

26 | electronically any records that are required to be filed with it
27 | pursuant to chapter 55, chapter 117, chapter 118, chapter 495,
28 | chapter 605, chapter 606, chapter 607, chapter 610, chapter 617,
29 | chapter 620, chapter 621, chapter 679, chapter 713, or chapter
30 | 865, through facsimile or other electronic transfers, for the
31 | purpose of filing such records. The department may implement a
32 | password protected system for the filing of such records. A
33 | person using the password protected system to electronically
34 | file a record may be required to verify his or her credentials
35 | and provide supplemental materials to the department, including
36 | his or her original signature. The department may allow an
37 | entity organized under a chapter specified in this subsection to
38 | identify authorized account holders for the purpose of
39 | electronically filing records related to the entity. The
40 | department shall use the e-mail address on file with the
41 | Division of Corporations on January 1, 2024, as the initial
42 | authorized account holder and shall send to that e-mail address
43 | a code providing access to the password protected system. The
44 | department may require verification of the identity of an
45 | authorized account holder before such account holder may file a
46 | record with the department through the password protected
47 | system. The originals of all such electronically transmitted
48 | records must be executed in the manner provided in paragraph
49 | (5) (b). The receipt of such electronic transfer constitutes
50 | delivery to the department as required by law. The department

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51 | may use electronic transmissions for purposes of notice in the
52 | administration of chapters 55, 117, 118, 495, 605, 606, 607,
53 | 610, 617, 620, 621, 679, and 713 and s. 865.09. The Department
54 | of State may collect e-mail addresses for purposes of notice and
55 | communication in the performance of its duties and may require
56 | filers and registrants to furnish such e-mail addresses when
57 | presenting documents for filing.

58 | Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.