

CS/HB 679

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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to registration of trademarks;
amending s. 495.111, F.S.; removing provisions
relating to the classification of goods and services
for trademark purposes; requiring the Department of
State to use the international schedule of classes of
goods and services; creating s. 495.0315, F.S.;
requiring the department to establish and maintain a
secure Internet website that allows submission of an
online trademark registration application and renewal
application; providing website requirements; requiring
the department to make the online application system
available by a specified date; amending s. 495.031,
F.S.; providing online application requirements;
providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 495.111, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

495.111 Classification.—

(1) The department shall use the international schedule of classes of goods and services as set forth in 37 C.F.R. s. 6.1, as amended, as the state classification system for trademarks. The following general classes of goods and services, conforming

26 to the classification adopted by the United States Patent and
27 Trademark Office, are established for convenience of
28 administration of this chapter:

29 (a) Goods:

30 1. ~~Class 1 Chemicals for use in industry, science and~~
31 ~~photography, as well as in agriculture, horticulture and~~
32 ~~forestry; unprocessed artificial resins, unprocessed plastics;~~
33 ~~fire extinguishing and fire prevention compositions; tempering~~
34 ~~and soldering preparations; substances for tanning animal skins~~
35 ~~and hides; adhesives for use in industry; putties and other~~
36 ~~paste fillers; compost, manures, fertilizers; biological~~
37 ~~preparations for use in industry and science.~~

38 2. ~~Class 2 Paints, varnishes, lacquers; preservatives~~
39 ~~against rust and against deterioration of wood; colorants, dyes;~~
40 ~~inks for printing, marking and engraving; raw natural resins;~~
41 ~~metals in foil and powder form for use in painting, decorating,~~
42 ~~printing and art.~~

43 3. ~~Class 3 Non-medicated cosmetics and toiletry~~
44 ~~preparations; non-medicated dentifrices; perfumery, essential~~
45 ~~oils; bleaching preparations and other substances for laundry~~
46 ~~use; cleaning, polishing, scouring and abrasive preparations.~~

47 4. ~~Class 4 Industrial oils and greases, wax; lubricants;~~
48 ~~dust absorbing, wetting and binding compositions; fuels and~~
49 ~~illuminants; candles and wicks for lighting.~~

50 5. ~~Class 5 Pharmaceuticals, medical and veterinary~~

51 ~~preparations; sanitary preparations for medical purposes;~~
52 ~~dietetic food and substances adapted for medical or veterinary~~
53 ~~use, food for babies; dietary supplements for humans and~~
54 ~~animals; plasters, materials for dressings; material for~~
55 ~~stopping teeth, dental wax; disinfectants; preparations for~~
56 ~~destroying vermin; fungicides, herbicides.~~

57 6. ~~Class 6 Common metals and their alloys, ores; metal~~
58 ~~materials for building and construction; transportable buildings~~
59 ~~of metal; non-electric cables and wires of common metal; small~~
60 ~~items of metal hardware; metal containers for storage or~~
61 ~~transport; safes.~~

62 7. ~~Class 7 Machines, machine tools, power operated tools;~~
63 ~~motors and engines, except for land vehicles; machine coupling~~
64 ~~and transmission components, except for land vehicles;~~
65 ~~agricultural implements, other than hand operated hand tools;~~
66 ~~incubators for eggs; automatic vending machines.~~

67 8. ~~Class 8 Hand tools and implements, hand operated;~~
68 ~~cutlery; side arms, except firearms; razors.~~

69 9. ~~Class 9 Scientific, nautical, surveying, photographic,~~
70 ~~cinematographic, optical, weighing, measuring, signaling,~~
71 ~~checking (supervision), life-saving and teaching apparatus and~~
72 ~~instruments; apparatus and instruments for conducting,~~
73 ~~switching, transforming, accumulating, regulating or controlling~~
74 ~~electricity; apparatus for recording, transmission or~~
75 ~~reproduction of sound or images; magnetic data carriers,~~

