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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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04/16/2015	.	
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The Committee on Appropriations (Richter) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 596 and 597

insert:

Section 19. Section 570.695, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

570.695 Florida veteran identification card.-

(1) Beginning January 1, 2016, the department may issue Florida veteran identification cards. Each card must bear a color photograph of the cardholder for verification purposes.



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- 11 (2) The department shall issue a Florida veteran
12 identification card to any applicant who:
- 13 (a) Is a veteran as defined in s. 1.01(14);
 - 14 (b) Resides in this state;
 - 15 (c) Submits a completed application provided by the
16 department with accompanying documents; and
 - 17 (d) Pays the application fee.
- 18 (3) The information to be included on the application is
19 limited to the following:
- 20 (a) Full name, including first, middle or maiden, and last
21 names;
 - 22 (b) Mailing address;
 - 23 (c) Branch of service;
 - 24 (d) Optional contact telephone number or e-mail address;
25 and
 - 26 (e) Florida residency statement.
- 27 (4) The applicant shall submit the following documents to
28 the department:
- 29 (a) A completed application signed and verified by the
30 applicant under oath as provided in s. 92.525(2);
 - 31 (b) A copy of the applicant's DD Form 214, DD Form 256, or
32 WD AGO Form, issued by the United States Department of Defense,
33 which displays the applicant's discharge status. Alternatively,
34 the applicant may provide a copy of his or her valid Florida
35 driver license bearing a capital "V" or "Veteran" designation;
36 and
 - 37 (c) A fullface color photograph of the applicant taken
38 within the preceding 90 days in which the head, including hair,
39 measures 7/8 inches wide and 1-1/8 inches high.



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40 (5) The applicant shall submit a fee of \$15 to cover the
41 cost of issuing the identification card, with any balance
42 distributed to Friends of Florida State Forests, Inc., for the
43 sole purpose of supporting the Operation Outdoor Freedom
44 Program.

45 (6) Upon receipt of the fee and the documents listed in
46 subsection (4), the department shall:

47 (a) Issue the Florida veteran identification card; or

48 (b) Return the application as incomplete and allow the
49 applicant to resubmit it. The application fee shall be refunded
50 to an applicant who requests a refund based on the inability to
51 submit a completed application. The department's determination
52 that an application is incomplete is exempt from chapter 120.

53 (7) A Florida veteran identification card does not expire.
54 If the card is lost, a replacement card shall be issued if the
55 applicant meets the requirements of this section.

56 (8) All moneys collected pursuant to this section shall be
57 deposited into the Division of Licensing Trust Fund.

58 Notwithstanding s. 493.6117, moneys collected pursuant to this
59 section shall not revert to the General Revenue Fund. However,
60 this does not abrogate the requirement for payment of the
61 service charge imposed pursuant to chapter 215.

62 Section 20. For the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the sums of
63 \$114,018 in recurring funds and \$140,282 in nonrecurring funds
64 are appropriated from the Division of Licensing Trust Fund to
65 the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and one
66 full-time equivalent position with associated salary rate of
67 31,109 is authorized, to implement s. 570.695, Florida Statutes,
68 as created by this act.



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And the title is amended as follows:

Delete line 83

and insert:

by such a veteran or spouse; creating s. 570.695,
F.S.; authorizing the department to issue Florida
veteran identification cards; providing eligibility,
application, and fee requirements; requiring that fee
proceeds be deposited into the Division of Licensing
Trust Fund; providing an appropriation and authorizing
a position; amending s. 616.242,