CONFERENCE COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

Florida Senate - 2009 Bill No. CS for SB 1742



LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Conference Committee on CS for SB 1742 recommended the following:

Senate Conference Committee Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. <u>The Invasive Plant Control Trust Fund, FLAIR</u> <u>number 37-2-030, in the Department of Environmental Protection</u> <u>is transferred to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission,</u> <u>FLAIR number 77-2-030.</u> Section 2. <u>The statutory powers, duties, and functions</u>

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12 which were transferred by chapter 2008-150, Laws of Florida, and all records, personnel, and property; unexpended balances of 13 appropriations, allocations, and other funds; administrative 14 authority; administrative rules; pending issues; and existing 15 16 contracts of the Bureau of Invasive Plant Management in the 17 Department of Environmental Protection are transferred by a type two transfer, pursuant to s. 20.06(2), Florida Statutes, to the 18 19 Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. All actions taken pursuant to chapter 2008-150, Laws of Florida, and the 20 21 interagency agreement executed pursuant thereto are ratified. 22 Section 3. Effective August 1, 2009, subsection (2) of 23 section 379.353, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 24 379.353 Recreational licenses and permits; exemptions from 25 fees and requirements.-(2) A hunting, freshwater fishing, or saltwater fishing 26 27 license or permit is not required for: 28 (a) Any child under 16 years of age, except as otherwise 29 provided in this part. 30 (b) Any person hunting or freshwater fishing on her or his 31 homestead property, or on the homestead property of the person's spouse or minor child; or any minor child hunting or freshwater 32 33 fishing on the homestead property of her or his parent. (c) Any resident who is a member of the United States Armed 34 35 Forces and not stationed in this state, when home on leave for 36 30 days or less, upon submission of orders. 37 (d) Any resident freshwater fishing for recreational 38 purposes only, within her or his county of residence with live or natural bait, using poles or lines not equipped with a 39 fishing line retrieval mechanism. This exemption does not apply 40 Page 2 of 6



41 to residents fishing in a legally established fish management 42 area. (e) Any person freshwater fishing in a fish pond of 20 43 acres or less that is located entirely within the private 44 45 property of the fish pond owner. 46 (f) Any person freshwater fishing in a fish pond that is 47 licensed in accordance with s. 379.356. (q) Any person fishing who has been accepted as a client 48 49 for developmental disabilities services by the Department of 50 Children and Family Services, provided the department furnishes 51 proof thereof. 52 (h) Any resident saltwater fishing from land or from a 53 structure fixed to the land who has been determined eligible by 54 the Department of Children and Family Services for the food 55 stamp program, temporary cash assistance, or the Medicaid 56 programs. A benefit issuance or program identification card 57 issued by the Department of Children and Family Services or the Florida Medicaid program of the Agency for Health Care 58 59 Administration shall serve as proof of program eligibility. The 60 client must have in his or her possession the ID Card and 61 positive proof of identification when fishing. 62 (i) Any person saltwater fishing from a vessel licensed pursuant to s. 379.354(7). 63 64 (j) Any person saltwater fishing from a vessel the operator 65 of which is licensed pursuant to s. 379.354(7). 66 (k) Any person saltwater fishing who holds a valid 67 saltwater products license issued under s. 379.361(2).

(1) Any person saltwater fishing for recreational purposesfrom a pier licensed under s. 379.354.

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70 (m) Any resident fishing for a saltwater species in fresh 71 water from land or from a structure fixed to land.

72 (m) (n) Any resident fishing for mullet in fresh water who 73 has a valid Florida freshwater fishing license.

74 <u>(n) (o)</u> Any resident 65 years of age or older who has in her 75 or his possession proof of age and residency. A no-cost license 76 under this paragraph may be obtained from any tax collector's 77 office upon proof of age and residency and must be in the 78 possession of the resident during hunting, freshwater fishing, 79 and saltwater fishing activities.

80 <u>(o) (p)</u> Any employee of the commission who takes freshwater 81 fish, saltwater fish, or game as part of employment with the 82 commission, or any other person authorized by commission permit 83 to take freshwater fish, saltwater fish, or game for scientific 84 or educational purposes.

85 <u>(p) (q)</u> Any resident recreationally freshwater fishing who 86 holds a valid commercial fishing license issued under s. 87 379.3625(1)(a).

88 Section 4. Effective July 15, 2009, paragraph (k) is added 89 to subsection (4) of 379.354, Florida Statutes, to read:

90 379.354 Recreational licenses, permits, and authorization 91 numbers; fees established.-

92 (4) RESIDENT HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES.—The licenses and
93 fees for residents participating in hunting and fishing
94 activities in this state are as follows:

95 <u>(k) Annual resident shoreline fishing license, \$7.50. The</u> 96 <u>annual resident shoreline fishing license allows any resident to</u> 97 <u>saltwater fish from land or from a structure fixed to the land.</u> 98 This license is not required for any resident issued any other

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| 99 | license identified in this section that allows the take of |
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| 100 | saltwater fish. |
| 101 | Section 5. Effective July 1, 2009, for the purpose of |
| 102 | incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 379.353, |
| 103 | Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (7) of |
| 104 | section 379.3581, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read: |
| 105 | 379.3581 Hunter safety course; requirements; penalty |
| 106 | (7) The hunter safety requirements of this section do not |
| 107 | apply to persons for whom licenses are not required under s. |
| 108 | 379.353(2). |
| 109 | Section 6. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this |
| 110 | act, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law. |
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| 113 | And the title is amended as follows: |
| 114 | Delete everything before the enacting clause |
| 115 | and insert: |
| 116 | A bill to be entitled |
| 117 | An act relating to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation |
| 118 | Commission; transferring the Invasive Plant Control |
| 119 | Trust Fund in the Department of Environmental |
| 120 | Protection to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation |
| 121 | Commission; transferring to the Fish and Wildlife |
| 122 | Conservation Commission all powers, duties, records, |
| 123 | personnel, property, funds, rules, issues, and |
| 124 | contracts of the Bureau of Invasive Plant Management |
| 125 | in the Department of Environmental Protection; |
| 126 | ratifying actions taken pursuant to chapter 2008-150, |
| 127 | Laws of Florida, and an interagency agreement executed |
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128 pursuant thereto; amending s. 379.353, F.S.; providing 129 that a freshwater fishing or saltwater fishing license 130 is not required for a resident recreationally fishing 131 within her or his county of residence with specific 132 fishing gear; providing that a hunting, freshwater 133 fishing, or saltwater fishing license or permit is not 134 required for any resident saltwater fishing from land 135 who has been determined eligible for the food stamps, 136 temporary cash assistance, or the Medicaid programs; 137 providing for proof of eligibility for the qualifying 138 programs; removing the exemption from the need to 139 possess a license for a resident fishing for a 140 saltwater species in fresh water from land; amending 141 s. 379.354, F.S.; providing for an annual resident 142 shoreline fishing license and fee; reenacting s. 143 379.3581(7), F.S., relating to hunter safety courses, 144 to incorporate the amendments made to s. 379.353, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing effective 145 146 dates.