${\bf By}$ the Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Senators Latvala and Alexander

592-02644-12 20121782c1 1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation 3 Commission; transferring and reassigning functions and responsibilities of the Division of Law Enforcement, 4 5 excluding the Bureau of Emergency Response, within the 6 Department of Environmental Protection to the Division 7 of Law Enforcement within the Fish and Wildlife 8 Conservation Commission; reassigning the Bureau of 9 Emergency Response within the Department of 10 Environmental Protection to the Secretary of 11 Environmental Protection, as the Office of Emergency 12 Response, within the Department of Environmental 13 Protection; providing for the transfer of additional 14 positions to the commission; providing for a 15 memorandum of agreement between the department and the 16 commission regarding the responsibilities of the 17 commission to the department; transferring and 18 reassigning functions and responsibilities of sworn 19 positions funded by the Conservation and Recreation 20 Lands Program and assigned to the Florida Forest 21 Service within the Department of Agriculture and 22 Consumer Services and the investigator responsible for 23 the enforcement of aquaculture violations at the 24 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to the 25 Division of Law Enforcement within the Fish and 26 Wildlife Conservation Commission; providing for a 27 memorandum of agreement between the department and the 28 commission regarding the responsibilities between the 29 commission and the department; providing for

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592-02644-12 20121782c1 30 transition advisory working groups; assigning powers, 31 duties, responsibilities, and functions for 32 enforcement of the laws and rules governing certain 33 lands managed by the Department of Environmental 34 Protection and certain lands and aquaculture managed 35 by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services 36 to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission; 37 conferring full power to the law enforcement officers of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to 38 39 investigate and arrest for violations of rules of the 40 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the 41 Department of Environmental Protection, and the Board 42 of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund; 43 authorizing salary parity and other pay adjustments 44 for positions transferred by the act; providing for 45 the retention and transfer of specified benefits for 46 employees who are transferred from the Department of 47 Environmental Protection and the Department of 48 Agriculture and Consumer Services to fill positions transferred to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation 49 50 Commission; creating s. 258.601, F.S.; specifying 51 powers and duties of the commission relating to state 52 parks and preserves and wild and scenic rivers; amending ss. 20.255, 258.008, 258.501, 282.709, 53 54 316.003, 316.2397, 316.640, 375.041, 376.065, 376.07, 55 376.071, 376.16, 376.3071, 379.3311, 379.3312, 56 379.3313, 379.333, 379.341, 403.413, 784.07, 843.08, 57 870.04, and 932.7055, F.S.; conforming provisions to 58 changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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60	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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62	Section 1. (1) All powers, duties, functions, records,
63	offices, personnel, property, pending issues and existing
64	contracts, administrative authority, administrative rules, and
65	unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other
66	funds relating to the Division of Law Enforcement within the
67	Department of Environmental Protection, excluding the Bureau of
68	Emergency Response, are transferred by a type two transfer, as
69	defined in s. 20.06(2), Florida Statutes, to the Division of Law
70	Enforcement within the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation
71	Commission.
72	(2) The Bureau of Emergency Response within the Department
73	of Environmental Protection is reassigned to the Secretary of
74	Environmental Protection, as the Office of Emergency Response,
75	within the Department of Environmental Protection.
76	(3) The Secretary of Environmental Protection shall
77	transfer to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission the
78	number of administrative, auditing, inspector general, attorney,
79	and operational support positions, including any related powers,
80	duties, functions, property, and funding, proportionate to the
81	number of Division of Law Enforcement full-time equivalent and
82	other personal services positions being transferred from the
83	department to the commission.
84	(4) A memorandum of agreement shall be developed between
85	the department and the commission detailing the responsibilities
86	of the commission to the department, to include, at a minimum,
87	the following:

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88	(a) Support and response for oil spills, hazardous spills,
89	and natural disasters.
90	(b) Law enforcement patrol and investigative services for
91	all state-owned lands managed by the department.
92	(c) Law enforcement services, including investigative
93	services, for all criminal law violations of chapters 161, 258,
94	373, 376, and 403, Florida Statutes.
95	(d) Enforcement services for all civil violations of all
96	department administrative rules related to the following program
97	areas:
98	1. The Division of Recreation and Parks.
99	2. The Office of Coastal and Aquatic Managed Areas.
100	3. The Office of Greenways and Trails.
101	(e) Current and future funding for positions and property
102	being transferred from the department to the commission which
103	are funded through any trust fund.
104	Section 2. (1) All powers, duties, functions, records,
105	property, pending issues and existing contracts, administrative
106	authority, administrative rules, and unexpended balances of
107	appropriations, allocations, and other funds relating to sworn
108	positions funded by the Conservation and Recreation Lands
109	Program and assigned to the Florida Forest Service within the
110	Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services as of July 1,
111	2011, and the investigator responsible for the enforcement of
112	aquaculture violations at the Department of Agriculture and
113	Consumer Services as of July 1, 2011, are transferred by a type
114	two transfer, as defined in s. 20.06(2), Florida Statutes, to
115	the Division of Law Enforcement within the Fish and Wildlife
116	Conservation Commission.

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117	(2) A memorandum of agreement shall be developed between
118	the department and the commission detailing the responsibilities
119	between the commission and the department, to include, at a
120	minimum, the following:
121	(a) Law enforcement patrol and investigative services for
122	all state-owned forests managed by the department.
123	(b) Current and future funding for positions and property
124	assigned to the Conservation and Recreation Lands Program which
125	are transferred from the department to the commission.
126	Section 3. (1) The Secretary of Environmental Protection
127	and the Executive Director of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation
128	Commission shall each appoint three staff members to a
129	transition advisory working group to review and determine the
130	following:
131	(a) The appropriate proportionate number of administrative,
132	auditing, inspector general, attorney, and operational support
133	positions and their related funding levels and sources and
134	assigned property to be transferred from the Office of General
135	Counsel, the Office of Inspector General, and the Division of
136	Administrative Services, or other relevant offices or divisions
137	within the Department of Environmental Protection, to the Fish
138	and Wildlife Conservation Commission.
139	(b) The development of a recommended plan addressing the
140	transfer or shared use of buildings, regional offices, and other
141	facilities used or owned by the Department of Environmental
142	Protection.
143	(c) Any operating budget adjustments that are necessary to
144	implement the requirements of this act. Adjustments made to the
145	operating budgets of the department and the commission in the

