A bill to be entitled 1 2 An act relating to the Department of Agriculture and 3 Consumer Services; amending s. 403.9336, F.S.; revising a 4 reference to the Model Ordinance for Florida-Friendly 5 Fertilizer Use on Urban Landscapes; amending s. 403.9337, 6 F.S.; specifying a certain edition of the model ordinance 7 for adoption by certain counties and municipalities; 8 authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to 9 adopt rules updating the model ordinance; revising the 10 criteria for a local government's adoption of additional 11 or more stringent standards; exempting lands used for certain research from provisions regulating fertilizer use 12 on urban landscapes; amending s. 493.6102, F.S.; 13 14 specifying that provisions regulating security officers do 15 not apply to certain law enforcement, correctional, and 16 probation officers performing off-duty activities; 17 amending s. 493.6105, F.S.; revising the application requirements and procedures for certain private 18 19 investigative, private security, recovery agent, and firearm licenses; specifying application requirements for 20 21 firearms instructor licenses; amending s. 493.6106, F.S.; 22 revising citizenship requirements and documentation for 23 certain private investigative, private security, and 24 recovery agent licenses; prohibiting the licensure of 25 applicants for a statewide firearm license or firearms 26 instructor license who are prohibited from purchasing or 27 possessing firearms; requiring that private investigative, security, and recovery agencies notify the Department of 28

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Agriculture and Consumer Services of changes to their branch office locations; amending s. 493.6107, F.S.; requiring the department to accept certain methods of payment for certain fees; amending s. 493.6108, F.S.; revising requirements for criminal history checks of license applicants whose fingerprints are not legible; requiring the investigation of the mental and emotional fitness of applicants for firearms instructor licenses; amending s. 493.6111, F.S.; requiring a security officer school or recovery agent school to obtain the department's approval for use of a fictitious name; specifying that a licensee may not conduct business under more than one fictitious name; amending s. 493.6113, F.S.; revising application renewal procedures and requirements; amending s. 493.6115, F.S.; conforming cross-references; amending s. 493.6118, F.S.; authorizing disciplinary action against statewide firearm licensees and firearms instructor licensees who are prohibited from purchasing or possessing firearms; amending s. 493.6121, F.S.; deleting provisions for the department's access to certain criminal history records provided to licensed gun dealers, manufacturers, and exporters; amending s. 493.6202, F.S.; requiring the department to accept certain methods of payment for certain fees; amending s. 493.6203, F.S.; prohibiting bodyguard services from being credited toward certain license requirements; revising the training requirements for private investigator intern license applicants; requiring the automatic suspension of an intern's license

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under certain circumstances; providing an exception; amending s. 493.6302, F.S.; requiring the department to accept certain methods of payment for certain fees; amending s. 493.6303, F.S.; revising the training requirements for security officer license applicants; amending s. 493.6304, F.S.; revising application requirements and procedures for security officer school licenses; amending s. 493.6401, F.S.; revising terminology for recovery agent schools and training facilities; amending s. 493.6402, F.S.; revising terminology for recovery agent schools and training facilities; requiring the department to accept certain methods of payment for certain fees; amending s. 493.6406, F.S.; revising terminology; requiring recovery agent school and instructor licenses; providing license application requirements and procedures; amending ss. 501.605 and 501.607, F.S.; revising application requirements for commercial telephone seller and salesperson licenses; amending s. 501.913, F.S.; specifying the sample size required for antifreeze registration application; amending s. 525.01, F.S.; revising requirements for petroleum fuel affidavits; amending s. 525.09, F.S.; imposing an inspection fee on certain alternative fuels containing alcohol; amending s. 526.50, F.S.; defining terms applicable to regulation of the sale of brake fluid; amending s. 526.51, F.S.; revising brake fluid permit application requirements; deleting permit renewal requirements; providing for reregistration of brake fluid;

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organization for the Florida State Collection of Arthropods; amending s. 573.118, F.S.; requiring the department to maintain records of marketing orders; requiring an audit at the request of an advisory council; requiring that the advisory council receive a copy of the audit within a specified time; amending s. 581.011, F.S.; deleting terminology relating to the Florida State Collection of Arthropods; revising the term "nursery" for purposes of plant industry regulations; amending s. 581.211, F.S.; increasing the maximum fine for violations of plant industry regulations; amending s. 583.13, F.S.; deleting a prohibition on the sale of poultry without displaying the poultry grade; amending s. 590.125, F.S.; revising terminology for open burning authorizations; specifying purposes of certified prescribed burning; requiring the authorization of the Division of Forestry for certified pile burning; providing pile burning requirements; limiting the liability of property owners or agents engaged in pile burning; providing for the certification of pile burners; providing penalties for violations by certified pile burners; requiring rules; authorizing the division to adopt rules regulating certified pile burning; revising notice requirements for wildfire hazard reduction treatments; providing for approval of local government open burning authorization programs; providing program requirements; authorizing the division to close local government programs under certain circumstances; providing penalties for violations of local

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government open burning requirements; amending s. 590.14, F.S.; authorizing fines for violations of any division rule; providing penalties for certain violations; providing legislative intent; amending s. 599.004, F.S.; revising standards that a winery must meet to qualify as a certified Florida Farm Winery; amending s. 604.15, F.S.; revising the term "agricultural products" to make tropical foliage exempt from regulation under provisions relating to dealers in agricultural products; defining the term "responsible position"; amending s. 604.19, F.S.; revising requirements for late fees on agricultural products dealer applications; amending s. 604.20, F.S.; revising the minimum amount of the surety bond or certificate of deposit required for agricultural products dealer licenses; providing conditions for the payment of bond or certificate of deposit proceeds; requiring additional documentation for issuance of a conditional license; amending s. 604.25, F.S.; revising conditions under which the department may deny, refuse to renew, suspend, or revoke agricultural products dealer licenses; deleting a provision prohibiting certain persons from holding a responsible position with a licensee; amending s. 686.201, F.S.; exempting contracts involving a seller of travel from requirements for certain sales representative contracts; amending s. 790.06, F.S.; authorizing a concealed firearm license applicant to submit fingerprints administered by the Division of Licensing; repealing ss. 570.071 and 570.901, F.S., relating to the Florida

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Agricultural Exposition and the Florida Agricultural Museum; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 403.9336, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

403.9336 Legislative findings.—The Legislature finds that the implementation of the Model Ordinance for Florida-Friendly Fertilizer Use on Urban Landscapes (2008), which was developed by the department in conjunction with the Florida Consumer Fertilizer Task Force, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, will assist in protecting the quality of Florida's surface water and groundwater resources. The Legislature further finds that local conditions, including variations in the types and quality of water bodies, sitespecific soils and geology, and urban or rural densities and characteristics, may necessitate the implementation of additional or more stringent fertilizer management practices at the local government level.

Section 2. Section 403.9337, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

403.9337 Model Ordinance for Florida-Friendly Fertilizer Use on Urban Landscapes.—

(1) All county and municipal governments are encouraged to adopt and enforce the Model Ordinance for Florida-Friendly Fertilizer Use on Urban Landscapes (2009) as developed by the

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department in conjunction with the Florida Consumer Fertilizer

Task Force, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services,
and the University of Florida's Institute of Food and

Agricultural Sciences, which the department may periodically
update and adopt by rule, or an equivalent requirement as a
mechanism for protecting local surface and groundwater quality.

- (2) Each county and municipal government located within the watershed of a water body or water segment that is listed as impaired by nutrients pursuant to s. 403.067, <u>must shall</u>, at a minimum, adopt the <u>most recent version of the</u> department's Model Ordinance for Florida-Friendly Fertilizer Use on Urban Landscapes. A local government may adopt additional or more stringent standards than the model ordinance if, <u>before adoption</u>, the following criteria are met:
- (a) The local government has <u>implemented</u> demonstrated, as part of a comprehensive program to address nonpoint sources of nutrient pollution <u>but</u> which is science-based, and economically and technically feasible, that additional or more stringent standards than the model ordinance are necessary in order to adequately address urban fertilizer contributions to nonpoint source nutrient loading to a water body. A comprehensive program may include:
- 1. Nonpoint source activities adopted as part of a basin management plan developed pursuant to s. 403.067(7);
- 2. Adoption of Florida-friendly landscaping requirements, as provided in s. 373.185, into the local government's development code; or
  - 3. The requirement for and enforcement of the

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implementation of low-impact development practices.

(b) The local government has convened a workgroup composed of: a representative of the local government appointed by its governing body; a representative of the fertilizer applicator industry appointed by the Florida Nursery, Growers, and Landscape Association, Inc.; a representative of a retail business that sells fertilizer appointed by the Florida Retail Federation, Inc.; a representative of the Department of Environmental Protection; and a representative of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and the committee has conducted a review and provided a report that addresses the economical and technical feasibility of enforcing the proposed additional or more stringent standards.

the need for more stringent standards, including the scientifically documented vulnerability of waters within the local government's jurisdiction to nutrient enrichment due to landforms, soils, hydrology, climate, or geology, and the local government documents that it has requested and considered all relevant scientific information, including input from the department, the institute, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and the University of Florida's Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, if provided, on the need for additional or more stringent provisions to address fertilizer use as a contributor to water quality degradation. If two or more entities providing such input question the scientific basis of the proposed standards, the local government shall, before adoption of the standards, address their specific

concerns to the maximum extent practicable. All documentation must become part of the public record before adoption of the additional or more stringent criteria.

