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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to state technology; amending s.  
3           20.61, F.S.; establishing a chief data officer within  
4           the Agency for State Technology who shall be appointed  
5           by the executive director; amending s. 282.0051, F.S.;  
6           authorizing the Agency for State Technology to oversee  
7           the transition of various licenses and identification  
8           cards to an optional digital proof of the licenses and  
9           identification cards for a specified fee; requiring  
10          the agency to develop standards for the digitization  
11          of individual licenses and identification cards;  
12          requiring the agency to develop a central digital  
13          platform that can store or access data for each type  
14          of digital proof of license and identification card;  
15          requiring state agencies, commissions, and departments  
16          to consult with the agency under certain  
17          circumstances; authorizing the agency to contract with  
18          a third party; providing that the agency has full  
19          access to certain data and information within the  
20          possession of any state agency, commission, or  
21          department under certain circumstances; authorizing  
22          the agency to adopt rules governing its access of such  
23          data; providing for construction; requiring the agency  
24          to direct the chief data officer to establish a  
25          governance structure for managing state government  
26          data, to establish a certain catalog of such data, and  
27          to ensure that such data is available to other state  
28          agencies and the public and complies with ch. 119,  
29          F.S.; amending s. 322.032, F.S.; requiring the  
30          Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, in  
31          coordination with the Agency for State Technology, to  
32          develop, rather than begin to review and prepare for

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33 the development of, a system for issuing an optional  
34 digital proof of driver license for a specified fee,  
35 subject to certain requirements; authorizing the  
36 department, in coordination with the agency, to adopt  
37 rules to ensure valid authentication of digital proof  
38 of driver licenses; providing criteria for digital  
39 proof of driver licenses; requiring the department, in  
40 coordination with the agency, to implement a digital  
41 proof of driver license pilot program by a specified  
42 date, subject to certain requirements; requiring the  
43 department to provide a report to the Governor and the  
44 Legislature by a specified date; adding a penalty for  
45 possession of false digital proof of driver license;  
46 amending s. 327.395, F.S.; providing for an optional  
47 digital proof of the boater safety identification card  
48 under certain circumstances; providing for expiration  
49 of digital proof of the boater safety identification  
50 card within a specified timeframe; requiring the Fish  
51 and Wildlife Conservation Commission, in coordination  
52 with the Agency for State Technology, to develop a  
53 system for issuing an optional digital proof of the  
54 boater safety identification card for a specified fee,  
55 subject to certain requirements; authorizing the  
56 commission to contract with private entities;  
57 requiring digital proof of the card to be in a format  
58 that allows a law enforcement officer to verify its  
59 authenticity; authorizing the commission, in  
60 coordination with the agency, to adopt rules to ensure  
61 valid authentication of digital proof of the boater

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62 safety identification card; providing criteria for  
63 digital proof of identification cards; providing  
64 criminal penalties for the manufacture or possession  
65 of a false boater safety identification card or false  
66 digital proof of the identification card; amending s.  
67 379.354, F.S.; providing for optional digital proof of  
68 vessel licenses and licenses for taking game,  
69 freshwater or saltwater fish, or fur-bearing animals  
70 under certain circumstances; requiring digital proof  
71 of a license for a vessel to be in the possession of  
72 the vessel owner under certain circumstances;  
73 providing criminal penalties for the manufacture or  
74 possession of false digital proof of the licenses;  
75 requiring the Fish and Wildlife Conservation  
76 Commission, in coordination with the Agency for State  
77 Technology, to develop a system for issuing an  
78 optional digital proof of vessel licenses and licenses  
79 for taking, attempting to take, or possessing game,  
80 freshwater or saltwater fish, or fur-bearing animals  
81 for a specified fee, subject to certain requirements;  
82 authorizing the commission to contract with private  
83 entities; requiring digital proof of the licenses to  
84 be in a format that allows a commission law  
85 enforcement officer to verify their authenticity;  
86 authorizing the commission, in coordination with the  
87 agency, to adopt rules to ensure valid authentication  
88 of digital proof of the licenses; providing criteria  
89 for digital proof of the licenses; providing an  
90 appropriation; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (f) is added to subsection (2) of section 20.61, Florida Statutes, to read:

20.61 Agency for State Technology.—The Agency for State Technology is created within the Department of Management Services. The agency is a separate budget program and is not subject to control, supervision, or direction by the Department of Management Services, including, but not limited to, purchasing, transactions involving real or personal property, personnel, or budgetary matters.