76 ~~recording discs; compact discs, DVDs and other digital recording~~
77 ~~media; mechanisms for coin-operated apparatus; cash registers,~~
78 ~~calculating machines, data processing equipment, computers;~~
79 ~~computer software; fire-extinguishing apparatus.~~

80 10. ~~Class 10 Surgical, medical, dental and veterinary~~
81 ~~apparatus and instruments; artificial limbs, eyes and teeth;~~
82 ~~orthopaedic articles; suture materials; therapeutic and~~
83 ~~assistive devices adapted for the disabled; massage apparatus;~~
84 ~~apparatus, devices and articles for nursing infants; sexual~~
85 ~~activity apparatus, devices and articles.~~

86 11. ~~Class 11 Apparatus for lighting, heating, steam~~
87 ~~generating, cooking, refrigerating, drying, ventilating, water~~
88 ~~supply and sanitary purposes.~~

89 12. ~~Class 12 Vehicles; apparatus for locomotion by land,~~
90 ~~air or water.~~

91 13. ~~Class 13 Firearms; ammunition and projectiles;~~
92 ~~explosives; fireworks.~~

93 14. ~~Class 14 Precious metals and their alloys; jewellery,~~
94 ~~precious and semi-precious stones; horological and chronometric~~
95 ~~instruments.~~

96 15. ~~Class 15 Musical instruments.~~

97 16. ~~Class 16 Paper and cardboard; printed matter;~~
98 ~~bookbinding material; photographs; stationery and office~~
99 ~~requisites, except furniture; adhesives for stationery or~~
100 ~~household purposes; drawing materials and materials for artists;~~

101 ~~paintbrushes; instructional and teaching materials; plastic~~
102 ~~sheets, films and bags for wrapping and packaging; printers'~~
103 ~~type, printing blocks.~~

104 17. ~~Class 17 Unprocessed and semi-processed rubber, gutta-percha, gum, asbestos, mica and substitutes for all these materials; plastics and resins in extruded form for use in manufacture; packing, stopping and insulating materials; flexible pipes, tubes and hoses, not of metal.~~

109 18. ~~Class 18 Leather and imitations of leather; animal skins and hides; luggage and carrying bags; umbrellas and parasols; walking sticks; whips, harness and saddlery; collars, leashes and clothing for animals.~~

113 19. ~~Class 19 Building materials (non-metallic); non-metallic rigid pipes for building; asphalt, pitch and bitumen; non-metallic transportable buildings; monuments, not of metal.~~

116 20. ~~Class 20 Furniture, mirrors, picture frames; containers, not of metal, for storage or transport; unworked or semi-worked bone, horn, whalebone or mother-of-pearl; shells; meerschaum; yellow amber.~~

120 21. ~~Class 21 Household or kitchen utensils and containers; cookware and tableware, except forks, knives and spoons; combs and sponges; brushes, except paintbrushes; brush-making materials; articles for cleaning purposes; unworked or semi-worked glass, except building glass; glassware, porcelain and earthenware.~~

126 22. Class 22 Ropes and string; nets; tents and
127 tarpaulins; awnings of textile or synthetic materials; sails;
128 sacks for the transport and storage of materials in bulk;
129 padding, cushioning and stuffing materials, except of paper,
130 cardboard, rubber or plastics; raw fibrous textile materials and
131 substitutes therefor.

132 23. Class 23 Yarns and threads, for textile use.

133 24. Class 24 Textiles and substitutes for textiles;
134 household linen; curtains of textile or plastic.

135 25. Class 25 Clothing, footwear, headgear.

136 26. Class 26 Lace and embroidery, ribbons and braid;
137 buttons, hooks and eyes, pins and needles; artificial flowers;
138 hair decorations; false hair.

139 27. Class 27 Carpets, rugs, mats and matting, linoleum
140 and other materials for covering existing floors; wall hangings
141 (non-textile).

142 28. Class 28 Games, toys and playthings; video game
143 apparatus; gymnastic and sporting articles; decorations for
144 Christmas trees.

