

## CHAPTER 2014-17

### Senate Bill No. 934

An act relating to the Florida Statutes; amending ss. 11.45, 17.20, 20.60, 27.5112, 27.7081, 28.22205, 39.701, 104.0616, 106.011, 106.0703, 110.131, 112.19, 112.191, 112.1915, 112.3215, 112.324, 117.05, 120.74, 120.81, 122.01, 122.22, 122.28, 163.3187, 163.3246, 196.075, 206.414, 206.606, 215.618, 215.89, 243.52, 253.034, 253.66, 255.60, 259.037, 259.105, 265.601, 265.603, 285.18, 287.064, 287.135, 288.001, 288.11621, 288.7015, 288.9918, 290.00726, 290.00727, 290.00728, 290.00729, 290.00731, 290.0074, 316.305, 318.14, 318.1451, 319.21, 319.30, 322.12, 322.143, 322.21, 322.292, 326.004, 334.065, 339.135, 366.04, 366.11, 366.80, 366.81, 366.82, 366.83, 366.94, 373.036, 373.0363, 373.4145, 373.4592, 373.59, 375.313, 376.011, 376.3078, 379.333, 379.3511, 381.911, 382.009, 383.16, 383.17, 383.18, 383.19, 391.025, 394.9084, 400.471, 400.960, 401.27, 403.061, 403.804, 403.9338, 409.1451, 409.907, 409.9082, 409.981, 411.203, 420.5087, 420.622, 429.14, 430.207, 443.091, 443.1216, 443.131, 443.141, 445.007, 455.2274, 456.001, 456.056, 458.3115, 464.0196, 475.617, 497.005, 499.001, 499.0121, 509.302, 513.1115, 553.79, 553.80, 562.45, 565.03, 570.964, 590.02, 605.0109, 605.04092, 605.0711, 605.0714, 605.0904, 605.0905, 605.0907, 605.0912, 605.1006, 605.1033, 605.1041, 605.1103, 610.108, 610.119, 617.0601, 620.8503, 624.91, 627.351, 627.3518, 627.642, 627.6515, 627.6562, 627.657, 627.6686, 633.102, 633.216, 633.316, 633.408, 634.283, 641.31098, 658.27, 658.995, 713.78, 871.015, 893.055, 893.1495, 943.0585, 943.059, 945.091, 951.23, 1002.20, 1002.34, 1002.41, 1002.45, 1002.83, 1002.84, 1002.89, 1003.49, 1003.52, 1006.15, 1006.282, 1006.73, 1008.44, 1011.61, 1011.80, and 1013.12, F.S.; reenacting ss. 323.002 and 718.301, F.S.; reenacting and amending s. 1009.22, F.S.; and repealing ss. 408.914, 408.915, 408.916, and 420.151, F.S.; deleting provisions that have expired, have become obsolete, have had their effect, have served their purpose, or have been impliedly repealed or superseded; replacing incorrect cross-references and citations; correcting grammatical, typographical, and like errors; removing inconsistencies, redundancies, and unnecessary repetition in the statutes; improving the clarity of the statutes and facilitating their correct interpretation; and confirming the restoration of provisions unintentionally omitted from republication in the acts of the Legislature during the amendatory process; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (i) of subsection (7) of section 11.45, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

11.45 Definitions; duties; authorities; reports; rules.—

(7) AUDITOR GENERAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—

(i) ~~Beginning in 2012~~, The Auditor General shall annually transmit by July 15, to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Department of Financial Services, a list of all school districts, charter schools, charter technical career centers, Florida College System institutions, state universities, and water management districts that have failed to comply with the transparency requirements as identified in the audit reports reviewed pursuant to paragraph (b) and those conducted pursuant to subsection (2).

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 2. Subsections (4) and (5) of section 17.20, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

17.20 Assignment of claims for collection.—

(4) ~~Beginning October 1, 2010, and~~ Each October 1 thereafter, each agency shall submit a report to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Chief Financial Officer which includes:

(a) A detailed list and total of all accounts that were referred for collection and the status of such accounts, including the date referred, any amounts collected, and the total that remains uncollected.

(b) A list and total of all delinquent accounts that were not referred to a collection agency, the reasons for not referring those accounts, and the actions taken by the agency to collect.

(c) A list of all accounts or claims, including a description and the total amount of each account or claim, which were written off or waived by the agency for any reason during the prior fiscal year, the reason for being written off, and whether any of those accounts continue to be pursued by a collection agent.

(5) ~~Beginning December 1, 2010, and~~ Each December 1 thereafter, the Chief Financial Officer shall provide to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives a report that details the following information for any contracted collection agent:

(a) The amount of claims referred for collection by each agency, cumulatively and annually.

(b) The number of accounts by age and amount.

(c) A listing of those agencies that failed to report known claims to the Chief Financial Officer in a timely manner as prescribed in subsection (3).

(d) The total amount of claims collected, cumulatively and annually.

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete obsolete provisions.

Section 3. Paragraph (c) of subsection (5) of section 20.60, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

20.60 Department of Economic Opportunity; creation; powers and duties.

(5) The divisions within the department have specific responsibilities to achieve the duties, responsibilities, and goals of the department. Specifically:

(c) The Division of Workforce Services shall:

1. Prepare and submit a unified budget request for workforce development in accordance with chapter 216 for, and in conjunction with, Workforce Florida, Inc., and its board.

2. Ensure that the state appropriately administers federal and state workforce funding by administering plans and policies of Workforce Florida, Inc., under contract with Workforce Florida, Inc. The operating budget and midyear amendments thereto must be part of such contract.

a. All program and fiscal instructions to regional workforce boards shall emanate from the Department of Economic Opportunity pursuant to plans and policies of Workforce Florida, Inc., which shall be responsible for all policy directions to the regional workforce boards.

b. Unless otherwise provided by agreement with Workforce Florida, Inc., administrative and personnel policies of the Department of Economic Opportunity shall apply.

3. Implement the state's reemployment assistance program. The Department of Economic Opportunity shall ensure that the state appropriately administers the reemployment assistance program pursuant to state and federal law.

4. Assist in developing the 5-year statewide strategic plan required by this section.

Reviser's note.—The word "development" was inserted to conform to the language which was derived from s. 20.50(2)(b), Florida Statutes 2010, in the 2011 reorganization bill.

Section 4. Subsection (3) of section 27.5112, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

27.5112 Electronic filing and receipt of court documents.—

~~(3) The Florida Public Defender Association shall file a report with the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by March 1, 2012, describing the progress that each office of the public defender has made to use the Florida Courts E-Portal or, if the case type is not approved for the Florida Courts E-Portal, separate clerks' offices portals for purposes of electronic filing and documenting receipt of court documents. For~~

~~any office of the public defender that has not fully implemented an electronic filing and receipt system by March 1, 2012, the report must also include a description of the additional activities that are needed to complete the system for that office and the projected time necessary to complete the additional activities.~~

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 5. Paragraph (e) of subsection (6) of section 27.7081, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

27.7081 Capital postconviction public records production.—

(6) ACTION UPON RECEIPT OF NOTICE OF MANDATE.—

(e) Within 90 days after receipt of written notification of the mandate from the Attorney General, each additional person or agency identified pursuant to paragraph (5)(b) or paragraph (5)(c) shall copy, index, and deliver to the records repository all public records which were produced during the prosecution of the case. The person or agency shall bear the costs. The person or agency shall provide written notification to the Attorney General of compliance with this paragraph ~~subdivision~~ and shall certify, to the best of the person or agency's knowledge and belief, all such public records in the possession of the person or agency have been copied, indexed, and delivered to the records repository.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial substitution of the word “paragraph” for the word “subdivision” to improve clarity.

Section 6. Section 28.22205, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

28.22205 Electronic filing process.—Each clerk of court shall implement an electronic filing process. The purpose of the electronic filing process is to reduce judicial costs in the office of the clerk and the judiciary, increase timeliness in the processing of cases, and provide the judiciary with case-related information to allow for improved judicial case management. The Legislature requests that, no later than July 1, 2009, the Supreme Court set statewide standards for electronic filing to be used by the clerks of court to implement electronic filing. The standards should specify the required information for the duties of the clerks of court and the judiciary for case management. The clerks of court shall begin implementation no later than October 1, 2009. ~~The Florida Clerks of Court Operations Corporation shall report to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by March 1, 2010, on the status of implementing electronic filing. The report shall include the detailed status of each clerk office's implementation of an electronic filing process, and for those clerks who have not fully implemented electronic filing by March 1, 2010, a description of the additional steps needed and a projected timeline for full implementation.~~ Revenues provided to counties and the clerk of court under s. 28.24(12)(e) for

information technology may also be used to implement electronic filing processes.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 7. Paragraph (c) of subsection (3) of section 39.701, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

39.701 Judicial review.—

(3) REVIEW HEARINGS FOR CHILDREN 17 YEARS OF AGE.—

(c) If the court finds at the judicial review hearing that the department has not met ~~with~~ its obligations to the child as stated in the written case plan or in the provision of independent living services, the court may issue an order directing the department to show cause as to why it has not done so. If the department cannot justify its noncompliance, the court may give the department 30 days within which to comply. If the department fails to comply within 30 days, the court may hold the department in contempt.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to confirm the editorial deletion of the word “with.”

Section 8. Subsection (2) of section 104.0616, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

104.0616 Absentee ballots and voting; violations.—

(2) Any person who provides or offers to provide, and any person who accepts, a pecuniary or other benefit in exchange for distributing, ordering, requesting, collecting, delivering, or otherwise physically possessing more than two absentee ballots per election in addition to his or her own ballot or a ballot belonging to an immediate family member, except as provided in ss. 101.6105-101.694 ~~101.6105-101.695~~, commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to conform to the transfer of s. 101.695 to s. 97.065 by s. 42, ch. 65-380, Laws of Florida, and the further transfer of s. 97.065 to s. 101.665 by s. 17, ch. 94-224, Laws of Florida.

Section 9. Subsection (15) of section 106.011, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

106.011 Definitions.—As used in this chapter, the following terms have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

(15) “Political advertisement” means a paid expression in a communications medium ~~media~~ prescribed in subsection (4), whether radio, television, newspaper, magazine, periodical, campaign literature, direct mail, or display or by means other than the spoken word in direct conversation, which

expressly advocates the election or defeat of a candidate or the approval or rejection of an issue. However, political advertisement does not include:

(a) A statement by an organization, in existence before the time during which a candidate qualifies or an issue is placed on the ballot for that election, in support of or opposition to a candidate or issue, in that organization's newsletter, which newsletter is distributed only to the members of that organization.

(b) Editorial endorsements by a newspaper, a radio or television station, or any other recognized news medium.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial substitution of the word “medium” for the word “media” to conform to context.

Section 10. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 106.0703, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

106.0703 Electioneering communications organizations; reporting requirements; certification and filing; penalties.—

(2)(a) Except as provided in s. 106.0705, the reports required of an electioneering communications organization shall be filed with the filing officer not later than 5 p.m. of the day designated. However, any report postmarked by the United States Postal Service no later than midnight of the day designated is deemed to have been filed in a timely manner. Any report received by the filing officer within 5 days after the designated due date that was delivered by the United States Postal Service is ~~be~~ deemed timely filed unless it has a postmark that indicates that the report was mailed after the designated due date. A certificate of mailing obtained from and dated by the United States Postal Service at the time of mailing, or a receipt from an established courier company, which bears a date on or before the date on which the report is due, suffices as proof of mailing in a timely manner. Reports other than daily reports must contain information on all previously unreported contributions received and expenditures made as of the preceding Friday, except that the report filed on the Friday immediately preceding the election must contain information on all previously unreported contributions received and expenditures made as of the day preceding the designated due date; daily reports must contain information on all previously unreported contributions received as of the preceding day. All such reports are open to public inspection.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial deletion of the word “be.”

Section 11. Subsection (4) of section 110.131, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

110.131 Other-personal-services employment.—

(4) ~~Beginning August 15, 2012, and Each August 15 thereafter, each agency employing an individual in other-personal-services employment shall submit a report to the Executive Office of the Governor and to the chairs of the legislative appropriations committees containing the following information for the previous fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, and each June 30 thereafter:~~

(a) The total number of individuals serving in other-personal-services employment.

(b) The type of employment, average pay, and total number of hours worked for each individual serving in other-personal-services employment.

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete obsolete provisions.

Section 12. Subsection (3) of section 112.19, Florida Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 2002-191, Laws of Florida, as amended by section 14 of chapter 2004-357, Laws of Florida, as reenacted by section 5 of chapter 2005-100, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

112.19 Law enforcement, correctional, and correctional probation officers; death benefits.—

(3) If a law enforcement, correctional, or correctional probation officer is accidentally killed as specified in paragraph (2)(b) on or after June 22, 1990, or unlawfully and intentionally killed as specified in paragraph (2)(c) on or after July 1, 1980, the state shall waive certain educational expenses that the child or spouse of the deceased officer incurs while obtaining a career certificate, an undergraduate education, or a postgraduate education. The amount waived by the state shall be an amount equal to the cost of tuition and matriculation and registration fees for a total of 120 credit hours. The child or spouse may attend a state career center, a Florida College System institution ~~state community college~~, or a state university. The child or spouse may attend any or all of the institutions specified in this subsection, on either a full-time or part-time basis. The benefits provided to a child under this subsection shall continue until the child's 25th birthday. The benefits provided to a spouse under this subsection must commence within 5 years after the death occurs, and entitlement thereto shall continue until the 10th anniversary of that death.

(a) Upon failure of any child or spouse benefited by the provisions of this subsection to comply with the ordinary and minimum requirements of the institution attended, both as to discipline and scholarship, the benefits shall be withdrawn as to the child or spouse and no further moneys may be expended for the child's or spouse's benefits so long as such failure or delinquency continues.

(b) Only a student in good standing in his or her respective institution may receive the benefits thereof.

(c) A child or spouse receiving benefits under this subsection must be enrolled according to the customary rules and requirements of the institution attended.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform a reference to a state community college to changes in chs. 2008-52 and 2009-228, Laws of Florida, transitioning references from community colleges to Florida College System institutions.

Section 13. Subsection (3) of section 112.19, Florida Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 2002-232, Laws of Florida, as amended by section 9 of chapter 2003-1, Laws of Florida, as amended by section 15 of chapter 2004-357, Laws of Florida, as reenacted by section 6 of chapter 2005-100, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

112.19 Law enforcement, correctional, and correctional probation officers; death benefits.—

(3) If a law enforcement, correctional, or correctional probation officer is accidentally killed as specified in paragraph (2)(b) on or after June 22, 1990, or unlawfully and intentionally killed as specified in paragraph (2)(c) on or after July 1, 1980, the state shall waive certain educational expenses that children of the deceased officer incur while obtaining a career certificate, an undergraduate education, or a graduate or postbaccalaureate professional degree. The amount waived by the state shall be an amount equal to the cost of tuition, matriculation, and other statutorily authorized fees for a total of 120 credit hours for a career certificate or an undergraduate education. For a child pursuing a graduate or postbaccalaureate professional degree, the amount waived shall equal the cost of matriculation and other statutorily authorized fees incurred while the child continues to fulfill the professional requirements associated with the graduate or postbaccalaureate professional degree program, and eligibility continues until the child's 29th birthday. The child may attend a state career center, a Florida College System institution ~~state community college~~, or a state university. The child may attend any or all of the institutions specified in this subsection, on either a full-time or part-time basis. For a child pursuing a career certificate or an undergraduate education, the benefits provided under this subsection shall continue to the child until the child's 25th birthday. To be eligible for the benefits provided under this subsection for enrollment in a graduate or postbaccalaureate professional degree program, the child must be a state resident, as defined in s. 1009.21, at the time of enrollment.

(a) Upon failure of any child benefited by the provisions of this section to comply with the ordinary and minimum requirements of the institution attended, both as to discipline and scholarship, the benefits shall be withdrawn as to the child and no further moneys may be expended for the child's benefits so long as such failure or delinquency continues.

(b) Only a student in good standing in his or her respective institution may receive the benefits thereof.



(c) A child receiving benefits under this section must be enrolled according to the customary rules and requirements of the institution attended.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform a reference to a state community college to changes in chs. 2008-52 and 2009-228, Laws of Florida, transitioning references from community colleges to Florida College System institutions.

Section 14. Subsection (3) of section 112.191, Florida Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 2002-191, Laws of Florida, as amended by section 16 of chapter 2004-357, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

112.191 Firefighters; death benefits.—

(3) If a firefighter is accidentally killed as specified in paragraph (2)(b) on or after June 22, 1990, or unlawfully and intentionally killed as specified in paragraph (2)(c), on or after July 1, 1980, the state shall waive certain educational expenses that the child or spouse of the deceased firefighter incurs while obtaining a career certificate, an undergraduate education, or a postgraduate education. The amount waived by the state shall be an amount equal to the cost of tuition and matriculation and registration fees for a total of 120 credit hours. The child or spouse may attend a state career center, a Florida College System institution ~~state community college~~, or a state university. The child or spouse may attend any or all of the institutions specified in this subsection, on either a full-time or part-time basis. The benefits provided to a child under this subsection shall continue until the child's 25th birthday. The benefits provided to a spouse under this subsection must commence within 5 years after the death occurs, and entitlement thereto shall continue until the 10th anniversary of that death.

(a) Upon failure of any child or spouse benefited by the provisions of this subsection to comply with the ordinary and minimum requirements of the institution attended, both as to discipline and scholarship, the benefits thereof shall be withdrawn as to the child or spouse and no further moneys expended for the child's or spouse's benefits so long as such failure or delinquency continues.