- (3) Any county or municipal government that adopted its own fertilizer use ordinance before January 1, 2009, is exempt from this section. Ordinances adopted or amended on or after January 1, 2009, must substantively conform to the most recent version of the model fertilizer ordinance and are subject to subsections (1) and (2), as applicable.
  - (4) This section does not apply to the use of fertilizer:
  - (a) On farm operations as defined in s. 823.14; or
- (b) On lands classified as agricultural lands pursuant to s. 193.461; or
- (c) On lands currently used or identified for use as part of urban stormwater, water quality, agronomic, or horticultural research.
- Section 3. Subsection (1) of section 493.6102, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 493.6102 Inapplicability of this chapter.—This chapter shall not apply to:
- (1) Any individual who is an "officer" as defined in s. 943.10(14), or is a law enforcement officer of the United States Government, while the such local, state, or federal officer is engaged in her or his official duties or, if approved by the officer's supervisors, when performing off-duty activities as a security officer activities approved by her or his superiors.
- Section 4. Section 493.6105, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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493.6105 Initial application for license.-

- (1) Each individual, partner, or principal officer in a corporation, shall file with the department a complete application accompanied by an application fee not to exceed \$60, except that the applicant for a Class "D" or Class "G" license is shall not be required to submit an application fee. The application fee is shall not be refundable.
- (a) The application submitted by any individual, partner, or corporate officer <u>must</u> shall be approved by the department <u>before the</u> prior to that individual, partner, or corporate officer assumes assuming his or her duties.
- (b) Individuals who invest in the ownership of a licensed agency, but do not participate in, direct, or control the operations of the agency <u>are shall</u> not be required to file an application.
- (2) Each application <u>must shall</u> be signed <u>and verified</u> by the individual under oath <u>as provided in s. 92.525</u> and shall be notarized.
- (3) The application  $\underline{\text{must}}$   $\underline{\text{shall}}$  contain the following information concerning the individual signing  $\underline{\text{the application}}$  same:
  - (a) Name and any aliases.
  - (b) Age and date of birth.
  - (c) Place of birth.
- (d) Social security number or alien registration number, whichever is applicable.
- (e) <u>Current</u> Present residence address and his or her residence addresses within the 5 years immediately preceding the

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submission of the application.

- (f) Occupations held presently and within the 5 years immediately preceding the submission of the application.
- (f)(g) A statement of all <u>criminal</u> convictions, <u>findings</u> of guilt, and pleas of guilty or nolo contendere, regardless of adjudication of guilt.
- (g) One passport-type color photograph taken within the 6 months immediately preceding submission of the application.
- (h) A statement whether he or she has ever been adjudicated incompetent under chapter 744.
- (i) A statement whether he or she has ever been committed to a mental institution under chapter 394.
- (j) A full set of fingerprints on a card provided by the department and a fingerprint fee to be established by rule of the department based upon costs determined by state and federal agency charges and department processing costs. An applicant who has, within the immediately preceding 6 months, submitted a fingerprint card and fee for licensing purposes under this chapter shall not be required to submit another fingerprint card or fee.
- (k) A personal inquiry waiver which allows the department to conduct necessary investigations to satisfy the requirements of this chapter.
- (1) Such further facts as may be required by the department to show that the individual signing the application is of good moral character and qualified by experience and training to satisfy the requirements of this chapter.
  - (4) In addition to the application requirements outlined

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in subsection (3), the applicant for a Class "C," Class "CC," Class "E," class "E," or Class "G" license shall submit two color photographs taken within the 6 months immediately preceding the submission of the application, which meet specifications prescribed by rule of the department. All other applicants shall submit one photograph taken within the 6 months immediately preceding the submission of the application.

(4)(5) In addition to the application requirements outlined under subsection (3), the applicant for a Class "C," Class "E," Class "M," Class "MA," Class "MB," or Class "MR" license shall include a statement on a form provided by the department of the experience which he or she believes will qualify him or her for such license.

(5)(6) In addition to the requirements outlined in subsection (3), an applicant for a Class "G" license shall satisfy minimum training criteria for firearms established by rule of the department, which training criteria shall include, but is not limited to, 28 hours of range and classroom training taught and administered by a Class "K" licensee; however, no more than 8 hours of such training shall consist of range training. If the applicant can show proof that he or she is an active law enforcement officer currently certified under the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission or has completed the training required for that certification within the last 12 months, or if the applicant submits one of the certificates specified in paragraph (6)(a) (7)(a), the department may waive the foregoing firearms training requirement.

(6) (7) In addition to the requirements under subsection (3), an applicant for a Class "K" license shall:

(a) Submit one of the following certificates:

- 1. The Florida Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission Firearms Instructor's Certificate and confirmation by the commission that the applicant is authorized to provide firearms instruction.
- 2. The National Rifle Association <u>Law Enforcement</u> Police Firearms Instructor's Certificate.
- 3. The National Rifle Association Security Firearms
  Instructor's Certificate.
- 3.4. A firearms instructor's training certificate issued by any branch of the United States Armed Forces, from a federal law enforcement academy or agency, state, county, or a law enforcement municipal police academy or agency in this state recognized as such by the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission or by the Department of Education.
- (b) Pay the fee for and pass an examination administered by the department which shall be based upon, but is not necessarily limited to, a firearms instruction manual provided by the department.
- (7) (8) In addition to the application requirements for individuals, partners, or officers outlined under subsection (3), the application for an agency license shall contain the following information:
- (a) The proposed name under which the agency intends to operate.
  - (b) The street address, mailing address, and telephone

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numbers of the principal location at which business is to be conducted in this state.

- (c) The street address, mailing address, and telephone numbers of all branch offices within this state.
- (d) The names and titles of all partners or, in the case of a corporation, the names and titles of its principal officers.
- (8) (9) Upon submission of a complete application, a Class "CC," Class "C," Class "D," Class "EE," Class "E," Class "M," Class "MA," Class "MB," or Class "MR" applicant may commence employment or appropriate duties for a licensed agency or branch office. However, the Class "C" or Class "E" applicant must work under the direction and control of a sponsoring licensee while his or her application is being processed. If the department denies application for licensure, the employment of the applicant must be terminated immediately, unless he or she performs only unregulated duties.
- Section 5. Paragraph (f) of subsection (1) and paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 493.6106, Florida Statutes, are amended, and paragraph (g) is added to subsection (1) of that section, to read:
  - 493.6106 License requirements; posting.-
  - (1) Each individual licensed by the department must:
- (f) Be a citizen or <u>permanent</u> legal resident alien of the United States or have <u>appropriate</u> <del>been granted</del> authorization <u>issued</u> to seek employment in this country by the <u>United States</u> Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services <u>of the United</u> States Department of Homeland Security.

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1. An applicant for a Class "C," Class "CC," Class "D,"
Class "DI," Class "E," Class "EE," Class "M," Class "MA," Class
"MB," Class "MR," or Class "RI" license who is not a United
States citizen must submit proof of current employment
authorization issued by the United States Bureau of Citizenship
and Immigration Services or proof that she or he is deemed a
permanent legal resident alien by the United States Bureau of
Citizenship and Immigration Services.

- 2. An applicant for a Class "G" or Class "K" license who is not a United States citizen must submit proof that she or he is deemed a permanent legal resident alien by the United States

  Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services, together with additional documentation establishing that she or he has resided in the state of residence shown on the application for at least 90 consecutive days before the date that the application is submitted.
- 3. An applicant for an agency or school license who is not a United States citizen or permanent legal resident alien must submit documentation issued by the United States Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services stating that she or he is lawfully in the United States and is authorized to own and operate the type of agency or school for which she or he is applying. An employment authorization card issued by the United States Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services is not sufficient documentation.
- (g) Not be prohibited from purchasing or possessing a firearm by state or federal law if the individual is applying for a Class "G" license or a Class "K" license.

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(2) Each agency shall have a minimum of one physical location within this state from which the normal business of the agency is conducted, and this location shall be considered the primary office for that agency in this state.

- (a) If an agency <u>or branch office</u> desires to change the physical location of the business, as it appears on the <del>agency</del> license, the department must be notified within 10 days of the change, and, except upon renewal, the fee prescribed in s. 493.6107 must be submitted for each license requiring revision. Each license requiring revision must be returned with such notification.
- Section 6. Subsection (3) of section 493.6107, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

493.6107 Fees.-

- (3) The fees set forth in this section must be paid by certified check or money order or, at the discretion of the department, by agency check at the time the application is approved, except that the applicant for a Class "G" or Class "M" license must pay the license fee at the time the application is made. If a license is revoked or denied or if the application is withdrawn, the license fee shall not be refunded.
- Section 7. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) and subsection (3) of section 493.6108, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
- 493.6108 Investigation of applicants by Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.—
- (1) Except as otherwise provided, prior to the issuance of a license under this chapter, the department shall make an investigation of the applicant for a license. The investigation

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shall include:

(a)1. An examination of fingerprint records and police records. When a criminal history analysis of any applicant under this chapter is performed by means of fingerprint card identification, the time limitations prescribed by s. 120.60(1) shall be tolled during the time the applicant's fingerprint card is under review by the Department of Law Enforcement or the United States Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

- 2. If a legible set of fingerprints, as determined by the Department of Law Enforcement or the Federal Bureau of Investigation, cannot be obtained after two attempts, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services may determine the applicant's eligibility based upon a criminal history record check under the applicant's name conducted by the Department of Law Enforcement if the and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

  A set of fingerprints are taken by a law enforcement agency or the department and the applicant submits a written statement signed by the fingerprint technician or a licensed physician stating that there is a physical condition that precludes obtaining a legible set of fingerprints or that the fingerprints taken are the best that can be obtained is sufficient to meet this requirement.
- (3) The department shall also investigate the mental history and current mental and emotional fitness of any Class "G" or Class "K" applicant, and may deny a Class "G" or Class "K" license to anyone who has a history of mental illness or drug or alcohol abuse.

