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- 5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the 6 following:
- 7 "Sec. 1. RCW 15.36.115 and 1989 c 354 s 18 and 1989 c 175 s 48 are 8 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- (1) If the results of an antibiotic, pesticide, or other drug 9 residue test <u>under RCW 15.36.110</u> are above the actionable level 10 established in the pasteurized milk ordinance published by the United 11 States public health service and determined using procedures set forth 12 13 in the current edition of "Standard Methods for the Examination of Dairy Products," a producer holding a grade A permit is subject to a 14 civil penalty. The penalty shall be in an amount equal to one-half the 15 16 value of the sum of the volumes of milk equivalent produced under the 17 permit on the day prior to and the day of the adulteration. The value of the milk shall be computed by the weighted average price for the 18 federal market order under which the milk is delivered. 19
- (2) The penalty is imposed by the department giving a written 20 21 notice which is either personally served upon or transmitted by 22 certified mail, return receipt requested, to the person incurring the 23 penalty. The notice of the civil penalty shall be a final order of the department unless, within fifteen days after the notice is received, 24 the person incurring the penalty appeals the penalty by filing a notice 25 of appeal with the department. If a notice of appeal is filed in a 26 27 timely manner, a hearing shall be conducted on behalf of the department by the office of administrative hearings in accordance with chapters 28 29 34.05 and 34.12 RCW ((and, to the extent they are not inconsistent with this subsection, the provisions of RCW 15.36.580)). At the conclusion 30 of the hearing, the department shall determine whether the penalty 31 32 should be affirmed, and, if so, shall issue a final order setting forth the civil penalty assessed, if any. The order may be appealed to 33 34 superior court in accordance with chapter 34.05 RCW. Tests performed for antibiotic, pesticide, or other drug residues by a state or 35 certified industry laboratory of a milk sample drawn by a department 36

- official or a licensed dairy technician shall be admitted as prima facie evidence of the presence or absence of an antibiotic, pesticide, or other drug residue.
- 4 (3) Any penalty imposed under this section is due and payable upon 5 the issuance of the final order by the department. The penalty shall 6 be deducted by the violator's marketing organization from the 7 violator's final payment for the month following the issuance of the 8 final order. The department shall promptly notify the violator's 9 marketing organization of any penalties contained in the final order.
- (4) All penalties received or recovered from violations of this section shall be remitted monthly by the violator's marketing organization to the Washington state dairy products commission and deposited in a revolving fund to be used solely for the purposes of education and research. No appropriation is required for disbursements from this fund.
- 16 (5) In case of a violation of the antibiotic, pesticide, or other drug residue test requirements, an investigation shall be made to 17 determine the cause of the residue which shall be corrected. 18 19 Additional samples shall be taken as soon as possible and tested as soon as feasible for antibiotic, pesticide, or other drug residue by 20 the department or a certified laboratory. After the notice has been 21 received by the producer and the results of a test of such an 22 additional sample indicate that residues are above the actionable level 23 24 or levels referred to in subsection (1) of this section, the producer's 25 milk may not be sold until a sample is shown to be below the actionable 26 levels established for the residues.
- 27 **Sec. 2.** RCW 69.07.040 and 1992 c 160 s 3 are each amended to read 28 as follows:
- 29 It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a food processing 30 plant or process foods in the state without first having obtained an annual license from the department, which shall expire on a date set by 31 rule by the director. License fees shall be prorated where necessary 32 to accommodate staggering of expiration dates. Application for a 33 34 license shall be on a form prescribed by the director and accompanied by the license fee. The license fee is determined by computing the 35 36 gross annual sales for the accounting year immediately preceding the 37 license year. If the license is for a new operator, the license fee

shall be based on an estimated gross annual sales for the initial 2 license period.