(b) Only students in good standing in their respective institutions shall receive the benefits thereof.

(c) A child or spouse receiving benefits under this subsection must be enrolled according to the customary rules and requirements of the institution attended.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform a reference to a state community college to changes in chs. 2008-52 and 2009-228, Laws of Florida, transitioning references from community colleges to Florida College System institutions.

Section 15. Subsection (3) of section 112.191, Florida Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 2002-232, Laws of Florida, as amended by section 10 of chapter 2003-1, Laws of Florida, as amended by section 17 of chapter 2004-357, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

112.191 Firefighters; death benefits.—

(3) If a firefighter is accidentally killed as specified in paragraph (2)(b) on or after June 22, 1990, or unlawfully and intentionally killed as specified in paragraph (2)(c), on or after July 1, 1980, the state shall waive certain educational expenses that children of the deceased firefighter incur while obtaining a career certificate, an undergraduate education, or a graduate or postbaccalaureate professional degree. The amount waived by the state shall be an amount equal to the cost of tuition, matriculation, and other statutorily authorized fees for a total of 120 credit hours for a career certificate or an undergraduate education. For a child pursuing a graduate or postbaccalaureate professional degree, the amount waived shall equal the cost of matriculation and other statutorily authorized fees incurred while the child continues to fulfill the professional requirements associated with the graduate or postbaccalaureate professional degree program, and eligibility continues until the child's 29th birthday. The child may attend a state career center, a Florida College System institution ~~state community college~~, or a state university. The child may attend any or all of the institutions specified in this subsection, on either a full-time or part-time basis. For a child pursuing a career certificate or an undergraduate education, the benefits provided under this subsection shall continue to such a child until the child's 25th birthday. To be eligible for the benefits provided under this subsection for enrollment in a graduate or postbaccalaureate professional degree program, the child must be a state resident, as defined in s. 1009.21, at the time of enrollment.

(a) Upon failure of any child benefited by the provisions of this section to comply with the ordinary and minimum requirements of the institution attended, both as to discipline and scholarship, the benefits thereof shall be withdrawn as to the child and no further moneys expended for the child's benefits so long as such failure or delinquency continues.

(b) Only students in good standing in their respective institutions shall receive the benefits thereof.

(c) All children receiving benefits under this section shall be enrolled according to the customary rules and requirements of the institution attended.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform a reference to a state community college to changes in chs. 2008-52 and 2009-228, Laws of Florida, transitioning references from community colleges to Florida College System institutions.

Section 16. Paragraph (d) of subsection (3) of section 112.1915, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

112.1915 Teachers and school administrators; death benefits.—Any other provision of law to the contrary notwithstanding:

(3) If a teacher or school administrator dies under the conditions in subsection (2), benefits shall be provided as follows:

(d) Waiver of certain educational expenses which children of the deceased teacher or school administrator incur while obtaining a career certificate or an undergraduate education shall be according to conditions set forth in this paragraph. The amount waived by the state shall be an amount equal to the cost of tuition and matriculation and registration fees for a total of 120 credit hours at a university. The child may attend a state career center, a Florida College System institution ~~state community college~~, or a state university. The child may attend any or all of the institutions specified in this paragraph, on either a full-time or part-time basis. The benefits provided under this paragraph shall continue to the child until the child's 25th birthday.

1. Upon failure of any child benefited by the provisions of this paragraph to comply with the ordinary and minimum requirements of the institution attended, both as to discipline and scholarship, the benefits shall be withdrawn as to the child and no further moneys may be expended for the child's benefits so long as such failure or delinquency continues.

2. A student who becomes eligible for benefits under the provisions of this paragraph while enrolled in an institution must be in good standing with the institution to receive the benefits provided herein.

3. A child receiving benefits under this paragraph must be enrolled according to the customary rules and requirements of the institution attended.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform a reference to a state community college to changes in chs. 2008-52 and 2009-228, Laws of Florida, transitioning references from community colleges to Florida College System institutions.

Section 17. Subsection (10) of section 112.3215, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

112.3215 Lobbying before the executive branch or the Constitution Revision Commission; registration and reporting; investigation by commission.—

(10) If the Governor and Cabinet find that a violation occurred, the Governor and Cabinet ~~it~~ may reprimand the violator, censure the violator, or prohibit the violator from lobbying all agencies for a period not to exceed 2 years. If the violator is a lobbying firm, lobbyist, or principal, the Governor

and Cabinet may also assess a fine of not more than \$5,000 to be deposited in the Executive Branch Lobby Registration Trust Fund.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial substitution of the words “the Governor and Cabinet” for the word “it” to improve clarity.

Section 18. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 112.324, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

112.324 Procedures on complaints of violations and referrals; public records and meeting exemptions.—

(1) The commission shall investigate an alleged violation of this part or other alleged breach of the public trust within the jurisdiction of the commission as provided in s. 8(f), Art. II of the State Constitution:

(a) Upon a written complaint executed on a form prescribed by the commission and signed under oath or of affirmation by any person; or

Within 5 days after receipt of a complaint by the commission or a determination by at least six members of the commission that the referral received is deemed sufficient, a copy shall be transmitted to the alleged violator.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial substitution of the word “or” for the word “of” to conform to context.

Section 19. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section 117.05, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

117.05 Use of notary commission; unlawful use; notary fee; seal; duties; employer liability; name change; advertising; photocopies; penalties.—

(3)

~~(b) Any notary public whose term of appointment extends beyond January 1, 1992, is required to use a rubber stamp type notary public seal on paper documents only upon reappointment on or after January 1, 1992.~~

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 20. Subsections (2), (3), and (4) of section 120.74, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

120.74 Agency review, revision, and report.—

~~(2) Beginning October 1, 1997, and~~ By October 1 of every other year thereafter, the head of each agency shall file a report with the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the committee, with a copy to each appropriate standing committee of the Legislature, which certifies that the agency has complied with the requirements of this section. The report must specify any changes made to its rules as a result of the

review and, when appropriate, recommend statutory changes that will promote efficiency, reduce paperwork, or decrease costs to government and the private sector. The report must specifically address the economic impact of the rules on small business. The report must identify the types of cases or disputes in which the agency is involved which should be conducted under the summary hearing process described in s. 120.574.

(3) ~~Beginning in 2012, and~~ No later than July 1 of each year, each agency shall file with the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the committee a regulatory plan identifying and describing each rule the agency proposes to adopt for the 12-month period beginning on the July 1 reporting date and ending on the subsequent June 30, excluding emergency rules.

(4) ~~For the year 2011, the certification required in subsection (2) may omit any information included in the reports provided under s. 120.745.~~ Reporting under subsections (1) and (2) shall be suspended for the year 2013, but required reporting under those subsections shall resume in 2015 and biennially thereafter.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to delete obsolete provisions.

Section 21. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 120.81, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

120.81 Exceptions and special requirements; general areas.—

(1) EDUCATIONAL UNITS.—

(c) Notwithstanding s. 120.52(16), any tests, test scoring criteria, or testing procedures relating to student assessment which are developed or administered by the Department of Education pursuant to s. 1003.428, ~~s. 1003.429~~, s. 1003.438, s. 1008.22, or s. 1008.25, or any other statewide educational tests required by law, are not rules.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 1003.429 by s. 20, ch. 2013-27, Laws of Florida.

Section 22. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section 122.01, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

122.01 State and County Officers and Employees’ Retirement System; consolidation; divisions.—

(4)(a) The State and County Officers and Employees’ Retirement System shall be deemed to be divided into two divisions to be designated division A and division B.

1. Division A of this system shall consist of those members of the system who were employed prior to July 1, 1963, who did not elect to become members of division B; and ss. ~~122.01-122.12~~ 122.01-122.13, 122.15, 122.16,

122.18 to 122.20, inclusive and ss. 122.34 to 122.35, inclusive shall control with respect to division A and membership therein.

2. Division B of this system, established for the purposes and within the contemplation of s. 218(d)(6) of the federal Social Security Act [42 U.S.C.A. s. 418(d)(6)] for the purpose of affording to the members of said division B the opportunity to obtain federal social security coverage, shall consist of those members of the system who elected to or were required to become members of division B, as hereinafter provided, and ss. 122.21-122.24, 122.26 to 122.321 shall control with respect to division B and membership therein.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 122.13 by s. 12, ch. 2004-234, Laws of Florida.

Section 23. Section 122.22, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

122.22 Applicable law.—Sections ~~122.01-122.12~~ ~~122.01-122.13~~, 122.15, 122.16, 122.18 to 122.20, inclusive, in relation to administration of division B and to duties, rights, privileges and benefits of members of this division under this system, shall apply to said division B and membership therein, except to the extent that the provisions of ss. 122.21-122.24, 122.26 to 122.321, inclusive, may be at variance or in conflict therewith.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 122.13 by s. 12, ch. 2004-234, Laws of Florida.

Section 24. Section 122.28, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

122.28 Benefits.—The relevant provisions of ss. ~~122.01-122.12~~ ~~122.01-122.13~~, 122.15, 122.16, 122.18 to 122.20, inclusive, fixing or relating to eligibility for retirement, retirement compensation, and other benefits payable to members or for the account of members of this system in relation to members in division A hereof, shall apply with equal force and effect to members of division B, with the following exceptions:

(1) For the period of service of the member prior to the effective date of his or her social security coverage hereunder, retirement benefits shall be computed on average final compensation at the rate of 2 percent for each year of service rendered prior to such effective date and as provided in s. 122.08. For the period of membership in division B the member's retirement compensation shall be computed on average final compensation at the rate of 1.5 percent for each year of service rendered after the effective date of said social security coverage.

(2) Members of division B retiring under the disability provisions of this chapter shall receive not less than 20 percent of their average final compensation.

(3) For those persons who become members of the retirement system on or after July 1, 1963, the amount of such retirement compensation shall not exceed that amount which when added to the member's estimated annual

primary insurance amount under social security coverage equals 80 percent of his or her average final compensation. The estimated annual primary insurance amount of the member shall be determined by the administrator on the basis of the social security coverage in effect on the member's retirement date, assuming that payment of such primary insurance amount shall commence at the later of the member's 65th birthday or actual age of retirement, and that the member earned his or her average final compensation in each year between the date of retirement and his or her 65th birthday for those members retiring prior to age 65.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 122.13 by s. 12, ch. 2004-234, Laws of Florida.

Section 25. Subsection (3) of section 163.3187, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

163.3187 Process for adoption of small-scale comprehensive plan amendment.—

(3) If the small scale development amendment involves a site within a rural area of critical economic concern as defined under s. 288.0656(2)(d) for the duration of such designation, the 10-acre limit listed in subsection (1) shall be increased by 100 percent to 20 acres. The local government approving the small scale plan amendment shall certify to the state land planning agency ~~Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development~~ that the plan amendment furthers the economic objectives set forth in the executive order issued under s. 288.0656(7), and the property subject to the plan amendment shall undergo public review to ensure that all concurrency requirements and federal, state, and local environmental permit requirements are met.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 14.2015, which created the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development, by s. 477, ch. 2011-142, Laws of Florida, and the transfer of the duties of that office to the Department of Economic Opportunity by s. 4, ch. 2011-142. Section 163.3164, the definitions section for this material, defines "state land planning agency" as the Department of Economic Opportunity.

Section 26. Subsection (12) of section 163.3246, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

163.3246 Local government comprehensive planning certification program.—

(12) A local government's certification shall be reviewed by the local government and the state land planning agency as part of the evaluation and appraisal process pursuant to s. 163.3191. Within 1 year after the deadline for the local government to update its comprehensive plan based on the evaluation and appraisal ~~report~~, the state land planning agency shall renew

or revoke the certification. The local government's failure to timely adopt necessary amendments to update its comprehensive plan based on an evaluation and appraisal, which are found to be in compliance by the state land planning agency, shall be cause for revoking the certification agreement. The state land planning agency's decision to renew or revoke shall be considered agency action subject to challenge under s. 120.569.

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision. The evaluation and report requirement was deleted from s. 163.3191 by s. 20, ch. 2011-139, Laws of Florida; s. 163.3191 continues to reference evaluation and appraisal.

Section 27. Subsection (2) of section 196.075, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

196.075 Additional homestead exemption for persons 65 and older.—

(2) In accordance with s. 6(d), Art. VII of the State Constitution, the board of county commissioners of any county or the governing authority of any municipality may adopt an ordinance to allow either or both of the following ~~an~~ additional homestead exemptions:

(a) Up to \$50,000 for any person who has the legal or equitable title to real estate and maintains thereon the permanent residence of the owner, who has attained age 65, and whose household income does not exceed \$20,000; or

(b) The amount of the assessed value of the property for any person who has the legal or equitable title to real estate with a just value less than \$250,000 and has maintained thereon the permanent residence of the owner for at least 25 years, who has attained age 65, and whose household income does not exceed the income limitation prescribed in paragraph (a), as calculated in subsection (3).

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial deletion of the word "an."

Section 28. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 206.414, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

206.414 Collection of certain taxes; prohibited credits and refunds.—

(1) Notwithstanding s. 206.41, which requires the collection of taxes due when motor fuel is removed through the terminal loading rack, the taxes imposed by s. 206.41(1)(d), (e), and (f) shall be collected in the following manner:

(b) The minimum tax imposed by s. 206.41(1)(d), (e), and (f) shall be collected in the same manner as the taxes imposed under s. ~~206.41(1)(a), (b), and (c)~~ 206.41(a), (b), and (e); at the point of removal through the terminal



loading rack; or as provided in paragraph (c). All taxes collected, refunded, or credited shall be distributed based on the current applied period.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to substitute a reference to s. 206.41(1)(a), (b), and (c) for a reference to s. 206.41(a), (b), and (c) to conform to the complete citation of the provisions in s. 206.41 providing for the imposition of specified motor fuel taxes.

Section 29. Paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section 206.606, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

206.606 Distribution of certain proceeds.—

(1) Moneys collected pursuant to ss. 206.41(1)(g) and 206.87(1)(e) shall be deposited in the Fuel Tax Collection Trust Fund. Such moneys, after deducting the service charges imposed by s. 215.20, the refunds granted pursuant to s. 206.41, and the administrative costs incurred by the department in collecting, administering, enforcing, and distributing the tax, which administrative costs may not exceed 2 percent of collections, shall be distributed monthly to the State Transportation Trust Fund, except that:

(d) \$13.4 million in fiscal year 2007-2008 and each fiscal year thereafter A portion of the moneys attributable to the sale of motor and diesel fuel at marinas shall be transferred from the Fuel Tax Collection Trust Fund to the Marine Resources Conservation Trust Fund in the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission as follows:

- 1. ~~\$2.5 million in fiscal year 2003-2004;~~
- 2. ~~\$5.0 million in fiscal year 2004-2005;~~
- 3. ~~\$8.5 million in fiscal year 2005-2006;~~
- 4. ~~\$10.9 million in fiscal year 2006-2007; and~~
- 5. \$13.4 million in fiscal year 2007-2008 and each fiscal year thereafter.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to delete obsolete provisions.

Section 30. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 215.618, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

215.618 Bonds for acquisition and improvement of land, water areas, and related property interests and resources.—

(1)

(c) ~~By February 1, 2010, the Legislature shall complete an analysis of potential revenue sources for the Florida Forever program.~~

Reviser’s note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 31. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 215.89, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

215.89 Charts of account.—

(3) REPORTING STRUCTURE.—

~~(a)—Beginning October 1, 2011, the Chief Financial Officer shall conduct workshops with state agencies, local governments, educational entities, and entities of higher education to gather information pertaining to uniform statewide reporting requirements to be used to develop charts of account by the Chief Financial Officer. A draft proposed charts of account shall be provided by July 1, 2013, to the state agencies, local governments, educational entities, and entities of higher education.~~

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 32. Subsection (6) of section 243.52, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

243.52 Definitions.—As used in ss. 243.50-243.77, the term:

(6) “Institution of higher education” means an independent nonprofit college or university which is located in and chartered by the state; which is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools; which grants baccalaureate degrees; and which is not a state university or Florida College System institution ~~state community college~~.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform a reference to a state community college to changes in chs. 2008-52 and 2009-228, Laws of Florida, transitioning references from community colleges to Florida College System institutions.

Section 33. Paragraph (a) of subsection (8) and subsections (10) and (13) of section 253.034, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

253.034 State-owned lands; uses.—

~~(8)(a) The Legislature recognizes the value of the state's conservation lands as water recharge areas and air filters and, in an effort to better understand the scientific underpinnings of carbon sequestration, carbon capture, and greenhouse gas mitigation, to inform policymakers and decisionmakers, and to provide the infrastructure for landowners, the Division of State Lands shall contract with an organization experienced and specialized in carbon sinks and emission budgets to conduct an inventory of all lands that were acquired pursuant to Preservation 2000 and Florida Forever and that were titled in the name of the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund. The inventory shall determine the value of carbon capture and carbon sequestration. Such inventory shall consider potential carbon offset values of changes in land management practices,~~

including, but not limited to, replanting of trees, routine prescribed burns, and land use conversion. Such an inventory shall be completed and presented to the board of trustees by July 1, 2009.

(10) The following additional uses of conservation lands acquired pursuant to the Florida Forever program and other state-funded conservation land purchase programs shall be authorized, upon a finding by the board of trustees, if they meet the criteria specified in paragraphs (a)-(e): water resource development projects, water supply development projects, storm-water management projects, linear facilities, and sustainable agriculture and forestry. Such additional uses are authorized where:

- (a) Not inconsistent with the management plan for such lands;
- (b) Compatible with the natural ecosystem and resource values of such lands;
- (c) The proposed use is appropriately located on such lands and where due consideration is given to the use of other available lands;
- (d) The using entity reasonably compensates the titleholder for such use based upon an appropriate measure of value; and
- (e) The use is consistent with the public interest.

