



1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Department of Agriculture and
3 Consumer Services; amending s. 472.015, F.S.; waiving
4 the initial land surveying and mapping license fee for
5 certain veterans of the United States Armed Forces,
6 the spouses of such veterans, or a business entity
7 that has a majority ownership held by such a veteran
8 or spouse; amending s. 493.6105, F.S.; requiring that
9 the initial license application for private
10 investigative, private security, and repossession
11 services include payment of fingerprint processing and
12 fingerprint retention fees; amending s. 493.6106,
13 F.S.; deleting a requirement for additional
14 documentation establishing state residency for private
15 investigative, private security, and repossession
16 service licenses; amending s. 493.6108, F.S.;
17 directing the Department of Law Enforcement to retain
18 fingerprints submitted for private investigative,
19 private security, and repossession service licenses,
20 to enter such fingerprints into the statewide
21 automated biometric identification system and the
22 national retained print arrest notification program,
23 and to report any arrest record information to the
24 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services;
25 directing the Department of Agriculture and Consumer
26 Services to provide information about an arrest within



27 | the state to the agency that employs the licensee;
28 | amending s. 493.6113, F.S.; requiring a person holding
29 | a private investigative, private security, or
30 | repossession service license issued before a certain
31 | date to submit upon first renewal of the license a
32 | full set of fingerprints and a fingerprint processing
33 | fee to cover the cost of entering the fingerprints in
34 | the statewide automated biometric identification
35 | system; amending ss. 493.6115 and 493.6118, F.S.;
36 | conforming cross-references; amending s. 501.015,
37 | F.S.; waiving the initial health studio registration
38 | fee for certain veterans of the United States Armed
39 | Forces, the spouses of such veterans, or a business
40 | entity that has a majority ownership held by such a
41 | veteran or spouse; amending s. 501.605, F.S.;
42 | prohibiting the use of a mail drop as a street address
43 | for the principal location of a commercial telephone
44 | seller; amending s. 501.607, F.S.; waiving the initial
45 | commercial telephone seller license fee for certain
46 | veterans of the United States Armed Forces, the
47 | spouses of such veterans, or a business entity that
48 | has a majority ownership held by such a veteran or
49 | spouse; amending s. 507.03, F.S.; waiving the initial
50 | registration fee for an intrastate movers license for
51 | certain veterans of the United States Armed Forces,
52 | the spouses of such veterans, or a business entity



53 | that has a majority ownership held by such a veteran
54 | or spouse; amending s. 527.02, F.S.; waiving the
55 | original liquefied petroleum gas dealer license fee
56 | for certain veterans of the United States Armed
57 | Forces, the spouses of such veterans, or a business
58 | entity that has a majority ownership held by such a
59 | veteran or spouse; amending s. 539.001, F.S.; waiving
60 | the initial pawnbroker license fee for certain
61 | veterans of the United States Armed Forces, the
62 | spouses of such veterans, or a business entity that
63 | has a majority ownership held by such a veteran or
64 | spouse; amending s. 559.904, F.S.; waiving the initial
65 | motor vehicle repair shop registration fee for certain
66 | veterans of the United States Armed Forces, the
67 | spouses of such veterans, or a business entity that
68 | has a majority ownership held by such a veteran or
69 | spouse; amending s. 559.928, F.S.; waiving the initial
70 | seller of travel registration fee for certain veterans
71 | of the United States Armed Forces, the spouses of such
72 | veterans, or a business entity that has a majority
73 | ownership held by such a veteran or spouse; creating
74 | s. 570.695, F.S.; authorizing the department to issue
75 | Florida veteran identification cards; providing
76 | eligibility, application, and fee requirements;
77 | requiring that fee proceeds be deposited into the
78 | Division of Licensing Trust Fund; providing an



79 appropriation and authorizing a position; amending s.
80 616.242, F.S.; deleting an obsolete provision allowing
81 fair owners to post a bond rather than carry a
82 certificate of insurance; exempting water-related
83 amusement rides operated by lodging and food service
84 establishments and membership campgrounds, amusement
85 rides at private, membership-only facilities, and
86 nonprofit permanent facilities from certain safety
87 standards; authorizing owners or managers of amusement
88 rides to use alternate forms to record employee
89 training and ride inspections; amending s. 790.06,
90 F.S.; requiring firearm course instructors to maintain
91 records attesting to the use of live fire with
92 specified firearms and ammunition by students in his
93 or her physical presence; revising the initial and
94 renewal fees for a concealed weapon or firearm
95 license; authorizing notice of the suspension or
96 revocation of a concealed weapon or firearm license or
97 the suspension of the processing of an application for
98 such license to be given by first-class mail or e-mail
99 if personal delivery or delivery by certified mail is
100 ineffective; requiring concealed weapon or firearm
101 license renewals to include an affidavit submitted
102 under oath and under penalty of perjury; amending s.
103 790.0625, F.S.; authorizing certain tax collector
104 offices, upon approval and confirmation of license



105 issuance by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer
106 Services, to print and deliver concealed weapon or
107 firearm licenses; amending s. 790.15, F.S.;
108 prohibiting the recreational discharge of a firearm in
109 certain residential areas; providing criminal
110 penalties; providing exceptions; creating s. 849.095,
111 F.S.; providing an effective date.

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

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115 Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 472.015, Florida
116 Statutes, is amended to read:

117 472.015 Licensure.—

118 (3) (a) Before the issuance of any license, the department
119 may charge an initial license fee as determined by rule of the
120 board. Upon receipt of the appropriate license fee, except as
121 provided in subsection (6), the department shall issue a license
122 to any person certified by the board, or its designee, as having
123 met the applicable requirements imposed by law or rule. However,
124 an applicant who is not otherwise qualified for licensure is not
125 entitled to licensure solely based on a passing score on a
126 required examination.

