

SUBTITLE C. BUSINESS LICENSING PROCESSING ADJUSTMENT.

Sec. 2006. Short title.

This subtitle may be cited as the “Business Licensing Processing Adjustment Act of 2008”.

Sec. 2007. Chapter 28 of Title 47 of the District of Columbia Official Code is amended as follows:

(a) The table of contents is amended by adding a new section designation for subchapter I-A to read as follows: “47-2851.03d. General Business License and General Contractor/Construction Manager License.”.

(b) A new section 47-2851.03d is added to read as follows:

“§ 47-2851.03d. General Business License and General Contractor/Construction Manager License.

“(a) A General Business License shall be required for all businesses engaging in any business transaction in the District that have a business tax identification number and who are not otherwise required to obtain an endorsement under a license endorsement category under this chapter. If a business entity is comprised of principals who are required to maintain licenses granted or regulated by a local, state, or national certification board or body, the entity and its licensed principals shall not be required to obtain a General Business License. A biennial fee of \$200 shall be charged for the General Business License.

“(b) A General Contractor/Construction Manager License shall be required for individuals or businesses engaged in general contracting or construction management. A biennial fee of \$500 shall be charge for the license. The Mayor may establish, by rule, bond requirements for general contractors and construction managers as a condition for issuance of the General Contractor/Construction Manager License.

“(c) The Mayor may adjust, by rule, the license fees established in subsections (a) and (b) of this section.

“(d) A license issued pursuant to this section shall be issued as a General Business endorsement to a basic business license.”.

(c) Section 47-2851.08 is amended as follows:

(1) Subsection (a)(1) is amended to read as follows:

“(a)(1) The Center shall collect a fee of \$70 for each basic business license it issues, plus \$25 for each endorsement added to the basic business license.”.

(2) Subsection (b)(1) is amended to read as follows:

“(b)(1) The Center shall collect a fee of \$70 on each renewal license it issues, plus \$25 for each endorsement added to the basic business license.”.

(d) Section 47-2851.13 is amended by adding a new subsection (d) to read as follows:

“(d)(1) A portion of the increased fees under § 47-2851.03d shall be used to reform and streamline the application and renewal process for licensing under this chapter.

“(2) Within 6 months of the effective date of the Business Licensing Processing Adjustment Act of 2008, passed on 2<sup>nd</sup> reading on June 3, 2008 (Enrolled version of Bill 17-678), the Department shall report to the Chairperson of the Council committee with oversight of the Department on the specific steps taken to implement these new processes.”.