A decision by the board of trustees pursuant to this section shall be given a presumption of correctness. Moneys received from the use of state lands pursuant to this section shall be returned to the lead managing entity in accordance with the provisions of s. ~~259.032(11)(c)~~ 259.032(11)(d).

~~(13) By February 1, 2010, the commission shall submit a report to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives on the efficacy of using state-owned lands to protect, manage, or restore habitat for native or imperiled species. This subsection expires July 1, 2014.~~

Reviser's note.—Paragraph (8)(a) and subsection (13) are amended to delete obsolete provisions. Subsection (10) is amended to conform to the redesignation of s. 259.032(11)(d) as s. 259.032(11)(c) as a result of the repeal of former s. 259.032(11)(c) by s. 36, ch. 2013-15, Laws of Florida.

Section 34. Subsection (1) of section 253.66, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

253.66 Change in bulkhead lines, Pinellas County.—

(1) As soon as a county bulkhead line as provided in s. ~~253.1221~~ 253.122 has been fixed by the water and navigation control authority of Pinellas County around the mainland of the county and the offshore islands therein, and the bulkhead line has been formally approved by the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the state, all in accordance with the

provisions of s. 253.1221 ~~253.122~~, no further change in said bulkhead line shall be made notwithstanding the provisions of s. 253.1221 ~~253.122~~.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial substitution of a reference to s. 253.1221 for a reference to s. 253.122, which was repealed by s. 26, ch. 75-22, Laws of Florida. Section 253.1221 deals with the reestablishment of bulkhead lines that were previously established by s. 253.122.

Section 35. Subsection (2) of section 255.60, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

255.60 Special contracts with charitable or not-for-profit organizations. The state, the governing body of any political subdivision of the state, or a public-private partnership is authorized, but not required, to contract for public service work with a not-for-profit organization or charitable youth organization, notwithstanding competitive sealed bid procedures required under this chapter, chapter 287, or any municipal or county charter, upon compliance with this section.

(2) The contract, if approved by authorized agency personnel of the state, ~~or~~ the governing body of a political subdivision, or the public-private partnership, as appropriate, must provide at a minimum that:

(a) For youth organizations, labor shall be performed exclusively by at-risk youth and their direct supervisors; and shall not be subject to subcontracting.

(b) For the preservation, maintenance, and improvement of park land, the property must be at least 20 acres with contiguous public facilities that are capable of seating at least 5,000 people in a permanent structure.

(c) For public education buildings, the building must be at least 90,000 square feet.

(d) Payment must be production-based.

(e) The contract will terminate should the contractor or supplier no longer qualify under subsection (1).

(f) The supplier or contractor has instituted a drug-free workplace program substantially in compliance with the provisions of s. 287.087.

(g) The contractor or supplier agrees to be subject to review and audit at the discretion of the Auditor General in order to ensure that the contractor or supplier has complied with this section.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial deletion of the word "or."

Section 36. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section 259.037, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

259.037 Land Management Uniform Accounting Council.—

(3)

(b) Each reporting agency shall also:

1. Include a report of the available public use opportunities for each management unit of state land, the total management cost for public access and public use, and the cost associated with each use option.

2. List the acres of land requiring minimal management effort, moderate management effort, and significant management effort pursuant to former s. 259.032(11)(c). For each category created in paragraph (a), the reporting agency shall include the amount of funds requested, the amount of funds received, and the amount of funds expended for land management.

3. List acres managed and cost of management for each park, preserve, forest, reserve, or management area.

4. List acres managed, cost of management, and lead manager for each state lands management unit for which secondary management activities were provided.

5. Include a report of the estimated calculable financial benefits to the public for the ecosystem services provided by conservation lands, based on the best readily available information or science that provides a standard measurement methodology to be consistently applied by the land managing agencies. Such information may include, but need not be limited to, the value of natural lands for protecting the quality and quantity of drinking water through natural water filtration and recharge, contributions to protecting and improving air quality, benefits to agriculture through increased soil productivity and preservation of biodiversity, and savings to property and lives through flood control.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 259.032(11)(c) by s. 36, ch. 2013-15, Laws of Florida.

Section 37. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 259.105, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

259.105 The Florida Forever Act.—

(2)(a) The Legislature finds and declares that:

1. Land acquisition programs have provided tremendous financial resources for purchasing environmentally significant lands to protect those lands from imminent development or alteration, thereby ensuring

present and future generations' access to important waterways, open spaces, and recreation and conservation lands.

2. The continued alteration and development of Florida's natural and rural areas to accommodate the state's growing population have contributed to the degradation of water resources, the fragmentation and destruction of wildlife habitats, the loss of outdoor recreation space, and the diminishment of wetlands, forests, working landscapes, and coastal open space.

3. The potential development of Florida's remaining natural areas and escalation of land values require government efforts to restore, bring under public protection, or acquire lands and water areas to preserve the state's essential ecological functions and invaluable quality of life.

4. It is essential to protect the state's ecosystems by promoting a more efficient use of land, to ensure opportunities for viable agricultural activities on working lands, and to promote vital rural and urban communities that support and produce development patterns consistent with natural resource protection.

5. Florida's groundwater, surface waters, and springs are under tremendous pressure due to population growth and economic expansion and require special protection and restoration efforts, including the protection of uplands and springsheds that provide vital recharge to aquifer systems and are critical to the protection of water quality and water quantity of the aquifers and springs. To ensure that sufficient quantities of water are available to meet the current and future needs of the natural systems and citizens of the state, and assist in achieving the planning goals of the department and the water management districts, water resource development projects on public lands, where compatible with the resource values of and management objectives for the lands, are appropriate.

6. The needs of urban, suburban, and small communities in Florida for high-quality outdoor recreational opportunities, greenways, trails, and open space have not been fully met by previous acquisition programs. Through such programs as the Florida Communities Trust and the Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program, the state shall place additional emphasis on acquiring, protecting, preserving, and restoring open space, ecological greenways, and recreation properties within urban, suburban, and rural areas where pristine natural communities or water bodies no longer exist because of the proximity of developed property.

7. Many of Florida's unique ecosystems, such as the Florida Everglades, are facing ecological collapse due to Florida's burgeoning population growth and other economic activities. To preserve these valuable ecosystems for future generations, essential parcels of land must be acquired to facilitate ecosystem restoration.

8. Access to public lands to support a broad range of outdoor recreational opportunities and the development of necessary infrastructure, where

compatible with the resource values of and management objectives for such lands, promotes an appreciation for Florida's natural assets and improves the quality of life.

9. Acquisition of lands, in fee simple, less-than-fee interest, or other techniques shall be based on a comprehensive science-based assessment of Florida's natural resources which targets essential conservation lands by prioritizing all current and future acquisitions based on a uniform set of data and planned so as to protect the integrity and function of ecological systems and working landscapes, and provide multiple benefits, including preservation of fish and wildlife habitat, recreation space for urban and rural areas, and the restoration of natural water storage, flow, and recharge.

10. The state has embraced performance-based program budgeting as a tool to evaluate the achievements of publicly funded agencies, build in accountability, and reward those agencies which are able to consistently achieve quantifiable goals. While previous and existing state environmental programs have achieved varying degrees of success, few of these programs can be evaluated as to the extent of their achievements, primarily because performance measures, standards, outcomes, and goals were not established at the outset. Therefore, the Florida Forever program shall be developed and implemented in the context of measurable state goals and objectives.

11. The state must play a major role in the recovery and management of its imperiled species through the acquisition, restoration, enhancement, and management of ecosystems that can support the major life functions of such species. It is the intent of the Legislature to support local, state, and federal programs that result in net benefit to imperiled species habitat by providing public and private land owners meaningful incentives for acquiring, restoring, managing, and repopulating habitats for imperiled species. It is the further intent of the Legislature that public lands, both existing and to be acquired, identified by the lead land managing agency, in consultation with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission for animals or the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for plants, as habitat or potentially restorable habitat for imperiled species, be restored, enhanced, managed, and repopulated as habitat for such species to advance the goals and objectives of imperiled species management consistent with the purposes for which such lands are acquired without restricting other uses identified in the management plan. It is also the intent of the Legislature that of the proceeds distributed pursuant to subsection (3), additional consideration be given to acquisitions that achieve a combination of conservation goals, including the restoration, enhancement, management, or repopulation of habitat for imperiled species. The Acquisition and Restoration Council, in addition to the criteria in subsection (9), shall give weight to projects that include acquisition, restoration, management, or repopulation of habitat for imperiled species. The term "imperiled species" as used in this chapter and chapter 253, means plants and animals that are federally listed under the Endangered Species Act, or state-listed by the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission or the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

a. As part of the state's role, all state lands that have imperiled species habitat shall include as a consideration in management plan development the restoration, enhancement, management, and repopulation of such habitats. In addition, the lead land managing agency of such state lands may use fees received from public or private entities for projects to offset adverse impacts to imperiled species or their habitat in order to restore, enhance, manage, repopulate, or acquire land and to implement land management plans developed under s. 253.034 or a land management prospectus developed and implemented under this chapter. Such fees shall be deposited into a foundation or fund created by each land management agency under s. 379.223, s. 589.012, or s. ~~259.032(11)(c)~~ 259.032(11)(d), to be used solely to restore, manage, enhance, repopulate, or acquire imperiled species habitat.

b. Where habitat or potentially restorable habitat for imperiled species is located on state lands, the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services shall be included on any advisory group required under chapter 253, and the short-term and long-term management goals required under chapter 253 must advance the goals and objectives of imperiled species management consistent with the purposes for which the land was acquired without restricting other uses identified in the management plan.

12. There is a need to change the focus and direction of the state's major land acquisition programs and to extend funding and bonding capabilities, so that future generations may enjoy the natural resources of this state.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the redesignation of s. 259.032(11)(d) as s. 259.032(11)(c) as a result of the repeal of former s. 259.032(11)(c) by s. 36, ch. 2013-15, Laws of Florida.

Section 38. Section 265.601, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

265.601 Cultural Endowment Program; short title.—Sections ~~265.601-265.606~~ 265.601-265.606 may be cited as the "Cultural Endowment Program."

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 265.607 by s. 141, ch. 2001-266, Laws of Florida.

Section 39. Section 265.603, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

265.603 Definitions relating to Cultural Endowment Program.—The following terms and phrases when used in ss. ~~265.601-265.606~~ 265.601-265.607 shall have the meaning ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

- (1) "Department" means the Department of State.
- (2) "Division" means the Division of Cultural Affairs of the Department of State.



(3) “Cultural” means the disciplines of dance, music, theater, visual arts, literature, media arts, interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary, and programs of museums.

(4) “Secretary” means the Secretary of State.

(5) “Sponsoring organization” means a cultural organization which:

(a) Is designated as not for profit pursuant to s. 501(c)(3) or (4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954;

(b) Is described in, and allowed to receive contributions pursuant to, the provisions of s. 170 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954;

(c) Is a corporation not for profit incorporated pursuant to chapter 617; and

(d) Is primarily and directly responsible for conducting, creating, producing, presenting, staging, or sponsoring a cultural exhibit, performance, or event. This provision includes museums owned and operated by political subdivisions of the state, except those constituted pursuant to s. 1004.67.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 265.607 by s. 141, ch. 2001-266, Laws of Florida.

Section 40. Subsection (3) of section 285.18, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

285.18 Tribal council as governing body; powers and duties.—

(3) The law enforcement agencies of the Seminole Tribe of Florida and the Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida shall have the authority of “criminal justice agencies” as defined in s. ~~943.045(11)(e)~~ 945.045(11)(e) and shall have the specific authority to negotiate agreements with the Department of Law Enforcement, the United States Department of Justice, and other federal law enforcement agencies for access to criminal history records for the purpose of conducting ongoing criminal investigations and for the following governmental purposes:

(a) Background investigations, which are required for employment by a tribal education program, tribal Head Start program, or tribal day care program as may be required by state or federal law.

(b) Background investigations, which are required for employment by tribal law enforcement agencies.

(c) Background investigations, which are required for employment by a tribal government.

(d) Background investigations with respect to all employees, primary management officials, and all persons having a financial interest in a class II

Indian tribal gaming enterprise to ensure eligibility as provided in the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, 25 U.S.C. ss. 2701 et al.

With regard to those investigations authorized in paragraphs (a), (c), and (d), each such individual shall file a complete set of his or her fingerprints that have been taken by an authorized law enforcement officer, which set of fingerprints shall be submitted to the Department of Law Enforcement for state processing and to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for federal processing. The cost of processing shall be borne by the applicant.

Reviser's note.—Amended to correct an apparent typographical error.

Section 945.045 was transferred to s. 946.001 in 1983 and repealed by s. 27, ch. 85-288, Laws of Florida. Section 14, ch. 2013-116, Laws of Florida, amended s. 943.045, including redesignating subsection (10) as subsection (11); that subsection defines “criminal justice agency” and contains paragraphs, including paragraph (e). Section 37, ch. 2013-116, revised the reference in s. 285.18 from “s. 943.045(10)(e)” to “s. 945.045(11)(e)” in an attempt to conform the changes in s. 14, ch. 2013-116.

Section 41. Subsection (1) of section 287.064, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

287.064 Consolidated financing of deferred-payment purchases.—

(1) The Division of Bond Finance of the State Board of Administration and the Chief Financial Officer shall plan and coordinate deferred-payment purchases made by or on behalf of the state or its agencies or by or on behalf of state universities or Florida College System institutions ~~state community colleges~~ participating under this section pursuant to s. 1001.706(7) or s. 1001.64(26), respectively. The Division of Bond Finance shall negotiate and the Chief Financial Officer shall execute agreements and contracts to establish master equipment financing agreements for consolidated financing of deferred-payment, installment sale, or lease purchases with a financial institution or a consortium of financial institutions. As used in this act, the term “deferred-payment” includes installment sale and lease-purchase.

(a) The period during which equipment may be acquired under any one master equipment financing agreement shall be limited to not more than 3 years.

(b) Repayment of the whole or a part of the funds drawn pursuant to the master equipment financing agreement may continue beyond the period established pursuant to paragraph (a).

(c) The interest rate component of any master equipment financing agreement shall be deemed to comply with the interest rate limitation imposed in s. 287.063 so long as the interest rate component of every interagency, state university, or community college agreement entered into under such master equipment financing agreement complies with the

interest rate limitation imposed in s. 287.063. Such interest rate limitation does not apply when the payment obligation under the master equipment financing agreement is rated by a nationally recognized rating service in any one of the three highest classifications, which rating services and classifications are determined pursuant to rules adopted by the Chief Financial Officer.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to conform a reference to state community colleges to changes in chs. 2008-52 and 2009-228, Laws of Florida, transitioning references from community colleges to Florida College System institutions.

Section 42. Subsection (8) of section 287.135, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

287.135 Prohibition against contracting with scrutinized companies.—

~~(8) The department shall submit to the Attorney General of the United States a written notice:~~

~~(a) Describing this section within 30 days after July 1, 2011.~~

~~(b) Within 30 days after July 1, 2012, apprising the Attorney General of the United States of the inclusion of companies with business operations in Cuba or Syria within the provisions of this section.~~

Reviser’s note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 43. Subsection (2) of section 288.001, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

288.001 The Florida Small Business Development Center Network—

(2) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:

(a) “Board of Governors” means is the Board of Governors of the State University System.

(b) “Host institution” means is the university designated by the Board of Governors to be the recipient organization in accordance with 13 C.F.R. s. 130.200.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to confirm the editorial substitution of the word “means” for the word “is” to conform to context.

Section 44. Paragraph (b) of subsection (7) of section 288.11621, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

288.11621 Spring training baseball franchises.—

(7) STRATEGIC PLANNING.—

~~(b) The department shall submit a copy of the strategic plan to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by December 31, 2010.~~

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 45. Subsection (1) of section 288.7015, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

288.7015 Appointment of rules ombudsman; duties.—The Governor shall appoint a rules ombudsman, as defined in s. 288.703, in the Executive Office of the Governor, for considering the impact of agency rules on the state's citizens and businesses. In carrying out duties as provided by law, the ombudsman shall consult with Enterprise Florida, Inc., at which point the department may recommend to improve the regulatory environment of this state. The duties of the rules ombudsman are to:

(1) Carry out the responsibility provided in s. 120.54(3)(b) ~~120.54(2)~~, with respect to small businesses.

Reviser's note.—Amended to correct an apparent error and to conform to context. Section 120.54(2) relates to rule development; s. 120.54(3)(b) references responsibility in relation to small businesses.

Section 46. Subsection (1) of section 288.9918, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

288.9918 Annual reporting by a community development entity.—

(1) A community development entity that has issued a qualified investment shall submit an annual report to the department by January 31 after the end of each year which includes a credit allowance date. The report shall include information on investments made in the preceding calendar year to include but not be limited to the following:

(a) The identity of the types of industries, identified by the North American Industry Classification System Code, in which qualified low-income community investments were made.

(b) The names of the counties in which the qualified active low-income businesses are located which received qualified low-income community investments.

(c) The number of jobs created and retained by qualified active low-income community businesses receiving qualified low-income community investments, including verification that the average wages paid meet or exceed 115 percent of the federal poverty income guidelines for a family of four.

(d) A description of the relationships that the entity has established with community-based organizations and local community development offices

and organizations and a summary of the outcomes resulting from those relationships.

