By Senator Montford

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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to the Department of Agriculture and
3	Consumer Services; amending s. 288.1175, F.S.;
4	removing provisions requiring the department to give
5	certain priority consideration when evaluating
6	applications for funding of agriculture education and
7	promotion facilities; amending s. 482.1562, F.S.;
8	clarifying the date by which an application for
9	recertification of a limited certification for urban
10	landscape commercial fertilizer application is
11	required; removing provisions imposing late renewal
12	charges; providing a grace period for such
13	recertification; amending s. 500.03, F.S.; defining
14	terms relating to the Florida Food Safety Act;
15	amending s. 570.07, F.S.; revising powers and duties
16	of the department to include sponsoring events;
17	authorizing the department to secure letters of
18	patent, copyrights, and trademarks on work products
19	and to engage in acts accordingly; amending s. 570.30,
20	F.S.; removing electronic data processing and
21	management information systems support for the
22	department as a power and duty of the Division of
23	Administration; amending s. 570.441, F.S.; authorizing
24	the use of funds in the Pest Control Trust Fund for
25	activities of the Division of Agricultural
26	Environmental Services; amending s. 570.50, F.S.;
27	revising powers and duties of the Division of Food
28	Safety to include analyzing milk, milk products, and
29	frozen desserts offered for sale in the state;

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30	amending s. 570.53, F.S.; revising duties of the
31	Division of Marketing and Development to remove
32	enforcement of provisions relating to dealers in
33	agricultural products; amending s. 570.544, F.S.;
34	revising duties of the director of the Division of
35	Consumer Services to include enforcement of provisions
36	relating to dealers in agricultural products and grain
37	dealers; creating s. 570.68, F.S.; authorizing the
38	Commissioner of Agriculture to create an Office of
39	Agriculture Technology Services; providing duties of
40	the office; amending s. 570.681, F.S.; clarifying
41	legislative findings with regard to the Florida
42	Agriculture Center and Horse Park; amending s.
43	570.685, F.S.; authorizing rather than requiring the
44	department to provide administrative and staff support
45	services, meeting space, and record storage for the
46	Florida Agriculture Center and Horse Park Authority;
47	amending s. 571.24, F.S.; clarifying the intent of the
48	Florida Agricultural Promotional Campaign as a
49	marketing program; removing an obsolete provision
50	relating to the designation of a division employee as
51	a member of the Advertising Interagency Coordinating
52	Council; amending s. 571.27, F.S.; removing obsolete
53	provisions relating to the authority of the department
54	to adopt rules for entering into contracts with
55	advertising agencies for services that are directly
56	related to the Florida Agricultural Promotional
57	Campaign; amending s. 571.28, F.S.; revising
58	provisions specifying membership criteria of the

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59	Florida Agricultural Promotional Campaign Advisory
60	Council; amending s. 581.181, F.S.; providing
61	applicability of provisions requiring treatment or
62	destruction of infested or infected plants and plant
63	products; repealing s. 589.26, F.S., relating to the
64	authority of the Florida Forest Service to dedicate
65	and reserve state park lands for public use; amending
66	s. 595.402, F.S.; defining terms relating to the
67	school food and nutrition service program; amending s.
68	595.404, F.S.; revising duties of the department with
69	regard to the school food and nutrition service
70	program; directing the department to collect and
71	publish data on food purchased by sponsors through the
72	Florida Farm to School Program and other school food
73	and nutrition service programs; amending s. 595.405,
74	F.S.; clarifying requirements for the School Nutrition
75	Program; providing for breakfast meals to be available
76	to all students in schools that serve any combination
77	of grades kindergarten through 5; amending s. 595.406,
78	F.S.; renaming the "Florida Farm Fresh Schools
79	Program" as the "Florida Farm to School Program";
80	authorizing the department to establish by rule a
81	recognition program for certain sponsors; amending s.
82	595.407, F.S.; revising provisions of the children's
83	summer nutrition program to include certain schools
84	that serve any combination of grades kindergarten
85	through 5; revising provisions relating to the
86	duration of the program; authorizing school districts
87	to exclude holidays and weekends; amending s. 595.408,

