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TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR NOTICE
OF INTENDED ACTION

Control: 80

Department or Agency: Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries
Legal Section

Rule No.: Chapter 80-15-1

Rule Title: Fee For Dishonored Checks

Intended Action New

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety? No

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare? Yes

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public? No

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved? No

To what degree?: N/A

Is the increase in cost more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule? No

Are all facets of the rule-making process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public? Yes

Does the proposed action relate to or affect in any manner any litigation which the agency is a party to concerning the subject matter of the proposed rule? No

Does the proposed rule have an economic impact? No

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 1975.

Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama 1975, and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Services Agency.

Signature of certifying officer

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Date

Thursday, August 20, 2026

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ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND INDUSTRIES
LEGAL SECTION

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AGENCY NAME: Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries

RULE NO. & TITLE: Chapter 80-15-1 Fee For Dishonored Checks

INTENDED ACTION: New

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION:

New chapter to provide for a dishonored check

TIME, PLACE AND MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS:

Views may be presented in person on Tuesday, November 10, 2026, at 10:00 a.m., in the auditorium of the Richard Beard Building, 1445 Federal Drive, Montgomery, AL 36117.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:

Tuesday, November 10, 2026

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to promulgate and adopt
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CHAPTER 80-15-1
FEE FOR DISHONORED CHECKS

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1. If a check or negotiable instrument is dishonored, the writer of the check or instrument shall be required to tender payment of the full amount of such check or instrument plus a service charge of \$30.00 as provided by the Code of Ala. 1975, Section 8-8-15.

2. If the dishonored check or instrument was tendered for the purposes of renewing an individual license/permit, registration, or any other matter for which a check may be accepted, the license/permit, registration, or other matter will be rendered invalid unless the payment is made in full, including the \$30.00 service charge, within 30 days.

3. If the dishonored check or instrument was tendered to apply for licensure or certification, the application will not be processed until payment is made in full, including the \$30.00 service charge.

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Statutory Authority: Sections 8-8-15 and 2-2-16

History: New Rule: Published _____; effective _____.