(e) Other information and documentation required by the department to verify continued certification as a qualified community development entity under 26 U.S.C. s. 45D.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to confirm the editorial insertion of the word “be” to improve clarity.

Section 47. Section 290.00726, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

290.00726 Enterprise zone designation for Martin County.—Martin County may apply to the department for designation of one enterprise zone for an area within Martin County, which zone shall encompass an area of up to 10 square miles consisting of land within the primary urban services boundary and focusing on Indiantown, but excluding property owned by Florida Power and Light to the west, two areas to the north designated as estate residential, and the county-owned Timer Powers Recreational Area. Within the designated enterprise zone, Martin County shall exempt residential condominiums from benefiting from state enterprise zone incentives, unless prohibited by law. ~~The application must have been submitted by December 31, 2011, and must comply with the requirements of s. 290.0055.~~ Notwithstanding s. 290.0065 limiting the total number of enterprise zones designated and the number of enterprise zones within a population category, the department may designate one enterprise zone under this section. The department shall establish the initial effective date of the enterprise zone designated under this section.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 48. Section 290.00727, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

290.00727 Enterprise zone designation for the City of Palm Bay.—The City of Palm Bay may apply to the department for designation of one enterprise zone for an area within the northeast portion of the city, which zone shall encompass an area of up to 5 square miles. ~~The application must have been submitted by December 31, 2011, and must comply with the requirements of s. 290.0055.~~ Notwithstanding s. 290.0065 limiting the total number of enterprise zones designated and the number of enterprise zones within a population category, the department may designate one enterprise zone under this section. The department shall establish the initial effective date of the enterprise zone designated under this section.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 49. Section 290.00728, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

290.00728 Enterprise zone designation for Lake County.—Lake County may apply to the department for designation of one enterprise zone, which zone shall encompass an area of up to 10 square miles within Lake County.

~~The application must have been submitted by December 31, 2011, and must comply with the requirements of s. 290.0055. Notwithstanding s. 290.0065 limiting the total number of enterprise zones designated and the number of enterprise zones within a population category, the department may designate one enterprise zone under this section. The department shall establish the initial effective date of the enterprise zone designated under this section.~~

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 50. Section 290.00729, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

290.00729 Enterprise zone designation for Charlotte County.—Charlotte County may apply to the Department of Economic Opportunity for designation of one enterprise zone encompassing an area not to exceed 20 square miles within Charlotte County. ~~The application must be submitted by December 31, 2012, and must comply with the requirements in s. 290.0055.~~ Notwithstanding s. 290.0065 limiting the total number of enterprise zones designated and the number of enterprise zones within a population category, the department may designate one enterprise zone under this section. The department shall establish the initial effective date of the enterprise zone designated under this section.

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 51. Section 290.00731, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

290.00731 Enterprise zone designation for Citrus County.—Citrus County may apply to the department for designation of one enterprise zone for an area within Citrus County. ~~The application must be submitted by December 31, 2012, and must comply with the requirements of s. 290.0055.~~ Notwithstanding s. 290.0065 limiting the total number of enterprise zones designated and the number of enterprise zones within a population category, the department may designate one enterprise zone under this section. The department shall establish the initial effective date of the enterprise zone designated under this section.

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 52. Section 290.0074, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

290.0074 Enterprise zone designation for Sumter County.—Sumter County may apply to the department for designation of one enterprise zone encompassing an area not to exceed 10 square miles. ~~The application must be submitted by December 31, 2005.~~ Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 290.0065 limiting the total number of enterprise zones designated and the number of enterprise zones within a population category, the department may designate one enterprise zone under this section. The department shall establish the initial effective date of the enterprise zone designated pursuant to this section.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 53. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 316.305, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

316.305 Wireless communications devices; prohibition.—

(3)(a) A person may not operate a motor vehicle while manually typing or entering multiple letters, numbers, symbols, or other characters into a wireless communications device or while sending or reading data on ~~in~~ such a device for the purpose of nonvoice interpersonal communication, including, but not limited to, communication methods known as texting, e-mailing, and instant messaging. As used in this section, the term “wireless communications device” means any handheld device used or capable of being used in a handheld manner, that is designed or intended to receive or transmit text or character-based messages, access or store data, or connect to the Internet or any communications service as defined in s. 812.15 and that allows text communications. For the purposes of this paragraph, a motor vehicle that is stationary is not being operated and is not subject to the prohibition in this paragraph.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to confirm the editorial substitution of the word “on” for the word “in.”

Section 54. Subsection (12) of section 318.14, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

318.14 Noncriminal traffic infractions; exception; procedures.—

(12) Any person cited for a violation of s. 316.1001 may, in lieu of making an election as set forth in subsection (4) ~~or s. 318.18(7)~~, elect to pay a fine of \$25, or such other amount as imposed by the governmental entity owning the applicable toll facility, plus the amount of the unpaid toll that is shown on the traffic citation directly to the governmental entity that issued the citation, or on whose behalf the citation was issued, within 30 days after the date of issuance of the citation. Any person cited for a violation of s. 316.1001 who does not elect to pay the fine imposed by the governmental entity owning the applicable toll facility plus the amount of the unpaid toll that is shown on the traffic citation directly to the governmental entity that issued the citation, or on whose behalf the citation was issued, as described in this subsection shall have an additional 45 days after the date of the issuance of the citation in which to request a court hearing or to pay the civil penalty and delinquent fee, if applicable, as provided in s. 318.18(7), either by mail or in person, in accordance with subsection (4).

Reviser’s note.—Amended to conform to the deletion of language pertaining to making an election from s. 318.18(7) by s. 21, ch. 2007-196, Laws of Florida.

Section 55. Paragraph (h) of subsection (6) of section 318.1451, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

318.1451 Driver improvement schools.—

(6) The department shall adopt rules establishing and maintaining policies and procedures to implement the requirements of this section. These policies and procedures may include, but shall not be limited to, the following:

(h) *Miscellaneous requirements.*—The department shall require that all course providers:

1. Disclose all fees associated with courses offered by the provider and associated driver improvement schools and not charge any fees that are not disclosed during registration.

2. Provide proof of ownership, copyright, or written permission from the course owner to use the course in this state.

3. Ensure that any course that is offered in a classroom setting, by the provider or a school authorized by the provider to teach the course, is offered ~~the course~~ at locations that are free from distractions and reasonably accessible to most applicants.

4. Issue a certificate to persons who successfully complete the course.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial deletion of the words “the course” to improve clarity.

Section 56. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 319.21, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

319.21 Necessity of manufacturer's statement of origin and certificate of title.—

(3) Except as provided in s. 320.27(7), no person shall sell or otherwise dispose of a motor vehicle or mobile home without delivering to the purchaser or transferee thereof a certificate of title with such assignment thereon as may be necessary to show title in the name of the purchaser. No person shall purchase or otherwise acquire or bring into the state a motor vehicle or mobile home, except for a surviving spouse as provided by s. 319.28 or except for temporary use, unless such person obtains a certificate of title for it in his or her name in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. However, any licensed dealer may, in lieu of having a certificate of title issued in the dealer's name, reassign any existing certificate of title, except as provided in s. 319.225. It shall not be necessary for any licensed dealer to obtain a certificate of title on any new motor vehicle or new mobile home which he or she is selling or which he or she acquires for sale if the dealer obtains a manufacturer's statement of origin as provided in subsection (1); however, the dealer shall attach the manufacturer's statement of origin to the separate application for initial certificate of title which is made by the purchaser and certify on the face of such application that the vehicle is a new motor vehicle or new mobile home and shall also disclose the name and address of the



manufacturer, distributor, or other person from whom the dealer acquired such motor vehicle or mobile home. In no event shall a manufacturer's statement of origin be issued or reissued to any distributor, licensed dealer, or other person for the purpose of updating any motor vehicle or mobile home for sale. As used in this subsection, the term "updating" means:

(a) Modification of the motor vehicle or mobile home in such a manner that it resembles in appearance the current year's model as defined in s. 319.14(3);

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the deletion of the definition of "current year's model" from s. 319.14(3) by s. 3, ch. 89-333, Laws of Florida.

Section 57. Paragraph (a) of subsection (7) of section 319.30, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

319.30 Definitions; dismantling, destruction, change of identity of motor vehicle or mobile home; salvage.—

(7)(a) In the event of a purchase by a secondary metals recycler, that has been issued a certificate of registration number, of:

1. Materials, prepared materials, or parts from any seller for purposes other than the processing of such materials, prepared materials, or parts, the purchaser shall obtain such documentation as may be required by this section and shall record the seller's name and address, date of purchase, and the personal identification card number of the person delivering such items.

2. Parts or prepared materials from any seller for purposes of the processing of such parts or prepared materials, the purchaser shall record the seller's name and address and date of purchase and, in the event of a purchase transaction consisting primarily of parts or prepared materials, the personal identification card number of the person delivering such items.

3. Materials from another secondary metals recycler for purposes of the processing of such materials, the purchaser shall record the seller's name and address and date of purchase.

4.a. Motor vehicles, recreational vehicles, mobile homes, or derelict motor vehicles from other than a secondary metals recycler for purposes of the processing of such motor vehicles, recreational vehicles, mobile homes, or derelict motor vehicles, the purchaser shall make the required notification to the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System and record the date of purchase and the name, address, and personal identification card number of the person selling such items and shall obtain the following documentation from the seller with respect to each item purchased:

(I) A valid certificate of title issued in the name of the seller or properly endorsed, as required in s. 319.22, over to the seller;

(II) A valid salvage certificate of title issued in the name of the seller or properly endorsed, as required in s. 319.22, over to the seller;

(III) A valid certificate of destruction issued in the name of the seller or properly endorsed over to the seller; or

(IV) A valid derelict motor vehicle certificate obtained from the department by a licensed salvage motor vehicle dealer and properly reassigned to the secondary metals recycler.

b. If a valid certificate of title, salvage certificate of title, certificate of destruction, or derelict motor vehicle certificate is not available and the motor vehicle or mobile home is a derelict motor vehicle, a derelict motor vehicle certificate application shall be completed by the seller or owner of the motor vehicle or mobile home, the seller's or owner's authorized transporter, and the registered secondary metals recycler at the time of sale, transport, or delivery to the registered secondary metals recycler to obtain a derelict motor vehicle certificate from the department. The derelict motor vehicle certificate application must be accompanied by a legible copy of the seller's or owner's valid Florida driver license or Florida identification card, or a valid driver license or identification card from another state. If the seller is not the owner of record of the vehicle being sold, the recycler shall, at the time of sale, ensure that a smudge-free right thumbprint, or other digit if the seller has no right thumb, of the seller is imprinted upon the derelict motor vehicle certificate application and that the legible copy of the seller's driver license or identification card is affixed to the application and transmitted to the department. The derelict motor vehicle certificate shall be used by the owner, the owner's authorized transporter, and the registered secondary metals recycler. The registered secondary metals recycler shall make the required notification of the derelict motor vehicle to the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System and shall secure the derelict motor vehicle for 3 full business days, excluding weekends and holidays, if there is no active lien or a lien of 3 years or more on the department's records before destroying or dismantling the derelict motor vehicle and shall follow all reporting procedures established by the department, including electronic notification to the department or delivery of the original derelict motor vehicle certificate application to an agent of the department within 24 hours after receiving the derelict motor vehicle. If there is an active lien of less than 3 years on the derelict motor vehicle, the registered secondary metals recycler shall secure the derelict motor vehicle for 10 days. The department shall notify the lienholder of the application for a derelict motor vehicle certificate and shall notify the lienholder of its intention to remove the lien. Ten days after receipt of the motor vehicle derelict application, the department may remove the lien from its records if a written statement protesting removal of the lien is not received by the department from the lienholder within the 10-day period. However, if the lienholder files with the department and the registered secondary metals recycler within the 10-day period a written statement that the lien is still outstanding, the department shall not remove the lien and shall place an administrative hold on the record for 30 days to allow the lienholder to apply for title to the vehicle or a repossession certificate under s.

319.28. The registered secondary metals recycler must secure the derelict motor vehicle until the department's administrative stop is removed, the lienholder submits a lien satisfaction, or the lienholder takes possession of the vehicle.

c. Any person who knowingly violates this subparagraph by selling, transporting, delivering, purchasing, or receiving a motor vehicle, recreational motor vehicle, mobile home, or derelict motor vehicle without obtaining a certificate of title, salvage certificate of title, certificate of destruction, or derelict motor vehicle certificate; enters false or fictitious information on a derelict motor vehicle certificate application; does not complete the derelict motor vehicle certificate application as required or does not make the required notification to the department; does not make the required notification to the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System; does not obtain a legible copy of the seller's or owner's driver license or identification card when required; or destroys or dismantles a derelict motor vehicle without waiting the required time as set forth in subparagraph b. commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

5. Major parts from other than a secondary metals recycler for purposes of the processing of such major parts, the purchaser shall record the seller's name, address, date of purchase, and the personal identification card number of the person delivering such items, as well as the vehicle identification number, if available, of each major part purchased.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial insertion of the words “System and” to conform to context.

Section 58. Subsection (1) and paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section 322.12, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

322.12 Examination of applicants.—

(1) It is the intent of the Legislature that every applicant for an original driver's license in this state be required to pass an examination pursuant to this section. However, the department may waive the knowledge, endorsement, and skills tests for an applicant who is otherwise qualified and who surrenders a valid driver's license from another state or a province of Canada, or a valid driver's license issued by the United States Armed Forces, if the driver applies for a Florida license of an equal or lesser classification. Any applicant who fails to pass the initial knowledge test incurs a \$10 fee for each subsequent test, to be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund. Any applicant who fails to pass the initial skills test incurs a \$20 fee for each subsequent test, to be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund. A person who seeks to retain a hazardous-materials endorsement, pursuant to s. ~~322.57(1)(e)~~ 322.57(1)(d), must pass the hazardous-materials test, upon surrendering his or her commercial driver's license, if the person has not taken and passed the hazardous-materials test within 2 years before applying for a commercial driver's license in this state.

(4) The examination for an applicant for a commercial driver's license shall include a test of the applicant's eyesight given by a driver's license examiner designated by the department or by a licensed ophthalmologist, optometrist, or physician and a test of the applicant's hearing given by a driver's license examiner or a licensed physician. The examination shall also include a test of the applicant's ability to read and understand highway signs regulating, warning, and directing traffic; his or her knowledge of the traffic laws of this state pertaining to the class of motor vehicle which he or she is applying to be licensed to operate, including laws regulating driving under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances, driving with an unlawful blood-alcohol level, and driving while intoxicated; his or her knowledge of the effects of alcohol and controlled substances and the dangers of driving a motor vehicle after having consumed alcohol or controlled substances; and his or her knowledge of any special skills, requirements, or precautions necessary for the safe operation of the class of vehicle which he or she is applying to be licensed to operate. In addition, the examination shall include an actual demonstration of the applicant's ability to exercise ordinary and reasonable control in the safe operation of a motor vehicle or combination of vehicles of the type covered by the license classification which the applicant is seeking, including an examination of the applicant's ability to perform an inspection of his or her vehicle.

(b) A person who seeks to retain a hazardous-materials endorsement must, upon renewal, pass the test for such endorsement as specified in s. ~~322.57(1)(e)~~ ~~322.57(1)(d)~~, if the person has not taken and passed the hazardous-materials test within 2 years preceding his or her application for a commercial driver's license in this state.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the redesignation of s. 322.57(1)(d) as s. 322.57(1)(e) by s. 90, ch. 2005-164, Laws of Florida.

Section 59. Subsection (9) of section 322.143, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.143 Use of a driver license or identification card.—

(9) This section does not apply to a financial institution as defined in s. ~~655.005(1)(i)~~ ~~655.005(i)~~.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial substitution of a reference to s. 655.005(1)(i) for a reference to s. 655.005(i) to conform to the complete citation for the provision in s. 655.005 that defines "financial institution."

Section 60. Paragraph (h) of subsection (1) of section 322.21, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.21 License fees; procedure for handling and collecting fees.—

(1) Except as otherwise provided herein, the fee for:

(h) A hazardous-materials endorsement, as required by s. ~~322.57(1)(d)~~ 322.57(1)(e), shall be set by the department by rule and must reflect the cost of the required criminal history check, including the cost of the state and federal fingerprint check, and the cost to the department of providing and issuing the license. The fee shall not exceed \$100. This fee shall be deposited in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund. The department may adopt rules to administer this section.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the redesignation of s. 322.57(1)(d) as s. 322.57(1)(e) by s. 90, ch. 2005-164, Laws of Florida.

Section 61. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 322.292, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.292 DUI programs supervision; powers and duties of the department.—

(2) The department shall adopt rules to implement its supervisory authority over DUI programs in accordance with the procedures of chapter 120, including the establishment of uniform standards of operation for DUI programs and the method for setting and approving fees, as follows:

(a) Adopt rules for statutorily required education, evaluation, and supervision of DUI offenders. ~~Such rules previously adopted by the Traffic Court Review Committee of the Supreme Court of Florida shall remain in effect unless modified by the department.~~

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the deletion of this sentence by s. 9, ch. 99-234, Laws of Florida; s. 322.292 was also amended by s. 294, ch. 99-248, Laws of Florida, and the word “rules” was substituted for the term “minimum standards” throughout the section, including in the sentence repealed by s. 9, ch. 99-234.

