to the commission, for each individual applicant and for each proposed active member or officer of a firm, partnership,

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association or corporation, the sum of [five hundred sixty-five] one hundred dollars, and for the annual renewal thereof, the sum of [three hundred seventy-five one hundred dollars, except that for licenses expiring on March 31, 2022, a prorated renewal fee shall be charged to reflect the fact that the March 2022, renewal shall expire on November 30, 2023. At the time of application for a real estate salesperson's license, there shall be paid to the commission [two hundred eighty-five] one hundred dollars and for the annual renewal thereof the sum of [two hundred eighty-five] one hundred dollars. Three dollars of each such annual renewal fee shall be payable to the Real Estate Guaranty Fund established pursuant to section 20-324a. A real estate broker's license issued to any partnership, association or corporation shall entitle the individual designated in the application, as provided in section 20-312, upon compliance with the terms of this chapter, but without the payment of any further fee, to perform all of the acts of a real estate broker under this chapter on behalf of such partnership, association or corporation. Any license which expires and is not renewed pursuant to this subsection may be reinstated by the commission, if, not later than two years after the date of expiration, the former licensee pays to the commission for each real estate broker's license the sum of [three hundred seventy-fivel one hundred dollars and for each real estate salesperson's license the sum of [two hundred eighty-five] one hundred dollars for each year or fraction thereof from the date of expiration of the previous license to the date of payment for reinstatement, except that any licensee whose license expired after such licensee entered military service shall be reinstated without payment of any fee if an application for reinstatement is filed with the commission within two years after the date of expiration. Any such reinstated broker's license shall expire on the next succeeding November thirtieth, except that any broker's license that is reinstated before March 31, 2022, shall expire on March 31, 2022. Any such reinstated real estate salesperson's license shall expire on the next succeeding May thirty-first.

Sec. 8. Subsection (a) of section 20-333 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1*,

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(a) To obtain a license under this chapter, an applicant shall have attained such applicant's eighteenth birthday and shall furnish such evidence of competency as the appropriate board or the Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall require. A recommendation for review issued pursuant to section 31-22u shall be sufficient to demonstrate such competency. The applicant shall satisfy such board or the commissioner that such applicant possesses a diploma or other evidence of graduation from the eighth grade of grammar school, or possesses an equivalent education to be determined on examination and has the requisite skill to perform the work in the trade for which such applicant is applying for a license and can comply with all other requirements of this chapter and the regulations adopted under this chapter. A recommendation for review issued pursuant to section 31-22u shall be sufficient to demonstrate that an applicant possesses such requisite skill and can comply with all other requirements of this chapter and the regulations adopted under this chapter. For any application submitted pursuant to this section that requires a hearing or other action by the applicable examining board or the commissioner, such hearing or other action by the applicable examining board or the commissioner shall occur not later than thirty days after the date of submission for such application. Upon application for any such license, the applicant shall pay to the department a nonrefundable application fee of ninety dollars for a license under subdivisions (2) and (3) of subsection (a) and subdivision (4) of subsection (e) of section 20-334a, or a nonrefundable application fee of [one hundred fifty] one hundred dollars for a license under subdivision (1) of subsection (a), subdivisions (1) and (2) of subsection (b), subdivision (1) of subsection (c) and subdivisions (1), (2) and (3) of subsection (e) of section 20-334a. Any such application fee shall be waived for persons who present a recommendation for review issued pursuant to section 31-22u.

