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TO: Licensed Colorado Retail Food Establishments

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SUBJECT: Retail Food Establishment license fees

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Through a partnership between the food service industry, the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment (CDPHE) and local public health agencies, several aspects of the Colorado Food Protection Act have been updated. Senate Bill 25-285 was passed by the Legislature this year and included graduated increases in retail food establishment license fees over the next three years.

For any establishment with a current 2025 Retail Food Establishment license, the increase will not affect you until your 2026 license renewal. The chart below details retail license fees, by license type, and the changes you should expect over the next three years:

Licensing Category	Current Fee	1/1/2026 Fee	1/1/2027 Fee	1/1/2028 Fee
Restaurant 0-100 seats	\$385	\$481	\$567	\$682
Restaurant 101-200 seats	\$430	\$538	\$634	\$763
Restaurant over 200 seats	\$465	\$581	\$687	\$826
Grocery Stores with Deli, up to 15,000 sq. ft.	\$375	\$469	\$552	\$664
Grocery Stores with Deli, over 15,000 sq. ft.	\$715	\$894	\$1,062	\$1,276
Grocery Store without Deli, up to 15,000 sq. ft.	\$195	\$244	\$282	\$340
Grocery Store without Deli, over 15,000 sq. ft.	\$353	\$441	\$519	\$624
Limited Retail Food Service	\$270	\$338	\$394	\$475
Mobile Unit, Prepackaged Food	\$270	\$338	\$394	\$475
Mobile Unit, Full Service	\$385	\$481	\$567	\$682

If you have questions, please feel free to contact Troy Huffman at troy.huffman@state.co.us or (303)963-6633.