Section 62. Subsection (2) of section 323.002, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

323.002 County and municipal wrecker operator systems; penalties for operation outside of system.—

(2) In any county or municipality that operates a wrecker operator system:

(a) It is unlawful for an unauthorized wrecker operator or its employees or agents to monitor police radio for communications between patrol field units and the dispatcher in order to determine the location of a wrecked or disabled vehicle for the purpose of driving by the scene of such vehicle in a manner described in paragraph (b) or paragraph (c). Any person who violates this paragraph commits a noncriminal violation, punishable as provided in s. 775.083.

(b) It is unlawful for an unauthorized wrecker operator to drive by the scene of a wrecked or disabled vehicle before the arrival of an authorized wrecker operator, initiate contact with the owner or operator of such vehicle by soliciting or offering towing services, and tow such vehicle. Any person who violates this paragraph commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

(c) When an unauthorized wrecker operator drives by the scene of a wrecked or disabled vehicle and the owner or operator initiates contact by signaling the wrecker operator to stop and provide towing services, the unauthorized wrecker operator must disclose in writing to the owner or operator of the vehicle his or her full name and driver license number, that he or she is not the authorized wrecker operator who has been designated as part of the wrecker operator system, that the motor vehicle is not being towed for the owner's or operator's insurance company or lienholder, whether he or she has in effect an insurance policy providing at least \$300,000 of liability insurance and at least \$50,000 of on-hook cargo insurance, and the maximum charges for towing and storage which will apply before the vehicle is connected to the towing apparatus. Any person who violates this paragraph commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

(d) At the scene of a wrecked or disabled vehicle, it is unlawful for a wrecker operator to falsely identify himself or herself as being part of the wrecker operator system. Any person who violates this paragraph is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

Reviser's note.—Section 65, ch. 2013-160, Laws of Florida, purported to amend subsection (2) but did not publish paragraph (d). Absent affirmative evidence of legislative intent to repeal it, subsection (2) is reenacted to confirm that the omission was not intended.

Section 63. Subsection (8) of section 326.004, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

326.004 Licensing.—

(8) A person may not be licensed as a broker unless he or she has been a salesperson for at least 2 consecutive years, and may not be licensed as a broker after ~~October 1, 1990~~, unless he or she has been licensed as a salesperson for at least 2 consecutive years.

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 64. Subsection (3) of section 334.065, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

334.065 Center for Urban Transportation Research.—

(3) An advisory board shall be created to periodically and objectively review and advise the center concerning its research program. Except for projects mandated by law, state-funded base projects shall not be undertaken without approval of the advisory board. The membership of the board shall consist of nine experts in transportation-related areas, including the secretaries of the Florida Departments of Transportation, ~~Community Affairs~~, and Environmental Protection, the executive director of the Department of Economic Opportunity, or their designees, and a member of the Florida Transportation Commission. The nomination of the remaining members of the board shall be made to the President of the University of South Florida by the College of Engineering at the University of South Florida, and the appointment of these members must be reviewed and approved by the Florida Transportation Commission and confirmed by the Board of Governors.

Reviser's note.—Amended to substitute a reference to the executive director of the Department of Economic Opportunity for a reference to the secretary of the Department of Community Affairs. The Department of Community Affairs was abolished by s. 3, ch. 2011-142, Laws of Florida, and functions of the department relating to community planning were transferred to the Department of Economic Opportunity.

Section 65. Paragraph (f) of subsection (7) of section 339.135, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

339.135 Work program; legislative budget request; definitions; preparation, adoption, execution, and amendment.—

(7) AMENDMENT OF THE ADOPTED WORK PROGRAM.—

(f) The department may authorize the investment of the earnings accrued and collected upon the investment of the minimum balance of funds required to be maintained in the State Transportation Trust Fund pursuant to paragraph (6)(b) ~~former paragraph (b)~~.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of paragraph (7)(b) by s. 5, ch. 2012-6, Laws of Florida. Minimum balances are referenced in paragraph (6)(b).

Section 66. Paragraph (e) of subsection (7) of section 366.04, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

366.04 Jurisdiction of commission.—

(7)

~~(e) If a majority of the affected municipal electric utility's retail electric customers vote in favor of creating a separate electric utility authority, the affected municipal electric utility shall, no later than January 15, 2009, provide to each member of the Legislature whose district includes any~~

~~portion of the electric service territory of the affected municipal electric utility a proposed charter that transfers operations of its electric, water, and sewer utility businesses to a duly created authority, the governing board of which shall proportionally represent the number of county and city rate-payers of the electric utility.~~

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete a provision that has served its purpose.

Section 67. Subsection (1) of section 366.11, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

366.11 Certain exemptions.—

(1) No provision of this chapter shall apply in any manner, other than as specified in ss. 366.04, 366.05(7) and (8), 366.051, 366.055, 366.093, 366.095, 366.14, ~~366.80-366.83~~ ~~366.80-366.85~~, and 366.91, to utilities owned and operated by municipalities, whether within or without any municipality, or by cooperatives organized and existing under the Rural Electric Cooperative Law of the state, or to the sale of electricity, manufactured gas, or natural gas at wholesale by any public utility to, and the purchase by, any municipality or cooperative under and pursuant to any contracts now in effect or which may be entered into in the future, when such municipality or cooperative is engaged in the sale and distribution of electricity or manufactured or natural gas, or to the rates provided for in such contracts.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 366.84 by s. 14, ch. 95-372, Laws of Florida; the repeal was confirmed by s. 7, ch. 97-94, Laws of Florida; and the repeal of s. 366.85 by s. 2, ch. 2012-67, Laws of Florida.

Section 68. Section 366.80, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

366.80 Short title.—Sections ~~366.80-366.83~~ ~~366.80-366.85~~ and 403.519 shall be known and may be cited as the “Florida Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act.”

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 366.84 by s. 14, ch. 95-372, Laws of Florida; the repeal was confirmed by s. 7, ch. 97-94, Laws of Florida; and the repeal of s. 366.85 by s. 2, ch. 2012-67, Laws of Florida.

Section 69. Section 366.81, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

366.81 Legislative findings and intent.—The Legislature finds and declares that it is critical to utilize the most efficient and cost-effective demand-side renewable energy systems and conservation systems in order to protect the health, prosperity, and general welfare of the state and its citizens. Reduction in, and control of, the growth rates of electric consumption and of weather-sensitive peak demand are of particular importance. The Legislature further finds that the Florida Public Service Commission is the



appropriate agency to adopt goals and approve plans related to the promotion of demand-side renewable energy systems and the conservation of electric energy and natural gas usage. The Legislature directs the commission to develop and adopt overall goals and authorizes the commission to require each utility to develop plans and implement programs for increasing energy efficiency and conservation and demand-side renewable energy systems within its service area, subject to the approval of the commission. Since solutions to our energy problems are complex, the Legislature intends that the use of solar energy, renewable energy sources, highly efficient systems, cogeneration, and load-control systems be encouraged. Accordingly, in exercising its jurisdiction, the commission shall not approve any rate or rate structure which discriminates against any class of customers on account of the use of such facilities, systems, or devices. This expression of legislative intent shall not be construed to preclude experimental rates, rate structures, or programs. The Legislature further finds and declares that ss. ~~366.80-366.83~~ ~~366.80-366.85~~ and 403.519 are to be liberally construed in order to meet the complex problems of reducing and controlling the growth rates of electric consumption and reducing the growth rates of weather-sensitive peak demand; increasing the overall efficiency and cost-effectiveness of electricity and natural gas production and use; encouraging further development of demand-side renewable energy systems; and conserving expensive resources, particularly petroleum fuels.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 366.84 by s. 14, ch. 95-372, Laws of Florida; the repeal was confirmed by s. 7, ch. 97-94, Laws of Florida; and the repeal of s. 366.85 by s. 2, ch. 2012-67, Laws of Florida.

Section 70. Subsections (1) and (10) of section 366.82, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

366.82 Definition; goals; plans; programs; annual reports; energy audits.

(1) For the purposes of ss. ~~366.80-366.83~~ ~~366.80-366.85~~ and 403.519:

(a) "Utility" means any person or entity of whatever form which provides electricity or natural gas at retail to the public, specifically including municipalities or instrumentalities thereof and cooperatives organized under the Rural Electric Cooperative Law and specifically excluding any municipality or instrumentality thereof, any cooperative organized under the Rural Electric Cooperative Law, or any other person or entity providing natural gas at retail to the public whose annual sales volume is less than 100 million therms or any municipality or instrumentality thereof and any cooperative organized under the Rural Electric Cooperative Law providing electricity at retail to the public whose annual sales as of July 1, 1993, to end-use customers is less than 2,000 gigawatt hours.

(b) "Demand-side renewable energy" means a system located on a customer's premises generating thermal or electric energy using Florida renewable energy resources and primarily intended to offset all or part of the

customer's electricity requirements provided such system does not exceed 2 megawatts.

(10) The commission shall require periodic reports from each utility and shall provide the Legislature and the Governor with an annual report by March 1 of the goals it has adopted and its progress toward meeting those goals. The commission shall also consider the performance of each utility pursuant to ss. ~~366.80-366.83~~ ~~366.80-366.85~~ and 403.519 when establishing rates for those utilities over which the commission has ratesetting authority.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 366.84 by s. 14, ch. 95-372, Laws of Florida; the repeal was confirmed by s. 7, ch. 97-94, Laws of Florida; and the repeal of s. 366.85 by s. 2, ch. 2012-67, Laws of Florida.

Section 71. Section 366.83, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

366.83 Certain laws not applicable; saving clause.—No utility shall be held liable for the acts or omissions of any person in implementing or attempting to implement those measures found cost-effective by, or recommended as a result of, an energy audit. The findings and recommendations of an energy audit shall not be construed to be a warranty or guarantee of any kind, nor shall such findings or recommendations subject the utility to liability of any kind. Nothing in ss. ~~366.80-366.83~~ ~~366.80-366.85~~ and 403.519 shall preempt or affect litigation pending on June 5, 1980, nor shall ss. ~~366.80-366.83~~ ~~366.80-366.86~~ and 403.519 preempt federal law unless such preemption is expressly authorized by federal statute.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 366.84 by s. 14, ch. 95-372, Laws of Florida; the repeal was confirmed by s. 7, ch. 97-94, Laws of Florida; and the repeal of s. 366.85 by s. 2, ch. 2012-67, Laws of Florida, and the transfer of s. 366.86 to s. 403.519 in 1980.

Section 72. Subsection (4) of section 366.94, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

366.94 Electric vehicle charging stations.—

~~(4) The Public Service Commission is directed to conduct a study of the potential effects of public charging stations and privately owned electric vehicle charging on both energy consumption and the impact on the electric grid in the state. The Public Service Commission shall also investigate the feasibility of using off-grid solar photovoltaic power as a source of electricity for the electric vehicle charging stations. The commission shall submit the results of the study to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Executive Office of the Governor by December 31, 2012.~~

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete a provision that has served its purpose.

Section 73. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section 373.036, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

373.036 Florida water plan; district water management plans.—

(2) DISTRICT WATER MANAGEMENT PLANS.—

(b) The district water management plan shall include, but not be limited to:

1. The scientific methodologies for establishing minimum flows and levels under s. 373.042, and all established minimum flows and levels.

2. Identification of one or more water supply planning regions that singly or together encompass the entire district.

3. Technical data and information prepared under s. 373.711.

4. A districtwide water supply assessment, ~~to be completed no later than July 1, 1998,~~ which determines for each water supply planning region:

a. Existing legal uses, reasonably anticipated future needs, and existing and reasonably anticipated sources of water and conservation efforts; and

b. Whether existing and reasonably anticipated sources of water and conservation efforts are adequate to supply water for all existing legal uses and reasonably anticipated future needs and to sustain the water resources and related natural systems.

5. Any completed regional water supply plans.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to delete language that has served its purpose.

Section 74. Subsection (6) of section 373.0363, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

373.0363 Southern Water Use Caution Area Recovery Strategy.—

~~(6) The district shall submit the West-Central Florida Water Restoration Action Plan developed pursuant to subsection (4) to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives prior to the 2010 regular legislative session for review. If the Legislature takes no action on the plan during the 2010 regular legislative session, the plan shall be deemed approved.~~

Reviser’s note.—Amended to delete a provision that has served its purpose.

Section 75. Subsections (2), (8), and (9) of section 373.4145, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

373.4145 Part IV permitting program within the geographical jurisdiction of the Northwest Florida Water Management District.—

~~(2) The department may implement chapter 40A-4, Florida Administrative Code, in effect prior to July 1, 1994, pursuant to an interagency agreement with the Northwest Florida Water Management District adopted under s. 373.046(4).~~

~~(8) Within the geographical jurisdiction of the Northwest Florida Water Management District, the methodology for determining the landward extent of surface waters of the state under chapter 403 in effect prior to the effective date of the methodology ratified in s. 373.4211 shall apply to:~~

~~(a) Activities permitted under the rules adopted pursuant to ss. 403.91-403.929, 1984 Supplement to the Florida Statutes 1983, as amended, or that were exempted from regulation under such rules, prior to July 1, 1994, and that were permitted under chapter 62-25, Florida Administrative Code, or exempt from chapter 62-25, Florida Administrative Code, prior to July 1, 1994, provided:~~

~~1. An activity authorized by such permits is conducted in accordance with the plans, terms, and conditions of such permits.~~

~~2. An activity exempted from the permitting requirements of the rules adopted pursuant to ss. 403.91-403.929, 1984 Supplement to the Florida Statutes 1983, as amended, or chapter 62-25, Florida Administrative Code, is:~~

~~a. Commenced prior to July 1, 1994, and completed by July 1, 1999;~~

~~b. Conducted in accordance with a plan depicting the activity that has been submitted to and approved for construction by the department, the appropriate local government, the United States Army Corps of Engineers, or the Northwest Florida Water Management District; and~~

~~e. Conducted in accordance with the terms of the exemption.~~

~~(b) An activity within the boundaries of a valid jurisdictional declaratory statement issued pursuant to s. 403.914, 1984 Supplement to the Florida Statutes 1983, as amended, or the rules adopted thereunder, in response to a petition received prior to June 1, 1994.~~

~~(c) Any modification of a permitted or exempt activity as described in paragraph (a) that does not constitute a substantial modification or that lessens the environmental impact of such permitted or exempt activity. For the purposes of this section, a substantial modification is one that is reasonably expected to lead to substantially different environmental impacts.~~

~~(d) Applications for activities permitted under the rules adopted pursuant to ss. 403.91-403.929, 1984 Supplement to the 1983 Florida Statutes,~~

as amended, that were pending on June 15, 1994, unless the application elects to have applied the delineation methodology ratified in s. 373.4211.

~~(9) Subsections (2) and (8) are repealed on the effective date of the rules adopted under subsection (1).~~

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete repealed provisions; the rules required to be adopted by s. 373.4145(1) have been adopted, and the repeal of subsections (2) and (8) by subsection (9) has taken effect.

Section 76. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 373.4592, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

373.4592 Everglades improvement and management.—

(3) EVERGLADES LONG-TERM PLAN.—

(a) The Legislature finds that the Everglades Program required by this section establishes more extensive and comprehensive requirements for surface water improvement and management within the Everglades than the SWIM plan requirements provided in ss. ~~373.451 and 373.453~~ 373.451-373.456. In order to avoid duplicative requirements, and in order to conserve the resources available to the district, the SWIM plan requirements of those sections shall not apply to the Everglades Protection Area and the EAA during the term of the Everglades Program, and the district will neither propose, nor take final agency action on, any Everglades SWIM plan for those areas until the Everglades Program is fully implemented. Funds under s. 259.101(3)(b) may be used for acquisition of lands necessary to implement the Everglades Construction Project, to the extent these funds are identified in the Statement of Principles of July 1993. The district's actions in implementing the Everglades Construction Project relating to the responsibilities of the EAA and C-139 Basin for funding and water quality compliance in the EAA and the Everglades Protection Area shall be governed by this section. Other strategies or activities in the March 1992 Everglades SWIM plan may be implemented if otherwise authorized by law.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of ss. 373.455 and 373.456 by s. 7, ch. 2003-265, Laws of Florida.

Section 77. Paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) of subsection (8) of section 373.59, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

373.59 Water Management Lands Trust Fund.—

(8) Moneys from the Water Management Lands Trust Fund shall be allocated as follows:

(a) ~~Through the 2008-2009 fiscal year, thirty percent to the South Florida Water Management District.~~ Beginning with the 2009-2010 fiscal year, thirty percent shall be used first to pay debt service on bonds issued before February 1, 2009, by the South Florida Water Management District which

are secured by revenues provided by this section or to fund debt service reserve funds, rebate obligations, or other amounts payable with respect to such bonds, then to transfer \$3,000,000 to the credit of the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year, and lastly to distribute the remainder to the South Florida Water Management District.

(b) ~~Through the 2008-2009 fiscal year, twenty-five percent to the Southwest Florida Water Management District.~~ Beginning with the 2009-2010 fiscal year, twenty-five percent shall be used first to transfer \$2,500,000 to the credit of the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year and then to distribute the remainder to the Southwest Florida Water Management District.

(c) ~~Through the 2008-2009 fiscal year, twenty-five percent to the St. Johns River Water Management District.~~ Beginning with the 2009-2010 fiscal year, twenty-five percent shall be used first to pay debt service on bonds issued before February 1, 2009, by the St. Johns River Water Management District which are secured by revenues provided by this section or to fund debt service reserve funds, rebate obligations, or other amounts payable with respect to such bonds, then to transfer \$2,500,000 to the credit of the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year, and to distribute the remainder to the St. Johns River Water Management District.

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete obsolete provisions.

