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Senate Bill 390 (as introduced 4-22-03)
Sponsor: Senator Liz Brater
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CONTENT

The bill would amend Public Act 93 of 1974, which provides for the licensing and regulation of horse riding stables and sales barns, to increase the fees associated with license application and license renewal. Under the Act, a person, firm, or corporation that operates a riding stable or sales barn is required to obtain a license from the Michigan Department of Agriculture. Licenses issued by the Department expire annually on January 1.

MCL 287.113

FISCAL IMPACT

Under current law, an applicant for a horse riding stable or sales barn license must pay \$25 for each license. The annual renewal fee is \$25. The revenue collected from the license application fee and the license renewal fee is deposited in the General Fund. The bill would increase the license application fee to \$100 and the license renewal fee to \$50.

The bill would increase State revenues by \$5,000 associated with the fee increases. The fees have not been adjusted since their enactment in 1974.

The Governor's proposed fiscal year (FY) 2003-04 budget for the Department included an additional \$5,000 in revenue associated with these fee increases. This revenue replaced an equal amount of General Fund/General Purpose revenue appropriated to the Department's Animal Health Program. The Senate concurred with the Governor's proposal and included this additional revenue in its version of the FY 2003-04 Michigan Department of Agriculture budget, Senate Bill 288 (S-1).

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