

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