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88	F.S.; conforming references to changes made by the
89	act; amending s. 595.501, F.S.; requiring entities to
90	complete corrective action plans required by the
91	department or a federal agency to be in compliance
92	with school food and nutrition service programs;
93	amending s. 595.601, F.S.; correcting a cross-
94	reference; amending s. 604.20, F.S.; removing a
95	provision requiring an applicant for license as a
96	dealer in agricultural products to submit a letter
97	acknowledging assignment of a certificate of deposit
98	from the issuing institution; amending s. 604.33,
99	F.S.; removing provisions requiring grain dealers to
100	submit monthly reports; authorizing rather than
101	requiring the department to make at least one spot
102	check annually of each grain dealer; providing an
103	effective date.
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105	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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107	Section 1. Subsection (5) of section 288.1175, Florida
108	Statutes, is amended to read:
109	288.1175 Agriculture education and promotion facility
110	(5) The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
111	shall competitively evaluate applications for funding of an
112	agriculture education and promotion facility based on the
113	following criteria and list the applications alphabetically by
114	applicant name. if the number of applicants exceeds three, the
115	Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services shall rank the
116	applications based upon criteria developed by the Department of
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117	Agriculture and Consumer Services, with priority given in
118	descending order to the following items:
119	(a) The intended use of the funds by the applicant $_{ au}$ with
120	priority given to the construction of a new facility.
121	(b) The amount of local match , with priority given to the
122	largest percentage of local match proposed.
123	(c) The location of the facility in a brownfield site as
124	defined in s. 376.79(3), a rural enterprise zone as defined in
125	s. 290.004, an agriculturally depressed area as defined in s.
126	570.74, or a county that has lost its agricultural land to
127	environmental restoration projects.
128	(d) The net increase, as a result of the facility, of total
129	available exhibition, arena, or civic center space within the
130	jurisdictional limits of the local government in which the
131	facility is to be located , with priority given to the largest
132	percentage increase of total exhibition, arena, or civic center
133	space.
134	(e) The historic record of the applicant in promoting
135	agriculture and educating the public about agriculture,
136	including, without limitation, awards, premiums, scholarships,
137	auctions, and other such activities.
138	(f) The highest projection on paid attendance attracted by
139	the agriculture education and promotion facility and the
140	proposed economic impact on the local community.
141	(g) The location of the facility with respect to an
142	Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS) facility $_{m au}$
143	with priority given to facilities closer in proximity to an IFAS
144	facility.

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Section 2. Subsections (5) and (6) of section 482.1562,

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146	Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
147	482.1562 Limited certification for urban landscape
148	commercial fertilizer application
149	(5) An application for recertification must be made <u>4 years</u>
150	after the date of issuance at least 90 days before the
151	expiration of the current certificate and be accompanied by:
152	(a) Proof of having completed the 4 classroom hours of
153	acceptable continuing education required under subsection (4).
154	(b) A recertification fee set by the department in an
155	amount of at least \$25 but not more than \$75. Until the fee is
156	set by rule, the fee for certification is \$25.
157	(6) A late renewal charge of \$50 per month shall be
158	assessed 30 days after the date the application for
159	recertification is due and must be paid in addition to the
160	renewal fee. Unless timely recertified, a certificate
161	automatically expires 90 days after the recertification date.
162	Upon expiration, or after a grace period which does not exceed
163	30 days after expiration, a certificate may be issued only upon
164	reapplying in accordance with subsection (3).
165	Section 3. Present paragraph (bb) of subsection (1) of
166	section 500.03, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph
167	(cc), and a new paragraph (bb) and paragraphs (dd) and (ee) are
168	added to that subsection, to read:
169	500.03 Definitions; construction; applicability
170	(1) For the purpose of this chapter, the term:
171	(bb) "Retail" means the offering of food directly to the
172	consumer.
173	(dd) "Vehicle" means a mode of transportation or mobile
174	carrier used to transport food from one location to another,
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175	including, but not limited to, carts, vans, trucks, cars, trains
176	and railway transport, and aircraft and watercraft type
177	transport.
178	(ee) "Wholesale" means the offering of food to businesses
179	for resale.
180	Section 4. Paragraph (c) of subsection (20) of section
181	570.07, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsection (44) is
182	added to that section, to read:
183	570.07 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services;
184	functions, powers, and dutiesThe department shall have and
185	exercise the following functions, powers, and duties:
186	(20)
187	(c) To sponsor <u>events,</u> trade breakfasts, luncheons, and
188	dinners and distribute promotional materials and favors in
189	connection with meetings, conferences, and conventions of
190	dealers, buyers, food editors, and merchandising executives that
191	will assist in the promotion and marketing of Florida's
192	agricultural and agricultural business products to the consuming
193	public.
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195	The department is authorized to receive and expend donations
196	contributed by private persons for the purpose of covering costs
197	associated with the above described activities.
198	(44) The department may, in its own name:
199	(a) Perform all things necessary to secure letters of
200	patent, copyrights, and trademarks on any work products of the
201	department and enforce its rights therein.
202	(b) License, lease, assign, or otherwise give written
203	consent to any person, firm, or corporation for the manufacture

