

By the Committees on General Government Appropriations; and
Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Senator Bennett

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation
3 Commission; requiring that applications for all
4 recreational activity licenses include a provision for
5 the license applicant to make a voluntary contribution
6 to Southeastern Guide Dogs, Inc.; providing for the
7 use of funds raised by such contributions; providing
8 an effective date.

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

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12 Section 1. The application for any license for recreational
13 activities issued under part VI of chapter 379, Florida
14 Statutes, must include a check-off provision that permits the
15 applicant for licensure to make a voluntary contribution of \$2.
16 The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission shall retain 90
17 cents from each contribution to cover administrative costs. The
18 remainder shall be distributed quarterly by the Fish and
19 Wildlife Conservation Commission to Southeastern Guide Dogs,
20 Inc., located in Palmetto. Southeastern Guide Dogs, Inc., shall
21 use the contributions to breed, raise, and train guide dogs for
22 the blind, specifically for the "Paws for Patriots" program,
23 including in-residence training for veterans who are provided
24 guide dogs by Southeastern Guide Dogs, Inc.

25 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.