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Section 8. Subsection (4) of section 493.6111, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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493.6111 License; contents; identification card.-

- Notwithstanding the existence of a valid Florida corporate registration, an <del>no</del> agency or school licensee may not conduct activities regulated under this chapter under any fictitious name without prior written authorization from the department to use that name in the conduct of activities regulated under this chapter. The department may not authorize the use of a name which is so similar to that of a public officer or agency, or of that used by another licensee, that the public may be confused or misled thereby. The authorization for the use of a fictitious name shall require, as a condition precedent to the use of such name, the filing of a certificate of engaging in business under a fictitious name under s. 865.09. A No licensee may not shall be permitted to conduct business under more than one fictitious name except as separately licensed nor shall the license be valid to protect any licensee who is engaged in the business under any name other than that specified in the license. An agency desiring to change its licensed name shall notify the department and, except upon renewal, pay a fee not to exceed \$30 for each license requiring revision including those of all licensed employees except Class "D" or Class "G" licensees. Upon the return of such licenses to the department, revised licenses shall be provided.
- Section 9. Subsection (2) and paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 493.6113, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
  493.6113 Renewal application for licensure.—

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(2) At least No less than 90 days before prior to the expiration date of the license, the department shall mail a written notice to the last known mailing residence address of the licensee for individual licensees and to the last known agency address for agencies.

- (3) Each licensee shall be responsible for renewing his or her license on or before its expiration by filing with the department an application for renewal accompanied by payment of the prescribed license fee.
- (a) Each <u>Class "B"</u> <del>Class "A," Class "B," or Class "R"</del> licensee shall additionally submit on a form prescribed by the department a certification of insurance which evidences that the licensee maintains coverage as required under s. 493.6110.
- Section 10. Subsection (8), paragraph (d) of subsection (12), and subsection (16) of section 493.6115, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

493.6115 Weapons and firearms.-

- (8) A Class "G" applicant must satisfy the minimum training criteria as set forth in s. 493.6105(5)(6) and as established by rule of the department.
- (12) The department may issue a temporary Class "G" license, on a case-by-case basis, if:
- (d) The applicant has received approval from the department subsequent to its conduct of a criminal history record check as authorized in s. 493.6108(1)(a)1. 493.6121(6).
- (16) If the criminal history record check program referenced in s.  $\underline{493.6108(1)(a)1}$ .  $\underline{493.6121(6)}$  is inoperable, the department may issue a temporary "G" license on a case-by-case

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basis, provided that the applicant has met all statutory requirements for the issuance of a temporary "G" license as specified in subsection (12), excepting the criminal history record check stipulated there; provided, that the department requires that the licensed employer of the applicant conduct a criminal history record check of the applicant pursuant to standards set forth in rule by the department, and provide to the department an affidavit containing such information and statements as required by the department, including a statement that the criminal history record check did not indicate the existence of any criminal history that would prohibit licensure. Failure to properly conduct such a check, or knowingly providing incorrect or misleading information or statements in the affidavit shall constitute grounds for disciplinary action against the licensed agency, including revocation of license.

Section 11. Paragraph (u) of subsection (1) of section 493.6118, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (v), and a new paragraph (u) is added to that subsection to read:

493.6118 Grounds for disciplinary action.

- (1) The following constitute grounds for which disciplinary action specified in subsection (2) may be taken by the department against any licensee, agency, or applicant regulated by this chapter, or any unlicensed person engaged in activities regulated under this chapter.
- (u) For a Class "G" or a Class "K" applicant or licensee, being prohibited from purchasing or possessing a firearm by state or federal law.

Section 12. Subsections (7) and (8) of section 493.6121,

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Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (6) and (7), respectively, and present subsection (6) of that section is amended, to read:

493.6121 Enforcement; investigation.-

(6) The department shall be provided access to the program that is operated by the Department of Law Enforcement, pursuant to s. 790.065, for providing criminal history record information to licensed gun dealers, manufacturers, and exporters. The department may make inquiries, and shall receive responses in the same fashion as provided under s. 790.065. The department shall be responsible for payment to the Department of Law Enforcement of the same fees as charged to others afforded access to the program.

Section 13. Subsection (3) of section 493.6202, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

493.6202 Fees.-

(3) The fees set forth in this section must be paid by certified check or money order or, at the discretion of the department, by agency check at the time the application is approved, except that the applicant for a Class "G," Class "C," Class "CC," Class "M," or Class "MA" license must pay the license fee at the time the application is made. If a license is revoked or denied or if the application is withdrawn, the license fee shall not be refunded.

Section 14. Subsections (2), (4), and (6) of section 493.6203, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

493.6203 License requirements.—In addition to the license requirements set forth elsewhere in this chapter, each

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individual or agency shall comply with the following additional requirements:

- (2) An applicant for a Class "MA" license shall have 2 years of lawfully gained, verifiable, full-time experience, or training in:
- (a) Private investigative work or related fields of work that provided equivalent experience or training;
  - (b) Work as a Class "CC" licensed intern;
  - (c) Any combination of paragraphs (a) and (b);
- (d) Experience described in paragraph (a) for 1 year and experience described in paragraph (e) for 1 year;
  - (e) No more than 1 year using:

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- 1. College coursework related to criminal justice, criminology, or law enforcement administration; or
- Successfully completed law enforcement-related training received from any federal, state, county, or municipal agency; or
- (f) Experience described in paragraph (a) for 1 year and work in a managerial or supervisory capacity for 1 year.

## However, experience in performing bodyguard services is not creditable toward the requirements of this subsection.

- (4) An applicant for a Class "C" license shall have 2 years of lawfully gained, verifiable, full-time experience, or training in one, or a combination of more than one, of the following:
- (a) Private investigative work or related fields of work that provided equivalent experience or training.

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(b) College coursework related to criminal justice, criminology, or law enforcement administration, or successful completion of any law enforcement-related training received from any federal, state, county, or municipal agency, except that no more than 1 year may be used from this category.

(c) Work as a Class "CC" licensed intern.

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## However, experience in performing bodyguard services is not creditable toward the requirements of this subsection.

- (6)(a) A Class "CC" licensee shall serve an internship under the direction and control of a designated sponsor, who is a Class "C," Class "MA," or Class "M" licensee.
- Effective July 1, 2010 September 1, 2008, before submission of an application to the department, the an applicant for a Class "CC" license must have completed a minimum of 40 at least 24 hours of professional training a 40-hour course pertaining to general investigative techniques and this chapter, which course is offered by a state university or by a school, community college, college, or university under the purview of the Department of Education, and the applicant must pass an examination. The training must be provided in two parts, one 24hour course and one 16-hour course. The certificate evidencing satisfactory completion of the 40 at least 24 hours of professional training a 40-hour course must be submitted with the application for a Class "CC" license. The remaining 16 hours must be completed and an examination passed within 180 days. If documentation of completion of the required training is not submitted within the specified timeframe, the individual's

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license is automatically suspended or his or her authority to work as a Class "CC" pursuant to s. 493.6105(9) is rescinded until such time as proof of certificate of completion is provided to the department. The training course specified in this paragraph may be provided by face-to-face presentation, online technology, or a home study course in accordance with rules and procedures of the Department of Education. The administrator of the examination must verify the identity of each applicant taking the examination.

- 1. Upon an applicant's successful completion of each part of the approved <u>training course</u> and passage of any required examination, the school, community college, college, or university shall issue a certificate of completion to the applicant. The certificates must be on a form established by rule of the department.
- 2. The department shall establish by rule the general content of the <u>professional</u> training <del>course</del> and the examination criteria.
- 3. If the license of an applicant for relicensure <u>is</u> has been invalid for more than 1 year, the applicant must complete the required training and pass any required examination.
- (c) An individual who submits an application for a Class
  "CC" license on or after September 1, 2008, through June 30,
  2010, who has not completed the 16-hour course must submit proof
  of successful completion of the course within 180 days after the
  date the application is submitted. If documentation of
  completion of the required training is not submitted by that
  date, the individual's license is automatically suspended until

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proof of the required training is submitted to the department.

An individual licensed on or before August 31, 2008, is not required to complete additional training hours in order to renew an active license beyond the required total amount of training, and within the timeframe, in effect at the time he or she was licensed.

Section 15. Subsection (3) of section 493.6302, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

493.6302 Fees.-

- (3) The fees set forth in this section must be paid by certified check or money order or, at the discretion of the department, by agency check at the time the application is approved, except that the applicant for a Class "D," Class "G," Class "M," or Class "MB" license must pay the license fee at the time the application is made. If a license is revoked or denied or if the application is withdrawn, the license fee shall not be refunded.
- Section 16. Subsection (4) of section 493.6303, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 493.6303 License requirements.—In addition to the license requirements set forth elsewhere in this chapter, each individual or agency shall comply with the following additional requirements:
- (4) (a) Effective July 1, 2010, an applicant for a Class "D" license must submit proof of successful completion of complete a minimum of 40 hours of professional training at a school or training facility licensed by the department. The training must be provided in two parts, one 24-hour course and

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<u>one 16-hour course.</u> The department shall by rule establish the general content and number of hours of each subject area to be taught.

- (b) An individual who submits an application for a Class
  "D" license on or after January 1, 2007, through June 30, 2010,
  who has not completed the 16-hour course must submit proof of
  successful completion of the course within 180 days after the
  date the application is submitted. If documentation of
  completion of the required training is not submitted by that
  date, the individual's license is automatically suspended until
  proof of the required training is submitted to the department.
  This section does not require a person licensed before January
  1, 2007, to complete additional training hours in order to renew
  an active license beyond the required total amount of training
  within the timeframe prescribed by law at the time he or she was
  licensed. An applicant may fulfill the training requirement
  prescribed in paragraph (a) by submitting proof of:
- 1. Successful completion of the total number of required hours of training before initial application for a Class "D" license; or
- 2. Successful completion of 24 hours of training before initial application for a Class "D" license and successful completion of the remaining 16 hours of training within 180 days after the date that the application is submitted. If documentation of completion of the required training is not submitted within the specified timeframe, the individual's license is automatically suspended until such time as proof of the required training is provided to the department.