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204	or use of such department work products on a royalty basis or
205	for such other consideration as the department shall deem
206	proper.
207	(c) Take any action necessary, including legal action, to
208	protect such department work products against improper or
209	unlawful use or infringement.
210	(d) Enforce the collection of any sums due to the
211	department for the manufacture or use of such department work
212	products by another party.
213	(e) Sell any of such department work products and execute
214	all instruments necessary to consummate any such sale.
215	(f) Do all other acts necessary and proper for the
216	execution of powers and duties conferred upon the department by
217	this section, including adopting rules, as necessary, in order
218	to administer this section.
219	Section 5. Subsection (5) of section 570.30, Florida
220	Statutes, is amended, to read:
221	570.30 Division of Administration; powers and duties.—The
222	Division of Administration shall render services required by the
223	department and its other divisions, or by the commissioner in
224	the exercise of constitutional and cabinet responsibilities,
225	that can advantageously and effectively be centralized and
226	administered and any other function of the department that is
227	not specifically assigned by law to some other division. The
228	duties of this division include, but are not limited to:
229	(5) Providing electronic data processing and management
230	information systems support for the department.
231	Section 6. Subsection (4) is added to section 570.441,
232	Florida Statutes, to read:
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233	570.441 Pest Control Trust Fund
234	(4) In addition to the uses authorized under subsection
235	(2), moneys collected or received by the department under
236	chapter 482 may be used to carry out the provisions of s.
237	570.44. This subsection expires June 30, 2018.
238	Section 7. Subsection (5) of section 570.50, Florida
239	Statutes, is amended to read:
240	570.50 Division of Food Safety; powers and dutiesThe
241	duties of the Division of Food Safety include, but are not
242	limited to:
243	(5) Analyzing food and feed samples offered for sale in the
244	state for chemical residues as required under the adulteration
245	sections of chapters 500 <u>, 502,</u> and 580.
246	Section 8. Subsection (2) of section 570.53, Florida
247	Statutes, is amended to read:
248	570.53 Division of Marketing and Development; powers and
249	duties.—The powers and duties of the Division of Marketing and
250	Development include, but are not limited to:
251	(2) Enforcing the provisions of ss. 604.15-604.34, the
252	dealers in agricultural products law, and ss. 534.47-534.53.
253	Section 9. Subsection (2) of section 570.544, Florida
254	Statutes, is amended to read:
255	570.544 Division of Consumer Services; director; powers;
256	processing of complaints; records
257	(2) The director shall supervise, direct, and coordinate
258	the activities of the division and shall, under the direction of
259	the department, enforce the provisions of <u>ss. 604.15-604.34 and</u>
260	chapters 472, 496, 501, 507, 525, 526, 527, 531, 539, 559, 616,
261	and 849.

