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SENATE BILL No. 570

By Committee on Ways and Means

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AN ACT concerning lodging inspections; relating to lodging inspection fees; amending K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 36-502, 36-518 and 74-591 and repealing the existing sections; also repealing K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 36-512.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

New Section 1. There is hereby created the lodging inspection fee fund. The secretary shall remit all license fees received under the provisions of K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 36-502, and amendments thereto, and all license renewal fees for lodging establishments under the provisions of K.S.A. 36-505, and amendments thereto, to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the lodging inspection fee fund. All expenditures from the lodging inspection fee fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the secretary of agriculture or by a person designated by the secretary. This section shall be part of and supplemental to the food service and lodging act.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 36-502 is hereby amended to read as follows: 36-502. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in the business of conducting a lodging establishment unless such person shall have in effect a valid license therefor issued by the secretary of agriculture. Applications for such licenses shall be made on forms prescribed by the secretary, and each such application shall be accompanied by the appropriate license fee required by subsection (c) of this section. Prior to the issuance of any such license, the secretary shall inspect or cause to be inspected or cause to be inspected the lodging establishment designated in the application, to determine that it complies with the standards for lodging establishments promulgated pursuant to this act. If such lodging establishment is found to be in compliance, the secretary shall issue the license. If the application for license is denied, the secretary shall give written notice thereof to the applicant, stating also that the applicant is entitled to a hearing thereon if a written request therefor is

filed with the secretary within 20 days of the date such notice is sent. Such hearing shall be held in accordance with the provisions of the Kansas administrative procedure act.

- (b) Each license shall designate whether the licensed lodging unit is a hotel, rooming house or boarding house. Any person obtaining a license to engage in the business of conducting a rooming house or boarding house shall not have the right to use the name "hotel" in connection with such business. Every license issued hereunder shall be displayed conspicuously in the lodging establishment for which it is issued, and no such license shall be transferable to any other person or location. Whenever any such license is lost, destroyed or mutilated, a duplicate license shall be issued to any otherwise qualified licensee upon application therefor and the payment of a fee in the amount of \$3.
- (c) The fee for a license to conduct a lodging establishment in this state for all or any part of any calendar year shall be \$30 \$80, except that the fee for any lodging establishment containing 10 sleeping rooms shall be \$35 \$100 and for every additional 10 rooms therein, an additional fee of \$5 \$20 shall be charged. All lodging establishments which are new, newly constructed or have a change of ownership shall pay an application fee which may be adjusted in accordance with the type of establishment or based on other criteria as determined by the secretary, but in no event shall any application fee exceed \$100 \$200 in addition to the license fee.
- (d) Any person who, on the effective date of this act, has a valid license to operate a hotel or rooming house shall be a licensee under the provisions of this act, and any such license is hereby deemed to be a license to operate a lodging establishment issued under the provisions of this act.
- Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 36-518 is hereby amended to read as follows: 36-518. (a) The secretary shall inspect or cause to be inspected or cause to be inspected every lodging establishment in this state. Any lodging establishment in this state shall be inspected upon receipt of a complaint indicating that a lodging establishment does not comply with the applicable standards promulgated in the rules and regulations of the secretary. For such inspections the secretary or the secretary's lawful agent shall have the right of entry and access thereto, at any reasonable time.
- (b) Whenever, upon inspection, it is determined that any lodging establishment does not comply with the applicable standards promulgated in the rules and regulations of the secretary, the secretary shall give written notice to the owner, proprietor or agent in charge of such establishment of the changes or alterations necessary to comply with such standards.
- (1) The notice shall order the establishment to comply with the ap-

plicable standards within a period of time specified in the notice, which shall be not less than 10 days, except that a shorter period of time may be provided in the notice whenever the secretary believes it essential to protect the public health and safety.

- (2) The notice also shall state that the license for such establishment shall be subject to suspension or revocation for failure to comply with the applicable standards within the time specified.
- (3) The licensee of any establishment given a notice pursuant to this section may apply to the secretary for an extension of the time specified in the notice. The secretary shall review such application and may grant or deny such application or modify the provisions of the notice with respect to the time for compliance with any of the particulars stated in the notice.
- (c) Upon reinspection of any lodging establishment given a notice pursuant to this section, if it is determined that such establishment does not comply with the applicable standards promulgated in the rules and regulations of the secretary, the secretary may suspend or revoke the license issued for such establishment. If the secretary suspends or revokes the license, the secretary shall send written notice to the licensee that the license for such establishment will be suspended or revoked, effective 20 days after the date such notice is sent, unless within such time the licensee files with the secretary a written request for a hearing on the proposed suspension or revocation. All hearings pursuant to this section shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Kansas administrative procedure act.
- (d) The secretary is authorized to receive lodging inspection reports from qualified individuals, private entities or public entities to determine compliance with lodging standards promulgated pursuant to the food service and lodging act, and amendments thereto. The secretary is authorized to promulgate such rules and regulations as are necessary to receive such inspection reports. Such rules and regulations shall be promulgated on or before July 1, 2010.
- (e) This section shall be a part of and supplemental to the food service and lodging act.
- Sec. 4. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 74-591 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-591. (a) The balances of all funds or accounts thereof appropriated or reappropriated for the department of health and environment relating to the powers, duties and functions transferred by this act are hereby transferred within the state treasury to the Kansas department of agriculture and shall be used only for the purpose for which the appropriation was originally made. On and after October 1, 2004, all such balances shall be deposited in the food safety fee fund and may be used to carry out the responsibilities and duties of the division of food safety of

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the Kansas department of agriculture, as established by this act.

 $\overline{(b)}(a)$ There is hereby created the food safety fee fund. The Kansas 2 3 department of agriculture shall remit all moneys received by or for it from fees, and charges or penalties from the powers, duties and functions trans-4 ferred to and imposed upon the department of agriculture and secretary of agriculture under the provisions of K.S.A. 74-581 and K.S.A. 74-5,104, 6 and amendments thereto, except moneys deposited to the credit of the 8 lodging inspection fee fund pursuant to section 1, to the state treasurer 9 in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall 10 deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the food 11 12 safety fee fund. All expenditures from the food safety fee fund shall be 13 made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the 14 15 secretary of agriculture or by a person or persons designated by the 16 secretary.

- (b) On July 1, 2010, the director of accounts and reports shall transfer all moneys in the food service inspection reimbursement fund and the food inspection fee fund to the food safety fee fund. On July 1, 2010, all liabilities of the food service inspection reimbursement fund and the food inspection fee fund are hereby imposed on the food safety fee fund. The food inspection fee fund and the food service inspection reimbursement fund are hereby abolished. Upon the abolition of those funds, any reference to those funds or any designation thereof, in any statute, contract or other document shall mean the food safety fee fund.
- 26 Sec. 5. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 36-502, 36-512, 36-518 and 74-591 are 27 hereby repealed.
- Sec. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.