127 (b) The department shall waive the initial license fee for
128 an honorably discharged veteran of the United States Armed
129 Forces, the spouse of such a veteran, or a business entity that
130 has a majority ownership held by such a veteran or spouse if the



131 department receives an application, in a format prescribed by
132 the department, within 60 months after the date of the veteran's
133 discharge from any branch of the United States Armed Forces. To
134 qualify for the waiver, a veteran must provide to the department
135 a copy of his or her DD Form 214 or NGB Form 22; the spouse of a
136 veteran must provide to the department a copy of the veteran's
137 DD Form 214 or NGB Form 22 and a copy of a valid marriage
138 license or certificate verifying that he or she was lawfully
139 married to the veteran at the time of discharge; or a business
140 entity must provide to the department proof that a veteran or
141 the spouse of a veteran holds a majority ownership in the
142 business, a copy of the veteran's DD Form 214 or NGB Form 22,
143 and, if applicable, a copy of a valid marriage license or
144 certificate verifying that the spouse of the veteran was
145 lawfully married to the veteran at the time of discharge.

146 Section 2. Paragraph (j) of subsection (3) of section
147 493.6105, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

148 493.6105 Initial application for license.—

149 (3) The application must contain the following information
150 concerning the individual signing the application:

151 (j) A full set of fingerprints, a fingerprint processing
152 fee, and a fingerprint retention fee to cover the cost of
153 retaining the fingerprints in the statewide automated biometric
154 identification system pursuant to s. 493.6108(2)(a) and the cost
155 of enrolling the fingerprints in the national retained print
156 arrest notification program when the program is operational and



157 | the Department of Law Enforcement begins participation. The
158 | fingerprint processing and retention fees shall ~~to~~ be
159 | established by rule of the department based upon costs
160 | determined by state and federal agency charges and department
161 | processing costs. An applicant who has, ~~within the immediately~~
162 | ~~preceding 6 months,~~ submitted such fingerprints and fees ~~fee~~ for
163 | licensing purposes under this chapter and who still holds a
164 | valid license is not required to submit another set of
165 | fingerprints or another fingerprint processing fee. An applicant
166 | who holds multiple licenses issued under this chapter is
167 | required to pay only a single fingerprint retention fee.

168 | Section 3. Paragraph (f) of subsection (1) of section
169 | 493.6106, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

170 | 493.6106 License requirements; posting.—

171 | (1) Each individual licensed by the department must:

172 | (f) Be a citizen or permanent legal resident alien of the
173 | United States or have appropriate authorization issued by the
174 | United States Citizenship and Immigration Services of the United
175 | States Department of Homeland Security.

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



183 and Immigration Services.

184 2. An applicant for a Class "G" or Class "K" license who
185 is not a United States citizen must submit proof that she or he
186 is deemed a permanent legal resident alien by the United States
187 Citizenship and Immigration Services, ~~together with additional~~
188 ~~documentation establishing that she or he has resided in the~~
189 ~~state of residence shown on the application for at least 90~~
190 ~~consecutive days before the date that the application is~~
191 ~~submitted.~~

192 3. An applicant for an agency or school license who is not
193 a United States citizen or permanent legal resident alien must
194 submit documentation issued by the United States Citizenship and
195 Immigration Services stating that she or he is lawfully in the
196 United States and is authorized to own and operate the type of
197 agency or school for which she or he is applying. An employment
198 authorization card issued by the United States Citizenship and
199 Immigration Services is not sufficient documentation.

200 Section 4. Subsections (2) and (3) of section 493.6108,
201 Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (3) and (4),
202 respectively, and a new subsection (2) is added to that section,
203 to read:

204 493.6108 Investigation of applicants by Department of
205 Agriculture and Consumer Services.—

206 (2) (a) The Department of Law Enforcement shall retain and
207 enter into the statewide automated biometric identification
208 system authorized under s. 943.05 all fingerprints submitted to



209 the department pursuant to this chapter. The Department of Law
210 Enforcement shall enroll such fingerprints in the national
211 retained print arrest notification program when the program is
212 operational and the Department of Law Enforcement begins
213 participation. Thereafter, the fingerprints shall be available
214 for arrest notifications required by paragraph (b) and all
215 purposes and uses authorized for arrest fingerprints entered
216 into the statewide automated biometric identification system.

217 (b) The Department of Law Enforcement shall search all
218 arrest fingerprints against fingerprints retained pursuant to
219 paragraph (a) and report any arrest record identified by the
220 Department of Law Enforcement or the Federal Bureau of
221 Investigation to the department. If the department receives
222 information about an arrest within the state of a person who
223 holds a valid license issued under this chapter for a crime that
224 could potentially disqualify the person from holding such a
225 license, the department shall provide the arrest information to
226 the agency that employs the licensee.

227 Section 5. Subsection (3) of section 493.6113, Florida
228 Statutes, is amended to read:

229 493.6113 Renewal application for licensure.—

230 (3) (a) Each licensee is responsible for renewing his or
231 her license on or before its expiration by filing with the
232 department an application for renewal accompanied by payment of
233 the renewal fee and the fingerprint retention fee to cover the
234 cost of ongoing retention in the statewide automated biometric



235 identification system ~~prescribed license fee~~.

236 (b) In addition to the fees specified in paragraph (a), a
237 person holding a valid license issued under this chapter before
238 January 1, 2016, must submit upon first renewal of the license a
239 full set of fingerprints and a fingerprint processing fee to
240 cover the cost of entering the fingerprints into the statewide
241 automated biometric identification system pursuant to s.
242 493.6108(2) (a). Subsequent renewals may be completed without
243 submission of a set of fingerprints.