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262	Section 10. Section 570.68, Florida Statutes, is created to
263	read:
264	570.68 Office of Agriculture Technology ServicesThe
265	commissioner may create an Office of Agriculture Technology
266	Services under the supervision of a senior manager exempt under
267	s. 110.205 in the Senior Management Service. The office shall
268	provide electronic data processing and agency information
269	technology services to support and facilitate the functions,
270	powers, and duties of the department.
271	Section 11. Section 570.681, Florida Statutes, is amended
272	to read:
273	570.681 Florida Agriculture Center and Horse Park;
274	legislative findings.—It is the finding of the Legislature that:
275	(1) Agriculture is an important industry to the State of
276	Florida, producing over \$6 billion per year while supporting
277	over 230,000 jobs.
278	<u>(1)</u> Equine and other agriculture-related industries will
279	strengthen and benefit each other with the establishment of a
280	statewide agriculture and horse facility.
281	<u>(2)</u> The A Florida Agriculture Center and Horse Park
282	<u>provides</u> will provide Florida with a unique tourist experience
283	for visitors and residents, thus generating taxes and additional
284	dollars for the state.
285	<u>(3)</u> (4) Promoting the Florida Agriculture Center and Horse
286	Park as a joint effort between the state and the private sector
287	<u>allows</u> will allow this facility to utilize experts and generate
288	revenue from many areas to ensure the success of this facility.
289	Section 12. Paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (4) of
290	section 570.685, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
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          570.685 Florida Agriculture Center and Horse Park
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     Authority.-
          (4) The authority shall meet at least semiannually and
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     elect a chair, a vice chair, and a secretary for 1-year terms.
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           (b) The department may provide shall be responsible for
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     providing administrative and staff support services relating to
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     the meetings of the authority and may shall provide suitable
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     space in the offices of the department for the meetings and the
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     storage of records of the authority.
           (c) In conducting its meetings, the authority shall use
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     accepted rules of procedure. The secretary shall keep a complete
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     record of the proceedings of each meeting, which shows record
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     shall show the names of the members present and the actions
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     taken. These records shall be kept on file with the department,
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     and such records and other documents regarding matters within
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     the jurisdiction of the authority shall be subject to inspection
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     by members of the authority.
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          Section 13. Section 571.24, Florida Statutes, is amended to
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     read:
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          571.24 Purpose; duties of the department.-The purpose of
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     this part is to authorize the department to establish and
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     coordinate the Florida Agricultural Promotional Campaign, which
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     is intended to serve as a marketing program to promote Florida
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     agricultural commodities, value-added products, and agricultural
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     related businesses and not a food safety or traceability
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316 <u>program</u>. The duties of the department shall include, but are not 317 limited to:

318 (1) Developing logos and authorizing the use of logos as 319 provided by rule.

