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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION ADOPTED (Y/N) ADOPTED AS AMENDED (Y/N) ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION (Y/N) (Y/N) FAILED TO ADOPT (Y/N) WITHDRAWN OTHER 1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Business & Professions 2 Subcommittee 3 Representative Fetterhoff offered the following: 4 5 Amendment (with title amendment) 6 Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert: 7 Section 1. Subsection (18) is added to section 527.01, 8 Florida Statutes, to read: 527.01 Definitions.-As used in this chapter: 9 10 (18) "Recreational vehicle" means a motor vehicle 11 that is designed to provide temporary living quarters for 12 recreational, camping, or travel use and that has its own propulsion or is mounted on or towed by another motor vehicle. 13 Section 2. Subsections (1) and (5) of section 527.0201, 14 Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 15 527.0201 Qualifiers; master qualifiers; examinations.-16 467279 - h0343-strike.docx Published On: 1/14/2020 3:57:18 PM

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17 In addition to the requirements of s. 527.02, any (1)person applying for a license to engage in category I, category 18 19 II, or category V activities must prove competency by passing a 20 written examination administered by the department or its agent 21 with a grade of 70 percent or above in each area tested. Each applicant for examination shall submit a \$20 nonrefundable fee. 22 The department shall by rule specify the general areas 23 (a) 24 of competency to be covered by each examination and the relative weight to be assigned in grading each area tested. 25 26 (b) The department shall by rule specify the requirements 27 for agents qualified to administer written competency 28 examinations required by this part. 29 The department shall by rule establish a separate test (C) 30 for persons applying for a license to engage in category I activities solely related to the service or repair of 31 32 recreational vehicles. The category I recreational vehicle 33 dealer/installer test shall include and ensure competency in the 34 following activities as they relate to recreational vehicles: 35 1. Operating a liquefied petroleum gas dispensing unit to 36 serve liquid product to a consumer for industrial, commercial, 37 or domestic use; 2. Selling or offering to sell, or leasing or offering to 38 lease, apparatus, appliances, and equipment for the use of 39 40 liquefied petroleum gas; and 3. Installing, servicing, or repairing recreational 41 467279 - h0343-strike.docx Published On: 1/14/2020 3:57:18 PM

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42 vehicle liquefied petroleum gas appliances and equipment.
43 (d) Any qualifier or master qualifier who has passed the
44 category I recreational vehicle dealer/installer test may engage
45 in category I activities solely related to the service and
46 repair of recreational vehicles.

47 (5) In addition to all other licensing requirements, each 48 category I and category V licensee must, at the time of application for licensure, identify to the department one master 49 qualifier who is a full-time employee at the licensed location. 50 This person shall be a manager, owner, or otherwise primarily 51 52 responsible for overseeing the operations of the licensed 53 location and must provide documentation to the department as 54 provided by rule. The master qualifier requirement shall be in addition to the requirements of subsection (1). 55

56 In order to apply for certification as a master (a) 57 qualifier, each applicant must have been a registered qualifier 58 for a minimum of 3 years of verifiable LP gas experience or hold 59 a professional certification by an LP gas manufacturer as 60 adopted by department rule immediately preceding submission of 61 the application, must be employed by a licensed category I or 62 category V licensee, or an applicant for such license, and must pass a master qualifier competency examination administered by 63 the department or its agent. Master qualifier examinations shall 64 be based on Florida's laws, rules, and adopted codes governing 65 66 liquefied petroleum gas safety, general industry safety 467279 - h0343-strike.docx

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67 standards, and administrative procedures. The applicant must 68 successfully pass the examination with a grade of 70 percent or 69 above. Each applicant for master qualifier registration must 70 submit to the department a nonrefundable \$30 examination fee 71 before the examination.

(b) Upon successful completion of the master qualifier examination, the department shall issue the examinee a master qualifier registration. A master qualifier may transfer from one licenseholder to another upon becoming employed by the company and providing a written request to the department.

(c) A master qualifier registration expires 3 years after the date of issuance and may be renewed by submission to the department of documentation of completion of at least 16 hours of approved continuing education courses during the 3-year period; proof of employment; and a \$30 certificate renewal fee. The department shall define by rule approved courses of continuing education.

84 85 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.

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### TITLE AMENDMENT

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88 Remove lines 3-13 and insert:

89 527.01, F.S.; defining the term "recreational vehicle"; amending 90 s. 527.0201, F.S.; requiring the department to specify 91 requirements for agents qualified to administer written

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92 competency examinations; requiring the department to establish 93 by rule a separate test for applicants to engage in category I 94 activities solely related to the service and repair of recreational vehicles; limiting qualifiers and master qualifiers 95 96 who passed the recreational vehicle dealer/installer category I test to only practice in activities related to service and 97 repair of recreational vehicles; requiring verifiable LP gas 98 experience or professional certification by an LP gas 99 manufacturer in order to apply for certification as a master 100 qualifier; providing an effective date. 101

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