145 29. Class 29 Meat, fish, poultry and game; meat extracts;
146 preserved, frozen, dried and cooked fruits and vegetables;
147 jellies, jams, compotes; eggs; milk and milk products; oils and
148 fats for food.

149 30. Class 30 Coffee, tea, cocoa and artificial coffee;
150 rice; tapioca and sago; flour and preparations made from

151 cereals; bread, pastries and confectionery; edible ices; sugar,
152 honey, treacle; yeast, baking powder; salt; mustard; vinegar,
153 sauces (condiments); spices; ice (frozen water).

154 31. Class 31 Raw and unprocessed agricultural,
155 aquacultural, horticultural and forestry products; raw and
156 unprocessed grains and seeds; fresh fruits and vegetables, fresh
157 herbs; natural plants and flowers; bulbs, seedlings and seeds
158 for planting; live animals; foodstuffs and beverages for
159 animals; malt.

160 32. Class 32 Beers; mineral and aerated waters and other
161 non-alcoholic beverages; fruit beverages and fruit juices;
162 syrups and other preparations for making beverages.

163 33. Class 33 Alcoholic beverages (except beers).

164 34. Class 34 Tobacco; smokers' articles; matches.

165 (b) Services:

166 1. Class 35 Advertising; business management; business
167 administration; office functions.

168 2. Class 36 Insurance; financial affairs; monetary
169 affairs; real estate affairs.

170 3. Class 37 Building construction; repair; installation
171 services.

172 4. Class 38 Telecommunications.

173 5. Class 39 Transport; packaging and storage of goods;
174 travel arrangement.

175 6. Class 40 Treatment of materials.

176 7. Class 41 Education; providing of training;
177 entertainment; sporting and cultural activities.

178 8. Class 42 Scientific and technological services and
179 research and design relating thereto; industrial analysis and
180 research services; design and development of computer hardware
181 and software.

182 9. Class 43 Services for providing food and drink;
183 temporary accommodation.

184 10. Class 44 Medical services; veterinary services;
185 hygienic and beauty care for human beings or animals;
186 agriculture, horticulture and forestry services.

187 11. Class 45 Legal services; security services for the
188 physical protection of tangible property and individuals;
189 personal and social services rendered by others to meet the
190 needs of individuals.

191 (e) Certification and collective membership marks:

192 1. Class 200 Collective membership marks.

193 2. Class A Certification marks for goods.

194 3. Class B Certification marks for services.

195 (d) The goods and services recited in collective trademark
196 and collective service mark applications are assigned to the
197 same classes that are appropriate for those goods and services
198 in general.

199 **Section 2. Section 495.0315, Florida Statutes, is created**
200 **to read:**

201 495.0315 Online application for registration.—

202 (1) The department shall establish and maintain a secure
203 Internet website that allows an applicant to submit an online
204 trademark registration application in accordance with ss.
205 495.031 and 495.035 and a renewal application in accordance with
206 s. 495.071. The website must safeguard the applicant's
207 information to ensure data integrity and allow the applicant to:

208 (a) Provide an electronic version of a required specimen
209 of use.

210 (b) Provide an electronic version of a drawing of the
211 mark.

212 (c) Pay the fee required by s. 495.191.

213 (d) Complete the verification required by s. 495.031(5).

214 (2) The department shall make the online application
215 system required by this section available no later than July 1,
216 2027.

217 **Section 3. Subsections (5) and (6) of section 495.031,**
218 **Florida Statutes, are amended to read:**

219 495.031 Application for registration.—

220 (5) Every application under this section shall be signed
221 and verified by the applicant or by a member of the firm or an
222 officer or other authorized representative of the business
223 entity applying. Verification must be made in accordance with s.
224 92.525 and may be accomplished electronically in compliance with
225 ss. 668.001-668.006.

226 (6) Every paper application under this section shall be
227 accompanied by three specimens or facsimiles showing the mark as
228 actually used. Every online application under this section must
229 be accompanied by an electronic copy of a specimen, complying
230 with the requirements of the department, showing the mark as
231 actually used.

232 **Section 4.** This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.