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Changes to Food Service Regulations Proposed

Public Meeting Scheduled for Thursday, October 30, 2014

BREMERTON, WA—The Kitsap Public Health District is proposing to amend Kitsap Public Health Board Ordinance 2013-02, Food Service Regulations. A public meeting is scheduled to explain proposed revisions to the regulations, and take questions and comments about the proposed.

The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 30, 2014 from 6 – 8 pm in the Chambers of the Norm Dicks Government Center, 345 6th Street, Bremerton, WA.

In summary, the Health District is proposing to add the following provisions to the Food Service Regulations:

1. Include civil infraction penalties (i.e., tickets) for enforcement. The current regulations limit enforcement options to misdemeanor, or criminal penalties, only. The Health District believes that criminal penalties alone are too harsh for most food service violations.
2. Include clarification of the permit requirements for temporary food service establishments. Temporary food service establishments are increasing in popularity, and the Health District seeks to clarify the permit requirements for food vendors to make it easier for people to understand and comply with the regulations.
3. Include language that clarifies that a food service permit may be revoked for failure to submit the required permit fees.

A complete copy of the regulations with revisions noted in red is available at www.kitsappublichealth.org. The public is welcome to contact Jim Zimny at (360) 337-5623 / jim.zimny@kitsappublichealth.org or Keith Grellner at (360) 337-5284 / keith.grellner@kitsappublichealth.org with questions or for more information.

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