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146	implementation of this act must be made in consultation with the
147	appropriate substantive and fiscal committees of the Senate and
148	the House of Representatives. The revisions to the approved
149	operating budgets for the 2012-2013 fiscal year which are
150	necessary to reflect the organizational changes made by this act
151	shall be implemented pursuant to s. 216.292(4)(d), Florida
152	Statutes, and subject to s. 216.177, Florida Statutes.
153	Subsequent adjustments between agencies which are determined
154	necessary by the department or commission and approved by the
155	Executive Office of the Governor are authorized and subject to
156	s. 216.177, Florida Statutes. The appropriate substantive
157	committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives shall
158	also be notified of the proposed revisions to ensure consistency
159	with legislative policy and intent.
160	(2) The Secretary of Environmental Protection, the
161	Commissioner of Agriculture, and the Executive Director of the
162	Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission shall each appoint two
163	staff members to a transition advisory working group to identify
164	rules of the Department of Environmental Protection, the Board
165	of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund, the
166	Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and the Fish
167	and Wildlife Conservation Commission which need to be amended to
168	reflect the changes made by this act.
169	Section 4. (1) The Fish and Wildlife Conservation
170	Commission is assigned all powers, duties, responsibilities,
171	functions, positions, and property necessary for enforcement of
172	the laws and rules governing:
173	(a) Management, protection, conservation, improvement, and
174	expansion of the state-owned lands managed by the Department of

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175	Environmental Protection, including state parks, coastal and
176	aquatic managed areas, and greenways and trails.
177	(b) Conservation and recreation lands and commercial
178	aquaculture managed by the Department of Agriculture and
179	Consumer Services.
180	(2) Law enforcement officers of the Fish and Wildlife
181	Conservation Commission are conferred full power to investigate
182	and arrest for any violation of the rules of the Department of
183	Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of
184	Environmental Protection, and the Board of Trustees of the
185	Internal Improvement Trust Fund.
186	Section 5. (1) Notwithstanding ss. 110.2035 and 216.251,
187	Florida Statutes, the Division of Law Enforcement within the
188	Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission may use available
189	funds to provide for general salary increases or pay additives
190	for positions sharing the same job classification or job
191	occupations in order to bring pay parity between positions of
192	the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and the positions
193	transferring to the commission from the Department of
194	Agriculture and Consumer Services and the Department of
195	Environmental Protection and for those positions assuming
196	significant additional duties or an increased work load as a
197	result of this act.
198	(2) Notwithstanding chapter 60K-5, Florida Administrative
199	Code, or any provision of law to the contrary, employees who are
200	transferred from the Department of Environmental Protection and
201	the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to fill
202	positions transferred to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation
203	Commission shall retain and transfer any accrued annual leave,

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sick leave, and regular and special compensatory leave balances.
Section 6. Part IV of chapter 258, Florida Statutes,
consisting of section 258.601, is created to read:
PART IV
MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS
258.601 Enforcement of prohibited activitiesProhibited
activities under this chapter shall be enforced by the
Department of Environmental Protection and the Division of Law
Enforcement of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and
its officers.
Section 7. Subsections (5) through (8) of section 20.255,
Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (4) through (7),
respectively, and present subsections (2), (3), and (4) of that
section are amended to read:
20.255 Department of Environmental ProtectionThere is
created a Department of Environmental Protection.
(2)(a) There shall be three deputy secretaries who are to
be appointed by and shall serve at the pleasure of the
secretary. The secretary may assign any deputy secretary the
responsibility to supervise, coordinate, and formulate policy
for any division, office, or district. The following special
offices are established and headed by managers, each of whom is
to be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the secretary:
1. Office of Chief of Staff;
2. Office of General Counsel;
3. Office of Inspector General;
4. Office of External Affairs;
5. Office of Legislative Affairs;
6. Office of Intergovernmental Programs; and

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233	7. Office of Greenways and Trails; and.
234	8. Office of Emergency Management.
235	(b) There shall be six administrative districts involved in
236	regulatory matters of waste management, water resource
237	management, wetlands, and air resources, which shall be headed
238	by managers, each of whom is to be appointed by and serve at the
239	pleasure of the secretary. Divisions of the department may have
240	one assistant or two deputy division directors, as required to
241	facilitate effective operation.
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243	The managers of all divisions and offices specifically named in
244	this section and the directors of the six administrative
245	districts are exempt from part II of chapter 110 and are
246	included in the Senior Management Service in accordance with s.
247	110.205(2)(j).
248	(3) The following divisions of the Department of
249	Environmental Protection are established:
250	(a) Division of Administrative Services.
251	(b) Division of Air Resource Management.
252	(c) Division of Water Resource Management.
253	(d) Division of Law Enforcement.
254	(d) (e) Division of Environmental Assessment and
255	Restoration.
256	<u>(e)</u> Division of Waste Management.
257	(f)(g) Division of Recreation and Parks.
258	<u>(g)</u> (h) Division of State Lands, the director of which is to
259	be appointed by the secretary of the department, subject to
260	confirmation by the Governor and Cabinet sitting as the Board of
261	Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund.