Section 78. Subsection (2) of section 375.313, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

375.313 Commission powers and duties.—The commission shall:

(2) Adopt and promulgate such reasonable rules as deemed necessary to administer the provisions of ss. ~~375.311-375.314~~ 375.311-375.315, except that, before any such rules are adopted, the commission shall obtain the consent and agreement, in writing, of the owner, in the case of privately owned lands, or the owner or primary custodian, in the case of publicly owned lands.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 375.315 by s. 69, ch. 2002-295, Laws of Florida.

Section 79. Section 376.011, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

376.011 Pollutant Discharge Prevention and Control Act; short title.—Sections ~~376.011-376.21~~ 376.011-376.165, ~~376.19-376.21~~ shall be known as the "Pollutant Discharge Prevention and Control Act."

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 376.17 by s. 85, ch. 2010-102, Laws of Florida, s. 376.18 by s. 83, ch. 83-310, Laws of Florida, and s. 376.185 by s. 4, ch. 2000-211, Laws of Florida.

Section 80. Subsections (4) and (10) of section 376.3078, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

376.3078 Drycleaning facility restoration; funds; uses; liability; recovery of expenditures.—

(4) REHABILITATION CRITERIA.—It is the intent of the Legislature to protect the health of all people under actual circumstances of exposure. ~~By July 1, 1999,~~ The secretary of the department shall establish criteria by rule for the purpose of determining, on a site-specific basis, the rehabilitation program tasks that comprise a site rehabilitation program, including a voluntary site rehabilitation program, and the level at which a rehabilitation program task and a site rehabilitation program may be deemed completed. In establishing the rule, the department shall incorporate, to the maximum extent feasible, risk-based corrective action principles to achieve protection of human health and safety and the environment in a cost-effective manner as provided in this subsection. The rule shall also include protocols for the use of natural attenuation and the issuance of “no further action” letters. The criteria for determining what constitutes a rehabilitation program task or completion of a site rehabilitation program task or site rehabilitation program, including a voluntary site rehabilitation program, must:

(a) Consider the current exposure and potential risk of exposure to humans and the environment, including multiple pathways of exposure. The physical, chemical, and biological characteristics of each contaminant must be considered in order to determine the feasibility of risk-based corrective action assessment.

(b) Establish the point of compliance at the source of the contamination. However, the department is authorized to temporarily move the point of compliance to the boundary of the property, or to the edge of the plume when the plume is within the property boundary, while cleanup, including cleanup through natural attenuation processes in conjunction with appropriate monitoring, is proceeding. The department also is authorized, pursuant to criteria provided for in this section, to temporarily extend the point of compliance beyond the property boundary with appropriate monitoring, if such extension is needed to facilitate natural attenuation or to address the current conditions of the plume, provided human health, public safety, and the environment are protected. When temporarily extending the point of compliance beyond the property boundary, it cannot be extended further than the lateral extent of the plume at the time of execution of the voluntary cleanup agreement, if known, or the lateral extent of the plume as defined at the time of site assessment. Temporary extension of the point of compliance beyond the property boundary, as provided in this paragraph, must include actual notice by the person responsible for site rehabilitation to local governments and the owners of any property into which the point of compliance is allowed to extend and constructive notice to residents and business tenants of the property into which the point of compliance is allowed to extend. Persons receiving notice pursuant to this paragraph shall have the opportunity to comment within 30 days of receipt of the notice.

(c) Ensure that the site-specific cleanup goal is that all sites contaminated with drycleaning solvents ultimately achieve the applicable cleanup target levels provided in this section. In the circumstances provided below, and after constructive notice and opportunity to comment within 30 days from receipt of the notice to local government, to owners of any property into which the point of compliance is allowed to extend, and to residents on any property into which the point of compliance is allowed to extend, the department may allow concentrations of contaminants to temporarily exceed the applicable cleanup target levels while cleanup, including cleanup through natural attenuation processes in conjunction with appropriate monitoring, is proceeding, if human health, public safety, and the environment are protected.

(d) Allow the use of institutional or engineering controls at sites contaminated with drycleaning solvents, where appropriate, to eliminate or control the potential exposure to contaminants of humans or the environment. The use of controls must be preapproved by the department and only after constructive notice and opportunity to comment within 30 days from receipt of notice is provided to local governments, to owners of any property into which the point of compliance is allowed to extend, and to residents on any property into which the point of compliance is allowed to extend. When institutional or engineering controls are implemented to control exposure, the removal of the controls must have prior department approval and must be accompanied by the resumption of active cleanup, or other approved controls, unless cleanup target levels under this section have been achieved.

(e) Consider the additive effects of contaminants. The synergistic and antagonistic effects shall also be considered when the scientific data become available.

(f) Take into consideration individual site characteristics, which shall include, but not be limited to, the current and projected use of the affected groundwater and surface water in the vicinity of the site, current and projected land uses of the area affected by the contamination, the exposed population, the degree and extent of contamination, the rate of contaminant migration, the apparent or potential rate of contaminant degradation through natural attenuation processes, the location of the plume, and the potential for further migration in relation to site property boundaries.

(g) Apply state water quality standards as follows:

1. Cleanup target levels for each contaminant found in groundwater shall be the applicable state water quality standards. Where such standards do not exist, the cleanup target levels for groundwater shall be based on the minimum criteria specified in department rule. The department shall consider the following, as appropriate, in establishing the applicable minimum criteria: calculations using a lifetime cancer risk level of  $1.0E-6$ ; a hazard index of 1 or less; the best achievable detection limit; the naturally



occurring background concentration; or nuisance, organoleptic, and aesthetic considerations.

2. Where surface waters are exposed to contaminated groundwater, the cleanup target levels for the contaminants shall be based on the lower of the groundwater or surface water standards as established by department rule. The point of measuring compliance with the surface water standards shall be in the groundwater immediately adjacent to the surface water body.

3. The department may set alternative cleanup target levels based upon the person responsible for site rehabilitation demonstrating, using site-specific modeling and risk assessment studies, that human health, public safety, and the environment are protected to the same degree as provided in subparagraphs 1. and 2. Where a state water quality standard is applicable, a deviation may not result in the application of cleanup target levels more stringent than the standard. In determining whether it is appropriate to establish alternative cleanup target levels at a site, the department must consider the effectiveness of source removal that has been completed at the site and the practical likelihood of the use of low yield or poor quality groundwater, the use of groundwater near marine surface water bodies, the current and projected use of the affected groundwater in the vicinity of the site, or the use of groundwater in the immediate vicinity of the contaminated area, where it has been demonstrated that the groundwater contamination is not migrating away from such localized source, provided human health, public safety, and the environment are protected.

(h) Provide for the department to issue a “no further action order,” with conditions where appropriate, when alternative cleanup target levels established pursuant to subparagraph (g)3. have been achieved, or when the person responsible for site rehabilitation can demonstrate that the cleanup target level is unachievable within available technologies. Prior to issuing such an order, the department shall consider the feasibility of an alternative site rehabilitation technology in the area.

(i) Establish appropriate cleanup target levels for soils.

1. In establishing soil cleanup target levels for human exposure to each contaminant found in soils from the land surface to 2 feet below land surface, the department shall consider the following, as appropriate: calculations using a lifetime cancer risk level of  $1.0E-6$ ; a hazard index of 1 or less; the best achievable detection limit; or the naturally occurring background concentration. Institutional controls or other methods shall be used to prevent human exposure to contaminated soils more than 2 feet below the land surface. Any removal of such institutional controls shall require such contaminated soils to be remediated.

2. Leachability-based soil target levels shall be based on protection of the groundwater cleanup target levels or the alternate cleanup target levels for groundwater established pursuant to this paragraph, as appropriate. Source removal and other cost-effective alternatives that are technologically feasible

shall be considered in achieving the leachability soil target levels established by the department. The leachability goals shall not be applicable if the department determines, based upon individual site characteristics, that contaminants will not leach into the groundwater at levels which pose a threat to human health, public safety, and the environment.

3. Using risk-based corrective action principles, the department shall approve alternative cleanup target levels based upon the person responsible for site rehabilitation demonstrating, using site-specific modeling and risk assessment studies, that human health, public safety, and the environment are protected.

The department shall require source removal, as a risk reduction measure, if warranted and cost-effective. Once source removal at a site is complete, the department shall reevaluate the site to determine the degree of active cleanup needed to continue. Further, the department shall determine if the reevaluated site qualifies for monitoring only or if no further action is required to rehabilitate the site. If additional site rehabilitation is necessary to reach “no further action” status, the department is encouraged to utilize natural attenuation and monitoring where site conditions warrant.

(10) INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS.—The owner or operator of an operating drycleaning facility or wholesale supply facility shall, ~~by January 1, 1999,~~ have purchased third-party liability insurance for \$1 million of coverage for each operating facility. The owner or operator shall maintain such insurance while operating as a drycleaning facility or wholesale supply facility and provide proof of such insurance to the department upon registration renewal each year thereafter. Such requirement applies only if such insurance becomes available to the owner or operator at a reasonable rate and covers liability for contamination subsequent to the effective date of the policy and prior to the effective date, retroactive to the commencement of operations at the drycleaning facility or wholesale supply facility. Such insurance may be offered in group coverage policies with a minimum coverage of \$1 million for each member of the group per year. For the purposes of this subsection, reasonable rate means the rate developed based on exposure to loss and underwriting and administrative costs as determined by the Office of Insurance Regulation of the Financial Services Commission, in consultation with representatives of the drycleaning industry.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to delete obsolete provisions.

Section 81. Subsection (1) of section 379.333, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

379.333 Arrest by officers of the commission; recognizance; cash bond; citation.—

(1) In all cases of arrest by officers of the commission, the person arrested shall be delivered forthwith by such officer to the sheriff of the county, or the officer shall obtain from such person arrested a recognizance or, if deemed

necessary, a cash bond or other sufficient security conditioned for her or his appearance before the proper tribunal of such county to answer the charge for which the person has been arrested.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial insertion of the words “the officer” to facilitate correct interpretation.

Section 82. Subsection (3) of section 379.3511, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

379.3511 Appointment of subagents for the sale of hunting, fishing, and trapping licenses and permits.—

(3) All social security numbers that are provided pursuant to s. 379.352 ~~ss. 379.352 and 379.354~~ and are contained in records of any subagent appointed under this section are confidential as provided in those sections.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the fact that s. 379.352 references social security numbers; s. 379.354 does not. Section 16, ch. 2002-46, Laws of Florida, dropped the social security requirement from s. 372.57, which was transferred to s. 379.354 by s. 139, ch. 2008-247, Laws of Florida.

Section 83. Paragraph (f) of subsection (3) of section 381.911, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

381.911 Prostate Cancer Awareness Program.—

(3) The University of Florida Prostate Disease Center (UFPDC) shall establish the UFPDC Prostate Cancer Advisory Council and lead the advisory council in developing and implementing strategies to improve outreach and education and thereby reduce the number of patients who develop prostate cancer.

(f) The advisory council shall:

1. Present prostate-cancer-related policy recommendations to the Department of Health and other appropriate governmental entities.

2. Assess the accuracy of prostate cancer information disseminated to the public.

3. Develop effective communication channels among all private and public entities in the state involved in prostate cancer education, research, treatment, and patient advocacy.

4. Plan, develop, and implement activities designed to heighten awareness and educate residents of the state, especially those in underserved areas, regarding the importance of prostate cancer awareness.

5. Disseminate information about recent progress in prostate cancer research and the availability of clinical trials.

6. Minimize health disparities through outreach and education.
7. Communicate best practices principles to physicians involved in the care of patients with prostate cancer.
8. Establish a communication platform for patients and their advocates.
9. Solicit private grants or philanthropic funding to conduct an annual prostate cancer symposium that brings physicians, researchers, community leaders, prostate cancer survivors, and prostate cancer advocates together to highlight recent advances in prostate cancer research, clinical trials, and best practices used for the prevention of prostate cancer and to promote strategies for successful rural and urban outreach, community education, and increased awareness.
10. Submit and present an annual report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the State Surgeon General by ~~January 15, 2012, and by January 15 of each following~~ year, which contains recommendations for legislative changes necessary to decrease the incidence of prostate cancer, decrease racial and ethnic disparities among persons diagnosed with prostate cancer, and promote increased community education and awareness regarding this disease.

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 84. Subsection (4) of section 382.009, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

382.009 Recognition of brain death under certain circumstances.—

(4) No recovery shall be allowed nor shall criminal proceedings be instituted in any court in this state against a physician or licensed medical facility that makes a determination of death in accordance with this section or which acts in reliance thereon, if such determination is made in accordance with the accepted standard of care for such physician or facility set forth in s. 766.102 ~~768.45~~. Except for a diagnosis of brain death, the standard set forth in this section is not the exclusive standard for determining death or for the withdrawal of life support systems.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial substitution of a reference to s. 766.102 for a reference to s. 768.45. Section 768.45 was transferred to s. 766.102 by the reviser incident to compiling the 1988 Supplement to the Florida Statutes 1987.

Section 85. Section 383.16, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

383.16 Definitions; ss. 383.15-383.19 ~~383.15-383.21~~.—As used in ss. 383.15-383.19 ~~383.15-383.21~~, the term:

- (1) "Department" means the Department of Health.

(2) “Regional perinatal intensive care center” or “center” means a unit designated by the department, located within a hospital, and specifically designed to provide a full range of health services to its patients.

(3) “Patient” means a woman who is experiencing a high-risk pregnancy and who has been declared financially and medically eligible or a newborn infant who needs intensive care and who is declared financially and medically eligible.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 383.21 by s. 98, ch. 2010-102, Laws of Florida.

Section 86. Section 383.17, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

383.17 Regional perinatal intensive care centers program; authority.—The department may contract with health care providers in establishing and maintaining centers in accordance with ss. ~~383.15-383.19~~ 383.15-383.21. The cost of administering the regional perinatal intensive care centers program shall be paid by the department from funds appropriated for this purpose.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 383.21 by s. 98, ch. 2010-102, Laws of Florida.

Section 87. Section 383.18, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

383.18 Contracts; conditions.—Participation in the regional perinatal intensive care centers program under ss. ~~383.15-383.19~~ 383.15-383.21 is contingent upon the department entering into a contract with a provider. The contract shall provide that patients will receive services from the center and that parents or guardians of patients who participate in the program and who are in compliance with Medicaid eligibility requirements as determined by the department are not additionally charged for treatment and care which has been contracted for by the department. Financial eligibility for the program is based on the Medicaid income guidelines for pregnant women and for children under 1 year of age. Funding shall be provided in accordance with ss. ~~383.19~~ and 409.908.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 383.21 by s. 98, ch. 2010-102, Laws of Florida.

Section 88. Subsections (5) and (6) of section 383.19, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

383.19 Standards; funding; ineligibility.—

(5) A private, for-profit hospital that does not accept county, state, or federal funds or indigent patients is not eligible to participate under ss. ~~383.15-383.19~~ 383.15-383.21.

(6) Each hospital that contracts with the department to provide services under the terms of ss. ~~383.15-383.19~~ 383.15-383.21 shall prepare and submit

to the department an annual report that includes, but is not limited to, the number of clients served and the costs of services in the center. The department shall annually conduct a programmatic and financial evaluation of each center.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 383.21 by s. 98, ch. 2010-102, Laws of Florida.

Section 89. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 391.025, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

391.025 Applicability and scope.—

(1) The Children’s Medical Services program consists of the following components:

(b) The regional perinatal intensive care centers program established in ss. 383.15-383.19 ~~383.15-383.21~~.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 383.21 by s. 98, ch. 2010-102, Laws of Florida.

Section 90. Subsection (9) of section 394.9084, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

394.9084 Florida Self-Directed Care program.—

~~(9) By December 31, 2009, the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability shall evaluate the effectiveness of the Florida Self-Directed Care program. The evaluation shall include an assessment of participant choice and access to services, cost savings, coordination and quality of care, adherence to principles of self directed care, barriers to implementation, progress toward expansion of the program statewide, and recommendations for improvement in the program.~~

Reviser’s note.—Amended to delete a provision that has served its purpose.

Section 91. Subsection (11) of section 400.471, Florida Statutes, as created by section 5 of chapter 2009-223, Laws of Florida, and as created as subsection (10) by section 5 of chapter 2009-193, Laws of Florida, is repealed.

Reviser’s note.—The cited subsection, which provides that an initial or change of ownership license for a home health agency in counties meeting specified requirements for opening a new home health agency may not be issued until July 1, 2010, is obsolete.

Section 92. Paragraph (a) of subsection (7) of section 400.960, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

400.960 Definitions.—As used in this part, the term:

(7) “Restraint” means a physical device, method, or drug used to control behavior.

(a) A physical restraint is any manual method or physical or mechanical device, material, or equipment attached or adjacent to the individual’s body so that he or she cannot easily remove the restraint and which restricts freedom of movement or normal access to the individual’s body ~~one’s body~~.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to conform to context and improve clarity.

Section 93. Paragraph (g) of subsection (4) and subsection (8) of section 401.27, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

401.27 Personnel; standards and certification.—

(4) An applicant for certification or recertification as an emergency medical technician or paramedic must:

(g) Submit a completed application to the department, which application documents compliance with paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (e), (f), and this paragraph ~~(g)~~, and, if applicable, paragraph (d). The application must be submitted so as to be received by the department at least 30 calendar days before the next regularly scheduled examination for which the applicant desires to be scheduled.

