

**32-983. Issuance by department; lost or stolen issues or fees.** (a) The secretary or the secretary's designated employees shall be authorized, at the headquarters or field offices of the department, to issue any license, permit, stamp or other issue of the department. Subject to the requirements of law or rules and regulations of the secretary, such issue shall be issued to any person upon application and payment of the fee prescribed by law or pursuant to K.S.A. 32-988.

(b) Whenever any license, permit, stamp or other issue of the department, or any fee collected from the sale thereof, is lost, stolen or destroyed while in possession of a designated employee of the secretary and the secretary, upon investigation, finds that such issue or fee was lost, stolen or destroyed by a cause beyond the control of the designated employee, the secretary shall relieve the designated employee from payment for such issue or fee. Whenever the secretary finds, upon investigation, that any such issue or fee was lost, stolen or destroyed by a cause within the control of the designated employee, such employee may be liable for payment of all or a portion of the value of such issue or fee.

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