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House Bill 90 Sectional Analysis

"An Act relating to occupational licensing fees; relating to an occupational investigation surcharge; and providing for an effective date."

Section 1: Amends AS 08.01.065(a). Establishment of Fees. Removes investigation fees from the list of fees the department may charge a licensee and adds language for the collection of a pro rata investigation surcharge.

Section 2: Amends AS 08.01.065(c). Establishment of Fees. Adds reference to the pro rata investigation surcharge as established by section 1 and changes the language from "regulatory costs" to "licensing and administrative costs", and removes the definition of "regulatory costs".

Section 3: Amends AS 08.01.065(f). Establishment of Fees. Adds reference to the pro rata investigation surcharge as established by section 1 and changes the language from "regulatory costs" to "licensing and administrative costs" regarding the establishment of fees for the State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors.

Section 4: Amends AS 08.01.065(g). Establishment of Fees. Adds reference to the pro rata investigation surcharge as established by section 1 and changes the language from "regulatory costs" to "licensing and administrative costs" regarding the establishment of fees for the Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists.

Section 5: Amends AS 08.01.065(h). Establishment of Fees. Adds reference to the pro rata investigation surcharge as established by section 1 and changes the language from "regulatory costs" to "licensing and administrative costs" regarding the establishment of fees for the Board of Barbers and Hairdressers.

Section 6: Amends AS 08.01.065(i). Establishment of Fees. Adds reference to the pro rata investigation surcharge as established by section 1 and changes the language from "regulatory costs" to "licensing and administrative costs" regarding the establishment of fees for specialty contractors, home inspectors, and associate home inspectors.

Section 7 Amends AS 08.01.065 to include a new subsections (j) and (k). (j) Requires the department to establish an investigation surcharge so that the surcharge is the same for each licensee and the total amount of surcharges collected for all licensees approximately equals the actual investigation costs for all occupations under this chapter. It also requires the department to annually review the surcharge and adjust the surcharge as need to approximately equal the actual investigation costs. (k) Provides a definition for investigation costs and licensing and administrative costs.

Section 8: Amends uncodified law and states that this Act only applies to initial licensure or licensure renewal on or after January 1, 2018.

Section 9: Amends uncodified law to allow the department to draft regulations necessary to implement this Act.

Section 10: Establishes a January 1, 2018 effective date.

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