

**Agricultural Products Inspection (API) Feed**

These fees help offset the expense of carrying out the feed and fertilizer programs administered by the Bureau of Agricultural Products Inspections.

	<b>CURRENT FEE</b>	<b>PROPOSED FEE</b>
Commercial Feed License (An annual license for anyone who distributes feed in Illinois)	\$25	\$30
Small Pet/Specialty Food (an annual fee per product 10 lbs. or less) in place of a tonnage fee.	\$75	\$90
Commercial Feed Tonnage (semi-annual fee paid on bulk tons of feed distributed during the reporting period.)	20¢	25¢
Certificate of Free Sale (A product fee for companies who request verification of registration within the department.	\$20	\$25

**Bureau of Environment Programs (Pesticides)**

These fees are utilized to offset the cost of expenses related to administration of The Pesticide Act.

	<b>CURRENT FEE</b>	<b>PROPOSED FEE</b>
Pesticide Product Registration (All products offered for sale within Illinois that make a "pesticidal" claim which must be registered annually. In 2007, 12,417 products were registered in Illinois.	\$200	\$320 - <i>(this fee was raised from \$100 to \$200 in 2004; it is now being raised again)</i>
Private Pesticide Applicator License [3 year license for farmers]	\$20	\$30 - <i>(this fee was raised from \$10 to \$20 just last year in 2007)</i>


Thank you for your consideration of this issue and our position of opposition. Please feel free to contact us at the numbers listed below if you have questions. We have always appreciated your support of Illinois agribusiness. We hope to see you at our Agribusiness Legislative Breakfast on April 16, 2008 from 7:15 – 8:00 a.m. at the Sangamo Club for a discussion of these and other important issues facing our industries.

Kind regards,

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