(2) The following positions are established within the agency, all of whom shall be appointed by the executive director:

(f) Chief data officer.

Section 2. Present subsections (17) and (18) of section 282.0051, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (20) and (21), respectively, and new subsections (17), (18), and (19) are added to that section, to read:

282.0051 Agency for State Technology; powers, duties, and functions.—The Agency for State Technology shall have the following powers, duties, and functions:

(17) Oversee the transition of licenses and identification cards to digital proof of licenses and identification cards to be issued by state agencies, commissions, and departments at the option of licenseholders and cardholders upon payment of a \$5 fee. The agency shall develop standards for the digitization of individual types of licenses and identification cards when

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120 digital proofs of those licenses and identification cards are  
121 authorized by law. The agency shall also develop a central  
122 digital platform that can store or access data for each type of  
123 digital proof of license and identification card. State  
124 agencies, commissions, and departments must consult with the  
125 agency before contracting with any third-party entity to develop  
126 digital proof of license or identification card. If any state  
127 agency, commission, or department seeks to develop its own  
128 digital proof of license or identification card without  
129 contracting services to a third party, the agency shall develop  
130 standards for such digital proof of license or identification  
131 card and must be consulted in the development of such license or  
132 identification card. The agency may contract with a third party  
133 to assist in the fulfillment of the requirements of this  
134 subsection.

135 (18) Have full access to all identity data, license and  
136 identification card data, and other pertinent information within  
137 the possession of any state agency, commission, or department  
138 unless otherwise prohibited by federal law. The agency may adopt  
139 rules governing its access to data held by other state agencies,  
140 commissions, and departments. If any data or information  
141 accessed by the agency is exempt from public disclosure pursuant  
142 to general law, this section may not be construed to negate the  
143 exemption.

144 (19) In consultation with other state agencies and giving  
145 consideration to the feasibility study conducted pursuant to s.  
146 30, chapter 2014-221, Laws of Florida, direct the chief data  
147 officer to:

148 (a) Establish a governance structure for managing state

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149 government data in a manner that promotes interoperability and  
150 openness;

151 (b) Establish a catalog of state government data which  
152 documents the acceptable use of, security and compliance  
153 requirements for, sharing agreements for, and format and methods  
154 available to access the data; and

155 (c) Ensure that, if legally permissible and not cost  
156 prohibitive, such data is readily available to other state  
157 agencies and the public in compliance with the public records  
158 requirements of chapter 119.

159 Section 3. Section 322.032, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
160 read:

161 322.032 Digital proof of driver license.—

162 (1) The department, in coordination with the Agency for  
163 State Technology, shall develop ~~begin to review and prepare for~~  
164 ~~the development of~~ a secure and uniform system for issuing an  
165 optional digital proof of driver license for a fee of \$5. The  
166 department may contract with one or more private entities to  
167 develop a digital proof of driver license system pursuant to s.  
168 282.0051(17).

169 (2) ~~The~~ Digital proof of driver license developed by the  
170 department or by an entity contracted by the department must be  
171 in ~~such~~ a format that allows ~~as to allow~~ law enforcement to  
172 verify the authenticity of such ~~the~~ digital proof ~~of driver~~  
173 ~~license.~~ The department, in coordination with the Agency for  
174 State Technology, may adopt rules to ensure valid authentication  
175 of digital proof of driver licenses by law enforcement.

176 (3) Digital proof of driver license must display the same  
177 required information about the licenseholder as does a driver

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178 license under this chapter.

179 (4)~~(3)~~ A person may not be issued a digital proof of driver  
180 license until he or she has satisfied all of the requirements of  
181 this chapter for issuance of a physical driver license ~~as~~  
182 ~~provided in this chapter.~~

183 (5) The department, in coordination with the Agency for  
184 State Technology, shall implement a digital proof of driver  
185 license pilot program by July 1, 2017, using the developed  
186 secure and uniform system. Program participants must be limited  
187 to elected state officials and state employee volunteers. The  
188 department shall provide a report on the results of the pilot  
189 program to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the  
190 Speaker of the House of Representatives by March 1, 2018.

