

By Representative Prieguez

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to freight forwarders;
3 requiring freight forwarders to provide
4 warehouse receipts or copies of airway bills or
5 bills of lading to certain business entities
6 for certain purposes; providing receipt
7 requirements; requiring freight forwarders to
8 maintain certain records for a time certain;
9 providing an effective date.

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11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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13 Section 1. Any business entity in this state which
14 operates as a freight forwarder which engages in the business
15 of receiving goods from other business entities in this state
16 and makes air and water transportation arrangements to
17 transport such goods shall provide such other entities with a
18 warehouse receipt at the time such entities deliver the goods
19 to the freight forwarder's place of business. The warehouse
20 receipt must contain the name, address, and telephone number
21 of the freight forwarder, a preprinted warehouse receipt
22 number, the date the goods were delivered to the freight
23 forwarder, and a brief description of the goods delivered by
24 such other entities. Within 2 weeks after the date an airway
25 bill or bill of lading is issued to the freight forwarder by
26 the transportation company contracted by the freight forwarder
27 to transport the goods, the freight forwarder shall mail to
28 the entity from which the goods were received a copy of the
29 airway bill or bill of lading in order for such entity to
30 comply with the requirements of Rule 12A-1.064(1)(b)2.,

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1 Florida Administrative Code. A freight forwarder shall keep a
2 record of such transactions for a period of 5 years.

3 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1999.

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6 HOUSE SUMMARY

7 Requires freight forwarders to provide warehouse receipts
8 or copies of airway bills or bills of lading to business
9 entities contracting for transportation of goods.
Requires freight forwarders to maintain records for 5
years.

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