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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture Finance and Policy

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A bill for an act
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relating to agriculture; modifying food certificate payment provisions; amending
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Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 28A.081, subdivision 1.
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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
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Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 28A.081, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
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Subdivision 1. **Fee.** A fee of \$125 for each certificate shall be charged to any person
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who requests a certificate issued by the Minnesota Department of Agriculture to facilitate
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the movement of Minnesota processed and manufactured foods destined for export from
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the state of Minnesota. Certificates include, but are not limited to, a certificate of free sale,
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certificate of export, certificate of sanitation, sanitary certificate, certificate of origin and/or
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free sale, certificate of health and/or free sale, sanitation, and purity, certificate of free trade,
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certificate of free sale, sanitation, purity, and origin, certificate of health, sanitation, purity,
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and free sale, and letter of plant certification.
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The commissioner shall receive payment with the request or bill the requesting person
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within seven days after issuing a certificate to the person. The requesting person must submit
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payment for a certificate at the time of receiving the request or within ten days of the billing
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date. If a certificate fee payment is not received within 15 days of the billing date, the
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commissioner may not issue any future certificates to the requesting person until previous
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fees due are paid in full. Fees paid under this section must be deposited in the food certificate
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account established under subdivision 2 or another account in the agricultural fund if the
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expenses for the certificate will be paid from that other account.