Sec. 9. Section 20-335 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

Any person who has successfully completed an examination for such person's initial license under this chapter shall pay to the Department of Consumer Protection a fee of [one hundred fifty] one hundred dollars for [a contractor's license or a fee of one hundred twenty dollars for any other] such license. Any such initial license fee shall be waived for persons who present a recommendation for review issued pursuant to section 31-22u. All such licenses shall expire annually. No person shall carry on or engage in the work or occupations subject to this chapter after the expiration of such person's license until such person has filed an application bearing the date of such person's registration card with the appropriate board. Such application shall be in writing, addressed to the secretary of the board from which such renewal is sought and signed by the person applying for such renewal. A licensee applying for renewal shall, at such times as the commissioner shall by regulation prescribe, furnish evidence satisfactory to the board that the licensee has completed any continuing professional education required under sections 20-330 to 20-341, inclusive, or any regulations adopted thereunder. The board may renew such license if the application for such renewal is received by the board no later than one month after the date of expiration of such license, upon payment to the department of a renewal fee of [one hundred fifty] one hundred dollars. [in the case of a contractor and of one hundred twenty dollars for any other such license.] For any completed renewal application submitted pursuant to this section that requires a hearing or other action by the applicable examining board, such hearing or other action by the applicable examining board shall occur not later than thirty days after the date of submission for such completed renewal application. The department shall issue a receipt stating the fact of such payment, which receipt shall be a license to engage in such work or occupation. A licensee who has failed to renew such licensee's license for a period of over two years from the date of expiration of such license shall have it reinstated only upon complying with the requirements of section 20-333, as amended by this act. All license fees and renewal fees paid to the department pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the General Fund.

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- Sec. 10. Subsection (h) of section 20-340d of the general statutes is
- repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1*,
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- 217 (h) The initial fee for a swimming pool builder's license shall be [one
- 218 hundred fifty one hundred dollars and the renewal fee for such license
- shall be one hundred dollars. Licenses shall be valid for a period of one
- 220 year from the date of issuance.
- Sec. 11. Subsection (b) of section 20-340f of the general statutes is
- repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1*,
- 223 2023):
- (b) The initial fee for a residential stair lift technician's license shall be
- 225 [one hundred fifty] one hundred dollars and the renewal fee for such
- license shall be seventy-five dollars. Licenses shall be valid for a period
- of one year from the date of issuance.
- Sec. 12. Subsection (b) of section 20-341u of the general statutes is
- repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1,
- 230 2023):
- 231 (b) Each application for a certificate of registration under this section
- shall be accompanied by a fee of [one hundred ten] one hundred dollars.
- Sec. 13. Subsection (d) of section 20-341y of the general statutes is
- repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1*,
- 235 2023):
- 236 (d) The fee for renewal of a certificate shall be [one hundred ten] one
- 237 <u>hundred</u> dollars.
- Sec. 14. Subsection (c) of section 20-349 of the general statutes is
- repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1,
- 240 2023):
- (c) Any person desiring to be licensed under this chapter shall apply

to the board in writing, on forms which the Department of Consumer 242 243 Protection shall provide, stating: (1) Such person's name, residence 244 address and business address; (2) a brief description of his 245 qualifications, including the length and nature of his experience; (3) in 246 the case of an apprentice, the name of his employer or supervisor; and 247 (4) such other information as the department may require. Each 248 application for a license as a service dealer shall be accompanied by a 249 fee of [two hundred] one hundred dollars. Each application for a license 250 as a licensed electronics technician, licensed antenna technician or 251 licensed radio electronics technician shall be accompanied by a fee of 252 eighty dollars. Each application for a permit as an apprentice shall be 253 accompanied by a fee of forty dollars. If a service dealer as an individual 254 is a licensed electronics technician or licensed radio electronics 255 technician, only one license fee shall be charged in the amount of [two 256 hundred one hundred dollars. All such fees shall be paid to the 257 department.

Sec. 15. Subsection (d) of section 20-357m of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1*, 2023):

(d) The commissioner shall issue a telecommunications infrastructure layout technician license to any individual who: (1) Completes a college level program or other program of instruction approved by the Department of Consumer Protection that assures industry standards in telecommunications infrastructure design; (2) submits an application pursuant to subsection (c) of this section deemed acceptable by the Commissioner of Consumer Protection; and (3) at the time of application, has held for not less than five years and continues to hold a valid unlimited or limited electrical license issued under the Electrical Work Board or a public service technician certificate of registration issued pursuant to section 20-340b, or has other equivalent experience and training as required for an electrical license, as determined by the commissioner. A license issued pursuant to this subsection is nontransferable. The fee for a telecommunications infrastructure layout