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263	In order to ensure statewide and intradepartmental consistency,
264	the department's divisions shall direct the district offices and
265	bureaus on matters of interpretation and applicability of the
266	department's rules and programs.
267	(4) Law enforcement officers of the Department of
268	Environmental Protection who meet the provisions of s. 943.13
269	are constituted law enforcement officers of this state with full
270	power to investigate and arrest for any violation of the laws of
271	this state, and the rules of the department and the Board of
272	Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund. The general
273	laws applicable to investigations, searches, and arrests by
274	peace officers of this state apply to such law enforcement
275	officers.
276	Section 8. Subsection (1) of section 258.008, Florida
277	Statutes, is amended to read:
278	258.008 Prohibited activities; penalties
279	(1) Except as provided in subsection (3), any person who
280	violates or otherwise fails to comply with the rules adopted
281	under this chapter commits a noncriminal infraction for which
282	ejection from all property managed by the Division of Recreation
283	and Parks and a fine of up to \$500 may be imposed by the
284	division. Fines paid under this subsection shall be paid to the
285	Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission Department of
286	Environmental Protection and deposited in the State Game Park
287	Trust Fund <u>as provided in ss. 379.338, 379.339, and 379.3395</u> .
288	Section 9. Subsection (16) of section 258.501, Florida
289	Statutes, is amended to read:
290	258.501 Myakka River; wild and scenic segment

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291	(16) ENFORCEMENT. Officers of The Fish and Wildlife
292	Conservation Commission and the department shall have full
293	authority to enforce any rule adopted by the department under
294	this section with the same police powers given them by law to
295	enforce the rules of state parks and the rules pertaining to
296	saltwater areas under the jurisdiction of the Florida Marine
297	Patrol.
298	Section 10. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section
299	282.709, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
300	282.709 State agency law enforcement radio system and
301	interoperability network
302	(2) The Joint Task Force on State Agency Law Enforcement
303	Communications is created adjunct to the department to advise
304	the department of member-agency needs relating to the planning,
305	designing, and establishment of the statewide communication
306	system.
307	(a) The Joint Task Force on State Agency Law Enforcement
308	Communications shall consist of <u>the following</u> eight members , as
309	follows:
310	1. A representative of the Division of Alcoholic Beverages
311	and Tobacco of the Department of Business and Professional
312	Regulation who shall be appointed by the secretary of the
313	department.
314	2. A representative of the Division of Florida Highway
315	Patrol of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
316	who shall be appointed by the executive director of the
317	department.
318	3. A representative of the Department of Law Enforcement
319	who shall be appointed by the executive director of the

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592-02644-12 20121782c1 320 department. 321 4. A representative of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation 322 Commission who shall be appointed by the executive director of 323 the commission. 324 5. A representative of the Division of Law Enforcement of 325 the Department of Environmental Protection who shall be appointed by the secretary of the department. 326 327 5.6. A representative of the Department of Corrections who 328 shall be appointed by the secretary of the department. 329 6.7. A representative of the Division of State Fire Marshal 330 of the Department of Financial Services who shall be appointed 331 by the State Fire Marshal. 7.8. A representative of the Department of Transportation 332 333 who shall be appointed by the secretary of the department. 334 Section 11. Subsection (1) of section 316.003, Florida 335 Statutes, is amended to read: 336 316.003 Definitions.-The following words and phrases, when 337 used in this chapter, shall have the meanings respectively 338 ascribed to them in this section, except where the context 339 otherwise requires: 340 (1) AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY VEHICLES.-Vehicles of the fire 341 department (fire patrol), police vehicles, and such ambulances 342 and emergency vehicles of municipal departments, public service 343 corporations operated by private corporations, the Department of 344 Environmental Protection, the Fish and Wildlife Conservation 345 Commission, the Department of Health, the Department of 346 Transportation, and the Department of Corrections as are 347 designated or authorized by their respective department or the 348 chief of police of an incorporated city or any sheriff of any of Page 12 of 36 CODING: Words stricken are deletions; words underlined are additions.

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     the various counties.
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          Section 12. Subsections (3) and (9) of section 316.2397,
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     Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
          316.2397 Certain lights prohibited; exceptions.-
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          (3) Vehicles of the fire department and fire patrol,
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     including vehicles of volunteer firefighters as permitted under
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     s. 316.2398, vehicles of medical staff physicians or technicians
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     of medical facilities licensed by the state as authorized under
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     s. 316.2398, ambulances as authorized under this chapter, and
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     buses and taxicabs as authorized under s. 316.2399 may are
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     permitted to show or display red lights. Vehicles of the fire
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     department, fire patrol, police vehicles, and such ambulances
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     and emergency vehicles of municipal and county departments,
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     public service corporations operated by private corporations,
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     the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, the Department of
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     Environmental Protection, the Department of Transportation, the
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     Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and the
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     Department of Corrections as are designated or authorized by
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     their respective department or the chief of police of an
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     incorporated city or any sheriff of any county may are hereby
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     authorized to operate emergency lights and sirens in an
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     emergency. Wreckers, mosquito control fog and spray vehicles,
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     and emergency vehicles of governmental departments or public
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     service corporations may show or display amber lights when in
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     actual operation or when a hazard exists provided they are not
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     used going to and from the scene of operation or hazard without
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     specific authorization of a law enforcement officer or law
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     enforcement agency. Wreckers must use amber rotating or flashing
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     lights while performing recoveries and loading on the roadside
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592-02644-12 20121782c1 378 day or night, and may use such lights while towing a vehicle on 379 wheel lifts, slings, or under reach if the operator of the wrecker deems such lights necessary. A flatbed, car carrier, or 380 381 rollback may not use amber rotating or flashing lights when 382 hauling a vehicle on the bed unless it creates a hazard to other motorists because of protruding objects. Further, escort 383 384 vehicles may show or display amber lights when in the actual 385 process of escorting overdimensioned equipment, material, or 386 buildings as authorized by law. Vehicles owned or leased by 387 private security agencies may show or display green and amber 388 lights, with either color being no greater than 50 percent of 389 the lights displayed, while the security personnel are engaged 390 in security duties on private or public property.

(9) Flashing red lights may be used by emergency response vehicles of <u>the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission</u>, the Department of Environmental Protection and the Department of Health when responding to an emergency in the line of duty.