3	If gross annual sales are:	The license fee is:
4	\$0 to \$50,000	\$50.00
5	\$50,001 to \$500,000	\$100.00
6	\$500,001 to \$1,000,000	\$200.00
7	\$1,000,001 to \$5,000,000	\$350.00
8	\$5,000,001 to \$10,000,000	\$500.00
9	Greater than \$10,000,000	\$750.00

10 Such application shall include the full name of the applicant for the license and the location of the food processing plant he or she intends 11 to operate. If such applicant is an individual, receiver, trustee, 12 firm, partnership, association or corporation, the full name of each 13 14 member of the firm or partnership, or names of the officers of the association or corporation shall be given on the application. 15 application shall further state the principal business address of the 16 applicant in the state and elsewhere and the name of a person domiciled 17 in this state authorized to receive and accept service of summons of 18 19 legal notices of all kinds for the applicant. The application shall also specify the type of food to be processed and the method or nature 20 21 of processing operation or preservation of that food and any other necessary information. Upon the approval of the application by the 22 director and compliance with the provisions of this chapter, including 23 24 the applicable regulations adopted hereunder by the department, the 25 applicant shall be issued a license or renewal thereof.

Licenses shall be issued to cover only those products, processes, and operations specified in the license application and approved for 27 licensing. Wherever a license holder wishes to engage in processing a 28 29 type of food product that is different than the type specified on the application supporting the licensee's existing license and processing that type of food product would require a major addition to or 31 32 modification of the licensee's processing facilities or has a high potential for harm, the licensee shall submit an amendment to the 33 34 current license application. In such a case, the licensee may engage in processing the new type of food product only after the amendment has 35 been approved by the department. 36

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If upon investigation by the director, it is determined that a 37 person is processing food for retail sale and is not under permit, 38

- 1 license, or inspection by a local health authority, then that person
- 2 may be considered a food processor and subject to the provisions of
- 3 this chapter. The director may waive the licensure requirements of
- 4 this chapter for a person's operations at a facility if the person is
- 5 <u>licensed under chapter 15.32 RCW or has a permit under chapter 15.36</u>
- 6 RCW to conduct the same or a similar operation at the facility.
- 7 **Sec. 3.** RCW 15.36.595 and 1989 c 175 s 49 are each amended to read 8 as follows:
- 9 (1) The director of agriculture shall adopt rules imposing a civil
- 10 penalty for violations of the standards for component parts of fluid
- 11 dairy products which are established by RCW 15.36.030 or adopted
- 12 pursuant to RCW 69.04.398. The penalty shall not exceed ten thousand
- 13 dollars and shall be such as is necessary to achieve proper enforcement
- 14 of the standards. The rules shall be adopted before January 1, 1987,
- 15 and shall become effective on July 1, 1987.
- 16 (2) The penalty is imposed by the department giving a written
- 17 notice which is either personally served upon or transmitted by
- 18 certified mail, return receipt requested, to the person incurring the
- 19 penalty. The notice of the civil penalty shall be a final order of the
- 20 department unless, within fifteen days after the notice is received,
- 21 the person incurring the penalty appeals the penalty by filing a notice
- 22 of appeal with the department. If a notice of appeal is filed in a
- 23 timely manner, a hearing shall be conducted on behalf of the department
- 24 by the office of administrative hearings in accordance with chapters
- 25 34.05 and 34.12 RCW ((and, to the extent they are not inconsistent with
- 26 this subsection, the provisions of RCW 15.36.580)). At the conclusion
- 27 of the hearing, the department shall determine whether the penalty
- 28 should be affirmed, reduced, or not imposed and shall issue a final
- 29 order setting forth the civil penalty assessed, if any. The order may
- 30 be appealed to superior court in accordance with chapter 34.05 RCW.
- 31 Tests performed for the component parts of milk products by a state
- 32 laboratory of a milk sample collected by a department official shall be
- 33 admitted as prima facie evidence of the amounts of milk components in
- 34 the product.
- 35 (3) Any penalty imposed under this section is due and payable upon
- 36 the issuance of the final order by the department.
- 37 (4) All penalties received or recovered from violations of this
- 38 section shall be remitted by the violator to the department and

- 1 deposited in the revolving fund of the Washington state dairy products
- 2 commission. One-half of the funds received shall be used for purposes
- 3 of education with the remainder one-half to be used for dairy
- 4 processing or marketing research, or both. No appropriation is
- 5 required for disbursements from this fund.
- 6 (5) In case of a violation of the standards for the composition of
- 7 milk products, an investigation shall be made to determine the cause of
- 8 the violation which shall be corrected. Additional samples shall be
- 9 taken as soon as possible and tested by the department.
- 10 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 4.** RCW 15.36.580 and 1989 c 354 s 26, 1987 c
- 11 202 s 175, 1981 c 67 s 17, & 1961 c 11 s 15.36.580 are each repealed."

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