191 (6)~~(4)~~ A person who:

192 (a) Manufactures a false digital proof of driver license  
193 commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in  
194 s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

195 (b) Possesses a false digital proof of driver license  
196 commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as  
197 provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

198 Section 4. Subsections (1), (2), (4), (5), and paragraph  
199 (c) of subsection (6) of section 327.395, Florida Statutes, are  
200 amended, present subsections (11) and (12) of that section are  
201 redesignated as subsections (12) and (13), respectively, and a  
202 new subsection (11) is added to that section, to read:

203 327.395 Boating safety identification cards.—

204 (1) A person born on or after January 1, 1988, may not  
205 operate a vessel powered by a motor of 10 horsepower or greater  
206 unless such person has in his or her possession aboard the

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207 vessel photographic identification and a boater safety  
208 identification card issued by the commission which shows that he  
209 or she has:

210 (a) Completed a commission-approved boater education course  
211 that meets the minimum 8-hour instruction requirement  
212 established by the National Association of State Boating Law  
213 Administrators;

214 (b) Passed a course equivalency examination approved by the  
215 commission; or

216 (c) Passed a temporary certificate examination developed or  
217 approved by the commission.

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219 Digital proof of the boater safety identification card may be  
220 issued for meeting the requirements of paragraph (a) or  
221 paragraph (b), but not for meeting the requirement of paragraph  
222 (c).

223 (2) Any person may obtain a boater safety identification  
224 card or digital proof of the identification card by complying  
225 with the requirements of this section.

226 (4) The commission may appoint liveries, marinas, or other  
227 persons as its agents to administer the course, course  
228 equivalency examination, or temporary certificate examination  
229 and issue identification cards or digital proof of the  
230 identification cards under guidelines established by the  
231 commission. An agent must charge the \$2 examination fee, which  
232 must be forwarded to the commission with proof of passage of the  
233 examination and may charge and keep a \$1 service fee.

234 (5) An identification card issued to a person who has  
235 completed a boating education course or a course equivalency



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236 examination is valid for life. Digital proof of the  
237 identification card is valid for 5 years after the date of  
238 issuance. A card issued to a person who has passed a temporary  
239 certification examination is valid for 12 months after ~~from~~ the  
240 date of issuance.

241 (6) A person is exempt from subsection (1) if he or she:

242 (c) Is accompanied in the vessel by a person who is exempt  
243 from this section or who holds an identification card or digital  
244 proof of the identification card in compliance with this  
245 section, is 18 years of age or older, and is attendant to the  
246 operation of the vessel and responsible for the safe operation  
247 of the vessel and for any violation that occurs during the  
248 operation of the vessel.

249 (11) (a) The commission, in coordination with the Agency for  
250 State Technology, shall develop a secure and uniform system for  
251 issuing an optional digital proof of the boater safety  
252 identification card for a fee of \$5. The commission may contract  
253 with one or more private entities to develop the digital proof  
254 of the identification card system pursuant to s. 282.0051(17).

255 (b) Digital proof of the boater safety identification card  
256 developed by the commission or by an entity contracted by the  
257 commission must be in a format that allows a law enforcement  
258 officer to verify the authenticity of such digital proof. The  
259 commission, in coordination with the Agency for State  
260 Technology, may adopt rules to ensure valid authentication of  
261 digital proof of the identification card by a law enforcement  
262 officer.

263 (c) Digital proof of the boater safety identification card  
264 must display the same required information about the cardholder

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265 as does an identification card under this section.

266 (d) A person may not be issued digital proof of the boater  
267 safety identification card until he or she has satisfied all of  
268 the requirements of this chapter for issuance of an  
269 identification card.

270 (e) A person who:

271 1. Manufactures a false boater safety identification card  
272 or false digital proof of an identification card commits a  
273 misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s.  
274 775.082 or s. 775.083.

275 2. Possesses a false boater safety identification card or  
276 false digital proof of an identification card commits a  
277 misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s.  
278 775.082 or s. 775.083.

279 Section 5. Subsections (1), (2), (3), (7), (9), (10), (11),  
280 (12), (15), and (16) of section 379.354, Florida Statutes, are  
281 amended, and subsection (18) is added to that section, to read:

282 379.354 Recreational licenses, permits, and authorization  
283 numbers; fees established.—

284 (1) LICENSE, PERMIT, OR AUTHORIZATION NUMBER REQUIRED.—  
285 Except as provided in s. 379.353, a person may not ~~no person~~  
286 ~~shall~~ take game, freshwater or saltwater fish, or fur-bearing  
287 animals within this state without having first obtained a  
288 license or digital proof of such license, a permit, or an  
289 authorization number and paid the fees set forth in this  
290 chapter. Such license or digital proof of such license, permit,  
291 or authorization number shall authorize the person to whom it is  
292 issued to take game, freshwater or saltwater fish, or fur-  
293 bearing animals, and participate in outdoor recreational

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294 activities in accordance with the laws of the state and rules of  
295 the commission.