395 Section 13. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section396 316.640, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

397 316.640 Enforcement.—The enforcement of the traffic laws of 398 this state is vested as follows:

399 (1) STATE.-

(a)1.a. The Division of Florida Highway Patrol of the
Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; the Division of
Law Enforcement of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation
Commission; the Division of Law Enforcement of the Department of
Environmental Protection; and the agents, inspectors, and
officers of the Department of Law Enforcement each have
authority to enforce all of the traffic laws of this state on

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592-02644-12 20121782c1 407 all the streets and highways thereof and elsewhere throughout 408 the state wherever the public has a right to travel by motor 409 vehicle.

410 b. University police officers may shall have authority to 411 enforce all of the traffic laws of this state when violations occur on or within 1,000 feet of any property or facilities that 412 413 are under the guidance, supervision, regulation, or control of a state university, a direct-support organization of such state 414 university, or any other organization controlled by the state 415 416 university or a direct-support organization of the state 417 university, or when such violations occur within a specified jurisdictional area as agreed upon in a mutual aid agreement 418 419 entered into with a law enforcement agency pursuant to s. 420 23.1225(1). Traffic laws may also be enforced off-campus when 421 hot pursuit originates on or within 1,000 feet of any such 422 property or facilities, or as agreed upon in accordance with the 423 mutual aid agreement.

c. Community college police officers <u>may</u> shall have the
authority to enforce all the traffic laws of this state only
when such violations occur on any property or facilities that
are under the guidance, supervision, regulation, or control of
the community college system.

d. Police officers employed by an airport authority <u>may</u>
shall have the authority to enforce all of the traffic laws of
this state only when such violations occur on any property or
facilities that are owned or operated by an airport authority.

(I) An airport authority may employ as a parking
enforcement specialist any individual who successfully completes
a training program established and approved by the Criminal

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436 Justice Standards and Training Commission for parking 437 enforcement specialists but who does not otherwise meet the uniform minimum standards established by the commission for law 438 439 enforcement officers or auxiliary or part-time officers under s. 440 943.12. Nothing in This sub-sub-subparagraph does not shall be 441 construed to permit the carrying of firearms or other weapons, 442 nor shall such parking enforcement specialist have arrest 443 authority.

(II) A parking enforcement specialist employed by an airport authority <u>may</u> is authorized to enforce all state, county, and municipal laws and ordinances governing parking only when such violations are on property or facilities owned or operated by the airport authority employing the specialist, by appropriate state, county, or municipal traffic citation.

e. The Office of Agricultural Law Enforcement of the
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services <u>may</u> shall have
the authority to enforce traffic laws of this state.

f. School safety officers <u>may</u> shall have the authority to enforce all of the traffic laws of this state when such violations occur on or about any property or facilities which are under the guidance, supervision, regulation, or control of the district school board.

458 2. An agency of the state as described in subparagraph 1.
459 is prohibited from establishing a traffic citation quota. A
460 violation of this subparagraph is not subject to the penalties
461 provided in chapter 318.

3. Any disciplinary action taken or performance evaluation
conducted by an agency of the state as described in subparagraph
1. of a law enforcement officer's traffic enforcement activity

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592-02644-12 20121782c1 465 must be in accordance with written work-performance standards. 466 Such standards must be approved by the agency and any collective 467 bargaining unit representing such law enforcement officer. A violation of this subparagraph is not subject to the penalties 468 469 provided in chapter 318. 470 4. The Division of the Florida Highway Patrol may employ as 471 a traffic accident investigation officer any individual who 472 successfully completes instruction in traffic accident 473 investigation and court presentation through the Selective 474 Traffic Enforcement Program as approved by the Criminal Justice 475 Standards and Training Commission and funded through the 476 National Highway Traffic Safety Administration or a similar 477 program approved by the commission, but who does not necessarily 478 meet the uniform minimum standards established by the commission 479 for law enforcement officers or auxiliary law enforcement 480 officers under chapter 943. Any such traffic accident 481 investigation officer who makes an investigation at the scene of 482 a traffic accident may issue traffic citations, based upon personal investigation, when he or she has reasonable and 483 484 probable grounds to believe that a person who was involved in 485 the accident committed an offense under this chapter, chapter 486 319, chapter 320, or chapter 322 in connection with the 487 accident. This subparagraph does not permit the officer to carry 488 firearms or other weapons, and such an officer does not have 489 authority to make arrests. Section 14. Subsection (4) of section 375.041, Florida 490 491 Statutes, is amended to read: 375.041 Land Acquisition Trust Fund.-

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- 493 (4) The department may disburse moneys in the Land

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494	Acquisition Trust Fund to pay all necessary expenses to carry
495	out the purposes of this act. The department shall disburse
496	moneys from the Land Acquisition Trust Fund to the Fish and
497	Wildlife Conservation Commission for the purpose of funding law
498	enforcement services on state lands.
499	Section 15. Subsection (5) of section 376.065, Florida
500	Statutes, is amended to read:
501	376.065 Operation of terminal facility without discharge
502	prevention and response certificate prohibited; penalty
503	(5)(a) <u>A</u> Any person who violates this section or the terms
504	and requirements of such certification commits a noncriminal
505	infraction. The civil penalty for any such infraction shall be
506	\$500, except as otherwise provided in this section.
507	(b) <u>A</u> Any person cited for an infraction under this section
508	may:
509	1. Pay the civil penalty;
510	2. Post a bond equal to the amount of the applicable civil
511	penalty; or
512	3. Sign and accept a citation indicating a promise to
513	appear before the county court.
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515	The <u>department employee</u> officer authorized to issue these
516	citations may indicate on the citation the time and location of
517	the scheduled hearing and shall indicate the applicable civil
518	penalty.
519	(c) <u>A</u> Any person who willfully refuses to post bond or
520	accept and sign a citation commits a misdemeanor of the second
521	degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.
522	(d) After compliance with the provisions of subparagraph