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- technician license is [three hundred fifteen] two hundred dollars. Such
- 276 license shall be renewed biennially and the renewal fee is [three
- 277 hundred fifteen] two hundred dollars.
- Sec. 16. Subsection (b) of section 20-369a of the general statutes is
- 279 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1,
- 280 2023):
- 281 (b) A qualifying corporation or limited liability company desiring a 282 certificate of registration shall file with the board an application upon a 283 form prescribed by the Department of Consumer Protection, 284 accompanied by an application fee of eighty dollars. Each such 285 certificate shall expire annually and shall be renewable upon payment 286 of a fee of [two hundred] one hundred dollars. If all requirements of this 287 chapter are met, the board shall authorize the department to issue to 288 such corporation or limited liability company a certificate of registration 289 within thirty days after such application, provided the board may refuse 290 to authorize the issuance of a certificate if any facts exist which would 291 entitle the board to suspend or revoke an existing certificate of 292 registration.
- Sec. 17. Subsection (a) of section 20-374 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1*, 2023):
 - (a) Every licensed landscape architect shall pay an annual license fee to the department. A holder of a valid license who is not engaging in the active practice of the holder's profession in this state and does not desire to register may allow the license to lapse by notifying the board of the holder's intention not to renew the license. After a license has been allowed to lapse or has been suspended, it may be reinstated upon payment of a reinstatement fee and such proof of the landscape architect's qualifications as may be required in the sound discretion of the board. The department shall issue a receipt to each landscape architect promptly upon the payment of the annual fee for a license. The amount of fees prescribed by this chapter is that fixed by the following

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- 307 schedule: (1) The application fee for examination shall be a
- 308 nonrefundable fee of eighty dollars; (2) the fee for an initial license shall
- be [two hundred eighty] one hundred dollars; (3) the fee for a duplicate
- 310 license shall be fifteen dollars; (4) the annual license fee shall be the
- 311 professional services fee for [class E] <u>class B</u>, as defined in section 33-
- 312 1821; (5) the reinstatement fee for a suspended license shall be two
- 313 hundred fifty dollars; and (6) the reinstatement fee for a lapsed license
- 314 shall be one hundred eighty dollars.
- Sec. 18. Subsection (b) of section 20-377m of the general statutes is
- 316 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1,
- 317 2023):
- 318 (b) Each application for a certificate of registration shall be
- 319 accompanied by a fee of [one hundred ninety] one hundred dollars,
- 320 provided any architect licensed in this state shall not be required to pay
- 321 such fee.
- Sec. 19. Subsection (e) of section 20-377s of the general statutes is
- repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1,
- 324 2023):
- 325 (e) A registered interior designer may apply for renewal of a
- 326 certificate of registration. The fee for renewal of such certificate of
- 327 registration shall be [one hundred ninety] one hundred dollars,
- 328 provided any architect licensed in this state shall not be required to pay
- 329 such fee.
- Sec. 20. Subsection (b) of section 20-417b of the general statutes is
- repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1*,
- 332 2023):
- 333 (b) Any person seeking a certificate of registration shall apply to the
- commissioner, online, on a form provided by the commissioner. The
- application shall include (1) the applicant's name, business street
- address and business telephone number, (2) the identity of the insurer
- that provides the applicant with insurance coverage for liability, (3) if

- 338 such applicant is required by any provision of the general statutes to 339 have workers' compensation coverage, the identity of the insurer that 340 provides the applicant with such workers' compensation coverage, (4) 341 if such applicant is required by any provision of the general statutes to 342 have an agent for service of process, the name and address of such agent, 343 and (5) proof of general liability insurance coverage in an amount not 344 less than twenty thousand dollars, demonstrated by providing the 345 policy number and business name of the insurance provider. Each such 346 application shall be accompanied by a fee of [one hundred twenty] one 347 hundred dollars, except that no such application fee shall be required if 348 such person has paid the registration fee required under section 20-421, 349 as amended by this act, during any year in which such person's registration as a new home construction contractor would be valid. 350
- Sec. 21. Subsections (b) and (c) of section 20-421 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July* 1, 2023):
- 354 (b) Each application for a certificate of registration as a home 355 improvement contractor shall be accompanied by a fee of [one hundred 356 twenty] one hundred dollars, except that no such application fee shall 357 be required in any year during which such person has paid the 358 registration fee required under section 20-417b, as amended by this act, 359 or in any year in which such person's registration as a new home 360 construction contractor is valid.
- (c) Each application for a certificate of registration as a salesman shall
 be accompanied by a fee of [one hundred twenty] <u>one hundred</u> dollars.
- Sec. 22. Subsection (d) of section 20-457 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1*, 2023):
 - (d) All certificates issued to community association managers under the provisions of sections 20-450 to 20-462, inclusive, shall expire annually on the thirty-first day of January. A holder of a certificate of

