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My Name is Heidi Swajanen and I live in Eben Junction Mi and I run a small concession stand selling hot dogs and hot chocolate.

Below are some of the problems/hoops I have to jump through to sell hotdogs for 12 weekends out of the year. I run a small concession stand to help pay for the rental of portable outhouses at Eben Ice Caves, so people do not knock on our door and ask to use the bathroom in our house.

I know of several Little League teams, soccer teams etc, who also have to shell out money to sell about 16 hot dogs a game if that, or risk being turned in to the local Health Department.

Having worked in Food Service for over 20 years, I am well aware of the potential hazards of undercooked and poorly held food.

*I am doing a different type of license this year: instead of getting inspected every 2 weeks (at \$65 each), I went for an STFU, special transitory food unit, license.

*I had to draw site plans, write up almost 20 SOP's, and fill out a 20 page application...just for review. Cost here in Alger County - \$276. Then I had to get my well water tested, fill out the permit application and pay another \$142 for the permit.

*I am also required to pay for two annual \$90 inspections.

*Just to sell hotdogs. I am lucky it is just hotdogs, or the SOP's would have been much worse.

*Oh...and I have to have a ServSafe Sanitation Certificate (required that someone has it for the establishment) for another \$135.

And just for the record: I worked in the MDOC for 15 years as a Food Service Leader and I was required to be ServSafe Certified. Currently, the Aramark Food Leaders have not been Certified. My sister-in-law works in that position and they have not required the certification for her.

It is sad that a "soccer mom" would have to be certified to sell hot dogs and a contracted employee overseeing 3000 meals a day does not.

If I can answer any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank You

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