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(c) An individual However, any person whose license is
suspended or has been revoked, suspended pursuant to paragraph
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longer is considered, upon reapplication for a license, an
initial applicant and must submit proof of successful completion
of 40 hours of professional training at a school or training
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paragraph (a) before a license is will be issued. Any person
whose license was issued before January 1, 2007, and whose
license has been expired for less than 1 year must, upon
reapplication for a license, submit documentation of completion
of the total number of hours of training prescribed by law at
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license will be issued. This subsection does not require an
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beyond the required total amount of training within the
timeframe prescribed by law at the time she or he was licensed.
Section 17. Subsection (2) of section 493.6304, Florida

Section 17. Subsection (2) of section 493.6304, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

493.6304 Security officer school or training facility.-

- (2) The application shall be signed and verified by the applicant under oath as provided in s. 92.525 notarized and shall contain, at a minimum, the following information:
- (a) The name and address of the school or training facility and, if the applicant is an individual, her or his name, address, and social security or alien registration number.
  - (b) The street address of the place at which the training

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(c) A copy of the training curriculum and final examination to be administered.

Section 18. Subsections (7) and (8) of section 493.6401, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

493.6401 Classes of licenses.—

- (7) Any person who operates a <u>recovery agent</u> <del>repossessor</del> school or training facility or who conducts an Internet-based training course or a correspondence training course must have a Class "RS" license.
- (8) Any individual who teaches or instructs at a Class "RS" recovery agent repossessor school or training facility shall have a Class "RI" license.

Section 19. Paragraphs (f) and (g) of subsection (1) and subsection (3) of section 493.6402, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

493.6402 Fees.-

- (1) The department shall establish by rule biennial license fees which shall not exceed the following:
- (f) Class "RS" license—<u>recovery agent</u> repossessor school or training facility: \$60.
- (g) Class "RI" license—<u>recovery agent</u> repossessor school or training facility instructor: \$60.
- (3) The fees set forth in this section must be paid by certified check or money order, or, at the discretion of the department, by agency check at the time the application is approved, except that the applicant for a Class "E," Class "EE," or Class "MR" license must pay the license fee at the time the

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application is made. If a license is revoked or denied, or if an application is withdrawn, the license fee shall not be refunded.

Section 20. Subsections (1) and (2) of section 493.6406, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

493.6406 <u>Recovery agent</u> Repossession services school or training facility.—

- (1) Any school, training facility, or instructor who offers the training outlined in s. 493.6403(2) for Class "E" or Class "EE" applicants shall, before licensure of such school, training facility, or instructor, file with the department an application accompanied by an application fee in an amount to be determined by rule, not to exceed \$60. The fee shall not be refundable. This training may be offered as face-to-face training, Internet-based training, or correspondence training.
- (2) The application shall be signed and <u>verified by the applicant under oath as provided in s. 92.525</u> notarized and shall contain, at a minimum, the following information:
- (a) The name and address of the school or training facility and, if the applicant is an individual, his or her name, address, and social security or alien registration number.
- (b) The street address of the place at which the training is to be conducted or the street address of the Class "RS" school offering Internet-based or correspondence training.
- (c) A copy of the training curriculum and final examination to be administered.
- Section 21. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 501.605, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 840 501.605 Licensure of commercial telephone sellers.—

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(2) An applicant for a license as a commercial telephone seller must submit to the department, in such form as it prescribes, a written application for the license. The application must set forth the following information:

(a) The true name, date of birth, driver's license number, social security number, and home address of the applicant, including each name under which he or she intends to do business.

The application shall be accompanied by a copy of any: Script, outline, or presentation the applicant will require or suggest a salesperson to use when soliciting, or, if no such document is used, a statement to that effect; sales information or literature to be provided by the applicant to a salesperson; and sales information or literature to be provided by the applicant to a purchaser in connection with any solicitation.

Section 22. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 501.607, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

501.607 Licensure of salespersons.—

- (1) An applicant for a license as a salesperson must submit to the department, in such form as it prescribes, a written application for a license. The application must set forth the following information:
- (a) The true name, date of birth, driver's license number, social security number, and home address of the applicant.

Section 23. Subsection (2) of section 501.913, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

501.913 Registration.-

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(2) The completed application shall be accompanied by:

- (a) Specimens or facsimiles of the label for each brand of antifreeze;
  - (b) An application fee of \$200 for each brand; and
- (c) A properly labeled sample of <u>at least 1 gallon</u>, but not more than 2 gallons, of each brand of antifreeze.
- Section 24. Subsection (2) of section 525.01, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
  - 525.01 Gasoline and oil to be inspected.-
- (2) All petroleum fuels <u>are</u> shall be subject to inspection and analysis by the department. Before selling or offering for sale in this state any petroleum fuel, all manufacturers, <u>terminal suppliers</u>, wholesalers, and <u>importers as defined in s.</u> 206.01 jobbers shall file with the department:
- (a) An affidavit that they desire to do business in this state, and the name and address of the manufacturer of the petroleum fuel.
- (b) An affidavit stating that the petroleum fuel is in conformity with the standards prescribed by department rule.
- Section 25. Subsections (1) and (3) of section 525.09, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
  - 525.09 Inspection fee.-

(1) For the purpose of defraying the expenses incident to inspecting, testing, and analyzing petroleum fuels in this state, there shall be paid to the department a charge of one-eighth cent per gallon on all gasoline, <u>alternative fuel</u> containing alcohol as defined in s. 525.01(1)(c)1. or 2., kerosene (except when used as aviation turbine fuel), and #1

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fuel oil for sale or use in this state. This inspection fee shall be imposed in the same manner as the motor fuel tax pursuant to s. 206.41. Payment shall be made on or before the 25th day of each month.

- (3) All remittances to the department for the inspection tax herein provided shall be accompanied by a detailed report under oath showing the number of gallons of gasoline, alternative fuel containing alcohol as defined in s.

  525.01(1)(c)1. and 2., kerosene, or fuel oil sold and delivered in each county.
- Section 26. Section 526.50, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
  - 526.50 Definition of terms.—As used in this part:
- (1) "Brake fluid" means the fluid intended for use as the liquid medium through which force is transmitted in the hydraulic brake system of a vehicle operated upon the highways.
- (2) "Brand" means the product name appearing on the label of a container of brake fluid.
- (3)(5) "Container" means any receptacle in which brake fluid is immediately contained when sold, but does not mean a carton or wrapping in which a number of such receptacles are shipped or stored or a tank car or truck.
- $\underline{(4)}$  "Department" means the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.
- (5) "Formula" means the name of the chemical mixture or composition of the brake fluid product.
- (6) (4) "Labeling" includes all written, printed or graphic representations, in any form whatsoever, imprinted upon or

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affixed to any container of brake fluid.

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- $\underline{(7)}$  "Permit year" means a period of 12 months commencing July 1 and ending on the next succeeding June 30.
- (8) (7) "Registrant" means any manufacturer, packer, distributor, seller, or other person who has registered a brake fluid with the department.
- (9) "Sell" includes give, distribute, barter, exchange, trade, keep for sale, offer for sale or expose for sale, in any of their variant forms.
- Section 27. Section 526.51, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 526.51 Registration; renewal and fees; departmental expenses; cancellation or refusal to issue or renew.—
- (1) (a) Application for registration of each brand of brake fluid shall be made on forms to be supplied by the department. The applicant shall give his or her name and address and the brand name of the brake fluid, state that he or she owns the brand name and has complete control over the product sold thereunder in Florida, and provide the name and address of the resident agent in Florida. If the applicant does not own the brand name but wishes to register the product with the department, a notarized affidavit that gives the applicant full authorization to register the brand name and that is signed by the owner of the brand name must accompany the application for registration. The affidavit must include all affected brand names, the owner's company or corporate name and address, the applicant's company or corporate name and address, and a statement from the owner authorizing the applicant to register

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the product with the department. The owner of the brand name shall maintain complete control over each product sold under that brand name in this state. All first-time brand-formula combination new product applications must be accompanied by a certified report from an independent testing laboratory, setting forth the analysis of the brake fluid which shall show its quality to be not less than the specifications established by the department for brake fluids. A sample of not less than 24 fluid ounces of brake fluid shall be submitted, in a container or containers, with labels representing exactly how the containers of brake fluid will be labeled when sold, and the sample and container shall be analyzed and inspected by the Division of Standards in order that compliance with the department's specifications and labeling requirements may be verified. Upon approval of the application, the department shall register the brand name of the brake fluid and issue to the applicant a permit authorizing the registrant to sell the brake fluid in this state during the permit year specified in the permit.

(b) Each applicant shall pay a fee of \$100 with each application. An applicant seeking reregistration of a previously registered brand-formula combination must submit a completed application and all materials required under this subsection to the department before the first day of the permit year. A brandformula combination for which a completed application and all materials required under this subsection are not received before the first day of the permit year ceases to be registered with the department until a completed application and all materials

required under this subsection are received and approved. Any fee, application, or materials received after the first day of the permit year, if the brand-formula combination was previously registered with the department, A permit may be renewed by application to the department, accompanied by a renewal fee of \$50 on or before the last day of the permit year immediately preceding the permit year for which application is made for renewal of registration. To any fee not paid when due, there shall accrue a penalty of \$25, which shall be added to the renewal fee. Renewals will be accepted only on brake fluids that have no change in formula, composition, or brand name. Any change in formula, composition, or brand name of any brake fluid constitutes a new product that must be registered in accordance with this part.

- (2) All fees collected under the provisions of this section shall be credited to the General Inspection Trust Fund of the department and all expenses incurred in the enforcement of this part shall be paid from said fund.
- (3) The department may cancel <u>or</u>, refuse to issue <del>or</del> refuse to renew any registration and permit after due notice and opportunity to be heard if it finds that the brake fluid is adulterated or misbranded or that the registrant has failed to comply with the provisions of this part or the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

Section 28. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 526.52, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

526.52 Specifications; adulteration and misbranding.-

(3) Brake fluid is deemed to be misbranded:

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(a) If its container does not bear on its side or top a label on which is printed the name and place of business of the registrant of the product, the words "brake fluid," and a statement that the product therein equals or exceeds the minimum specification of the Society of Automotive Engineers for <a href="heavy-duty-type">heavy-duty-type</a> brake fluid or equals or exceeds Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 116 adopted by the United States Department of Transportation, heavy-duty-type. By regulation the department may require that the duty-type classification appear on the label.