(8) Each emergency medical technician certificate and each paramedic certificate will expire automatically and may be renewed if the holder meets the qualifications for renewal as established by the department. A certificate that is not renewed at the end of the 2-year period will automatically revert to an inactive status for a period not to exceed 180 days. Such certificate may be reactivated and renewed within the 180 days if the certificateholder meets all other qualifications for renewal and pays a \$25 late fee. Reactivation shall be in a manner and on forms prescribed by department rule. ~~The holder of a certificate that expired on December 1, 1996, has until September 30, 1997, to reactivate the certificate in accordance with this subsection.~~

Reviser’s note.—Paragraph (4)(g) is amended to conform to Florida Statutes cite style. Subsection (8) is amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 94. Paragraph (a) of subsection (24) of section 403.061, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

403.061 Department; powers and duties.—The department shall have the power and the duty to control and prohibit pollution of air and water in accordance with the law and rules adopted and promulgated by it and, for this purpose, to:

(24)(a) Establish a permit system to provide for spoil site approval, as may be requested and required by local governmental agencies as defined in s. 403.1835(2)(c) ~~403.1822(3)~~, or mosquito control districts as defined in s.

388.011(5), to facilitate these agencies in providing spoil sites for the deposit of spoil from maintenance dredging of navigation channels, port harbors, turning basins, and harbor berths, as part of a federal project, when the agency is acting as sponsor of a contemplated dredge and fill operation involving an established navigation channel, harbor, turning basin, or harbor berth. A spoil site approval granted to the agency shall be granted for a period of 10 to 25 years when such site is not inconsistent with an adopted local governmental comprehensive plan and the requirements of this chapter. The department shall periodically review each permit to determine compliance with the terms and conditions of the permit. Such review shall be conducted at least once every 10 years.

The department shall implement such programs in conjunction with its other powers and duties and shall place special emphasis on reducing and eliminating contamination that presents a threat to humans, animals or plants, or to the environment.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 403.1822 by s. 18, ch. 2001-270, Laws of Florida. The term “local government agencies” was added to s. 403.1835(2)(a), by s. 15, 2001-270, Laws of Florida, in response to the repeal of s. 403.1822. The section was further amended by s. 40, ch. 2010-205, Laws of Florida, which reordered the paragraphs so that the definition currently appears at paragraph (2)(c).

Section 95. Subsection (1) of section 403.804, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

403.804 Environmental Regulation Commission; powers and duties.—

(1) Except as provided in subsection (2) and s. 120.54(4), the commission, pursuant to s. 403.805(1), shall exercise the standard-setting authority of the department under this chapter; part II of chapter ~~373~~ 376; and ss. 373.309(1)(e), 373.414(4) and (10), 373.4145(1)(a), 373.421(1), and 373.4592(4)(d)4. and (e). The commission, in exercising its authority, shall consider scientific and technical validity, economic impacts, and relative risks and benefits to the public and the environment. The commission shall not establish department policies, priorities, plans, or directives. The commission may adopt procedural rules governing the conduct of its meetings and hearings.

Reviser's note.—Amended to correct an apparent typographical error. The referenced part II of chapter 376 does not exist.

Section 96. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 403.9338, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

403.9338 Training.—

(1) The department, in cooperation with the Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, shall:



(b) Approve training and testing programs that are equivalent to or more comprehensive than the training provided by the department under paragraph (a). Such programs must be reviewed and reapproved by the department if significant changes are made. ~~Currently approved programs must be reapproved by July 1, 2010.~~

Reviser’s note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 97. Section 408.914, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

Reviser’s note.—Section 408.914 is repealed to remove a provision that has served its purpose. The section required that the Agency for Health Care Administration, in consultation with the steering committee established in s. 408.916, phase in the Comprehensive Health and Human Services Eligibility Access System. The authorization for the steering committee ended on June 30, 2004.

Section 98. Section 408.915, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

Reviser’s note.—Section 408.915 is repealed to remove a provision that has served its purpose. The section required that the Agency for Health Care Administration, in consultation with the steering committee established in s. 408.916, develop and implement a pilot program to integrate the determination of eligibility for health care services with information and referral services. The authorization for the steering committee ended on June 30, 2004.

Section 99. Section 408.916, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

Reviser’s note.—Section 408.916 is repealed to remove a provision that has served its purpose. The section created a steering committee to guide the implementation of the pilot project in s. 408.915. The authorization for the committee ended on June 30, 2004, and its activities were to be completed by that date.

Section 100. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) and subsection (7) of section 409.1451, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

409.1451 The Road-to-Independence Program.—

(2) POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION SERVICES AND SUPPORT.—

(a) A young adult is eligible for services and support under this subsection if he or she:

1. Was living in licensed care on his or her 18th birthday or is currently living in licensed care; or was at least 16 years of age and was adopted from foster care or placed with a court-approved dependency guardian after spending at least 6 months in licensed care within the 12 months immediately preceding such placement or adoption;

2. Spent at least 6 months in licensed care before reaching his or her 18th birthday;

3. Earned a standard high school diploma or its equivalent pursuant to s. 1003.428, s. 1003.4281, former s. 1003.429, s. 1003.435, or s. 1003.438;

4. Has been admitted for enrollment as a full-time student or its equivalent in an eligible postsecondary educational institution as provided in s. 1009.533. For purposes of this section, the term “full-time” means 9 credit hours or the vocational school equivalent. A student may enroll part-time if he or she has a recognized disability or is faced with another challenge or circumstance that would prevent full-time attendance. A student needing to enroll part-time for any reason other than having a recognized disability must get approval from his or her academic advisor;

5. Has reached 18 years of age but is not yet 23 years of age;

6. Has applied, with assistance from the young adult’s caregiver and the community-based lead agency, for any other grants and scholarships for which he or she may qualify;

7. Submitted a Free Application for Federal Student Aid which is complete and error free; and

8. Signed an agreement to allow the department and the community-based care lead agency access to school records.

(7) INDEPENDENT LIVING SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL.—The secretary shall establish the Independent Living Services Advisory Council for the purpose of reviewing and making recommendations concerning the implementation and operation of the provisions of s. 39.6251 ~~39.6015~~ and the Road-to-Independence Program. The advisory council shall function as specified in this subsection until the Legislature determines that the advisory council can no longer provide a valuable contribution to the department’s efforts to achieve the goals of the services designed to enable a young adult to live independently.

(a) The advisory council shall assess the implementation and operation of the Road-to-Independence Program and advise the department on actions that would improve the ability of these Road-to-Independence Program services to meet the established goals. The advisory council shall keep the department informed of problems being experienced with the services, barriers to the effective and efficient integration of services and support across systems, and successes that the system of services has achieved. The department shall consider, but is not required to implement, the recommendations of the advisory council.

(b) The advisory council shall report to the secretary on the status of the implementation of the Road-to-Independence Program, efforts to publicize the availability of the Road-to-Independence Program, the success of the services, problems identified, recommendations for department or legislative

action, and the department's implementation of the recommendations contained in the Independent Living Services Integration Workgroup Report submitted to the appropriate substantive committees of the Legislature by December 31, 2013. The department shall submit a report by December 31 of each year to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives which includes a summary of the factors reported on by the council and identifies the recommendations of the advisory council and either describes the department's actions to implement the recommendations or provides the department's rationale for not implementing the recommendations.

(c) Members of the advisory council shall be appointed by the secretary of the department. The membership of the advisory council must include, at a minimum, representatives from the headquarters and regional offices of the Department of Children and Families, community-based care lead agencies, the Department of Juvenile Justice, the Department of Economic Opportunity, the Department of Education, the Agency for Health Care Administration, the State Youth Advisory Board, Workforce Florida, Inc., the Statewide Guardian Ad Litem Office, foster parents, recipients of services and funding through the Road-to-Independence Program, and advocates for children in care. The secretary shall determine the length of the term to be served by each member appointed to the advisory council, which may not exceed 4 years.

(d) The department shall provide administrative support to the Independent Living Services Advisory Council to accomplish its assigned tasks. The advisory council shall be afforded access to all appropriate data from the department, each community-based care lead agency, and other relevant agencies in order to accomplish the tasks set forth in this section. The data collected may not include any information that would identify a specific child or young adult.

(e) The advisory council report required under paragraph (b) must include an analysis of the system of independent living transition services for young adults who reach 18 years of age while in foster care before completing high school or its equivalent and recommendations for department or legislative action. The council shall assess and report on the most effective method of assisting these young adults to complete high school or its equivalent by examining the practices of other states.

Reviser's note.—Paragraph (2)(a) is amended to conform to the repeal of s. 1003.429, by s. 20, ch. 2013-27, Laws of Florida. Subsection (7) is amended to correct an apparent error. Section 39.6015 does not exist. The intended reference is to s. 39.6251 which relates to continuing care of young adults.

Section 101. Paragraph (b) of subsection (5) of section 409.907, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

409.907 Medicaid provider agreements.—The agency may make payments for medical assistance and related services rendered to Medicaid recipients only to an individual or entity who has a provider agreement in effect with the agency, who is performing services or supplying goods in accordance with federal, state, and local law, and who agrees that no person shall, on the grounds of handicap, race, color, or national origin, or for any other reason, be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which the provider receives payment from the agency.

(5) The agency:

(b) Is prohibited from demanding repayment from the provider in any instance in which the Medicaid overpayment is attributable to agency error ~~of the department~~ in the determination of eligibility of a recipient.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to context. Paragraph (5)(b) was amended by s. 5, ch. 96-417, Laws of Florida, which used the words “error of the department.” The paragraph was also amended by s. 2, ch. 96-387, Laws of Florida, which used the words “agency error”; ch. 96-387 conformed provisions in the Florida Statutes to the transfer of responsibilities from the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services to the Agency for Health Care Administration. Paragraph (5)(b) is amended here to resolve the conflict based on context. The section contains numerous references to the agency and no other references to the department.

Section 102. Subsection (2) and paragraph (d) of subsection (3) of section 409.9082, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

409.9082 Quality assessment on nursing home facility providers; exemptions; purpose; federal approval required; remedies.—

(2) ~~Effective April 1, 2009,~~ A quality assessment is imposed upon each nursing home facility. The aggregated amount of assessments for all nursing home facilities in a given year shall be an amount not exceeding the maximum percentage allowed under federal law of the total aggregate net patient service revenue of assessed facilities. The agency shall calculate the quality assessment rate annually on a per-resident-day basis, exclusive of those resident days funded by the Medicare program, as reported by the facilities. The per-resident-day assessment rate must be uniform except as prescribed in subsection (3). Each facility shall report monthly to the agency its total number of resident days, exclusive of Medicare Part A resident days, and remit an amount equal to the assessment rate times the reported number of days. The agency shall collect, and each facility shall pay, the quality assessment each month. The agency shall collect the assessment from nursing home facility providers by the 15th day of the next succeeding calendar month. The agency shall notify providers of the quality assessment and provide a standardized form to complete and submit with payments. The collection of the nursing home facility quality assessment shall commence no sooner than 5 days after the agency's initial payment of the Medicaid rates

containing the elements prescribed in subsection (4). Nursing home facilities may not create a separate line-item charge for the purpose of passing the assessment through to residents.

(3)

(d) ~~Effective July 1, 2011,~~ The agency may exempt from the quality assessment or apply a lower quality assessment rate to a qualified public, nonstate-owned or operated nursing home facility whose total annual indigent census days are greater than 20 percent of the facility’s total annual census days.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to delete obsolete provisions.

Section 103. Subsection (2) of section 409.981, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

409.981 Eligible long-term care plans.—

(2) ELIGIBLE PLAN SELECTION.—The agency shall select eligible plans through the procurement process described in s. 409.966. ~~The agency shall provide notice of invitations to negotiate by July 1, 2012.~~ The agency shall procure:

(a) Two plans for Region 1. At least one plan must be a provider service network if any provider service networks submit a responsive bid.

(b) Two plans for Region 2. At least one plan must be a provider service network if any provider service networks submit a responsive bid.

(c) At least three plans and up to five plans for Region 3. At least one plan must be a provider service network if any provider service networks submit a responsive bid.

(d) At least three plans and up to five plans for Region 4. At least one plan must be a provider service network if any provider service network submits a responsive bid.

(e) At least two plans and up to four plans for Region 5. At least one plan must be a provider service network if any provider service networks submit a responsive bid.

(f) At least four plans and up to seven plans for Region 6. At least one plan must be a provider service network if any provider service networks submit a responsive bid.

(g) At least three plans and up to six plans for Region 7. At least one plan must be a provider service network if any provider service networks submit a responsive bid.

(h) At least two plans and up to four plans for Region 8. At least one plan must be a provider service network if any provider service networks submit a responsive bid.

(i) At least two plans and up to four plans for Region 9. At least one plan must be a provider service network if any provider service networks submit a responsive bid.

(j) At least two plans and up to four plans for Region 10. At least one plan must be a provider service network if any provider service networks submit a responsive bid.

(k) At least five plans and up to 10 plans for Region 11. At least one plan must be a provider service network if any provider service networks submit a responsive bid.

If no provider service network submits a responsive bid in a region other than Region 1 or Region 2, the agency shall procure no more than one less than the maximum number of eligible plans permitted in that region. Within 12 months after the initial invitation to negotiate, the agency shall attempt to procure a provider service network. The agency shall notice another invitation to negotiate only with provider service networks in regions where no provider service network has been selected.

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 104. Paragraph (d) of subsection (9) of section 411.203, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

411.203 Continuum of comprehensive services.—The Department of Education and the Department of Health shall utilize the continuum of prevention and early assistance services for high-risk pregnant women and for high-risk and handicapped children and their families, as outlined in this section, as a basis for the intraagency and interagency program coordination, monitoring, and analysis required in this chapter. The continuum shall be the guide for the comprehensive statewide approach for services for high-risk pregnant women and for high-risk and handicapped children and their families, and may be expanded or reduced as necessary for the enhancement of those services. Expansion or reduction of the continuum shall be determined by intraagency or interagency findings and agreement, whichever is applicable. Implementation of the continuum shall be based upon applicable eligibility criteria, availability of resources, and interagency prioritization when programs impact both agencies, or upon single agency prioritization when programs impact only one agency. The continuum shall include, but not be limited to:

(9) MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS AND PROCEDURES.—

(d) Information sharing system among the Department of Health ~~and Rehabilitative Services~~, the Department of Education, local education agencies, and other appropriate entities, on children eligible for services.

Information may be shared when parental or guardian permission has been given for release.

Reviser's note.—Amended to substitute a reference to the Department of Health for a reference to the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services to conform to context. Section 6, ch. 96-403, Laws of Florida, transferred all duties of the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services relating to public health to the Department of Health as created by s. 8, ch. 96-403.

Section 105. Section 420.151, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

Reviser's note.—The cited section stipulated that the first meeting of the Housing Development Corporation would be called by a notice by incorporators and set an agenda for the meeting. The section was created by s. 1, ch. 72-172, Laws of Florida, and has not been amended since its creation.

Section 106. Paragraph (c) of subsection (6) of section 420.5087, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

420.5087 State Apartment Incentive Loan Program.—There is hereby created the State Apartment Incentive Loan Program for the purpose of providing first, second, or other subordinated mortgage loans or loan guarantees to sponsors, including for-profit, nonprofit, and public entities, to provide housing affordable to very-low-income persons.

(6) On all state apartment incentive loans, except loans made to housing communities for the elderly to provide for lifesafety, building preservation, health, sanitation, or security-related repairs or improvements, the following provisions shall apply:

(c) The corporation shall provide by rule for the establishment of a review committee for the competitive evaluation and selection of applications submitted in this program, including, but not limited to, the following criteria:

1. Tenant income and demographic targeting objectives of the corporation.

2. Targeting objectives of the corporation which will ensure an equitable distribution of loans between rural and urban areas.

3. Sponsor's agreement to reserve the units for persons or families who have incomes below 50 percent of the state or local median income, whichever is higher, for a time period that exceeds the minimum required by federal law or ~~the~~ this part.

4. Sponsor's agreement to reserve more than:

a. Twenty percent of the units in the project for persons or families who have incomes that do not exceed 50 percent of the state or local median income, whichever is higher; or

b. Forty percent of the units in the project for persons or families who have incomes that do not exceed 60 percent of the state or local median income, whichever is higher, without requiring a greater amount of the loans as provided in this section.

5. Provision for tenant counseling.

6. Sponsor's agreement to accept rental assistance certificates or vouchers as payment for rent.

7. Projects requiring the least amount of a state apartment incentive loan compared to overall project cost, except that the share of the loan attributable to units serving extremely-low-income persons must be excluded from this requirement.

8. Local government contributions and local government comprehensive planning and activities that promote affordable housing.

9. Project feasibility.

10. Economic viability of the project.

11. Commitment of first mortgage financing.

12. Sponsor's prior experience.

13. Sponsor's ability to proceed with construction.

14. Projects that directly implement or assist welfare-to-work transitioning.

15. Projects that reserve units for extremely-low-income persons.

16. Projects that include green building principles, storm-resistant construction, or other elements that reduce long-term costs relating to maintenance, utilities, or insurance.

17. Job-creation rate of the developer and general contractor, as provided in s. 420.507(47).

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial deletion of the word “the” following the word “or.”

Section 107. Subsection (9) of section 420.622, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

420.622 State Office on Homelessness; Council on Homelessness.—



(9) The council shall, by June 30 of each year, ~~beginning in 2010~~, provide to the Governor, the Legislature, and the Secretary of Children and Family Services a report summarizing the extent of homelessness in the state and the council’s recommendations for reducing homelessness in this state.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 108. Subsection (5) of section 429.14, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

429.14 Administrative penalties.—

(5) An action taken by the agency to suspend, deny, or revoke a facility’s license under this part or part II of chapter 408, in which the agency claims that the facility owner or an employee of the facility has threatened the health, safety, or welfare of a resident of the facility, shall be heard by the Division of Administrative Hearings of the Department of Management Services within 120 days after receipt of the facility’s request for a hearing, unless that time limitation is waived by both parties. The administrative law judge must render a decision within 30 days after receipt of a proposed recommended order.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to insert the word “shall” following the word “facility” to facilitate correct interpretation and improve clarity.