296 (2) NONTRANSFERABILITY; INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTATION.—

297 (a) Licenses or digital proof of such licenses, permits,  
298 and authorization numbers issued under this part are not  
299 transferable. Each license and permit must bear on its face in  
300 indelible ink the name of the person to whom it is issued and  
301 other information as deemed necessary by the commission.  
302 Licenses issued to the owner, operator, or custodian of a vessel  
303 that directly or indirectly collects fees for taking or  
304 attempting to take or possess saltwater fish for noncommercial  
305 purposes must include the vessel registration number or federal  
306 documentation number.

307 (b) The lifetime licenses and 5-year licenses authorized in  
308 this section shall be embossed with the name, date of birth,  
309 date of issuance, and other pertinent information as deemed  
310 necessary by the commission. A certified copy of the applicant's  
311 birth certificate shall accompany each application for a  
312 lifetime license for a resident 12 years of age or younger.

313 (c) A positive form of identification is required when  
314 using a free license, a lifetime license, a 5-year license, or  
315 an authorization number issued under this chapter, or when  
316 otherwise required by a license or permit.

317 (3) PERSONAL POSSESSION REQUIRED.—Each license or digital  
318 proof of such license, permit, or authorization number must be  
319 in the personal possession of the person to whom it is issued  
320 while such person is taking, attempting to take, or possessing  
321 game, freshwater or saltwater fish, or fur-bearing animals. Any  
322 person taking, attempting to take, or possessing game,

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323 freshwater or saltwater fish, or fur-bearing animals who fails  
324 to produce a license or digital proof of such license, permit,  
325 or authorization number at the request of a commission law  
326 enforcement officer commits a violation of the law.

327 (7) VESSEL LICENSES.—

328 (a) Except as provided in paragraph (f), a person may not  
329 operate any vessel wherein a fee is paid, either directly or  
330 indirectly, for the purpose of taking, attempting to take, or  
331 possessing any saltwater fish for noncommercial purposes unless  
332 she or he has obtained a license or digital proof of such  
333 license for each vessel for that purpose, and has paid the  
334 license fee pursuant to paragraphs (b) and (c) for such vessel.

335 (b) A license for any person who operates any vessel  
336 licensed to carry more than 10 customers, wherein a fee is paid,  
337 either directly or indirectly, for the purpose of taking or  
338 attempting to take saltwater fish, is \$800 per year. The license  
339 must be kept aboard the vessel at all times or digital proof of  
340 such license must be in the possession of the vessel owner while  
341 operating the vessel.

342 (c)1. A license for any person who operates any vessel  
343 licensed to carry no more than 10 customers, or for any person  
344 licensed to operate any vessel carrying 6 or fewer customers,  
345 wherein a fee is paid, either directly or indirectly, for the  
346 purpose of taking or attempting to take saltwater fish, is \$400  
347 per year.

348 2. A license for any person licensed to operate any vessel  
349 carrying 6 or fewer customers but who operates a vessel carrying  
350 4 or fewer customers, wherein a fee is paid, either directly or  
351 indirectly, for the purpose of taking or attempting to take

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352 saltwater fish, is \$200 per year. The license must be kept  
353 aboard the vessel at all times or digital proof of such license  
354 must be in the possession of the vessel owner while operating  
355 the vessel.

356 3. A person who operates a vessel required to be licensed  
357 pursuant to paragraph (b) or this paragraph may obtain a license  
358 in her or his own name, and such license shall be transferable  
359 and apply to any vessel operated by the purchaser, provided that  
360 the purchaser has paid the appropriate license fee.

361 (d) A license for a recreational vessel not for hire and  
362 for which no fee is paid, either directly or indirectly, by  
363 guests for the purpose of taking or attempting to take saltwater  
364 fish noncommercially is \$2,000 per year. The license may be  
365 purchased at the option of the vessel owner. The license and  
366 must be kept aboard the vessel at all times or digital proof of  
367 such license must be in the possession of the vessel owner while  
368 operating the vessel. A log of species taken and the date the  
369 species were taken shall be maintained and a copy of the log  
370 filed with the commission at the time of renewal of the license.