Section 29. Subsection (2) of section 526.53, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 526.53 Enforcement; inspection and analysis, stop-sale and disposition, regulations.—
- (2) (a) When any brake fluid is sold in violation of any of the provisions of this part, all such affected brake fluid of the same brand name on the same premises on which the violation occurred shall be placed under a stop-sale order by the department by serving the owner of the brand name, distributor, or other entity responsible for selling or distributing the product in the state with the stop-sale order. The department shall withdraw its stop-sale order upon the removal of the violation or upon voluntary destruction of the product, or other disposal approved by the department, under the supervision of the department.
- (b) In addition to being subject to the stop-sale procedures above, unregistered brake fluid shall be held by the department or its representative, at a place to be designated in

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the stop-sale order, until properly registered and released in writing by the department or its representative. If application is has not been made for registration of the such product within 30 days after issue of the stop-sale order, such product shall be disposed of by the department, or, with the department's consent, by the business, to any tax-supported institution or agency of the state if the brake fluid meets legal specifications or by other disposal authorized by rule of the department if it fails to meet legal specifications.

Section 30. Subsections (1) and (3) and paragraphs (a) and (c) of subsection (5) of section 527.0201, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

527.0201 Qualifiers; master qualifiers; examinations.-

(1) In addition to the requirements of s. 527.02, any person applying for a license to engage in the activities of a pipeline system operator, category I liquefied petroleum gas dealer, category II liquefied petroleum gas dispenser, category IV liquefied petroleum gas dispenser and recreational vehicle servicer, category V liquefied petroleum gases dealer for industrial uses only, LP gas installer, specialty installer, requalifier requalification of cylinders, or fabricator, repairer, and tester of vehicles and cargo tanks must prove competency by passing a written examination administered by the department or its agent with a grade of at least 75 percent in each area tested or above. Each applicant for examination shall submit a \$20 nonrefundable fee. The department shall by rule specify the general areas of competency to be covered by each

examination and the relative weight to be assigned in grading each area tested.

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Qualifier cards issued to category I liquefied (3) petroleum gas dealers and liquefied petroleum gas installers shall expire 3 years after the date of issuance. All category I liquefied petroleum gas dealer qualifiers and liquefied petroleum gas installer qualifiers holding a valid qualifier card upon the effective date of this act shall retain their qualifier status until July 1, 2003, and may sit for the master qualifier examination at any time during that time period. All such category I liquefied petroleum gas dealer qualifiers and liquefied petroleum gas installer qualifiers may renew their qualification on or before July 1, 2003, upon application to the department, payment of a \$20 renewal fee, and documentation of the completion of a minimum of 16 12 hours of approved continuing education courses, as defined by department rule, during the previous 3-year period. Applications for renewal must be made 30 calendar days prior to expiration. Persons failing to renew prior to the expiration date must reapply and take a qualifier competency examination in order to reestablish category I liquefied petroleum gas dealer qualifier and liquefied petroleum gas installer qualifier status. If a category I liquefied petroleum gas qualifier or liquefied petroleum gas installer qualifier becomes a master qualifier at any time during the effective date of the qualifier card, the card shall remain in effect until expiration of the master qualifier certification.

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category I liquefied petroleum gas dealer and liquefied petroleum gas installer must, at the time of application for licensure, identify to the department one master qualifier who is a full-time employee at the licensed location. This person shall be a manager, owner, or otherwise primarily responsible for overseeing the operations of the licensed location and must provide documentation to the department as provided by rule. The master qualifier requirement shall be in addition to the requirements of subsection (1).

- In order to apply for certification as a master qualifier, each applicant must be a category I liquefied petroleum gas dealer qualifier or liquefied petroleum gas installer qualifier, must be employed by a licensed category I liquefied petroleum gas dealer, liquefied petroleum gas installer, or applicant for such license, must provide documentation of a minimum of 1 year's work experience in the gas industry, and must pass a master qualifier competency examination. Master qualifier examinations shall be based on Florida's laws, rules, and adopted codes governing liquefied petroleum gas safety, general industry safety standards, and administrative procedures. The examination must be successfully passed <del>completed</del> by the applicant with a grade of at least 75 percent or more. Each applicant for master qualifier status shall submit to the department a nonrefundable \$30 examination fee prior to the examination.
- (c) Master qualifier status shall expire 3 years after the date of issuance of the certificate and may be renewed by

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submission to the department of documentation of completion of at least  $\underline{16}$   $\underline{12}$  hours of approved continuing education courses during the 3-year period; proof of employment with a licensed category I liquefied petroleum gas dealer, liquefied petroleum gas installer, or applicant; and a \$30 certificate renewal fee. The department shall define, by rule, approved courses of continuing education.

Section 31. Section 527.12, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 527.12 Cease and desist orders; stop-use orders; stop-operation orders; stop-sale orders; administrative fines.-
- (1) Whenever the department <u>has</u> shall have reason to believe that any person is <u>violating</u> or has <u>violated</u> been <u>violating</u> provisions of this chapter or any rules adopted <u>under this chapter pursuant thereto</u>, <u>the department it may issue a cease and desist order</u>, or <u>do both may issue such cease and desist order and impose a civil penalty</u>.
- (2) Whenever a person or liquefied petroleum gas system or storage facility, or any part or component thereof, fails to comply with this chapter or any rules adopted under this chapter, the department may issue a stop-use order, stop-operation order, or stop-sale order.
- Section 32. Subsection (1) of section 559.805, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 559.805 Filings with the department; disclosure of advertisement identification number.—
  - (1) Every seller of a business opportunity shall annually

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1147 file with the department a copy of the disclosure statement 1148 required by s. 559.803 before prior to placing an advertisement 1149 or making any other representation designed to offer to, sell 1150 to, or solicit an offer to buy a business opportunity from a 1151 prospective purchaser in this state and shall update this filing 1152 by reporting any material change in the required information 1153 within 30 days after the material change occurs. An 1154 advertisement is not placed in the state merely because the 1155 publisher circulates, or there is circulated on his or her 1156 behalf in the state, any bona fide newspaper or other 1157 publication of general, regular, and paid circulation which has 1158 had more than two-thirds of its circulation during the past 12 1159 months outside the state or because a radio or television 1160 program originating outside the state is received in the state. If the seller is required by s. 559.807 to provide a bond or 1161 1162 establish a trust account or quaranteed letter of credit, he or 1163 she shall contemporaneously file with the department a copy of 1164 the bond, a copy of the formal notification by the depository 1165 that the trust account is established, or a copy of the guaranteed letter of credit. Every seller of a business 1166 1167 opportunity shall file with the department a list of independent 1168 agents who will engage in the offer or sale of business 1169 opportunities on behalf of the seller in this state. This list 1170 must be kept current and shall include the following 1171 information: name, home and business address, telephone number, 1172 present employer, social security number, and birth date. A No 1173 person may not shall be allowed to offer or sell business 1174 opportunities unless the required information is has been

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Section 33. Subsection (3) of section 559.928, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

559.928 Registration.-

Each independent agent shall annually file an affidavit with the department before prior to engaging in business in this state. This affidavit must include the independent agent's full name, legal business or trade name, mailing address, business address, telephone number, social security number, and the name or names and addresses of each seller of travel represented by the independent agent. A letter evidencing proof of filing must be issued by the department and must be prominently displayed in the independent agent's primary place of business. Each independent agent must also submit an annual registration fee of \$50. All moneys collected pursuant to the imposition of the fee shall be deposited by the Chief Financial Officer into the General Inspection Trust Fund of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for the sole purpose of administrating this part. As used in this subsection, the term "independent agent" means a person who represents a seller of travel by soliciting persons on its behalf; who has a written contract with a seller of travel which is operating in compliance with this part and any rules adopted thereunder; who does not receive a fee, commission, or other valuable consideration directly from the purchaser for the seller of travel; who does not at any time have any unissued ticket stock or travel documents in his or her possession; and who does not have the ability to issue tickets, vacation certificates, or any

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other travel document. The term "independent agent" does not include an affiliate of the seller of travel, as that term is used in s. 559.935(3), or the employees of the seller of travel or of such affiliates.

Section 34. Subsection (7) of section 570.0725, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

570.0725 Food recovery; legislative intent; department functions.—

shall develop and provide a public information brochure detailing the need for food banks and similar of food recovery programs, the benefit of such food recovery programs, the benefit of such food recovery programs, the manner in which such organizations may become involved in such food recovery programs, and the protection afforded to such programs under s. 768.136, and the food recovery entities or food banks that exist in the state. This brochure must be updated annually. A food bank or similar food recovery organization seeking to be included on a list of such organizations must notify the department and provide the information required by rule of the department. Such organizations are responsible for updating the information and providing the updated information to the department. The department may adopt rules to implement this section.