244 (c) ~~(a)~~ Each Class "B" licensee shall additionally submit
245 on a form prescribed by the department a certification of
246 insurance that evidences that the licensee maintains coverage as
247 required under s. 493.6110.

248 (d) ~~(b)~~ Each Class "G" licensee shall additionally submit
249 proof that he or she has received during each year of the
250 license period a minimum of 4 hours of firearms recertification
251 training taught by a Class "K" licensee and has complied with
252 such other health and training requirements that the department
253 shall adopt by rule. Proof of completion of firearms
254 recertification training shall be submitted to the department
255 upon completion of the training. If the licensee fails to
256 complete the required 4 hours of annual training during the
257 first year of the 2-year term of the license, the license shall
258 be automatically suspended. The licensee must complete the
259 minimum number of hours of range and classroom training required
260 at the time of initial licensure and submit proof of completion



261 of such training to the department before the license may be
262 reinstated. If the licensee fails to complete the required 4
263 hours of annual training during the second year of the 2-year
264 term of the license, the licensee must complete the minimum
265 number of hours of range and classroom training required at the
266 time of initial licensure and submit proof of completion of such
267 training to the department before the license may be renewed.

268 The department may waive the firearms training requirement if:

269 1. The applicant provides proof that he or she is
270 currently certified as a law enforcement officer or correctional
271 officer under the Criminal Justice Standards and Training
272 Commission and has completed law enforcement firearms
273 requalification training annually during the previous 2 years of
274 the licensure period;

275 2. The applicant provides proof that he or she is
276 currently certified as a federal law enforcement officer and has
277 received law enforcement firearms training administered by a
278 federal law enforcement agency annually during the previous 2
279 years of the licensure period; or

280 3. The applicant submits a valid firearm certificate among
281 those specified in s. 493.6105(6)(a) and provides proof of
282 having completed requalification training during the previous 2
283 years of the licensure period.

284 (e)~~(e)~~ Each Class "DS" or Class "RS" licensee shall
285 additionally submit the current curriculum, examination, and
286 list of instructors.



287 (f)~~(d)~~ Each Class "K" licensee shall additionally submit
288 one of the certificates specified under s. 493.6105(6) as proof
289 that he or she remains certified to provide firearms
290 instruction.

291 Section 6. Subsection (6) of section 493.6115, Florida
292 Statutes, is amended to read:

293 493.6115 Weapons and firearms.—

294 (6) In addition to any other firearm approved by the
295 department, a licensee who has been issued a Class "G" license
296 may carry a .38 caliber revolver; or a .380 caliber or 9
297 millimeter semiautomatic pistol; or a .357 caliber revolver with
298 .38 caliber ammunition only; or a .40 caliber handgun; or a .45
299 ACP handgun while performing duties authorized under this
300 chapter. A licensee may not carry more than two firearms upon
301 her or his person when performing her or his duties. A licensee
302 may only carry a firearm of the specific type and caliber with
303 which she or he is qualified pursuant to the firearms training
304 referenced in subsection (8) or s. 493.6113(3)(d)
305 ~~493.6113(3)(b)~~.

306 Section 7. Paragraph (u) of subsection (1) of section
307 493.6118, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

308 493.6118 Grounds for disciplinary action.—

309 (1) The following constitute grounds for which
310 disciplinary action specified in subsection (2) may be taken by
311 the department against any licensee, agency, or applicant
312 regulated by this chapter, or any unlicensed person engaged in



313 activities regulated under this chapter.

314 (u) For a Class "G" licensee, failing to timely complete
315 recertification training as required in s. 493.6113(3)(d)
316 ~~493.6113(3)(b)~~.

317 Section 8. Subsection (2) of section 501.015, Florida
318 Statutes, is amended to read:

319 501.015 Health studios; registration requirements and
320 fees.—Each health studio shall:

321 (2) Remit an annual registration fee of \$300 to the
322 department at the time of registration for each of the health
323 studio's business locations. The department shall waive the
324 initial registration fee for an honorably discharged veteran of
325 the United States Armed Forces, the spouse of such a veteran, or
326 a business entity that has a majority ownership held by such a
327 veteran or spouse if the department receives an application, in
328 a format prescribed by the department, within 60 months after
329 the date of the veteran's discharge from any branch of the
330 United States Armed Forces. To qualify for the waiver, a veteran
331 must provide to the department a copy of his or her DD Form 214
332 or NGB Form 22; the spouse of a veteran must provide to the
333 department a copy of the veteran's DD Form 214 or NGB Form 22
334 and a copy of a valid marriage license or certificate verifying
335 that he or she was lawfully married to the veteran at the time
336 of discharge; or a business entity must provide to the
337 department proof that a veteran or the spouse of a veteran holds
338 a majority ownership in the business, a copy of the veteran's DD



339 Form 214 or NGB Form 22, and, if applicable, a copy of a valid
340 marriage license or certificate verifying that the spouse of the
341 veteran was lawfully married to the veteran at the time of
342 discharge.