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- registration who seeks to renew his or her certificate shall, when filing
- an application for renewal of the certificate, submit documentation to
- 371 the department which establishes that he or she has passed any
- 372 examination and completed any educational coursework, as the case
- 373 may be, required for certification under this chapter. The fee for renewal
- of a certificate shall be [two hundred] one hundred dollars.
- Sec. 23. Subsection (c) of section 20-492a of the general statutes is
- 376 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1*,
- 377 2023):
- 378 (c) All licenses issued under the provisions of this section shall expire
- 379 biennially and may be renewed upon application and payment to the
- department of a renewal fee in the amount of [two hundred fifty] two
- 381 <u>hundred</u> dollars.
- Sec. 24. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 20-511 of the general statutes
- are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
- 384 1, 2023):
- 385 (a) In order to obtain an appraiser certification or a provisional
- license, each person who has met, to the satisfaction of the commission,
- the minimum requirements established by the commission for such
- 388 certification or provisional license shall pay to the commission, in
- addition to the application fee described in subsection (c) of section 20-
- 390 509, an initial fee of [: Three hundred seventy-five dollars in the case of
- 391 certified appraisers and] one hundred dollars. [in the case of provisional
- 392 licensees.]
- 393 (b) All certifications and provisional licenses issued under the
- 394 provisions of sections 20-500 to 20-528, inclusive, shall expire annually
- 395 and be subject to renewal. The renewal fee for certifications and
- 396 provisional licenses, to be paid to the commission, shall be [: Two
- 397 hundred eighty-five dollars in the case of certified appraisers and] one
- 398 hundred dollars. [in the case of provisional licensees.]
- 399 Sec. 25. Section 20-601 of the general statutes is repealed and the

- 400 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*): 401 The department shall collect the following nonrefundable fees: 402 (1) The fee for issuance of a pharmacist license is [two hundred] one 403 hundred dollars, payable at the date of application for the license. 404 (2) The fee for renewal of a pharmacist license is the professional 405 services fee for class A, as defined in section 33-1821. Before the 406 commission grants a license to an applicant who has not held a license 407 authorized by the commission within five years of the date of 408 application, the applicant shall pay the fee required in subdivision (1) of 409 this section. 410 (3) The fee for issuance of a pharmacy license is seven hundred fifty 411 dollars. 412 (4) The fee for renewal of a pharmacy license is one hundred ninety 413 dollars. 414 (5) The late fee for an application for renewal of a license to practice 415 pharmacy, a pharmacy license or a permit to sell nonlegend drugs is the 416 amount set forth in section 21a-4. 417 (6) The fee for notice of a change in officers or directors of a 418 corporation holding a pharmacy license is sixty dollars for each 419 pharmacy license held. A late fee for failing to give such notice within 420 ten days of the change is fifty dollars in addition to the fee for notice. 421 (7) The fee for filing notice of a change in name, ownership or 422 management of a pharmacy is ninety dollars. A late fee for failing to give 423 such notice within ten days of the change is fifty dollars in addition to 424 the fee for notice.
 - (8) The fee for application for registration as a pharmacy intern is sixty dollars.
- 427 (9) The fee for application for a permit to sell nonlegend drugs is one