Section 35. Paragraph (e) of subsection (6) of section 570.53, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

570.53 Division of Marketing and Development; powers and duties.—The powers and duties of the Division of Marketing and Development include, but are not limited to:

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- (e) Extending in every practicable way the distribution and sale of Florida agricultural products throughout the markets of the world as required of the department by  $\underline{s}$ .  $\underline{ss}$ . 570.07(7), (8), (10), and (11) and 570.071 and chapters 571, 573, and 574.
- Section 36. Subsection (2) of section 570.54, Florida
  1237 Statutes, is amended to read:
  - 570.54 Director; duties.-
    - (2) It shall be the duty of the director of this division to supervise, direct, and coordinate the activities authorized by ss. 570.07(4), (7), (8), (10), (11), (12), (17), (18), and (20),  $\frac{570.071}{7}$ , 570.21, 534.47-534.53, and 604.15-604.34 and chapters 504, 571, 573, and 574 and to exercise other powers and authority as authorized by the department.
    - Section 37. Subsection (4) of section 570.55, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
    - 570.55 Identification of sellers or handlers of tropical or subtropical fruit and vegetables; containers specified; penalties.—
    - (4) IDENTIFICATION OF HANDLER.—At the time of each transaction involving the handling or sale of 55 pounds or more of tropical or subtropical fruit or vegetables in the primary channel of trade, the buyer or receiver of the tropical or subtropical fruit or vegetables shall demand a bill of sale, invoice, sales memorandum, or other document listing the date of the transaction, the quantity of the tropical or subtropical fruit or vegetables involved in the transaction, and the identification of the seller or handler as it appears on the

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driver's license of the seller or handler, including the driver's license number. If the seller or handler does not possess a driver's license, the buyer or receiver shall use any other acceptable means of identification, which may include, but is not limited to, i.e., voter's registration card and number, draft card, social security card, or other identification.

However, no less than two identification documents shall be used. The identification of the seller or handler shall be recorded on the bill of sale, sales memorandum, invoice, or voucher, which shall be retained by the buyer or receiver for a period of not less than 1 year from the date of the transaction.

Section 38. Subsection (3) of section 570.902, Florida

Section 38. Subsection (3) of section 570.902, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

570.902 Definitions; ss. 570.902 and 570.903.—For the purpose of ss. 570.902 and 570.903:

(3) "Museum" means the Florida Agricultural Museum which is designated as the museum for agriculture and rural history of the State of Florida.

Section 39. Section 570.903, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

570.903 Direct-support organization.

(1) When the Legislature authorizes the establishment of a direct-support organization to provide assistance for the museums, the Florida Agriculture in the Classroom Program, the Florida State Collection of Arthropods, the Friends of the Florida State Forests Program of the Division of Forestry, and the Forestry Arson Alert Program, and other programs of the department, the following provisions shall govern the creation,

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use, powers, and duties of the direct-support organization.

(a) The department shall enter into a memorandum or letter of agreement with the direct-support organization, which shall specify the approval of the department, the powers and duties of the direct-support organization, and rules with which the direct-support organization shall comply.

- (b) The department may permit, without charge, appropriate use of property, facilities, and personnel of the department by a direct-support organization, subject to the provisions of ss. 570.902 and 570.903. The use shall be directly in keeping with the approved purposes of the direct-support organization and shall not be made at times or places that would unreasonably interfere with opportunities for the general public to use department facilities for established purposes.
- (c) The department shall prescribe by contract or by rule conditions with which a direct-support organization shall comply in order to use property, facilities, or personnel of the department or museum. Such rules shall provide for budget and audit review and oversight by the department.
- (d) The department shall not permit the use of property, facilities, or personnel of the museum, department, or designated program by a direct-support organization which does not provide equal employment opportunities to all persons regardless of race, color, religion, sex, age, or national origin.
- (2) (a) The direct-support organization shall be empowered to conduct programs and activities; raise funds; request and receive grants, gifts, and bequests of money; acquire, receive,

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hold, invest, and administer, in its own name, securities, funds, objects of value, or other property, real or personal; and make expenditures to or for the direct or indirect benefit of the museum or designated program.

- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 287.057, the direct-support organization may enter into contracts or agreements with or without competitive bidding for the restoration of objects, historical buildings, and other historical materials or for the purchase of objects, historical buildings, and other historical materials which are to be added to the collections of the museum, or benefit of the designated program. However, before the direct-support organization may enter into a contract or agreement without competitive bidding, the direct-support organization shall file a certification of conditions and circumstances with the internal auditor of the department justifying each contract or agreement.
- (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 287.025(1)(e), the direct-support organization may enter into contracts to insure property of the museum or designated programs and may insure objects or collections on loan from others in satisfying security terms of the lender.
- (3) The direct-support organization shall provide for an annual financial audit in accordance with s. 215.981.
- (4) Neither a designated program or a museum, nor a nonprofit corporation trustee or employee may:
- (a) Receive a commission, fee, or financial benefit in connection with the sale or exchange of <u>property</u> historical objects or properties to the direct-support organization, the

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museum, or the designated program; or

(b) Be a business associate of any individual, firm, or organization involved in the sale or exchange of property to the direct-support organization, the museum, or the designated program.

- (5) All moneys received by the direct-support organization shall be deposited into an account of the direct-support organization and shall be used by the organization in a manner consistent with the goals of the museum or designated program.
- (6) The identity of a donor or prospective donor who desires to remain anonymous and all information identifying such donor or prospective donor are confidential and exempt from the provisions of s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution.
- (7) The Commissioner of Agriculture, or the commissioner's designee, may serve on the board of trustees and the executive committee of any direct-support organization established to benefit the museum or any designated program.
- (8) The department shall establish by rule archival procedures relating to museum artifacts and records. The rules shall provide procedures which protect the museum's artifacts and records equivalent to those procedures which have been established by the Department of State under chapters 257 and 267.
- Section 40. Subsection (4) of section 573.118, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
  - 573.118 Assessment; funds; audit; loans.—
  - (4) In the event of levying and collecting of assessments,

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for each fiscal year in which assessment funds are received by		
the department, the department shall $\underline{\text{maintain records of}}$		
collections and expenditures for each marketing order separately		
within the state's accounting system. If requested by an		
advisory council, department staff shall cause to be made a		
thorough <del>annual</del> audit of the <del>books and</del> accounts <del>by a certified</del>		
public accountant, such audit to be completed within 60 days		
after the request is received end of the fiscal year. The		
advisory council department and all producers and handlers		
covered by the marketing order shall be provided a copy of the		
properly advised of the details of the annual official audit of		
the accounts as shown by the certified public accountant within		
30 days <u>after completion</u> of the audit.		
Section 41. Subsections (18) through (30) of section		
581.011, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (17)		
through (29), respectively, and present subsections (17) and		
(20) of that section are amended to read:		

- 581.011 Definitions.—As used in this chapter:
- 1389 (17) "Museum" means the Florida State Collection of
  1390 Arthropods.
  - (19) (20) "Nursery" means any grounds or premises on or in which nursery stock is grown, propagated, or held for sale or distribution, including except where aquatic plant species are tended for harvest in the natural environment.
  - Section 42. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 581.211, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 1397 581.211 Penalties for violations.—

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department may, after notice and hearing, impose an administrative fine not exceeding \$10,000 \$5,000 for each violation of this chapter, upon any person, nurseryman, stock dealer, agent or plant broker. The fine, when paid, shall be deposited in the Plant Industry Trust Fund. In addition, the department may place the violator on probation for up to 1 year, with conditions.

- 2. The imposition of a fine or probation pursuant to this subsection may be in addition to or in lieu of the suspension or revocation of a certificate of registration or certificate of inspection.
- Section 43. Section 583.13, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 583.13 Labeling and advertising requirements for dressed poultry; unlawful acts.—
- (1) It is unlawful for any dealer or broker to sell, offer for sale, or hold for the purpose of sale in the state any dressed or ready-to-cook poultry in bulk unless the such poultry is packed in a container clearly bearing a label, not less than 3 inches by 5 inches, on which shall be plainly and legibly printed, in letters of not less than 1/4 inch high in height, the grade and the part name or whole-bird statement of such poultry. The grade may be expressed in the term "premium," "good," or "standard," or as the grade of another state or federal agency the standards of quality of which, by law, are equal to the standards of quality provided by this law and rules promulgated hereunder.
  - (2) It is unlawful to sell unpackaged dressed or ready-to-

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cook poultry at retail unless such poultry is labeled by a placard immediately adjacent to the poultry or unless each bird is individually labeled to show the grade and the part name or whole-bird statement. The placard shall be no smaller than 7 inches by 7 inches in size, and the required labeling information shall be legibly and plainly printed on the placard in letters not smaller than 1 inch in height.

- (3) It is unlawful to sell packaged dressed or ready-to-cook poultry at retail unless such poultry is labeled to show the grade, the part name or whole-bird statement, the net weight of the poultry, and the name and address of the dealer. The size of the type on the label must be one-eighth inch or larger. A placard immediately adjacent to such poultry may be used to indicate the grade and the part name or whole-bird statement, but not the net weight of the poultry or the name and address of the dealer.
- in bulk in the preparation of food served to the public, or to hold such poultry for the purpose of such use, unless the poultry when received was packed in a container clearly bearing a label, not less than 3 inches by 5 inches, on which was plainly and legibly printed, in letters not less than 1/4 one-fourth inch high in height, the grade and the part name or whole-bird statement of such poultry. The grade may be expressed in the term "premium," "good," or "standard," or as the grade of another state or federal agency the standards of quality of which, by law, are equal to the standards of quality provided by this law and rules promulgated hereunder.

(5) It is unlawful to offer dressed or ready-to-cook poultry for sale in any advertisement in a newspaper or circular, on radio or television, or in any other form of advertising without plainly designating in such advertisement the grade and the part name or whole-bird statement of such poultry.

Section 44. Subsections (4) and (5) of section 590.125, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (5) and (6), respectively, subsection (1), paragraph (b) of subsection (3), and paragraph (c) of present subsection (4) are amended, and new subsections (4) and (7) are added to that section, to read:

- 590.125 Open burning authorized by the division.-
- (1) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:
- (a) "Certified pile burner" means an individual who successfully completes the division's pile burning certification program and possesses a valid pile burner certification number.
- (b) "Certified prescribed burn manager" means an individual who successfully completes the <u>certified prescribed</u> burning <u>certification</u> program of the division and possesses a valid certification number.
  - (c) (d) "Extinguished" means:

- 1. that no spreading flame For wild land burning or certified prescribed burning, that no spreading flames exist.
- 2. and no visible flame, smoke, or emissions For vegetative land-clearing debris burning or pile burning, that no visible flames exist.
- 3. For vegetative land-clearing debris burning or pile burning in an area designated as smoke sensitive by the

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division, that no visible flames, smoke, or emissions exist.