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592-02644-12 20121782c1 523 (b)2. or subparagraph (b)3., a any person charged with a 524 noncriminal infraction under this section may: 525 1. Pay the civil penalty, either by mail or in person, 526 within 30 days after the date of receiving the citation; or 527 2. If the person has posted bond, forfeit the bond by not 528 appearing at the designated time and location. 529 530 A person cited for an infraction under this section who pays the civil penalty or forfeits the bond has admitted the infraction 531 532 and waives the right to a hearing on the issue of commission of 533 the infraction. Such admission may not be used as evidence in 534 any other proceedings. 535 (e) A Any person who elects to appear before the county 536 court or who is required to so appear waives the limitations of 537 the civil penalty specified in paragraph (a). The court, after a 538 hearing, shall make a determination as to whether an infraction 539 has been committed. If the commission of the infraction is 540 proved, the court shall impose a civil penalty of \$500. (f) At a hearing under this subsection, the commission of a 541 542 charged infraction must be proved by the greater weight of the 543 evidence. 544 (g) A person who is found by the hearing official to have 545 committed an infraction may appeal that finding to the circuit 546 court. 547 (h) A Any person who has not posted bond and who fails 548 either to pay the fine specified in paragraph (a) within 30 days 549 after receipt of the citation or to appear before the court 550 commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as

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provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

592-02644-12 20121782c1 552 Section 16. Subsection (3) of section 376.07, Florida 553 Statutes, is amended to read: 554 376.07 Regulatory powers of department; penalties for 555 inadequate booming by terminal facilities.-556 (3) The department shall not require vessels to maintain 557 discharge prevention gear, holding tanks, and containment gear 558 which exceed federal requirements. However, a terminal facility 559 transferring heavy oil to or from a vessel with a heavy oil 560 storage capacity greater than 10,000 gallons shall be required, 561 considering existing weather and tidal conditions, to adequately 562 boom or seal off the transfer area during a transfer, including, 563 but not limited to, a bunkering operation, to minimize the 564 escape of such pollutants from the containment area. As used in 565 this subsection, the term "adequate booming" means booming with 566 proper containment equipment which is employed and located for 567 the purpose of preventing, for the most likely discharge, as 568 much of the pollutant as possible from escaping out of the 569 containment area. 570 (a) The owner or operator of a terminal facility involved

in the transfer of such pollutant to or from a vessel which is not adequately boomed commits a noncriminal infraction and shall be cited for such infraction. The civil penalty for such an infraction shall be \$2,500, except as otherwise provided in this section.

576 (b) <u>A</u> Any person cited for an infraction under this section 577 may:

578 1. Pay the civil penalty;

579 2. Post bond equal to the amount of the applicable civil 580 penalty; or

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581	3. Sign and accept a citation indicating a promise to
582	appear before the county court.
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584	The <u>department employee</u> officer authorized to issue these
585	citations may indicate on the citation the time and location of
586	the scheduled hearing and shall indicate the applicable civil
587	penalty.
588	(c) <u>A</u> Any person who willfully refuses to post bond or
589	accept and sign a citation commits a misdemeanor of the second
590	degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.
591	(d) After compliance with subparagraph (b)2. or
592	subparagraph (b)3., <u>a</u> any person charged with a noncriminal
593	infraction under this section may:
594	1. Pay the civil penalty, either by mail or in person,
595	within 30 days after the date of receiving the citation; or
596	2. If the person has posted bond, forfeit the bond by not
597	appearing at the designated time and location.
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599	A person cited for an infraction under this section who pays the
600	civil penalty or forfeits the bond has admitted the infraction
601	and waives the right to a hearing on the issue of commission of
602	the infraction. Such admission may not be used as evidence in
603	any other proceedings.
604	(e) <u>A</u> Any person who elects to appear before the county
605	court or who is required to appear waives the limitations of the
606	civil penalty specified in paragraph (a). The issue of whether
607	an infraction has been committed and the severity of the
608	infraction shall be determined by a hearing official at a
609	hearing. If the commission of the infraction is proved by the

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610	greater weight of the evidence, the court shall impose a civil
611	penalty of \$2,500. If the court determines that the owner or
612	operator of the terminal facility failed to deploy any boom
613	equipment during such a transfer, including, but not limited to,
614	a bunkering operation, the civil penalty shall be \$5,000.
615	(f) A person who is found by the hearing official to have
616	committed an infraction may appeal that finding to the circuit
617	court.
618	(g) <u>A</u> Any person who has not posted bond and who fails
619	either to pay the civil penalty specified in paragraph (a)
620	within 30 days after receipt of the citation or to appear before
621	the court commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable
622	as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.
623	Section 17. Subsection (2) of section 376.071, Florida
624	Statutes, is amended to read:
625	376.071 Discharge contingency plan for vessels
626	(2)(a) <u>A</u> Any master of a vessel that which violates
627	subsection (1) commits a noncriminal infraction and shall be
628	cited for such infraction. The civil penalty for such an
629	infraction shall be \$5,000, except as otherwise provided in this
630	subsection.
631	(b) <u>A</u> Any person charged with a noncriminal infraction
632	under this section may:
633	1. Pay the civil penalty;
634	2. Post bond equal to the amount of the applicable civil
635	penalty; or
636	3. Sign and accept a citation indicating a promise to
637	appear before the county court for the county in which the
638	violation occurred or the county closest to the location at

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639	which the violation occurred.
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641	The department employee officer authorized to issue these
642	citations may indicate on the citation the time and location of
643	the scheduled hearing and shall indicate the applicable civil
644	penalty.
645	(c) <u>A</u> Any person who willfully refuses to post bond or
646	accept and sign a citation commits a misdemeanor of the second
647	degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.
648	(d) After complying with the provisions of subparagraph
649	(b)2. or subparagraph (b)3., <u>a</u> any person charged with a
650	noncriminal infraction under this section may:
651	1. Pay the civil penalty, either by mail or in person,
652	within 30 days after the date of receiving the citation; or
653	2. If the person has posted bond, forfeit the bond by not
654	appearing at the designated time and location.
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656	A person cited for an infraction under this section who pays the
657	civil penalty or forfeits the bond has admitted the infraction
658	and waives the right to a hearing on the issue of commission of
659	the infraction. Such admission may not be used as evidence in
660	any other proceedings.
661	(e) <u>A</u> Any person who elects to appear before the county
662	court or who is required to appear waives the limitations of the
663	civil penalty specified in paragraph (a). The court, after a
664	hearing, shall make a determination as to whether an infraction
665	has been committed. If the commission of the infraction is
666	proved, the court shall impose a civil penalty of \$5,000.
667	(f) At a hearing under this subsection, the commission of a

