

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES

DIVISION OF AGRICULTURAL ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

BUREAU OF COMPLIANCE MONITORING

RULE TITLE:

RULE NO.:

Entomology – Pest Control Examination Fee Increase

5E-14.123(4)

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose and effect of the proposed rule amendment is to increase state certified operator exam fees to the cap of \$300.00 per pest control category.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED:

Pest Control Examinations.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY:

Chapter 482.051, F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED:

Chapter 482.141.(2),F.S.; and 482.151(4), F.S.

A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD AT THE TIME, DATE AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW: TBA

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE

DEVELOPMENT IS: Mr. Michael J. Page, Chief, Bureau of Entomology and Pest Control, 1203 Governors Square Boulevard, Suite 300, Tallahassee, Florida 32301-2961; (850) 921-4177.

The authority for amending the statute is:

482.141 Examinations.—

(1) Each individual seeking certification must satisfactorily pass an examination which must be written but which may include practical demonstration. The department shall hold at least two examinations each year. An applicant may seek certification in one or more categories.

(2) An application for examination must be made in accordance with the rules of the department. Each applicant must be accompanied by a fee set by the department, in an amount of not more than \$300 or less than \$150, for each category in which the applicant desires to be examined....

The proposed changes to the rule are underlined.

5E-14.123 Examinations.

(1) – (3) No changes.

(4) An examination fee of ~~\$225~~ \$300 for each category of pest control in which the applicant desires to be examined must be paid by each applicant at the time he submits his application. Checks or money orders shall be made payable to the Department. Applications received without the required fees will be considered incomplete and will not be processed. Checks returned by the bank will invalidate the application for non-payment of fees.

(5) – (12) No change.

History: _____, Amended _____.