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A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to voter registration; amending s. 372.574, F.S.; requiring subagents appointed 3 4 by the Fish and Wildlife Conservation 5 Commission for the sale of hunting, fishing, 6 and trapping licenses and permits to provide 7 individuals seeking such licenses and permits 8 the opportunity to register to vote or to 9 update a voter registration; requiring 10 supervisors of elections to provide such subagents with the necessary voter registration 11 12 applications; providing penalties; providing an 13 effective date. 14 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 15 16 17 Section 1. Section 372.574, Florida Statutes, is 18 amended to read: 372.574 Appointment of subagents for the sale of 19 hunting, fishing, and trapping licenses and permits; voter 20 21 registration duties .--22

- (1) Subagents shall serve at the pleasure of the commission. The commission may establish, by rule, procedures for the selection and appointment of subagents. The following are requirements for subagents so appointed:
- (a) The commission may require each subagent to post an appropriate bond as determined by the commission, using an insurance company acceptable to the commission. In lieu of the bond, the commission may purchase blanket bonds covering all or selected subagents or may allow a subagent to post other security as required by the commission.

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- (b) A subagent may sell licenses and permits as authorized by the commission at specific locations within the county and in states as will best serve the public interest and convenience in obtaining licenses and permits. The commission may prohibit subagents from selling certain licenses or permits.
- (c) It is unlawful for any person to handle licenses or permits for a fee or compensation of any kind unless he or she has been appointed as a subagent.
- (d) Any person who willfully violates any of the provisions of this section commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.
- (e) A subagent may charge and receive as his or her compensation 50 cents for each license or permit sold. This charge is in addition to the sum required by law to be collected for the sale and issuance of each license or permit.
- (f) A subagent shall submit payment for and report the sale of licenses and permits to the commission as prescribed by the commission.
- (2) The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission or any other law enforcement agency may carry out any investigation necessary to secure information required to carry out and enforce this section.
- (3) All social security numbers that are provided pursuant to ss. 372.561 and 372.57 and are contained in records of any subagent appointed under this section are confidential as provided in those sections.
- (4)(a) All subagents appointed under this section shall provide the opportunity to register to vote or to update a voter registration record to each individual who comes to the subagent to purchase any resident hunting license, fishing

license, combination license, or trapping permit. Each 2 subagent shall provide each individual with a voter 3 registration application, which shall be provided to the 4 subagent by the voter registration office in the subagent's 5 county. 6 (b) Within 30 days after the effective date of this act, each supervisor of elections shall provide an appropriate 8 supply of voter registration applications to each subagent in 9 that supervisor's county and thereafter at the request of the 10 subagent along with appropriate contact information for each subagent to request additional applications. 11 12 (c) Failure to comply with any provision of this 13 subsection by any subagent or supervisor of elections shall constitute a civil infraction subject to a minimum fine of 14 \$500 for the first infraction, \$1,000 for the second 15 infraction, and \$2,500 for each subsequent infraction. 16 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a 18 law. 19 2.0 21 22 23 2.4 25 26 27 28 29 30 31