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320	(2) Registering participants.
321	(3) Assessing and collecting fees.
322	(4) Collecting rental receipts for industry promotions.
323	(5) Developing in-kind advertising programs.
324	(6) Contracting with media representatives for the purpose
325	of dispersing promotional materials.
326	(7) Assisting the representative of the department who
327	serves on the Florida Agricultural Promotional Campaign Advisory
328	Council.
329	(8) Designating a division employee to be a member of the
330	Advertising Interagency Coordinating Council.
331	<u>(8)</u> Adopting rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54
332	to implement the provisions of this part.
333	<u>(9)</u> Enforcing and administering the provisions of this
334	part, including measures ensuring that only Florida agricultural
335	or agricultural based products are marketed under the "Fresh
336	From Florida" or "From Florida" logos or other logos of the
337	Florida Agricultural Promotional Campaign.
338	Section 14. Section 571.27, Florida Statutes, is amended to
339	read:
340	571.27 RulesThe department is authorized to adopt rules
341	that implement, make specific, and interpret the provisions of
342	this part, including rules for entering into contracts with
343	advertising agencies for services which are directly related to
344	the Florida Agricultural Promotional Campaign. Such rules shall
345	establish the procedures for negotiating costs with the offerors
346	of such advertising services who have been determined by the
347	department to be qualified on the basis of technical merit,
348	creative ability, and professional competency. Such
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3-00902A-15 20151050 349 determination of qualifications shall also include consideration 350 of the provisions in s. 287.055(3), (4), and (5). The department 351 is further authorized to determine, by rule, the logos or 352 product identifiers to be depicted for use in advertising, 353 publicizing, and promoting the sale of Florida agricultural 354 products or agricultural-based products in the Florida 355 Agricultural Promotional Campaign. The department may also adopt 356 rules consistent not inconsistent with the provisions of this 357 part as in its judgment may be necessary for participant 358 registration, renewal of registration, classes of membership, 359 application forms, and as well as other forms and enforcement 360 measures ensuring compliance with this part. 361 Section 15. Subsection (1) of section 571.28, Florida 362 Statutes, is amended to read: 363 571.28 Florida Agricultural Promotional Campaign Advisory 364 Council.-365 (1) ORGANIZATION.-There is hereby created within the 366 department the Florida Agricultural Promotional Campaign 367 Advisory Council, to consist of 15 members appointed by the 368 Commissioner of Agriculture for 4-year staggered terms. The 369 membership shall include: 13 six members representing 370 agricultural producers, shippers, or packers, three members 371 representing agricultural retailers, two members representing 372 agricultural associations, and wholesalers one member 373 representing a wholesaler of agricultural products, one member 374 representing consumers, and one member representing the 375 department. Initial appointment of the council members shall be 376 four members to a term of 4 years, four members to a term of 3 years, four members to a term of 2 years, and three members to a 377

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378	term of 1 year.
379	Section 16. Subsection (3) is added to section 581.181,
380	Florida Statutes, to read:
381	581.181 Notice of infection of plants; destruction
382	(3) This section does not apply to plants or plant products
383	infested with pests or noxious weeds that are determined to be
384	widely established within the state and are not specifically
385	regulated under other sections of statutes or rules adopted by
386	the department.
387	Section 17. Section 589.26, Florida Statutes, is repealed.
388	Section 18. Present subsections (4) and (5) of section
389	595.402, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (5) and
390	(6), respectively, and a new subsection (4) and subsections (7)
391	and (8) are added to that section, to read:
392	595.402 Definitions.—As used in this chapter, the term:
393	(4) "School breakfast program" means a program authorized
394	by section 4 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 and administered
395	by the department.
396	(7) "Summer nutrition program" means one or more of the
397	programs authorized under 42 U.S.C. s. 1761.
398	(8) "Universal school breakfast program" means a program
399	that makes breakfast available at no cost to all students
400	regardless of their household income.
401	Section 19. Subsections (5) and (12) of section 595.404,
402	Florida Statutes, are amended, and subsection (13) is added to
403	that section, to read:
404	595.404 School food and nutrition service program; powers
405	and duties of the departmentThe department has the following
406	powers and duties:
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407	(5) To provide make a reasonable effort to ensure that any
408	school designated as a "severe need school" receives the highest
409	rate of reimbursement to which it is entitled under 42 U.S.C. s.
410	1773 for each breakfast meal served.
411	(12) To advance funds from the program's annual
412	appropriation to <u>a summer nutrition program</u> sponsor s , when
413	requested, in order to implement the provisions of this chapter
414	and in accordance with federal regulations.
415	(13) To collect data on food purchased through the programs
416	defined in ss. 595.402(3) and 595.406 and to publish that data
417	annually.
418	Section 20. Section 595.405, Florida Statutes, is amended
419	to read:
420	595.405 <u>School Nutrition</u> Program requirements for school
421	districts and sponsors
422	(1) Each school district <u>school board</u> shall consider the
423	recommendations of the district school superintendent and adopt
424	policies to provide for an appropriate food and nutrition
425	service program for students consistent with federal law and
426	department rules.
427	(2) Each school district <u>school board</u> shall implement
428	school breakfast programs that make breakfast meals available to
429	all students in each elementary school <u>that serves any</u>
430	combination of grades kindergarten through 5. Universal school
431	breakfast programs shall be offered in schools in which 80
432	percent or more of the students are eligible for free or
433	reduced-price meals. Each school shall, to the maximum extent
434	practicable, make breakfast meals available to students at an
435	alternative site location, which may include, but need not be
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441 prices for breakfast meals at rates that, combined with federal 442 reimbursements and state allocations, are sufficient to defray 443 costs of school breakfast programs without requiring allocations 444 from the district's operating funds, except if the district 445 school board approves lower rates.