343 Section 9. Paragraph (j) of subsection (2) and paragraph
344 (b) of subsection (5) of section 501.605, Florida Statutes, are
345 amended to read:

346 501.605 Licensure of commercial telephone sellers.—

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

351 (j) The complete street address of each location,
352 designating the principal location, from which the applicant
353 will be doing business. The street address may not be ~~If any~~
354 ~~location is a mail drop, this shall be disclosed as such.~~

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

363 (5) An application filed pursuant to this part must be
364 verified and accompanied by:



365 (b) A fee for licensing in the amount of \$1,500. The fee
366 shall be deposited into the General Inspection Trust Fund. The
367 department shall waive the initial licensing fee for an
368 honorably discharged veteran of the United States Armed Forces,
369 the spouse of such a veteran, or a business entity that has a
370 majority ownership held by such a veteran or spouse if the
371 department receives an application, in a format prescribed by
372 the department, within 60 months after the date of the veteran's
373 discharge from any branch of the United States Armed Forces. To
374 qualify for the waiver, a veteran must provide to the department
375 a copy of his or her DD Form 214 or NGB Form 22; the spouse of a
376 veteran must provide to the department a copy of the veteran's
377 DD Form 214 or NGB Form 22 and a copy of a valid marriage
378 license or certificate verifying that he or she was lawfully
379 married to the veteran at the time of discharge; or a business
380 entity must provide to the department proof that a veteran or
381 the spouse of a veteran holds a majority ownership in the
382 business, a copy of the veteran's DD Form 214 or NGB Form 22,
383 and, if applicable, a copy of a valid marriage license or
384 certificate verifying that the spouse of the veteran was
385 lawfully married to the veteran at the time of discharge.

386 Section 10. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section
387 501.607, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

388 501.607 Licensure of salespersons.—

389 (2) An application filed pursuant to this section must be
390 verified and be accompanied by:



391 (b) A fee for licensing in the amount of \$50 per
392 salesperson. The fee shall be deposited into the General
393 Inspection Trust Fund. The fee for licensing may be paid after
394 the application is filed, but must be paid within 14 days after
395 the applicant begins work as a salesperson. The department shall
396 waive the initial licensing fee for an honorably discharged
397 veteran of the United States Armed Forces, the spouse of such a
398 veteran, or a business entity that has a majority ownership held
399 by such a veteran or spouse if the department receives an
400 application, in a format prescribed by the department, within 60
401 months after the date of the veteran's discharge from any branch
402 of the United States Armed Forces. To qualify for the waiver, a
403 veteran must provide to the department a copy of his or her DD
404 Form 214 or NGB Form 22; the spouse of a veteran must provide to
405 the department a copy of the veteran's DD Form 214 or NGB Form
406 22 and a copy of a valid marriage license or certificate
407 verifying that he or she was lawfully married to the veteran at
408 the time of discharge; or a business entity must provide to the
409 department proof that a veteran or the spouse of a veteran holds
410 a majority ownership in the business, a copy of the veteran's DD
411 Form 214 or NGB Form 22, and, if applicable, a copy of a valid
412 marriage license or certificate verifying that the spouse of the
413 veteran was lawfully married to the veteran at the time of
414 discharge.

415 Section 11. Subsection (3) of section 507.03, Florida
416 Statutes, is amended to read:



417 507.03 Registration.—

418 (3) (a) Registration fees shall be calculated at the rate
419 of \$300 per year per mover or moving broker. All amounts
420 collected shall be deposited by the Chief Financial Officer to
421 the credit of the General Inspection Trust Fund of the
422 department for the sole purpose of administration of this
423 chapter.

424 (b) The department shall waive the initial registration
425 fee for an honorably discharged veteran of the United States
426 Armed Forces, the spouse of such a veteran, or a business entity
427 that has a majority ownership held by such a veteran or spouse
428 if the department receives an application, in a format
429 prescribed by the department, within 60 months after the date of
430 the veteran's discharge from any branch of the United States
431 Armed Forces. To qualify for the waiver, a veteran must provide
432 to the department a copy of his or her DD Form 214 or NGB Form
433 22; the spouse of a veteran must provide to the department a
434 copy of the veteran's DD Form 214 or NGB Form 22 and a copy of a
435 valid marriage license or certificate verifying that he or she
436 was lawfully married to the veteran at the time of discharge; or
437 a business entity must provide to the department proof that a
438 veteran or the spouse of a veteran holds a majority ownership in
439 the business, a copy of the veteran's DD Form 214 or NGB Form
440 22, and, if applicable, a copy of a valid marriage license or
441 certificate verifying that the spouse of the veteran was
442 lawfully married to the veteran at the time of discharge.



443 Section 12. Subsection (3) of section 527.02, Florida
444 Statutes, is amended to read:

445 527.02 License; penalty; fees.—

446 (3) (a) ~~An~~ Any applicant for an original license who
447 submits an ~~whose~~ ~~application is submitted~~ during the last 6
448 months of the license year may have the original license fee
449 reduced by one-half for the 6-month period. This provision
450 applies ~~shall apply~~ only to those companies applying for an
451 original license and may ~~shall~~ not be applied to licensees who
452 held a license during the previous license year and failed to
453 renew the license. The department may refuse to issue an initial
454 license to an ~~any~~ applicant who is under investigation in any
455 jurisdiction for an action that would constitute a violation of
456 this chapter until such time as the investigation is complete.

457 (b) The department shall waive the original license fee
458 for an honorably discharged veteran of the United States Armed
459 Forces, the spouse of such a veteran, or a business entity that
460 has a majority ownership held by such a veteran or spouse if the
461 department receives an application, in a format prescribed by
462 the department, within 60 months after the date of the veteran's
463 discharge from any branch of the United States Armed Forces. To
464 qualify for the waiver, a veteran must provide to the department
465 a copy of his or her DD Form 214 or NGB Form 22; the spouse of a
466 veteran must provide to the department a copy of the veteran's
467 DD Form 214 or NGB Form 22 and a copy of a valid marriage
468 license or certificate verifying that he or she was lawfully



469 married to the veteran at the time of discharge; or a business
470 entity must provide to the department proof that a veteran or
471 the spouse of a veteran holds a majority ownership in the
472 business, a copy of the veteran's DD Form 214 or NGB Form 22,
473 and, if applicable, a copy of a valid marriage license or
474 certificate verifying that the spouse of the veteran was
475 lawfully married to the veteran at the time of discharge.