371 (e) The owner, operator, or custodian of a vessel the  
372 operator of which has been licensed pursuant to paragraph (a)  
373 must maintain and report such statistical data as required by,  
374 and in a manner set forth in, the rules of the commission.

375 (f) If the operator of a vessel that carries scuba divers  
376 for a fee, either directly or indirectly, maintains the  
377 appropriate vessel license or digital proof of such license  
378 under this subsection based upon the number of persons the  
379 vessel is licensed to carry and the applicable permits, the  
380 individual scuba divers engaging in taking or attempting to take

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381 saltwater products are not required to obtain individual fishing  
382 licenses, digital proof of such licenses, or any applicable  
383 permits. However, if the operator of such a vessel does not have  
384 the appropriate license or digital proof of such license and  
385 applicable permits, the individual scuba divers engaging in  
386 taking or attempting to take saltwater products must have  
387 individual fishing licenses or digital proof of such licenses  
388 and any applicable permits.

389 (9) RESIDENT 5-YEAR HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES.—

390 (a) Five-year licenses or digital proof of such licenses  
391 are available for residents only, as follows:

392 1. A 5-year freshwater fishing or saltwater fishing license  
393 is \$77.50 for each type of license and authorizes the person to  
394 whom the license or digital proof of such license is issued to  
395 take or attempt to take or possess freshwater fish or saltwater  
396 fish consistent with the state and federal laws and regulations  
397 and rules of the commission in effect at the time of taking.

398 2. A 5-year hunting license is \$77.50 and authorizes the  
399 person to whom the license or digital proof of such license ~~it~~  
400 is issued to take or attempt to take or possess game consistent  
401 with the state and federal laws and regulations and rules of the  
402 commission in effect at the time of taking.

403 3. The commission is authorized to sell the hunting,  
404 fishing, and recreational activity permits authorized in  
405 subsection (8) for a 5-year period to match the purchase of 5-  
406 year fishing and hunting licenses. The fee for each permit  
407 issued under this paragraph shall be five times the annual cost  
408 established in subsection (8).

409 (b) Proceeds from the sale of all 5-year licenses and

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410 permits shall be deposited into the Dedicated License Trust  
411 Fund, to be distributed in accordance with ~~the provisions of~~ s.  
412 379.203.

413 (10) RESIDENT LIFETIME FRESHWATER OR SALTWATER FISHING  
414 LICENSES.—

415 (a) Lifetime freshwater fishing licenses, ~~or~~ saltwater  
416 fishing licenses, or digital proof of such licenses are  
417 available for residents only, as follows, for:

- 418 1. Persons 4 years of age or younger, for a fee of \$125.
- 419 2. Persons 5 years of age or older, but under 13 years of  
420 age, for a fee of \$225.
- 421 3. Persons 13 years of age or older, for a fee of \$300.

422 (b) The following activities are authorized by the purchase  
423 of a lifetime freshwater fishing license:

- 424 1. Taking, or attempting to take or possess, freshwater  
425 fish consistent with the state and federal laws and regulations  
426 and rules of the commission in effect at the time of the taking.
- 427 2. All activities authorized by a management area permit,  
428 excluding hunting.

429 (c) The following activities are authorized by the purchase  
430 of a lifetime saltwater fishing license:

- 431 1. Taking, or attempting to take or possess, saltwater fish  
432 consistent with the state and federal laws and regulations and  
433 rules of the commission in effect at the time of the taking.
- 434 2. All activities authorized by a snook permit and a spiny  
435 lobster permit.
- 436 3. All activities for which an additional license, digital  
437 proof of such license, permit, or fee is required to take or  
438 attempt to take or possess saltwater fish, which additional

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439 license, digital proof of such license, permit, or fee was  
440 imposed subsequent to the date of the purchase of the lifetime  
441 saltwater fishing license.

442 (11) RESIDENT LIFETIME HUNTING LICENSES.—

443 (a) Lifetime hunting licenses or digital proof of such  
444 licenses are available to residents only, as follows, for:

- 445 1. Persons 4 years of age or younger, for a fee of \$200.
- 446 2. Persons 5 years of age or older, but under 13 years of  
447 age, for a fee of \$350.
- 448 3. Persons 13 years of age or older, for a fee of \$500.