- (d) "Land-clearing operation" means the uprooting or clearing of vegetation in connection with the construction of buildings and rights-of-way, land development, and mineral operations. The term does not include the clearing of yard trash.
- (e) "Pile burning" means the burning of silvicultural, agricultural, or land-clearing and tree-cutting debris originating onsite, which is stacked together in a round or linear fashion, including, but not limited to, a windrow.
- <u>(f)</u> "Prescribed burning" means the controlled application of fire in accordance with a written prescription for vegetative fuels under specified environmental conditions while following appropriate precautionary measures that ensure that the fire is confined to a predetermined area to accomplish the planned fire or land-management objectives.
- (g) (e) "Prescription" means a written plan establishing the criteria necessary for starting, controlling, and extinguishing a prescribed burn.
- (h) "Yard trash" means vegetative matter resulting from landscaping and yard maintenance operations and other such routine property cleanup activities. The term includes materials such as leaves, shrub trimmings, grass clippings, brush, and palm fronds.
- (3) CERTIFIED PRESCRIBED BURNING; LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.—
- (b) Certified prescribed burning pertains only to broadcast burning for purposes of silviculture, wildlife

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management, ecological maintenance and restoration, and range
and pasture management. It must be conducted in accordance with
this subsection and:

- 1. May be accomplished only when a certified prescribed burn manager is present on site with a copy of the prescription from ignition of the burn to its completion.
- 2. Requires that a written prescription be prepared before receiving authorization to burn from the division.
- 3. Requires that the specific consent of the landowner or his or her designee be obtained before requesting an authorization.
- 4. Requires that an authorization to burn be obtained from the division before igniting the burn.
- 5. Requires that there be adequate firebreaks at the burn site and sufficient personnel and firefighting equipment for the control of the fire.
- 6. Is considered to be in the public interest and does not constitute a public or private nuisance when conducted under applicable state air pollution statutes and rules.
- 7. Is considered to be a property right of the property owner if vegetative fuels are burned as required in this subsection.
- (4) CERTIFIED PILE BURNING; LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.—
- (a) Pile burning is a tool that benefits current and future generations in Florida by disposing of naturally occurring vegetative debris through burning rather than disposing of the debris in landfills.

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(b) Certified pile burning pertains to the disposal of piled, naturally occurring debris from an agricultural, silvicultural, or temporary land-clearing operation. A land-clearing operation is temporary if it operates for 6 months or less. Certified pile burning must be conducted in accordance with this subsection, and:

- 1. A certified pile burner must ensure, before ignition, that the piles are properly placed and that the content of the piles is conducive to efficient burning.
- 2. A certified pile burner must ensure that the piles are properly extinguished no later than 1 hour after sunset. If the burn is conducted in an area designated by the division as smoke sensitive, a certified pile burner must ensure that the piles are properly extinguished at least 1 hour before sunset.
- 3. A written pile burn plan must be prepared before receiving authorization from the division to burn.
- 4. The specific consent of the landowner or his or her agent must be obtained before requesting authorization to burn.
- 5. An authorization to burn must be obtained from the division or its designated agent before igniting the burn.
- 6. There must be adequate firebreaks and sufficient personnel and firefighting equipment at the burn site to control the fire.
- (c) If a burn is conducted in accordance with this subsection, the property owner and his or her agent are not liable under s. 590.13 for damage or injury caused by the fire or resulting smoke, and are not in violation of subsection (2), unless gross negligence is proven.

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(d) A certified pile burner who violates this section commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

- (e) The division shall adopt rules regulating certified pile burning. The rules shall include procedures and criteria for certifying and decertifying certified pile burn managers based on past experience, training, and record of compliance with this section.
- (5)(4) WILDFIRE HAZARD REDUCTION TREATMENT BY THE DIVISION.—The division may conduct fuel reduction initiatives, including, but not limited to, burning and mechanical and chemical treatment, on any area of wild land within the state which is reasonably determined to be in danger of wildfire in accordance with the following procedures:
- (c) Prepare, and send the county tax collector shall include with the annual tax statement, a notice to be sent to all landowners in each area township designated by the division as a wildfire hazard area. The notice must describe particularly the area to be treated and the tentative date or dates of the treatment and must list the reasons for and the expected benefits from the wildfire hazard reduction.
- (7) DIVISION APPROVAL OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT OPEN BURNING AUTHORIZATION PROGRAMS.—
- (a) A county or municipality may exercise the division's authority, if delegated by the division under this subsection, to issue authorizations for the burning of yard trash or debris from land-clearing operations. A county's or municipality's existing or proposed open burning authorization program must:

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1. Be approved by the division. The division shall not approve a program if it fails to meet the requirements of subsections (2) and (4) and any rules adopted under those subsections.

- 2. Provide by ordinance or local law the requirements for obtaining and performing a burn authorization that comply with subsections (2) and (4) and any rules adopted under those subsections.
- 3. Provide for the enforcement of the program's requirements.
- 4. Provide financial, personnel, and other resources needed to carry out the program.
- (b) If the division determines that a county's or municipality's open burning authorization program does not comply with subsections (2) and (4) and any rules adopted under those subsections, the division shall require the county or municipality to take necessary corrective actions within a reasonable period, not to exceed 90 days.
- 1. If the county or municipality fails to take the necessary corrective actions within the required period, the division shall resume administration of the open burning authorization program in the county or municipality and the county or municipality shall cease administration of its program.
- 2. Each county and municipality administering an open burning authorization program must cooperate with and assist the division in carrying out the division's powers, duties, and functions.

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3. A person who violates the requirements of a county's or municipality's open burning authorization program, as provided by ordinance or local law enacted pursuant to this section, commits a violation of this chapter, punishable as provided in s. 590.14.

Section 45. Section 590.14, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

590.14 Notice of violation; penalties.-

- (1) If a division employee determines that a person has violated chapter 589, or this chapter, or any rule adopted by the division to administer provisions of law conferring duties upon the division, the division employee he or she may issue a notice of violation indicating the statute violated. This notice will be filed with the division and a copy forwarded to the appropriate law enforcement entity for further action if necessary.
- (2) In addition to any penalties provided by law, any person who causes a wildfire or permits any authorized fire to escape the boundaries of the authorization or to burn past the time of the authorization is liable for the payment of all reasonable costs and expenses incurred in suppressing the fire or \$150, whichever is greater. All costs and expenses incurred by the division shall be payable to the division. When such costs and expenses are not paid within 30 days after demand, the division may take proper legal proceedings for the collection of the costs and expenses. Those costs incurred by an agency acting at the division's direction are recoverable by that agency.
  - (3) The department may also impose an administrative fine,

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not to exceed \$1,000 per violation of any section of chapter 589 or this chapter or violation of any rule adopted by the division to administer provisions of law conferring duties upon the division. The fine shall be based upon the degree of damage, the prior violation record of the person, and whether the person knowingly provided false information to obtain an authorization. The fines shall be deposited in the Incidental Trust Fund of the division.

(4) A person may not:

- (a) Fail to comply with any rule or order adopted by the division to administer provisions of law conferring duties upon the division; or
- (b) Knowingly make any false statement or representation in any application, record, plan, or other document required by this chapter or any rules adopted under this chapter.
- (4) (b) commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.
- (6) It is the intent of the Legislature that a penalty imposed by a court under subsection (5) be of a severity that ensures immediate and continued compliance with this section.
- (7) (4) The penalties provided in this section shall extend to both the actual violator and the person or persons, firm, or corporation causing, directing, or permitting the violation.
- Section 46. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 599.004, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 1677 599.004 Florida Farm Winery Program; registration; logo; 1678 fees.—

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(1) The Florida Farm Winery Program is established within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. Under this program, a winery may qualify as a tourist attraction only if it is registered with and certified by the department as a Florida Farm Winery. A winery may not claim to be certified unless it has received written approval from the department.

(a) To qualify as a certified Florida Farm Winery, a winery shall meet the following standards:

- 1. Produce or sell less than 250,000 gallons of wine annually.
- 2. Maintain a minimum of 10 acres of owned or managed <u>land</u> vineyards in Florida which produces commodities used in the <u>production of wine</u>.
- 3. Be open to the public for tours, tastings, and sales at least 30 hours each week.
- 4. Make annual application to the department for recognition as a Florida Farm Winery, on forms provided by the department.
- 5. Pay an annual application and registration fee of \$100. Section 47. Subsection (1) of section 604.15, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsection (11) is added to that section, to read:
- 604.15 Dealers in agricultural products; definitions.—For the purpose of ss. 604.15-604.34, the following words and terms, when used, shall be construed to mean:
- (1) "Agricultural products" means the natural products of the farm, nursery, grove, orchard, vineyard, garden, and apiary (raw or manufactured); sod; tropical foliage; horticulture; hay;

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livestock; milk and milk products; poultry and poultry products; the fruit of the saw palmetto (meaning the fruit of the Serenoa repens); limes (meaning the fruit Citrus aurantifolia, variety Persian, Tahiti, Bearss, or Florida Key limes); and any other nonexempt agricultural products produced in the state, except tobacco, sugarcane, tropical foliage, timber and timber byproducts, forest products as defined in s. 591.17, and citrus other than limes.

(11) "Responsible position" means a position within the business of a dealer in agricultural products that has the authority to negotiate or make the purchase of agricultural products on behalf of the dealer's business or has principal active management authority over the business decisions, actions, and activities of the dealer's business in this state.