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668	charged infraction must be proved by the greater weight of the
669	evidence.
670	(g) A person who is found by the hearing official to have
671	committed an infraction may appeal that finding to the circuit
672	court.
673	(h) <u>A</u> Any person who has not posted bond and who fails
674	either to pay the civil penalty specified in paragraph (a)
675	within 30 days after receipt of the citation or to appear before
676	the court commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable
677	as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.
678	Section 18. Subsection (4) of section 376.16, Florida
679	Statutes, is amended to read:
680	376.16 Enforcement and penalties
681	(4) <u>A</u> Any person charged with a noncriminal infraction
682	pursuant to subsection (2) or subsection (3) may:
683	(a) Pay the civil penalty;
684	(b) Post a bond equal to the amount of the applicable civil
685	penalty; or
686	(c) Sign and accept a citation indicating a promise to
687	appear before the county court.
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689	The <u>department employee</u> officer authorized to issue these
690	citations may indicate on the citation the time and location of
691	the scheduled hearing and shall indicate the applicable civil
692	penalty.
693	Section 19. Paragraph (q) is added to subsection (4) of
694	section 376.3071, Florida Statutes, to read:
695	376.3071 Inland Protection Trust Fund; creation; purposes;
696	funding

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697	(4) USESWhenever, in its determination, incidents of
698	inland contamination related to the storage of petroleum or
699	petroleum products may pose a threat to the environment or the
700	public health, safety, or welfare, the department shall obligate
701	moneys available in the fund to provide for:
702	(q) Enforcement of this section and ss. 376.30-376.317 by
703	the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. The department
704	shall disburse moneys to the commission for such purpose.
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706	The Inland Protection Trust Fund may only be used to fund the
707	activities in ss. 376.30-376.317 except ss. 376.3078 and
708	376.3079. Amounts on deposit in the Inland Protection Trust Fund
709	in each fiscal year shall first be applied or allocated for the
710	payment of amounts payable by the department pursuant to
711	paragraph (o) under a service contract entered into by the
712	department pursuant to s. 376.3075 and appropriated in each year
713	by the Legislature prior to making or providing for other
714	disbursements from the fund. Nothing in this subsection shall
715	authorize the use of the Inland Protection Trust Fund for
716	cleanup of contamination caused primarily by a discharge of
717	solvents as defined in s. 206.9925(6), or polychlorinated
718	biphenyls when their presence causes them to be hazardous
719	wastes, except solvent contamination which is the result of
720	chemical or physical breakdown of petroleum products and is
721	otherwise eligible. Facilities used primarily for the storage of
722	motor or diesel fuels as defined in ss. 206.01 and 206.86 shall
723	be presumed not to be excluded from eligibility pursuant to this
724	section.
725	Section 20. Section 379.3311, Florida Statutes, is amended

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72.6 to read: 727 379.3311 Police powers of commission and its agents.-728 (1) The Fish and Wildlife Conservation commission, the 729 executive director and the executive director's assistants 730 designated by her or him, and each commission wildlife officer 731 are constituted peace officers with the power to make arrests 732 for violations of the laws of this state when committed in the presence of the officer or when committed on lands under the 733 734 supervision and management of the commission, the department, 735 the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund, or 736 the Department of Agricultural and Consumer Services, including 737 state parks, coastal and aquatic managed areas, and greenways and trails. The general laws applicable to arrests by peace 738

officers of this state shall also be applicable to <u>the</u> said director, assistants, and wildlife officers. Such persons may enter upon any land or waters of the state for performance of their lawful duties and may take with them any necessary equipment, and such entry <u>does</u> shall not constitute a trespass.

744 (2) Such officers may shall have power and authority to 745 enforce throughout the state all laws relating to game, nongame 746 birds, fish, and fur-bearing animals and all rules and 747 regulations of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation commission relating to wild animal life, marine life, and freshwater 748 749 aquatic life, and in connection with the said laws, rules, and 750 regulations, in the enforcement thereof and in the performance 751 of their duties thereunder, to:

(a) Go upon all premises, posted or otherwise;
(b) Execute warrants and search warrants for the violation
of <u>the</u> said laws;

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592-02644-12 20121782c1 755 (c) Serve subpoenas issued for the examination, 756 investigation, and trial of all offenses against the said laws; 757 (d) Carry firearms or other weapons, concealed or 758 otherwise, in the performance of their duties; 759 (e) Arrest upon probable cause without warrant any person 760 found in the act of violating any such of the provisions of said 761 laws or, in pursuit immediately following such violations, to 762 examine any person, boat, conveyance, vehicle, game bag, game 763 coat, or other receptacle for wild animal life, marine life, or 764 freshwater aquatic life, or any camp, tent, cabin, or roster, in 765 the presence of any person stopping at or belonging to such 766 camp, tent, cabin, or roster, when the said officer has reason to believe, and has exhibited her or his authority and stated to 767 768 the suspected person in charge the officer's reason for 769 believing, that any of the aforesaid laws have been violated at 770 such camp; 771 (f) Secure and execute search warrants and in pursuance

thereof to enter any building, enclosure, or car and to break open, when found necessary, any apartment, chest, locker, box, trunk, crate, basket, bag, package, or container and examine the contents thereof;

(g) Seize and take possession of all wild animal life, marine life, or freshwater aquatic life taken or in possession or under control of, or shipped or about to be shipped by, any person at any time in any manner contrary to <u>the</u> said laws.