476 Section 13. Paragraph (c) of subsection (3) of section
477 539.001, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

478 539.001 The Florida Pawnbroking Act.—

479 (3) LICENSE REQUIRED.—

480 (c) Each license is valid for a period of 1 year unless it
481 is earlier relinquished, suspended, or revoked. Each license
482 shall be renewed annually, and each licensee shall, initially
483 and annually thereafter, pay to the agency a license fee of \$300
484 for each license held. The agency shall waive the initial
485 license fee for an honorably discharged veteran of the United
486 States Armed Forces, the spouse of such a veteran, or a business
487 entity that has a majority ownership held by such a veteran or
488 spouse if the agency receives an application, in a format
489 prescribed by the agency, within 60 months after the date of the
490 veteran's discharge from any branch of the United States Armed
491 Forces. To qualify for the waiver, a veteran must provide to the
492 agency a copy of his or her DD Form 214 or NGB Form 22; the
493 spouse of a veteran must provide to the agency a copy of the
494 veteran's DD Form 214 or NGB Form 22 and a copy of a valid



495 marriage license or certificate verifying that he or she was
496 lawfully married to the veteran at the time of discharge; or a
497 business entity must provide to the agency proof that a veteran
498 or the spouse of a veteran holds a majority ownership in the
499 business, a copy of the veteran's DD Form 214 or NGB Form 22,
500 and, if applicable, a copy of a valid marriage license or
501 certificate verifying that the spouse of the veteran was
502 lawfully married to the veteran at the time of discharge.

503 Section 14. Subsection (3) of section 559.904, Florida
504 Statutes, is amended to read:

505 559.904 Motor vehicle repair shop registration;
506 application; exemption.—

507 (3) (a) Each application for registration must be
508 accompanied by a registration fee calculated on a per-year basis
509 as follows:

510 1. ~~(a)~~ If the place of business has 1 to 5 employees: \$50.

511 2. ~~(b)~~ If the place of business has 6 to 10 employees:
512 \$150.

513 3. ~~(c)~~ If the place of business has 11 or more employees:
514 \$300.

515 (b) The department shall waive the initial registration
516 fee for an honorably discharged veteran of the United States
517 Armed Forces, the spouse of such a veteran, or a business entity
518 that has a majority ownership held by such a veteran or spouse
519 if the department receives an application, in a format
520 prescribed by the department, within 60 months after the date of



521 the veteran's discharge from any branch of the United States
522 Armed Forces. To qualify for the waiver, a veteran must provide
523 to the department a copy of his or her DD Form 214 or NGB Form
524 22; the spouse of a veteran must provide to the department a
525 copy of the veteran's DD Form 214 or NGB Form 22 and a copy of a
526 valid marriage license or certificate verifying that he or she
527 was lawfully married to the veteran at the time of discharge; or
528 a business entity must provide to the department proof that a
529 veteran or the spouse of a veteran holds a majority ownership in
530 the business, a copy of the veteran's DD Form 214 or NGB Form
531 22, and, if applicable, a copy of a valid marriage license or
532 certificate verifying that the spouse of the veteran was
533 lawfully married to the veteran at the time of discharge.

534 Section 15. Paragraph (c) is added to subsection (2) of
535 section 559.928, Florida Statutes, to read:

536 559.928 Registration.—

537 (2)

538 (c) The department shall waive the initial registration
539 fee for an honorably discharged veteran of the United States
540 Armed Forces, the spouse of such a veteran, or a business entity
541 that has a majority ownership held by such a veteran or spouse
542 if the department receives an application, in a format
543 prescribed by the department, within 60 months after the date of
544 the veteran's discharge from any branch of the United States
545 Armed Forces. To qualify for the waiver, a veteran must provide
546 to the department a copy of his or her DD Form 214 or NGB Form



547 22; the spouse of a veteran must provide to the department a
548 copy of the veteran's DD Form 214 or NGB Form 22 and a copy of a
549 valid marriage license or certificate verifying that he or she
550 was lawfully married to the veteran at the time of discharge; or
551 the business entity must provide to the department proof that a
552 veteran or the spouse of a veteran holds a majority ownership in
553 the business, a copy of the veteran's DD Form 214 or NGB Form
554 22, and, if applicable, a copy of a valid marriage license or
555 certificate verifying that the spouse of the veteran was
556 lawfully married to the veteran at the time of discharge.

557 Section 16. Section 570.695, Florida Statutes, is created
558 to read:

559 570.695 Florida veteran identification card.—

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

563 (2) The department shall issue a Florida veteran
564 identification card to any applicant who:

565 (a) Is a veteran as defined in s. 1.01(14);

566 (b) Resides in this state;

567 (c) Submits a completed application provided by the
568 department with accompanying documents; and

569 (d) Pays the application fee.