446 (4) Each school district is encouraged to provide 447 universal, free school breakfast meals to all students in each elementary, middle, and high school. Each school district shall 448 approve or disapprove a policy, after receiving public testimony 449 450 concerning the proposed policy at two or more regular meetings, 451 which makes universal, free school breakfast meals available to 452 all students in each elementary, middle, and high school in 453 which 80 percent or more of the students are eligible for free 454 or reduced-price meals.

455 <u>(4) (5)</u> Each elementary, middle, and high school operating a 456 <u>breakfast program</u> shall make a breakfast meal available if a 457 student arrives at school on the <u>school</u> bus less than 15 minutes 458 before the first bell rings and shall allow the student at least 459 15 minutes to eat the breakfast.

460 (5) Each school district is encouraged to provide
461 universal, free school breakfast meals to all students in each
462 elementary, middle, and high school. A universal school
463 breakfast program shall be implemented in each school in which
464 80 percent or more of the students are eligible for free or

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465	reduced-price meals, unless the district school board, after
466	considering public testimony at two or more regularly scheduled
467	board meetings, decides to not implement such a program in such
468	schools.
469	(6) To increase school breakfast and universal school
470	breakfast program participation, each school district must, to
471	the maximum extent practicable, make breakfast meals available
472	to students through alternative service models as described in
473	publications of the Food and Nutrition Service of the United
474	States Department of Agriculture for the federal School
475	Breakfast Program.
476	<u>(7)(6) Each school district <u>school board</u> shall annually</u>
477	provide to all students in each elementary, middle, and high
478	school information prepared by the district's food service
479	administration regarding <u>available</u> its school breakfast
480	programs. The information shall be communicated through school
481	announcements and written notices sent to all parents.
482	<u>(8)</u> (7) A school district <u>school board</u> may operate a
483	breakfast program providing for food preparation at the school
484	site or in central locations with distribution to designated
485	satellite schools or any combination thereof.
486	(8) Each sponsor shall complete all corrective action plans
487	required by the department or a federal agency to be in
488	compliance with the program.
489	Section 21. Section 595.406, Florida Statutes, is amended
490	to read:
491	595.406 Florida Farm <u>to School</u> Fresh Schools Program.—
492	(1) In order to implement the Florida Farm <u>to School</u> Fresh
493	Schools Program, the department shall develop policies
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494	pertaining to school food services which encourage:
495	(a) Sponsors to buy fresh and high-quality foods grown in
496	this state when feasible.
497	(b) Farmers in this state to sell their products to
498	sponsors, school districts, and schools.
499	(c) Sponsors to demonstrate a preference for competitively
500	priced organic food products.
501	(d) Sponsors to make reasonable efforts to select foods
502	based on a preference for those that have maximum nutritional
503	content.
504	(2) The department shall provide outreach, guidance, and
505	training to sponsors, schools, school food service directors,
506	parent and teacher organizations, and students about the benefit
507	of fresh food products from farms in this state.
508	(3) The department may recognize sponsors who purchase at
509	least 10 percent of the food they serve from the Florida Farm to
510	School Program.
511	Section 22. Subsection (2) of section 595.407, Florida
512	Statutes, is amended to read:
513	595.407 Children's summer nutrition program
514	(2) Each school district shall develop a plan to sponsor $\underline{\mathrm{or}}$
515	<u>operate</u> a summer nutrition program to operate sites in the
516	school district as follows:
517	(a) Within 5 miles of at least one elementary school <u>that</u>
518	serves any combination of grades kindergarten through 5 at which
519	50 percent or more of the students are eligible for free or
520	reduced-price school meals and for the duration of 35
521	consecutive days between the end of the school year and the
522	beginning of the next school year. School districts may exclude