(3) It is unlawful for <u>a</u> any person to resist an arrest
authorized by this section or in any manner to interfere, either
by abetting, assisting such resistance, or otherwise interfering
with <u>the said</u> executive director, assistants, or wildlife

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     officers while engaged in the performance of the duties imposed
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     upon them by law or regulation of the Fish and Wildlife
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     Conservation commission, the department, the Board of Trustees
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     of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund, or the Department of
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     Agriculture and Consumer Services.
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           (4) Upon final disposition of any alleged offense for which
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     a citation for any violation of this chapter or the rules of the
     commission has been issued, the court shall, within 10 days
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     after the final disposition of the action, certify the
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     disposition to the commission.
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          Section 21. Section 379.3312, Florida Statutes, is amended
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     to read:
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          379.3312 Powers of arrest by agents of Department of
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     Environmental Protection or Fish and Wildlife Conservation
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     commission.-Any certified law enforcement officer of the
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     Department of Environmental Protection or the Fish and Wildlife
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     Conservation commission, upon receiving information, relayed to
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     her or him from any law enforcement officer stationed on the
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     ground, on the water, or in the air, that a driver, operator, or
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     occupant of any vehicle, boat, or airboat has violated any
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     section of chapter 327, chapter 328, or this chapter, or s.
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     597.010 or s. 597.020, may arrest the driver, operator, or
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     occupant for violation of such said laws when reasonable and
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     proper identification of the vehicle, boat, or airboat and
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     reasonable and probable grounds to believe that the driver,
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     operator, or occupant has committed or is committing any such
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     offense have been communicated to the arresting officer by the
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     other officer stationed on the ground, on the water, or in the
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     air.
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592-02644-12 20121782c1 813 Section 22. Subsection (1) of section 379.3313, Florida 814 Statutes, is amended to read: 815 379.3313 Powers of commission law enforcement officers.-(1) Law enforcement officers of the commission are 816 constituted law enforcement officers of this state with full 817 818 power to investigate and arrest for any violation of the laws of 819 this state and the rules of the commission, the department, the 820 Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund, and 821 the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services under their 822 jurisdiction. The general laws applicable to arrests by peace 823 officers of this state shall also be applicable to law 824 enforcement officers of the commission. Such law enforcement 825 officers may enter upon any land or waters of the state for 826 performance of their lawful duties and may take with them any 827 necessary equipment, and such entry will not constitute a 828 trespass. It is lawful for any boat, motor vehicle, or aircraft 829 owned or chartered by the commission or its agents or employees 830 to land on and depart from any of the beaches or waters of the 831 state. Such law enforcement officers have the authority, without 832 warrant, to board, inspect, and search any boat, fishing 833 appliance, storage or processing plant, fishhouse, spongehouse, 834 oysterhouse, or other warehouse, building, or vehicle engaged in 835 transporting or storing any fish or fishery products. Such 836 authority to search and inspect without a search warrant is 837 limited to those cases in which such law enforcement officers 838 have reason to believe that fish or any saltwater products are 839 taken or kept for sale, barter, transportation, or other 840 purposes in violation of laws or rules adopted promulgated under 841 this law. Any Such law enforcement officers officer may at any

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592-02644-12 20121782c1 842 time seize or take possession of any saltwater products or 843 contraband which have been unlawfully caught, taken, or processed or which are unlawfully possessed or transported in 844 845 violation of any of the laws of this state or any rule of the commission. Such law enforcement officers may arrest any person 846 847 in the act of violating any of the provisions of this law, the 848 rules of the commission, or any of the laws of this state. It is 849 hereby declared unlawful for a any person to resist such arrest 850 or in any manner interfere, either by abetting or assisting such 851 resistance or otherwise interfering, with any such law 852 enforcement officer while engaged in the performance of the 853 duties imposed upon him or her by law or rule of the commission. 854 Section 23. Subsections (1) and (2) of section 379.333, 855 Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 856 379.333 Arrest by officers of the Fish and Wildlife 857 Conservation commission; recognizance; cash bond; citation.-858 (1) In all cases of arrest by officers of the Fish and 859 Wildlife Conservation commission and the Department of 860 Environmental Protection, the person arrested shall be delivered 861 forthwith by the said officer to the sheriff of the county, or 862 shall obtain from the such person arrested a recognizance or, if 863 deemed necessary, a cash bond or other sufficient security

864 conditioned for her or his appearance before the proper tribunal 865 of <u>the</u> such county to answer the charge for which the person has 866 been arrested.

867 (2) All officers of the commission <u>shall</u> and the department
868 are hereby directed to deliver all bonds accepted and approved
869 by them to the sheriff of the county in which the offense is
870 alleged to have been committed.

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592-02644-12 20121782c1 871 Section 24. Subsection (1) of section 379.341, Florida 872 Statutes, is amended to read: 873 379.341 Disposition of illegal fishing devices; exercise of 874 police power.-(1) In all cases of arrest and conviction for use of 875 876 illegal nets or traps or fishing devices, as provided in this 877 chapter, the such illegal net, trap, or fishing device is 878 declared to be a nuisance and shall be seized and carried before 879 the court having jurisdiction of the such offense and the said 880 court shall order the such illegal trap, net, or fishing device 881 forfeited to the commission immediately after trial and 882 conviction of the person in whose possession they were found. 883 When any illegal net, trap, or fishing device is found in the 884 fresh waters of the state, and the owner of same is shall not be 885 known to the officer finding the same, the such officer shall 886 immediately procure from the county court judge an order 887 forfeiting the said illegal net, trap, or fishing device to the 888 commission. The commission may destroy the such illegal net, 889 trap, or fishing device, if in its judgment the said net, trap, 890 or fishing device is not of no value in the work of the 891 commission department. 892 Section 25. Subsection (2) of section 403.413, Florida 893 Statutes, is reordered and amended to read: 894 403.413 Florida Litter Law.-895 (2) DEFINITIONS.-As used in this section: 896 (f) (a) "Litter" means any garbage; rubbish; trash; refuse; 897 can; bottle; box; container; paper; tobacco product; tire; 898 appliance; mechanical equipment or part; building or 899 construction material; tool; machinery; wood; motor vehicle or