Section 48. Section 604.19, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

604.19 License; fee; bond; certificate of deposit; penalty.—Unless the department refuses the application on one or more of the grounds provided in this section, it shall issue to an applicant, upon the payment of required fees and the execution and delivery of a bond or certificate of deposit as provided in this section, a state license entitling the applicant to conduct business as a dealer in agricultural products for a 1-year period to coincide with the effective period of the bond or certificate of deposit furnished by the applicant. During the 1-year period covered by a license, if the supporting surety bond or certificate of deposit is canceled for any reason, the license shall automatically expire on the date

1735 the surety bond or certificate of deposit terminates, unless an 1736 acceptable replacement is in effect before the date of 1737 termination so that continual coverage occurs for the remaining 1738 period of the license. A surety company shall give the 1739 department a 30-day written notice of cancellation by certified 1740 mail in order to cancel a bond. Cancellation of a bond or 1741 certificate of deposit does shall not relieve a surety company 1742 or financial institution of liability for purchases or sales 1743 occurring while the bond or certificate of deposit was in 1744 effect. The license fee, which must be paid for the principal 1745 place of business for a dealer in agricultural products, shall 1746 be based upon the amount of the dealer's surety bond or 1747 certificate of deposit furnished by each dealer under the 1748 provisions of s. 604.20 and may not exceed \$500. For each 1749 additional place in which the applicant desires to conduct 1750 business and which the applicant names in the application, the 1751 additional license fee must be paid but may not exceed \$100 1752 annually. If a Should any dealer in agricultural products fails, 1753 refuses, or neglects fail, refuse, or neglect to apply and 1754 qualify for the renewal of a license on or before its the date 1755 of expiration date thereof, a penalty not to exceed \$100 shall 1756 apply to and be added to the original license fee for the 1757 principal place of business and to the license fee for each 1758 additional place of business named in the application and shall 1759 be paid by the applicant before the renewal license may be 1760 issued. The department by rule shall prescribe fee amounts sufficient to fund ss. 604.15-604.34. 1761 1762 Section 49. Subsections (1) and (4) of section 604.20,

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604.20 Bond or certificate of deposit prerequisite; amount; form.—

Before any license is issued, the applicant therefor shall make and deliver to the department a surety bond or certificate of deposit in the amount of at least \$5,000 or in such greater amount as the department may determine. No bond or certificate of deposit may be in an amount less than \$5,000. The penal sum of the bond or certificate of deposit to be furnished to the department by an applicant for license as a dealer in agricultural products shall be in an amount equal to twice the average of the monthly dollar amounts amount of agricultural products handled for a Florida producer or a producer's agent or representative, by purchase or otherwise, during the month of maximum transaction in such products during the preceding 12month period. Only those months in which the applicant handled, by purchase or otherwise, amounts equal to or greater than \$1,000 shall be used to calculate the penal sum of the required bond or certificate of deposit. An applicant for license who has not handled agricultural products for a Florida producer or a producer's agent or representative, by purchase or otherwise, during the preceding 12-month period shall furnish a bond or certificate of deposit in an amount equal to twice the estimated average of the monthly dollar amounts amount of such agricultural products to be handled, by purchase or otherwise, during the month of maximum transaction during the next immediate 12 months. Only those months in which the applicant anticipates handling, by purchase or otherwise, amounts equal to

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or greater than \$1,000 shall be used to calculate the penal sum of the required bond or certificate of deposit. Such bond or certificate of deposit shall be provided or assigned in the exact name in which the dealer will conduct business subject to the provisions of ss. 604.15-604.34. Such bond must be executed by a surety company authorized to transact business in the state. For the purposes of ss. 604.19-604.21, the term "certificate of deposit" means a certificate of deposit at any recognized financial institution doing business in the United States. No certificate of deposit may be accepted in connection with an application for a dealer's license unless the issuing institution is properly insured by either the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation. Such bond or any certificate of deposit assignment or agreement shall be upon a form prescribed or approved by the department and shall be conditioned to secure the faithful accounting for and payment, in the manner prescribed by s. 604.21(9), to producers or their agents or representatives of the proceeds of all agricultural products handled or purchased by such dealer, and to secure payment to dealers who sell agricultural products to such dealer, and to pay any claims or costs ordered under s. 604.21 as the result of a complaint. Such bond or certificate of deposit assignment or agreement shall include terms binding the instrument to the Commissioner of Agriculture. A certificate of deposit shall be presented with an assignment of applicant's rights in the certificate in favor of the Commissioner of Agriculture on a form prescribed by the department and with a letter from the issuing institution

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acknowledging that the assignment has been properly recorded on the books of the issuing institution and will be honored by the issuing institution. Such assignment shall be irrevocable while the dealer's license is in effect and for an additional period of 6 months after the termination or expiration of the dealer's license, provided no complaint is pending against the licensee. If a complaint is pending, the assignment shall remain in effect until all actions on the complaint have been finalized. The certificate of deposit may be released by the assignee of the financial institution to the licensee or the licensee's successors, assignee, or heirs if no claims are pending against the licensee before the department at the conclusion of 6 months after the last effective date of the license. No certificate of deposit shall be accepted that contains any provision that would give the issuing institution any prior rights or claim on the proceeds or principal of such certificate of deposit. The department shall determine by rule the maximum amount of bond or certificate of deposit required of a dealer and whether an annual bond or certificate of deposit will be required.

(4) The department may issue a conditional license to an applicant who is unable to provide a single bond or certificate of deposit in the full amount required by the calculation in subsection (1). The conditional license shall remain in effect for a 1-year period to coincide with the effective period of the bond or certificate of deposit furnished by the applicant. The applicant must provide at least the minimum \$5,000 bond or certificate of deposit as provided in subsection (1) together with documentation from each of three separate bonding companies

denying the applicant's request for a surety bond in the full amount required in subsection (1) and one of the following:

- (a) A notarized affidavit limiting the handling of agricultural products, by purchase or otherwise, during their largest month to a minimum of one-half the amount of the bond or certificate of deposit provided by the applicant;
- (b) A notarized affidavit stating that any subject agricultural products, handled by purchase or otherwise, exceeding one-half of the amount of the bond or certificate of deposit will be handled under the exemption provisions set forth in s. 604.16(2); or
- amount that, when the penal sum of the second bond or certificate of deposit is added to the penal sum of the first bond or certificate of deposit, the combined penal sum will equal twice the dollar amount of agricultural products handled for a Florida producer or a producer's agent or representative, by purchase or otherwise, during the month of maximum transaction in such products during the preceding 12-month period.

The department or its agents may require from any licensee who is issued a conditional license verified statements of the volume of the licensee's business or may review the licensee's records at the licensee's place of business during normal business hours to determine the licensee's adherence to the conditions of the license. The failure of a licensee to furnish such statement or to make such records available shall be cause

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1875 for suspension of the licensee's conditional license. If the 1876 department finds such failure to be willful, the conditional 1877 license may be revoked.

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- Section 50. Section 604.25, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 1880 Denial of, refusal to renew grant, or suspension or 604.25 1881 revocation of license.
  - (1) The department may deny, refuse to renew, decline to grant a license or may suspend or revoke a license already granted if the applicant or licensee has:
  - (1) (a) Suffered a monetary judgment entered against the applicant or licensee upon which is execution has been returned unsatisfied;
  - (2) (b) Made false charges for handling or services rendered;
  - (3) <del>(c)</del> Failed to account promptly and properly or to make settlements with any producer;
  - (4) <del>(d)</del> Made any false statement or statements as to condition, quality, or quantity of goods received or held for sale when the true condition, quality, or quantity could have been ascertained by reasonable inspection;
  - (5) <del>(e)</del> Made any false or misleading statement or statements as to market conditions or service rendered;
- (6) (f) Been guilty of a fraud in the attempt to procure, 1899 or the procurement of, a license;
  - (7) <del>(g)</del> Directly or indirectly sold agricultural products received on consignment or on a net return basis for her or his own account, without prior authority from the producer

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consigning the same, or without notifying such producer;

(8)(h) Failed to prevent a person from holding a position as the applicant's or licensee's owner, officer, director, general or managing partner, or employee Employed in a responsible position a person, or holding any other similarly situated position, if the person holds or has held a similar position with any entity that an officer of a corporation, who has failed to fully comply with an order of the department, has not satisfied a civil judgment held by the department, has pending any administrative or civil enforcement action by the department, or has pending any criminal charges pursuant to s. 604.30 at any time within 1 year after issuance;

- (9)(i) Violated any statute or rule relating to the purchase or sale of any agricultural product, whether or not such transaction is subject to the provisions of this chapter;
- $\underline{(10)}$  Failed to submit to the department an application, appropriate license fees, and an acceptable surety bond or certificate of deposit; or-
- (11)(2) Failed If a licensee fails or refused refuses to comply in full with an order of the department or failed to satisfy a civil judgment owed to the department, her or his license may be suspended or revoked, in which case she or he shall not be eligible for license for a period of 1 year or until she or he has fully complied with the order of the department.
- (3) No person, or officer of a corporation, whose license has been suspended or revoked for failure to comply with an

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1931	order of the department may hold a responsible position with a
1932	licensee for a period of 1 year or until the order of the
1933	department has been fully complied with.
1934	Section 51. Subsection (4) of section 686.201, Florida
1935	Statutes, is amended to read:
1936	686.201 Sales representative contracts involving
1937	commissions; requirements; termination of agreement; civil
1938	remedies.—
1939	(4) This section does not apply to:
1940	(a) Persons licensed pursuant to chapter 475 who are
1941	performing services within the scope of their license.
1942	(b) Contracts to which a seller of travel as defined in s.
1943	559.927 is a party.
1944	Section 52. Paragraph (c) of subsection (5) of section
1945	790.06, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
1946	790.06 License to carry concealed weapon or firearm.—
1947	(5) The applicant shall submit to the Department of
1948	Agriculture and Consumer Services:
1949	(c) A full set of fingerprints of the applicant
1950	administered by a law enforcement agency or the Division of
1951	Licensing of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer
1952	Services.
1953	Section 53. Sections 570.071 and 570.901, Florida
1954	Statutes, are repealed.

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Section 54. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010.

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