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NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

AGENCY: Foresters

TITLE-SERIES: 200-04

RULE TYPE: Legislative Amendment to Existing Rule: Yes Repeal of existing rule: No

RULE NAME: SCHEDULE OF FEES

CITE STATUTORY AUTHORITY: §30-19-6

COMMENTS LIMITED TO:

Written

DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING:

LOCATION OF PUBLIC HEARING:

DATE WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD ENDS: 03/13/2026 3:00 PM

COMMENTS MAY BE MAILED OR EMAILED TO:

NAME: STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF FORESTERS

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PLEASE INDICATE IF THIS FILING INCLUDES:

RELEVANT FEDERAL STATUTES OR REGULATIONS: No

(IF YES, PLEASE UPLOAD IN THE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FIELD)

INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE: No

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PROVIDE A BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE CONTENT OF THE RULE:

INCREASE FEES TO MAINTAIN FINANCIAL STABILITY AND ADD SUNSET PROVISION.

SUMMARIZE IN A CLEAR AND CONCISE MANNER CONTENTS OF CHANGES IN THE RULE AND A STATEMENT OF CIRCUMSTANCES REQUIRING THE RULE:

ADD SUNSET PROVISION, INCREASE ANNUAL CERTIFICATION FEE \$ 15.00, CHANGE LATE RENEWAL FEE FROM 12 MONTHS TO DECEMBER 31 OF THE RENEWAL YEAR, ADDS REINSTRATEMENT LANGUAGE WITH A FEE OF \$50.00 AND ADDS DELINQUENT CHECK FEE OF \$35.00.

SUMMARIZE IN A CLEAR AND CONCISE MANNER THE OVERALL ECONOMIC IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED RULE:

A. ECONOMIC IMPACT ON REVENUES OF STATE GOVERNMENT:

NO IMPACT.

B. ECONOMIC IMPACT ON SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNTS:

WILL HELP TO MAINTAIN FINMANCIAL STABILITY OF THE BOARD.

C. ECONOMIC IMPACT OF THE RULE ON THE STATE OR ITS RESIDENTS:

WILL OLY IMPACT THE LICENSEES.

D. FISCAL NOTE DETAIL:

Effect of Proposal	Fiscal Year		
	2026 Increase/Decrease (use "-")	2027 Increase/Decrease (use "-")	Fiscal Year (Upon Full Implementation)
1. Estimated Total Cost	0	0	0
Personal Services	0	0	0
Current Expenses	0	0	0
Repairs and Alterations	0	0	0
Assets	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
2. Estimated Total Revenues	0	0	\$4,500.00

E. EXPLANATION OF ABOVE ESTIMATES (INCLUDING LONG-RANGE EFFECT):

THE \$15.00 INCREASE IN THE ANNUAL CERTIFICATION RENEWAL FEE WOULD GENERATE APPROXIMATELY \$ 4,200.00 ANNUALLY WHILE THE OTHER FEE INCREASES MAY GENERATE NO MORE THAN \$300.00. THE BOARD NEEDS THE FEE INCREASE TO MAINTAIN FINANCIAL STABILITY.

BY CHOOSING 'YES', I ATTEST THAT THE PREVIOUS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

Yes

Grady M Bowyer -- By my signature, I certify that I am the person authorized to file legislative rules, in accordance with West Virginia Code §29A-3-11 and §39A-3-2.

TITLE 200
LEGISLATIVE RULE
STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF FORESTERS

SERIES 4
SCHEDULE OF FEES

§200-4-1. General.

1.1. Scope. -- This legislative rule establishes the various fees that are to be submitted to the State Board of Registration of Foresters.

1.2. Authority. -- W. Va. Code §30-19-6.

1.3. Filing Date. -- ~~April 20, 2012.~~

1.4. Effective Date. -- ~~April 20, 2012.~~

1.5. Sunset Provision. - This rule shall terminate and have no further force or effect after August 1, 2037.

§200-4-2. Schedule of Fees.

2.1. Examination fee to be certified as a registered forester: \$100.00.

2.2. Application fee to be certified as a registered forester or forestry technician: \$50.00

2.3. Annual certification renewal fee: ~~\$35.00.~~ \$50.00

2.4. Late renewal fee: Renewals received after June 30th will incur a late fee of \$10 per month (or portion thereof) until December 31 of the same year. ~~Plus a \$10.00 late fee for each 12 months late not to exceed \$50.00.~~

2.5 Reinstatement Fee: If a renewal is not completed by December 31, a reinstatement fee of \$50 will be required. An additional \$50 reinstatement fee will apply for each additional year of non-renewal.

2.6. Delinquent check fee: \$35.00.