570 (3) The information to be included on the application is
571 limited to the following:

572 (a) Full name, including first, middle or maiden, and last



573 names;
574 (b) Mailing address;
575 (c) Branch of service;
576 (d) Optional contact telephone number or e-mail address;
577 and
578 (e) Florida residency statement.
579 (4) The applicant shall submit the following documents to
580 the department:
581 (a) A completed application signed and verified by the
582 applicant under oath as provided in s. 92.525(2);
583 (b) A copy of the applicant's DD Form 214, DD Form 256, or
584 WD AGO Form issued by the United States Department of Defense
585 which displays the applicant's discharge status. Alternatively,
586 the applicant may provide a copy of his or her valid Florida
587 driver license bearing a capital "V" or "Veteran" designation;
588 and
589 (c) A fullface color photograph of the applicant taken
590 within the preceding 90 days in which the head, including hair,
591 measures 7/8 inches wide and 1-1/8 inches high.
592 (5) The applicant shall submit a fee of \$15 to cover the
593 cost of issuing the identification card, with any balance
594 distributed to Friends of Florida State Forests, Inc., for the
595 sole purpose of supporting the Operation Outdoor Freedom
596 Program.
597 (6) Upon receipt of the fee and the documents listed in
598 subsection (4), the department shall:



599 (a) Issue the Florida veteran identification card; or
600 (b) Return the application as incomplete and allow the
601 applicant to resubmit it. The application fee shall be refunded
602 to an applicant who requests a refund based on the inability to
603 provide a completed application. The department's determination
604 that an application is incomplete is exempt from chapter 120.

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

608 (8) All moneys collected pursuant to this section shall be
609 deposited into the Division of Licensing Trust Fund.
610 Notwithstanding s. 493.6117, moneys collected pursuant to this
611 section shall not revert to the General Revenue Fund. However,
612 this does not abrogate the requirement for payment of the
613 service charge imposed pursuant to chapter 215.

614 Section 17. For the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the sums of
615 \$114,018 in recurring funds and \$140,282 in nonrecurring funds
616 are appropriated from the Division of Licensing Trust Fund to
617 the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and one
618 full-time equivalent position with associated salary rate of
619 31,109 is authorized, to implement s. 570.695, Florida Statutes,
620 as created by this act.

621 Section 18. Paragraph (b) of subsection (5), paragraph (a)
622 of subsection (10), and subsections (15) and (16) of section
623 616.242, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

624 616.242 Safety standards for amusement rides.—



625 (5) ANNUAL PERMIT.—

626 (b) To apply for an annual permit, an owner must submit to
627 the department a written application on a form prescribed by
628 rule of the department, which must include the following:

629 1. The legal name, address, and primary place of business
630 of the owner.

631 2. A description, manufacturer's name, serial number,
632 model number and, if previously assigned, the United States
633 Amusement Identification Number of the amusement ride.

634 3. A valid certificate of insurance ~~or bond~~ for each
635 amusement ride.

636 4. An affidavit of compliance that the amusement ride was
637 inspected in person by the affiant and that the amusement ride
638 is in general conformance with the requirements of this section
639 and all applicable rules adopted by the department. The
640 affidavit must be executed by a professional engineer or a
641 qualified inspector at least ~~no earlier than~~ 60 days before, but
642 not later than, the date ~~of the filing of~~ the application is
643 filed with the department. The owner shall request inspection
644 and permitting of the amusement ride within 60 days after ~~of~~ the
645 date ~~of filing~~ the application is filed with the department. The
646 department shall inspect and permit the amusement ride within 60
647 days after the date ~~filing~~ the application is filed with the
648 department.

649 5. If required by subsection (6), an affidavit of
650 nondestructive testing dated and executed at least ~~no earlier~~



651 ~~than~~ 60 days before ~~prior to~~, but not later than, the date ~~of~~
652 ~~the filing of~~ the application is filed with the department. The
653 owner shall request inspection and permitting of the amusement
654 ride within 60 days after ~~of~~ the date ~~of filing~~ the application
655 is filed with the department. The department shall inspect and
656 permit the amusement ride within 60 days after the date ~~filing~~
657 the application is filed with the department.

658 6. A request for inspection.

659 7. Upon request, the owner shall, at no cost to the
660 department, provide the department a copy of the manufacturer's
661 current recommended operating instructions in the possession of
662 the owner, the owner's operating fact sheet, and any written
663 bulletins in the possession of the owner concerning the safety,
664 operation, or maintenance of the amusement ride.

665 (10) EXEMPTIONS.—

666 (a) This section does not apply to:

667 1. Permanent facilities that employ at least 1,000 full-
668 time employees and that maintain full-time, in-house safety
669 inspectors. Furthermore, the permanent facilities must file an
670 affidavit of the annual inspection with the department, on a
671 form prescribed by rule of the department. Additionally, the
672 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services may consult
673 annually with the permanent facilities regarding industry safety
674 programs.

675 2. Any playground operated by a school, local government,
676 or business licensed under chapter 509, if the playground is an



677 incidental amenity and the operating entity is not primarily
678 engaged in providing amusement, pleasure, thrills, or
679 excitement.

680 3. Museums or other institutions principally devoted to
681 the exhibition of products of agriculture, industry, education,
682 science, religion, or the arts.

683 4. Conventions or trade shows for the sale or exhibit of
684 amusement rides if there are a minimum of 15 amusement rides on
685 display or exhibition, and if any operation of such amusement
686 rides is limited to the registered attendees of the convention
687 or trade show.

688 5. Skating rinks, arcades, laser ~~lazer~~ or paint ball war
689 games, bowling alleys, miniature golf courses, mechanical bulls,
690 inflatable rides, trampolines, ball crawls, exercise equipment,
691 jet skis, paddle boats, airboats, helicopters, airplanes,
692 parasails, hot air or helium balloons whether tethered or
693 untethered, theatres, batting cages, stationary spring-mounted
694 fixtures, rider-propelled merry-go-rounds, games, side shows,
695 live animal rides, or live animal shows.

696 6. Go-karts operated in competitive sporting events if
697 participation is not open to the public.

698 7. Nonmotorized playground equipment that is not required
699 to have a manager.

700 8. Coin-actuated amusement rides designed to be operated
701 by depositing coins, tokens, credit cards, debit cards, bills,
702 or other cash money and which are not required to have a



703 manager, and which have a capacity of six persons or less.

