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House Bill 2945

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NOTE

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to the Committee on Finance.]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
 2 designated §16-2-17, relating to vendors paying a single annual fee for a permit issued by
 3 a local health department; providing that any permit fee is only required to be paid for the
 4 initial permit; and providing that any subsequent permits issued that year, by that or other
 5 local health department, the fee is waived.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 2. LOCAL BOARDS OF HEALTH.

§16-2-17. Event permit fees good for a year, reciprocity from other state health departments.

1 Any permit issued by a local or county health department to a vendor for preparing and
 2 selling food at a festival or other event or activity that is for a time period less than annual, any
 3 permit fee paid shall be valid for an entire year for the permittee vendor regardless of the length
 4 of time the first permit is issued for, or the number of subsequent festivals, events or activities for
 5 which the vendor requires the same permit. No health department may charge a permit fee to any
 6 vendor that has received a similar permit by another in-state health department during the same
 7 calendar year for the same type of activity, but may place any conditions and limitations upon an
 8 issued permit to assure compliance with that health departments rules and standards for the type
 9 of permit being issued.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to assist small business vendors by only requiring he or she pay a single annual fee for a permit issued by a local health department; and that fee is only required to be paid for an initial permit, and any subsequent permits issued that year, by that or other local health department, any permit fees shall be waived.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.