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523	holidays and weekends.
524	(b) Within 10 miles of each elementary school <u>that serves</u>
525	any combination of grades kindergarten through 5 at which 50
526	percent or more of the students are eligible for free or
527	reduced-price school meals, except as operated pursuant to
528	paragraph (a).
529	Section 23. Section 595.408, Florida Statutes, is amended
530	to read:
531	595.408 Food Commodity distribution services; department
532	responsibilities and functions
533	(1)(a) The department shall conduct, supervise, and
534	administer all <u>food</u> $rac{commodity}{commodity}$ distribution services that will be
535	carried on using federal or state funds, or funds from any other
536	source, or <u>food</u> commodities received and distributed from the
537	United States or any of its agencies.
538	(b) The department shall determine the benefits each
539	applicant or recipient of assistance is entitled to receive
540	under this chapter, provided that each applicant or recipient is
541	a resident of this state and a citizen of the United States or
542	is an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence or
543	otherwise permanently residing in the United States under color
544	of law.
545	(2) The department shall cooperate fully with the United
546	States Government and its agencies and instrumentalities so that
547	the department may receive the benefit of all federal financial
548	allotments and assistance possible to carry out the purposes of
549	this chapter.
550	(3) The department may:
551	(a) Accept any duties with respect to <u>food</u> commodity

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     distribution services as are delegated to it by an agency of the
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     federal government or any state, county, or municipal
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     government.
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           (b) Act as agent of, or contract with, the federal
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     government, state government, or any county or municipal
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     government in the administration of food commodity distribution
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     services to secure the benefits of any public assistance that is
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     available from the federal government or any of its agencies,
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     and in the distribution of funds received from the federal
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     government, state government, or any county or municipal
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     government for food commodity distribution services within the
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     state.
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          (c) Accept from any person or organization all offers of
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     personal services, food commodities, or other aid or assistance.
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           (4) This chapter does not limit, abrogate, or abridge the
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     powers and duties of any other state agency.
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          Section 24. Section 595.501, Florida Statutes, is amended
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     to read:
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          595.501 Penalties.-
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          (1) When a corrective action plan is issued by the
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     department or a federal agency, each sponsor is required to
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     complete the corrective action plan to be in compliance with the
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     program.
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          (2) Any person or, sponsor, or school district that
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     violates any provision of this chapter or any rule adopted
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     thereunder or otherwise does not comply with the program is
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     subject to a suspension or revocation of their agreement, loss
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     of reimbursement, or a financial penalty in accordance with
     federal or state law or both. This section does not restrict the
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20151050 3-00902A-15 581 applicability of any other law. 582 Section 25. Section 595.601, Florida Statutes, is amended 583 to read: 584 595.601 Food and Nutrition Services Trust Fund.-Chapter 99-585 37, Laws of Florida, recreated the Food and Nutrition Services 586 Trust Fund to record revenue and disbursements of Federal Food 587 and Nutrition funds received by the department as authorized in 588 s. 595.404 595.405. 589 Section 26. Subsection (1) of section 604.20, Florida 590 Statutes, is amended to read: 591 604.20 Bond or certificate of deposit prerequisite; amount; 592 form.-593 (1) Before any license is issued, the applicant therefor 594 shall make and deliver to the department a surety bond or 595 certificate of deposit in the amount of at least \$5,000 or in such greater amount as the department may determine. No bond or 596 597 certificate of deposit may be in an amount less than \$5,000. The 598 penal sum of the bond or certificate of deposit to be furnished 599 to the department by an applicant for license as a dealer in 600 agricultural products shall be in an amount equal to twice the 601 dollar amount of agricultural products handled for a Florida 602 producer or a producer's agent or representative, by purchase or 603 otherwise, during the month of maximum transaction in such 604 products during the preceding 12-month period. An applicant for 605 license who has not handled agricultural products for a Florida 606 producer or a producer's agent or representative, by purchase or 607 otherwise, during the preceding 12-month period shall furnish a 608 bond or certificate of deposit in an amount equal to twice the 609 estimated dollar amount of such agricultural products to be