704 9. Facilities described in s. 549.09(1)(a) when such
705 facilities are operating cars, trucks, or motorcycles only.

706 10. Battery-powered cars or other vehicles that are
707 designed to be operated by children 7 years of age or under and
708 that cannot exceed a speed of 4 miles per hour.

709 11. Mechanically driven vehicles that pull train cars,
710 carts, wagons, or other similar vehicles, that are not confined
711 to a metal track or confined to an area but are steered by an
712 operator and do not exceed a speed of 4 miles per hour.

713 12. A water-related amusement ride operated by a business
714 licensed under chapter 509 if the water-related amusement ride
715 is an incidental amenity and the operating business is not
716 primarily engaged in providing amusement, pleasure, thrills, or
717 excitement and does not offer day rates.

718 13. An amusement ride at a private, membership-only
719 facility if the amusement ride is an incidental amenity and the
720 facility is not open to the general public, is not primarily
721 engaged in providing amusement, pleasure, thrills, or
722 excitement, and does not offer day rates.

723 14. A nonprofit permanent facility registered under
724 chapter 496 which is not open to the general public.

725 (15) INSPECTION BY OWNER OR MANAGER. ~~Before~~ Prior to
726 opening on each day of operation and before ~~prior~~ to any
727 inspection by the department, the owner or manager of an
728 amusement ride must inspect and test the amusement ride to



729 ensure compliance with all requirements of this section. Each
730 inspection must be recorded on a form prescribed by rule of the
731 department and signed by the person who conducted the
732 inspection. In lieu of the form prescribed by rule of the
733 department, the owner or manager may request approval of an
734 alternate form if the alternate form includes, at a minimum, the
735 information required on the form prescribed by rule of the
736 department. Inspection records of the last 14 daily inspections
737 must be kept on site by the owner or manager and made
738 immediately available to the department upon request.

739 (16) TRAINING OF EMPLOYEES.—The owner or manager of an ~~any~~
740 amusement ride shall maintain a record of employee training for
741 each employee authorized to operate, assemble, disassemble,
742 transport, or conduct maintenance on an amusement ride~~;~~ on a
743 form prescribed by rule of the department. In lieu of the form
744 prescribed by rule of the department, the owner or manager may
745 request approval of an alternate form if the alternate form
746 includes, at a minimum, the information required on the form
747 prescribed by rule of the department. The training record must
748 be kept on site by the owner or manager and made immediately
749 available to the department upon request. Training may not be
750 conducted when an amusement ride is open to the public unless
751 the training is conducted under the supervision of an employee
752 who is trained in the operation of that ride. The owner or
753 manager shall certify that each employee is trained, as required
754 by this section and any rules adopted thereunder, on the



755 amusement ride for which the employee is responsible.

756 Section 19. Paragraph (h) of subsection (2), paragraph (b)
757 of subsection (5), subsection (10), and paragraph (a) of
758 subsection (11) of section 790.06, Florida Statutes, are amended
759 to read:

760 790.06 License to carry concealed weapon or firearm.—

761 (2) The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
762 shall issue a license if the applicant:

763 (h) Demonstrates competence with a firearm by any one of
764 the following:

765 1. Completion of any hunter education or hunter safety
766 course approved by the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
767 or a similar agency of another state;

768 2. Completion of any National Rifle Association firearms
769 safety or training course;

770 3. Completion of any firearms safety or training course or
771 class available to the general public offered by a law
772 enforcement, junior college, college, or private or public
773 institution or organization or firearms training school,
774 utilizing instructors certified by the National Rifle
775 Association, Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission,
776 or the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services;

777 4. Completion of any law enforcement firearms safety or
778 training course or class offered for security guards,
779 investigators, special deputies, or any division or subdivision
780 of law enforcement or security enforcement;



781 5. Presents evidence of equivalent experience with a
 782 firearm through participation in organized shooting competition
 783 or military service;

784 6. Is licensed or has been licensed to carry a firearm in
 785 this state or a county or municipality of this state, unless
 786 such license has been revoked for cause; or

787 7. Completion of any firearms training or safety course or
 788 class conducted by a state-certified or National Rifle
 789 Association certified firearms instructor;

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 791 A photocopy of a certificate of completion of any of the courses
 792 or classes; ~~or~~ an affidavit from the instructor, school, club,
 793 organization, or group that conducted or taught such ~~said~~ course
 794 or class attesting to the completion of the course or class by
 795 the applicant; or a copy of any document that ~~which~~ shows
 796 completion of the course or class or evidences participation in
 797 firearms competition shall constitute evidence of qualification
 798 under this paragraph. A; ~~any~~ person who conducts a course
 799 pursuant to subparagraph 2., subparagraph 3., or subparagraph
 800 7., or who, as an instructor, attests to the completion of such
 801 courses, must maintain records certifying that he or she
 802 observed the student safely handle and discharge the firearm in
 803 his or her physical presence and that the discharge of the
 804 firearm included live fire using a firearm and ammunition as
 805 defined in s. 790.001;

806 (5) The applicant shall submit to the Department of



807 Agriculture and Consumer Services or an approved tax collector
 808 pursuant to s. 790.0625:

809 (b) A nonrefundable license fee of up to \$60 ~~\$70~~ if he or
 810 she has not previously been issued a statewide license or of up
 811 to \$50 ~~\$60~~ for renewal of a statewide license. The cost of
 812 processing fingerprints as required in paragraph (c) shall be
 813 borne by the applicant. However, an individual holding an active
 814 certification from the Criminal Justice Standards and Training
 815 Commission as a law enforcement officer, correctional officer,
 816 or correctional probation officer as defined in s. 943.10(1),
 817 (2), (3), (6), (7), (8), or (9) is exempt from the licensing
 818 requirements of this section. If such individual wishes to
 819 receive a concealed weapon ~~weapons~~ or firearm ~~firearms~~ license,
 820 he or she is exempt from the background investigation and all
 821 background investigation fees, but must pay the current license
 822 fees regularly required to be paid by nonexempt applicants.
 823 Further, a law enforcement officer, a correctional officer, or a
 824 correctional probation officer as defined in s. 943.10(1), (2),
 825 or (3) is exempt from the required fees and background
 826 investigation for ~~a period of~~ 1 year after his or her
 827 retirement.