449 (b) The following activities are authorized by the purchase  
450 of a lifetime hunting license:

- 451 1. Taking, or attempting to take or possess, game  
452 consistent with the state and federal laws and regulations and  
453 rules of the commission in effect at the time of the taking.
- 454 2. All activities authorized by a muzzle-loading gun season  
455 permit, a crossbow season permit, a turkey permit, an archery  
456 season permit, a Florida waterfowl permit, a deer permit, and a  
457 management area permit, excluding fishing.

458 (12) RESIDENT LIFETIME SPORTSMAN'S LICENSES.—

459 (a) Lifetime sportsman's licenses or digital proof of such  
460 licenses are available to residents only, as follows, for:

- 461 1. Persons 4 years of age or younger, for a fee of \$400.
- 462 2. Persons 5 years of age or older, but under 13 years of  
463 age, for a fee of \$700.
- 464 3. Persons 13 years of age or older, for a fee of \$1,000.

465 (b) The following activities are authorized by the purchase  
466 of a lifetime sportsman's license:

- 467 1. Taking, or attempting to take or possess, freshwater and



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468 saltwater fish, and game, consistent with the state and federal  
469 laws and regulations and rules of the commission in effect at  
470 the time of taking.

471 2. All activities authorized by a management area permit, a  
472 muzzle-loading gun season permit, a crossbow season permit, a  
473 turkey permit, an archery season permit, a Florida waterfowl  
474 permit, a deer permit, a snook permit, and a spiny lobster  
475 permit.

476 (15) FREE FISHING DAYS.—The commission may designate by  
477 rule no more than 4 consecutive or nonconsecutive days in each  
478 year as free freshwater fishing days and no more than 4  
479 consecutive or nonconsecutive days in each year as free  
480 saltwater fishing days. Notwithstanding any other provision of  
481 this chapter, any person may take freshwater fish for  
482 noncommercial purposes on a free freshwater fishing day and may  
483 take saltwater fish for noncommercial purposes on a free  
484 saltwater fishing day~~7~~ without obtaining or possessing a  
485 license, digital proof of such license, or permit or paying a  
486 license or permit fee as prescribed in this section. A person  
487 who takes freshwater or saltwater fish on a free fishing day  
488 must comply with all laws, rules, and regulations governing the  
489 holders of a fishing license or permit and all other conditions  
490 and limitations regulating the taking of freshwater or saltwater  
491 fish as are imposed by law or rule.

492 (16) PROHIBITED LICENSES OR PERMITS.—A person may not make,  
493 forge, counterfeit, or reproduce a license, digital proof of  
494 such license, or permit required under this section, except for  
495 those persons authorized by the commission to make or reproduce  
496 such a license, digital proof of such license, or permit. A

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497 person may not knowingly possess a forgery, counterfeit, or  
498 unauthorized reproduction of such a license, digital proof of  
499 such license, or permit. A person who violates this subsection  
500 commits a Level Four violation under s. 379.401.

501 (18) DIGITAL PROOF OF RECREATIONAL LICENSES.—

502 (a) The commission, in coordination with the Agency for  
503 State Technology, shall develop a secure and uniform system for  
504 issuing an optional digital proof of vessel licenses under  
505 subsection (7) and licenses for taking, attempting to take, or  
506 possessing game, freshwater or saltwater fish, or fur-bearing  
507 animals under subsections (9)-(12) for a fee of \$5. The  
508 commission may contract with one or more private entities to  
509 develop the digital proof of license system pursuant to s.  
510 282.0051(17).

511 (b) Digital proof of the licenses developed by the  
512 commission or by an entity contracted by the commission must be  
513 in a format that allows a commission law enforcement officer to  
514 verify the authenticity of such digital proof. The commission,  
515 in coordination with the Agency for State Technology, may adopt  
516 rules to ensure valid authentication of digital proof of the  
517 licenses by a commission law enforcement officer.

518 (c) Digital proof of a license must display the same  
519 required information about the licenseholder as does a license  
520 under this section.

521 (d) A person may not be issued digital proof of a license  
522 until he or she has satisfied all of the requirements of this  
523 chapter for issuance of a license.

524 Section 6. For the 2016-2017 fiscal year, the sum of  
525 \$500,000 in nonrecurring funds is appropriated from the General

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526 Revenue Fund to the Agency for State Technology for the purpose  
527 of implementing the pilot program created by the amendment to s.  
528 322.032, Florida Statutes.

529 Section 7. This act shall take effect October 1, 2016.