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3-00902A-15 20151050 610 handled, by purchase or otherwise, during the month of maximum 611 transaction during the next immediate 12 months. Such bond or certificate of deposit shall be provided or assigned in the 612 613 exact name in which the dealer will conduct business subject to 614 the provisions of ss. 604.15-604.34. Such bond must be executed 615 by a surety company authorized to transact business in the 616 state. For the purposes of ss. 604.19-604.21, the term 617 "certificate of deposit" means a certificate of deposit at any recognized financial institution doing business in the United 618 619 States. A No certificate of deposit may not be accepted in 620 connection with an application for a dealer's license unless the 621 issuing institution is properly insured by either the Federal 622 Deposit Insurance Corporation or the Federal Savings and Loan 623 Insurance Corporation. Such bond or any certificate of deposit 624 assignment or agreement shall be upon a form prescribed or 625 approved by the department and shall be conditioned to secure 626 the faithful accounting for and payment, in the manner 627 prescribed by s. 604.21(9), to producers or their agents or 628 representatives of the proceeds of all agricultural products 629 handled or purchased by such dealer and to secure payment to 630 dealers who sell agricultural products to such dealer. Such bond 631 or certificate of deposit assignment or agreement shall include 632 terms binding the instrument to the Commissioner of Agriculture. 633 A certificate of deposit shall be presented with an assignment 634 of applicant's rights in the certificate in favor of the 635 Commissioner of Agriculture on a form prescribed by the 636 department and with a letter from the issuing institution 637 acknowledging that the assignment has been properly recorded on the books of the issuing institution and will be honored by the 638

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3-00902A-15 20151050 639 issuing institution. Such assignment shall be irrevocable while 640 the dealer's license is in effect and for an additional period 641 of 6 months after the termination or expiration of the dealer's 642 license, if a provided no complaint is not pending against the licensee. If a complaint is pending, the assignment shall remain 643 644 in effect until all actions on the complaint have been 645 finalized. The certificate of deposit may be released by the 646 assignee of the financial institution to the licensee or the licensee's successors, assignee, or heirs if no claims are not 647 648 pending against the licensee before the department at the 649 conclusion of 6 months after the last effective date of the license. A No certificate of deposit which shall be accepted 650 651 that contains any provision that would give the issuing 652 institution any prior rights or claim on the proceeds or 653 principal of such certificate of deposit may not be accepted. 654 The department shall determine by rule the maximum amount of 655 bond or certificate of deposit required of a dealer and whether 656 an annual bond or certificate of deposit will be required.

657 Section 27. Section 604.33, Florida Statutes, is amended to 658 read:

659 604.33 Security requirements for grain dealers.-Each grain 660 dealer doing business in the state shall maintain liquid 661 security, in the form of grain on hand, cash, certificates of 662 deposit, or other nonvolatile security that can be liquidated in 10 days or less, or cash bonds, surety bonds, or letters of 663 664 credit, that have been assigned to the department and that are 665 conditioned to secure the faithful accounting for and payment to 666 the producers for grain stored or purchased, in an amount equal 667 to the value of grain which the grain dealer has received from

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668	grain producers for which the producers have not received
669	payment. The bonds must be executed by the applicant as
670	principal and by a surety corporation authorized to transact
671	business in the state. The certificates of deposit and letters
672	of credit must be from a recognized financial institution doing
673	business in the United States. Each grain dealer shall report to
674	the department monthly, on or before a date established by rule
675	of the department, the value of grain she or he has received
676	from producers for which the producers have not received payment
677	and the types of transaction involved, showing the value of each
678	type of transaction. The report shall also include a statement
679	showing the type and amount of security maintained to cover the
680	grain dealer's liability to producers. The department may shall
681	make at least one spot check annually of each grain dealer to
682	determine compliance with the requirements of this section.
683	Section 28. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.

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