828 (10) A license issued under this section shall be
 829 suspended or revoked pursuant to chapter 120 if the licensee:

830 (a) Is found to be ineligible under the criteria set forth
 831 in subsection (2);

832 (b) Develops or sustains a physical infirmity which



833 prevents the safe handling of a weapon or firearm;
 834 (c) Is convicted of a felony which would make the licensee
 835 ineligible to possess a firearm pursuant to s. 790.23;
 836 (d) Is found guilty of a crime under the provisions of
 837 chapter 893, or similar laws of any other state, relating to
 838 controlled substances;
 839 (e) Is committed as a substance abuser under chapter 397,
 840 or is deemed a habitual offender under s. 856.011(3), or similar
 841 laws of any other state;
 842 (f) Is convicted of a second violation of s. 316.193, or a
 843 similar law of another state, within 3 years after ~~of~~ a first
 844 ~~previous~~ conviction of such section, or similar law of another
 845 state, even though the first violation may have occurred before
 846 ~~prior to~~ the date on which the application was submitted;
 847 (g) Is adjudicated an incapacitated person under s.
 848 744.331, or similar laws of any other state; or
 849 (h) Is committed to a mental institution under chapter
 850 394, or similar laws of any other state.

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 852 Notwithstanding s. 120.60(5), if personal service cannot be made
 853 or the certified mail notice is returned undelivered for a
 854 notice of the suspension or revocation of a concealed weapon or
 855 firearm license or the suspension of the processing of an
 856 application for such license, the notice may be given by first-
 857 class mail in an envelope, postage prepaid, addressed to the
 858 licensee at his or her last known mailing address furnished to



859 | the department, or by e-mail if the licensee has provided an e-
860 | mail address to the department. Such mailing or sending of e-
861 | mail by the department constitutes notification, and any failure
862 | by the person to receive the mailed or e-mailed notice does not
863 | stay the effective date or term of the suspension or revocation.
864 | The giving of notice by mail is complete upon expiration of 20
865 | days after deposit in the United States mail. Proof of the
866 | giving of notice shall be made by entry in the records of the
867 | department that such notice was given. The entry is admissible
868 | in the courts of this state and constitutes sufficient proof
869 | that such notice was given.

870 | (11) (a) At least ~~No less than~~ 90 days before the
871 | expiration date of the license, the Department of Agriculture
872 | and Consumer Services shall mail to each licensee a written
873 | notice of the expiration and a renewal form prescribed by the
874 | Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. The licensee
875 | must renew his or her license on or before the expiration date
876 | by filing with the Department of Agriculture and Consumer
877 | Services the renewal form containing an ~~a notarized~~ affidavit
878 | submitted under oath and under penalty of perjury stating that
879 | the licensee remains qualified pursuant to the criteria
880 | specified in subsections (2) and (3), a color photograph as
881 | specified in paragraph (5)(e), and the required renewal fee.
882 | Out-of-state residents must also submit a complete set of
883 | fingerprints and fingerprint processing fee. The license shall
884 | be renewed upon receipt of the completed renewal form, color



885 | photograph, appropriate payment of fees, and, if applicable,
886 | fingerprints. Additionally, a licensee who fails to file a
887 | renewal application on or before its expiration date must renew
888 | his or her license by paying a late fee of \$15. A license may
889 | not be renewed 180 days or more after its expiration date, and
890 | such a license is deemed to be permanently expired. A person
891 | whose license has been permanently expired may reapply for
892 | licensure; however, an application for licensure and fees under
893 | subsection (5) must be submitted, and a background investigation
894 | shall be conducted pursuant to this section. A person who
895 | knowingly files false information under this subsection is
896 | subject to criminal prosecution under s. 837.06.

897 | Section 20. Subsection (8) is added to section 790.0625,
898 | Florida Statutes, to read:

899 | 790.0625 Appointment of tax collectors to accept
900 | applications for a concealed weapon or firearm license; fees;
901 | penalties.—

902 | (8) Upon receipt of a completed renewal application, a new
903 | color photograph, and appropriate payment of fees, a tax
904 | collector authorized to accept renewal applications for
905 | concealed weapon or firearm licenses under this section may,
906 | upon approval and confirmation of license issuance by the
907 | department, print and deliver a concealed weapon or firearm
908 | license to a licensee renewing his or her license at the tax
909 | collector's office.

910 | Section 21. Subsection (4) is added to section 790.15,



911 Florida Statutes, to read:

912 790.15 Discharging firearm in public or on residential
913 property.—

914 (4) Any person who recreationally discharges a firearm
915 outdoors, including for target shooting or celebratory shooting,
916 in an area that the person knows or reasonably should know is
917 primarily residential in nature and that has a residential
918 density of one or more dwelling units per acre commits a
919 misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s.
920 775.082 or s. 775.083. This subsection does not apply:

921 (a) To a person lawfully defending life or property or
922 performing official duties requiring the discharge of a firearm;
923 or

924 (b) If, under the circumstances, the discharge does not
925 pose a reasonably foreseeable risk to life, safety, or property.

926 Section 22. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.