- 428 hundred forty dollars.
- 429 (10) The fee for renewal of a permit to sell nonlegend drugs is one 430 hundred dollars.
- 431 (11) The late fee for failing to notify the commission of a change of 432 ownership, name or location of the premises of a permit to sell 433 nonlegend drugs within five days of the change is twenty dollars.
- 434 (12) The fee for issuance of a nonresident pharmacy certificate of 435 registration is seven hundred fifty dollars.
- 436 (13) The fee for renewal of a nonresident pharmacy certificate of registration is one hundred ninety dollars.
- (14) The fee for notice of a change in officers or directors of a corporation holding a nonresident pharmacy certificate of registration is sixty dollars for each pharmacy license held. A late fee for failing to give such notice within ten days of the change is fifty dollars, in addition to the fee for notice.
- (15) The fee for filing notice of a change in name, ownership or management of a nonresident pharmacy is ninety dollars. A late fee for failing to give such notice within ten days of the change is fifty dollars, in addition to the fee for notice.
- 447 (16) The fee for application for registration as a pharmacy technician 448 is one hundred dollars.
- (17) The fee for renewal of a registration as a pharmacy technician is fifty dollars.
- (18) The fee for issuance of a temporary permit to practice pharmacy is [two hundred] <u>one hundred</u> dollars.
- Sec. 26. Subsection (b) of section 21a-190e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1*, 2023):

(b) A fund-raising counsel who at any time has custody or control of contributions from a solicitation shall register with the department. Applications for registration or renewal of a registration as a fundraising counsel shall be in a form prescribed by the commissioner and shall be accompanied by a fee in the amount of [one hundred twenty] one hundred dollars. Each fund-raising counsel shall certify that such application or report is true and correct to the best of the fund-raising counsel's knowledge. Each application shall contain such information as the department shall require. Each registration shall be valid for one year and may be renewed for additional one-year periods. An applicant for registration or for a renewal of registration as a fund-raising counsel shall, at the time of making such application, file with and have approved by the department a bond in a form prescribed by the commissioner, in which the applicant shall be the principal obligor in the sum of twenty thousand dollars, with one or more responsible sureties whose liability in the aggregate as such sureties shall be no less than such sum. The fund-raising counsel shall maintain the bond in effect as long as the registration is in effect. The bond shall run to the state and to any person who may have a cause of action against the principal obligor of the bond for any liabilities resulting from the obligor's conduct of any activities subject to sections 21a-190a to 21a-190l, inclusive, or arising out of a violation of said sections or any regulation adopted pursuant to said sections. Any such fund-raising counsel shall account to the charitable organization with which he has contracted for all income received and expenses paid no later than ninety days after a solicitation campaign has been completed, and in the case of a solicitation campaign lasting more than one year, on the anniversary of the commencement of such campaign. Such accounting shall be in writing, shall be retained by the charitable organization for three years and shall be available to the department upon request.

Sec. 27. Subsection (a) of section 21a-190f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

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(a) No person shall act as a paid solicitor unless such person has first registered with the department. Registration shall be in a form prescribed by the commissioner, shall be certified by the paid solicitor as true and correct to the best of the solicitor's knowledge and shall be accompanied by a fee in the amount of [five hundred] one hundred dollars. The application shall contain such information as the department shall require. Each registration shall be valid for one year and may be renewed for additional one-year periods.

Sec. 28. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section and not later than July 1, 2024, the Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall adopt any regulations, in accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes, necessary to ensure that any individual who is licensed, certified or permitted by, or registered with, or who seeks a license, certification, permit or registration from, the commissioner or the Department of Consumer Protection is not charged a licensing, certification, permit or registration fee in an amount that is greater than one hundred dollars per license, certification, permit or registration year.

(b) The provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall not apply to any license, certification, permit or registration issued under title 30 of the general statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following			
sections:			
Section 1	July 1, 2023	20-281c(a)	
Sec. 2	July 1, 2023	20-281d(g)	
Sec. 3	July 1, 2023	20-292(a)	
Sec. 4	July 1, 2023	20-305	
Sec. 5	July 1, 2023	20-306(a)	
Sec. 6	July 1, 2023	20-308(a)	
Sec. 7	July 1, 2023	20-314(f)	
Sec. 8	July 1, 2023	20-333(a)	
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