

CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICT

TO: Peter Zanoni, City Manager

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SUBJECT: Senate Bill 1008 - State-mandated adjustments to Food Service Permit and Inspection Fees

DATE: December 11, 2025

On December 16, Dr. Anita Kurian, Director of Public Health, will provide a briefing to the City Council on Senate Bill 1008 (SB 1008), which was enacted during the 89th legislative session.

SB 1008 establishes limitations on the authority of local governmental entities, including municipalities, counties, and public health districts, to impose fees related to the regulation of food service establishments, such as retail food stores, mobile food units, roadside food vendors, and temporary food service establishments. Additionally, the bill requires that any changes to fees, permits, or inspection protocols be communicated to these establishments at least 60 days in advance of the effective date of the fee changes.

SB 1008 took effect on September 1, 2025, and requires the Health District to update its food service permit and inspection fees to comply with the new state-mandated fee limit requirements.

The following categories of fees will be subject to adjustment pending the approval of the City Council:

- Food Establishment Permit
- Mobile Vending Food Permit
- Temporary Food Permit
- Reinspection Fees

An updated fee schedule proposal will be presented to the City Council for consideration and approval on February 17, 2026.

These fee adjustments will enable the Health District to sustain its provision of essential public health services, which are critical for ensuring food safety and safeguarding community well-being.

The steps for complying with SB 1008 and implementing the FY 2026 fee schedule are outlined below.

- Briefing to City Council – December 16, 2025
- Stakeholder notification (60-day notice) begins on December 17, 2025
- Presentation of updated fee schedule to City Council for adoption
 - 1st reading- February 17, 2026
 - 2nd reading – February 24, 2026
- Revised Fee adjustments become effective (upon City Council approval) – March 2, 2026