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900	motor vehicle part; vessel; aircraft; farm machinery or
901	equipment; sludge from a waste treatment facility, water supply
902	treatment plant, or air pollution control facility; or substance
903	in any form resulting from domestic, industrial, commercial,
904	mining, agricultural, or governmental operations.
905	(h) (b) "Person" means any individual, firm, sole
906	proprietorship, partnership, corporation, or unincorporated
907	association.
908	(e) (c) "Law enforcement officer" means any officer of the
909	Florida Highway Patrol, a county sheriff's department, a
910	municipal law enforcement department, a law enforcement
911	department of any other political subdivision, the department,
912	or the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. In addition,
913	and solely for the purposes of this section, "law enforcement
914	officer" means any employee of a county or municipal park or
915	recreation department designated by the department head as a
916	litter enforcement officer.
917	<u>(a)</u> "Aircraft" means a motor vehicle or other vehicle
918	that is used or designed to fly but does not include a parachute
919	or any other device used primarily as safety equipment.
920	(b) (c) "Commercial purpose" means for the purpose of
921	economic gain.
922	(c) (f) "Commercial vehicle" means a vehicle that is owned
923	or used by a business, corporation, association, partnership, or
924	sole proprietorship or any other entity conducting business for
925	a commercial purpose.
926	<u>(d)</u> "Dump" means to dump, throw, discard, place,
927	deposit, or dispose of.

928 (g) (h) "Motor vehicle" means an automobile, motorcycle,

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592-02644-12 20121782c1 929 truck, trailer, semitrailer, truck tractor, or semitrailer 930 combination or any other vehicle that is powered by a motor. 931 (i) "Vessel" means a boat, barge, or airboat or any other 932 vehicle used for transportation on water. 933 Section 26. Paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section 934 784.07, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 935 784.07 Assault or battery of law enforcement officers, 936 firefighters, emergency medical care providers, public transit employees or agents, or other specified officers; 937 reclassification of offenses; minimum sentences.-938 939 (1) As used in this section, the term: 940 (d) "Law enforcement officer" includes a law enforcement 941 officer, a correctional officer, a correctional probation 942 officer, a part-time law enforcement officer, a part-time 943 correctional officer, an auxiliary law enforcement officer, and 944 an auxiliary correctional officer, as those terms are 945 respectively defined in s. 943.10, and any county probation 946 officer; an employee or agent of the Department of Corrections 947 who supervises or provides services to inmates; an officer of the Parole Commission; a federal law enforcement officer as 948 defined in s. 901.1505; and law enforcement personnel of the 949 950 Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, the Department of 951 Environmental Protection, or the Department of Law Enforcement. 952 Section 27. Section 843.08, Florida Statutes, is amended to 953 read: 954 843.08 Falsely personating officer, etc.-A person who 955 falsely assumes or pretends to be a sheriff, officer of the 956 Florida Highway Patrol, officer of the Fish and Wildlife

957 Conservation Commission, officer of the Department of

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592-02644-12 20121782c1 958 Environmental Protection, officer of the Department of 959 Transportation, officer of the Department of Financial Services, 960 officer of the Department of Corrections, correctional probation 961 officer, deputy sheriff, state attorney or assistant state 962 attorney, statewide prosecutor or assistant statewide 963 prosecutor, state attorney investigator, coroner, police 964 officer, lottery special agent or lottery investigator, beverage 965 enforcement agent, or watchman, or any member of the Parole 966 Commission and any administrative aide or supervisor employed by 967 the commission, or any personnel or representative of the 968 Department of Law Enforcement, or a federal law enforcement 969 officer as defined in s. 901.1505, and takes upon himself or 970 herself to act as such, or to require any other person to aid or 971 assist him or her in a matter pertaining to the duty of any such 972 officer, commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as 973 provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084; however, a 974 person who falsely personates any such officer during the course 975 of the commission of a felony commits a felony of the second 976 degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 977 775.084.; except that If the commission of the felony results in the death or personal injury of another human being, the person 978 979 commits a felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. 980

981 Section 28. Section 870.04, Florida Statutes, is amended to 982 read:

983 870.04 Specified officers to disperse riotous assembly.-If 984 any number of persons, whether armed or not, are unlawfully, 985 riotously or tumultuously assembled in any county, city or 986 municipality, the sheriff or the sheriff's deputies, or the

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592-02644-12 20121782c1 987 mayor, or any commissioner, council member, alderman or police 988 officer of the said city or municipality, or any officer or 989 member of the Florida Highway Patrol, or any officer or agent of 990 the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, a Department of 991 Environmental Protection, or beverage enforcement agent, any 992 personnel or representatives of the Department of Law 993 Enforcement or its successor, or any other peace officer, shall 994 go among the persons so assembled, or as near to them as may be 995 done with safety, and shall in the name of the state command all 996 the persons so assembled immediately and peaceably to disperse; 997 and if such persons do not thereupon immediately and peaceably 998 disperse, such said officers shall command the assistance of all 999 such persons in seizing, arresting and securing such persons in 1000 custody.; and If a any person present being so commanded to aid 1001 and assist in seizing and securing such rioter or persons so 1002 unlawfully assembled, or in suppressing a such riot or unlawful 1003 assembly, refuses or neglects to obey such command, or, when 1004 required by the such officers to depart from the place, refuses 1005 and neglects to do so, the person shall be deemed one of the 1006 rioters or persons unlawfully assembled, and may be prosecuted 1007 and punished accordingly.

Section 29. Paragraphs (c) through (n) of subsection (6) of section 932.7055, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as paragraphs (b) through (m), respectively, and present paragraph (b) of that subsection is amended to read:

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932.7055 Disposition of liens and forfeited property.-

1013 (6) If the seizing agency is a state agency, all remaining
1014 proceeds shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
1015 However, if the seizing agency is:

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1016	(b) The Department of Environmental Protection, the
1017	proceeds accrued pursuant to the provisions of the Florida
1018	Contraband Forfeiture Act shall be deposited into the Internal
1019	Improvement Trust Fund.
1020	Section 30. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012.

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