Section 109. Section 430.207, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

430.207 Confidentiality of information.—Information about functionally impaired elderly persons who receive services under ss. ~~430.201-430.2053 and 430.902 430.201-430.206~~ which is received through files, reports, inspections, or otherwise, by the department or by authorized departmental employees, by persons who volunteer services, or by persons who provide services to functionally impaired elderly persons under ss. ~~430.201-430.2053 and 430.902 430.201-430.206~~ through contracts with the department is confidential and exempt from the provisions of s. 119.07(1). Such information may not be disclosed publicly in such a manner as to identify a functionally impaired elderly person, unless that person or his or her legal guardian provides written consent.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to conform to the transfer of s. 430.206 to s. 430.902 by s. 2 , ch. 2005-223, Laws of Florida.

Section 110. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 443.091, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

443.091 Benefit eligibility conditions.—

(1) An unemployed individual is eligible to receive benefits for any week only if the Department of Economic Opportunity finds that:

(c) To make continued claims for benefits, she or he is reporting to the department in accordance with this paragraph and department rules, and participating in an initial skills review, as directed by the department. Department rules may not conflict with s. 443.111(1)(b), which requires that each claimant continue to report regardless of any pending appeal relating to her or his eligibility or disqualification for benefits.

1. For each week of unemployment claimed, each report must, at a minimum, include the name, address, and telephone number of each prospective employer contacted, or the date the claimant reported to a one-stop career center, pursuant to paragraph (d).

2. The administrator or operator of the initial skills review shall notify the department when the individual completes the initial skills review and report the results of the review to the regional workforce board or the one-stop career center as directed by the workforce board. The department shall prescribe a numeric score on the initial skills review that demonstrates a minimal proficiency in workforce skills. The department, workforce board, or one-stop career center shall use the initial skills review to develop a plan for referring individuals to training and employment opportunities. The failure of the individual to comply with this requirement will result in the individual being determined ineligible for benefits for the week in which the noncompliance occurred and for any subsequent week of unemployment until the requirement is satisfied. However, this requirement does not apply if the individual is exempt from the work registration requirement as set forth in paragraph (b).

3. Any individual who falls below the minimal proficiency score prescribed by the department in subparagraph 2. on the initial skills review shall be offered training opportunities and encouraged to participate in such training at no cost to the individual in order to improve his or her workforce skills to the minimal proficiency level.

4. The department shall coordinate with Workforce Florida, Inc., the workforce boards, and the one-stop career centers to identify, develop, and utilize best practices for improving the skills of individuals who choose to participate in training opportunities and who have a minimal proficiency score below the score prescribed in subparagraph 2.

~~5. The department, in coordination with Workforce Florida, Inc., the workforce boards, and the one-stop career centers, shall evaluate the use, effectiveness, and costs associated with the training prescribed in subparagraph 3. and report its findings and recommendations for training and the use of best practices to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by January 1, 2013.~~

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete a provision that has served its purpose.

Section 111. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 443.1216, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

443.1216 Employment.—Employment, as defined in s. 443.036, is subject to this chapter under the following conditions:

(1)(a) The employment subject to this chapter includes a service performed, including a service performed in interstate commerce, by:

1. An officer of a corporation.

2. An individual who, under the usual common-law rules applicable in determining the employer-employee relationship, is an employee. However, whenever a client, as defined in s. 443.036(18), which would otherwise be designated as an employing unit has contracted with an employee leasing company to supply it with workers, those workers are considered employees of the employee leasing company. An employee leasing company may lease corporate officers of the client to the client and other workers to the client, except as prohibited by regulations of the Internal Revenue Service. Employees of an employee leasing company must be reported under the employee leasing company's tax identification number and contribution rate for work performed for the employee leasing company.

a. However, except for the internal employees of an employee leasing company, each employee leasing company may make a separate one-time election to report and pay contributions under the tax identification number and contribution rate for each client of the employee leasing company. Under the client method, an employee leasing company choosing this option must assign leased employees to the client company that is leasing the employees. The client method is solely a method to report and pay unemployment contributions, and, whichever method is chosen, such election may not impact any other aspect of state law. An employee leasing company that elects the client method must pay contributions at the rates assigned to each client company.

(I) The election applies to all of the employee leasing company's current and future clients.

(II) The employee leasing company must notify the Department of Revenue of its election by July 1, 2012, and such election applies to reports and contributions for the first quarter of the following calendar year. The notification must include:

(A) A list of each client company and the unemployment account number or, if one has not yet been issued, the federal employment identification number, as established by the employee leasing company upon the election to file by client method;

(B) A list of each client company's current and previous employees and their respective social security numbers for the prior 3 state fiscal years or, if the client company has not been a client for the prior 3 state fiscal years, such

portion of the prior 3 state fiscal years that the client company has been a client must be supplied;

(C) The wage data and benefit charges associated with each client company for the prior 3 state fiscal years or, if the client company has not been a client for the prior 3 state fiscal years, such portion of the prior 3 state fiscal years that the client company has been a client must be supplied. If the client company's employment record is chargeable with benefits for less than 8 calendar quarters while being a client of the employee leasing company, the client company must pay contributions at the initial rate of 2.7 percent; and

(D) The wage data and benefit charges for the prior 3 state fiscal years that cannot be associated with a client company must be reported and charged to the employee leasing company.

(III) Subsequent to choosing the client method, the employee leasing company may not change its reporting method.

(IV) The employee leasing company shall file a Florida Department of Revenue Employer's Quarterly Report for each client company by approved electronic means, and pay all contributions by approved electronic means.

(V) For the purposes of calculating experience rates when the client method is chosen, each client's own benefit charges and wage data experience while with the employee leasing company determines each client's tax rate where the client has been a client of the employee leasing company for at least 8 calendar quarters before the election. The client company shall continue to report the nonleased employees under its tax rate.

(VI) The election is binding on each client of the employee leasing company for as long as a written agreement is in effect between the client and the employee leasing company pursuant to s. 468.525(3)(a). If the relationship between the employee leasing company and the client terminates, the client retains the wage and benefit history experienced under the employee leasing company.

(VII) Notwithstanding which election method the employee leasing company chooses, the applicable client company is an employing unit for purposes of s. 443.071. The employee leasing company or any of its officers or agents are liable for any violation of s. 443.071 engaged in by such persons or entities. The applicable client company or any of its officers or agents are liable for any violation of s. 443.071 engaged in by such persons or entities. The employee leasing company or its applicable client company is not liable for any violation of s. 443.071 engaged in by the other party or by the other party's officers or agents.

(VIII) If an employee leasing company fails to select the client method of reporting not later than July 1, 2012, the entity is required to report under the employee leasing company's tax identification number and contribution rate.

(IX) After an employee leasing company is licensed pursuant to part XI of chapter 468, each newly licensed entity has 30 days after the date the license is granted to notify the tax collection service provider in writing of their selection of the client method. A newly licensed employee leasing company that fails to timely select reporting pursuant to the client method of reporting must report under the employee leasing company's tax identification number and contribution rate.

(X) Irrespective of the election, each transfer of trade or business, including workforce, or a portion thereof, between employee leasing companies is subject to the provisions of s. 443.131(3)(g) if, at the time of the transfer, there is common ownership, management, or control between the entities.

b. In addition to any other report required to be filed by law, an employee leasing company shall submit a report to the Labor Market Statistics Center within the Department of Economic Opportunity which includes each client establishment and each establishment of the leasing company, or as otherwise directed by the department. The report must include the following information for each establishment:

- (I) The trade or establishment name;
- (II) The former reemployment assistance account number, if available;
- (III) The former federal employer's identification number, if available;
- (IV) The industry code recognized and published by the United States Office of Management and Budget, if available;
- (V) A description of the client's primary business activity in order to verify or assign an industry code;
- (VI) The address of the physical location;
- (VII) The number of full-time and part-time employees who worked during, or received pay that was subject to reemployment assistance taxes for, the pay period including the 12th of the month for each month of the quarter;
- (VIII) The total wages subject to reemployment assistance taxes paid during the calendar quarter;
- (IX) An internal identification code to uniquely identify each establishment of each client;
- (X) The month and year that the client entered into the contract for services; and
- (XI) The month and year that the client terminated the contract for services.

c. The report must be submitted electronically or in a manner otherwise prescribed by the Department of Economic Opportunity in the format specified by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor for its Multiple Worksite Report for Professional Employer Organizations. The report must be provided quarterly to the Labor Market Statistics Center within the department, or as otherwise directed by the department, and must be filed by the last day of the month immediately after the end of the calendar quarter. The information required in sub-sub-paragraphs b.(X) and (XI) need be provided only in the quarter in which the contract to which it relates was entered into or terminated. The sum of the employment data and the sum of the wage data in this report must match the employment and wages reported in the reemployment assistance quarterly tax and wage report. ~~A report is not required for any calendar quarter preceding the third calendar quarter of 2010.~~

d. The department shall adopt rules as necessary to administer this subparagraph, and may administer, collect, enforce, and waive the penalty imposed by s. 443.141(1)(b) for the report required by this subparagraph.

e. For the purposes of this subparagraph, the term “establishment” means any location where business is conducted or where services or industrial operations are performed.

3. An individual other than an individual who is an employee under subparagraph 1. or subparagraph 2., who performs services for remuneration for any person:

a. As an agent-driver or commission-driver engaged in distributing meat products, vegetable products, fruit products, bakery products, beverages other than milk, or laundry or drycleaning services for his or her principal.

b. As a traveling or city salesperson engaged on a full-time basis in the solicitation on behalf of, and the transmission to, his or her principal of orders from wholesalers, retailers, contractors, or operators of hotels, restaurants, or other similar establishments for merchandise for resale or supplies for use in the business operations. This sub-subparagraph does not apply to an agent-driver or a commission-driver and does not apply to sideline sales activities performed on behalf of a person other than the salesperson's principal.

4. The services described in subparagraph 3. are employment subject to this chapter only if:

a. The contract of service contemplates that substantially all of the services are to be performed personally by the individual;

b. The individual does not have a substantial investment in facilities used in connection with the services, other than facilities used for transportation; and

c. The services are not in the nature of a single transaction that is not part of a continuing relationship with the person for whom the services are performed.

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 112. Paragraph (g) of subsection (3) and paragraph (d) of subsection (5) of section 443.131, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

443.131 Contributions.—

(3) VARIATION OF CONTRIBUTION RATES BASED ON BENEFIT EXPERIENCE.—

(g) *Transfer of unemployment experience upon transfer or acquisition of a business.*—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, upon transfer or acquisition of a business, the following conditions apply to the assignment of rates and to transfers of unemployment experience:

1.a. If an employer transfers its trade or business, or a portion thereof, to another employer and, at the time of the transfer, there is any common ownership, management, or control of the two employers, the unemployment experience attributable to the transferred trade or business shall be transferred to the employer to whom the business is so transferred. The rates of both employers shall be recalculated and made effective as of the beginning of the calendar quarter immediately following the date of the transfer of the trade or business unless the transfer occurred on the first day of a calendar quarter, in which case the rate shall be recalculated as of that date.

b. If, following a transfer of experience under sub-subparagraph a., the department or the tax collection service provider determines that a substantial purpose of the transfer of trade or business was to obtain a reduced liability for contributions, the experience rating account of the employers involved shall be combined into a single account and a single rate assigned to the account.

2. Whenever a person ~~who~~ is not an employer under this chapter at the time it acquires the trade or business of an employer, the unemployment experience of the acquired business shall not be transferred to the person if the department or the tax collection service provider finds that such person acquired the business solely or primarily for the purpose of obtaining a lower rate of contributions. Instead, such person shall be assigned the new employer rate under paragraph (2)(a). In determining whether the business was acquired solely or primarily for the purpose of obtaining a lower rate of contributions, the tax collection service provider shall consider, but not be limited to, the following factors:

a. Whether the person continued the business enterprise of the acquired business;

- b. How long such business enterprise was continued; or
  - c. Whether a substantial number of new employees was hired for performance of duties unrelated to the business activity conducted before the acquisition.
3. If a person knowingly violates or attempts to violate subparagraph 1. or subparagraph 2. or any other provision of this chapter related to determining the assignment of a contribution rate, or if a person knowingly advises another person to violate the law, the person shall be subject to the following penalties:
- a. If the person is an employer, the employer shall be assigned the highest rate assignable under this chapter for the rate year during which such violation or attempted violation occurred and for the 3 rate years immediately following this rate year. However, if the person's business is already at the highest rate for any year, or if the amount of increase in the person's rate would be less than 2 percent for such year, then a penalty rate of contribution of 2 percent of taxable wages shall be imposed for such year and the following 3 rate years.
  - b. If the person is not an employer, such person shall be subject to a civil money penalty of not more than \$5,000. The procedures for the assessment of a penalty shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in s. 443.141(2), and the provisions of s. 443.141(3) shall apply to the collection of the penalty. Any such penalty shall be deposited in the penalty and interest account established under s. 443.211(2).
4. For purposes of this paragraph, the term:
- a. "Knowingly" means having actual knowledge of or acting with deliberate ignorance or reckless disregard for the prohibition involved.
  - b. "Violates or attempts to violate" includes, but is not limited to, intent to evade, misrepresent, or willfully nondisclose.
5. In addition to the penalty imposed by subparagraph 3., any person who violates this paragraph commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
6. The department and the tax collection service provider shall establish procedures to identify the transfer or acquisition of a business for the purposes of this paragraph and shall adopt any rules necessary to administer this paragraph.
7. For purposes of this paragraph:
- a. "Person" has the meaning given to the term by s. 7701(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
  - b. "Trade or business" shall include the employer's workforce.



8. This paragraph shall be interpreted and applied in such a manner as to meet the minimum requirements contained in any guidance or regulations issued by the United States Department of Labor.

(5) ADDITIONAL RATE FOR INTEREST ON FEDERAL ADVANCES.

(d) The tax collection service provider shall make a separate collection of such assessment, which may be collected at the time of employer contributions and subject to the same penalties for failure to file a report, imposition of the standard rate pursuant to paragraph (3)(h), and interest if the assessment is not received on or before June 30. ~~Section 443.141(1)(d) and (e) does not apply to this separately collected assessment.~~ The tax collection service provider shall maintain those funds in the tax collection service provider's Audit and Warrant Clearing Trust Fund until the provider is directed by the Governor or the Governor's designee to make the interest payment to the Federal Government. Assessments on deposit must be available to pay the interest on advances received from the Federal Government under 42 U.S.C. s. 1321. Assessments on deposit may be invested and any interest earned shall be part of the balance available to pay the interest on advances received from the Federal Government under 42 U.S.C. s. 1321.

Reviser's note.—Paragraph (3)(g) is amended to delete the word “who” to improve clarity. Paragraph (5)(d) is amended to delete an obsolete provision; referenced paragraphs (d) and (e) of s. 443.141(1) are repealed by this act.

Section 113. Paragraphs (d) and (e) of subsection (1) of section 443.141, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

443.141 Collection of contributions and reimbursements.—

(1) PAST DUE CONTRIBUTIONS AND REIMBURSEMENTS; DELINQUENT, ERRONEOUS, INCOMPLETE, OR INSUFFICIENT REPORTS.

~~(d) *Payments for 2010 Contributions.*—For an annual administrative fee not to exceed \$5, a contributing employer may pay its quarterly contributions due for wages paid in the first three quarters of 2010 in equal installments if those contributions are paid as follows:~~

~~1. For contributions due for wages paid in the first quarter of 2010, one-fourth of the contributions due must be paid on or before April 30, 2010, one-fourth must be paid on or before July 31, 2010, one-fourth must be paid on or before October 31, 2010, and the remaining one-fourth must be paid on or before December 31, 2010.~~

~~2. In addition to the payments specified in subparagraph 1., for contributions due for wages paid in the second quarter of 2010, one-third of the contributions due must be paid on or before July 31, 2010, one-third must be paid on or before October 31, 2010, and the remaining one-third must be paid on or before December 31, 2010.~~

~~3.— In addition to the payments specified in subparagraphs 1. and 2., for contributions due for wages paid in the third quarter of 2010, one-half of the contributions due must be paid on or before October 31, 2010, and the remaining one-half must be paid on or before December 31, 2010.~~

~~4.— The annual administrative fee not to exceed \$5 for the election to pay under the installment method shall be collected at the time the employer makes the first installment payment. The \$5 fee shall be segregated from the payment and shall be deposited in the Operating Trust Fund within the Department of Revenue.~~

~~5.— Interest does not accrue on any contribution that becomes due for wages paid in the first three quarters of 2010 if the employer pays the contribution in accordance with subparagraphs 1.-4. Interest and fees continue to accrue on prior delinquent contributions and commence accruing on all contributions due for wages paid in the first three quarters of 2010 which are not paid in accordance with subparagraphs 1.-3. Penalties may be assessed in accordance with this chapter. The contributions due for wages paid in the fourth quarter of 2010 are not affected by this paragraph and are due and payable in accordance with this chapter.~~

~~(c) *Payments for 2011 Contributions.*— For an annual administrative fee not to exceed \$5, a contributing employer may pay its quarterly contributions due for wages paid in the first three quarters of 2011 in equal installments if those contributions are paid as follows:~~

~~1.— For contributions due for wages paid in the first quarter of 2011, one-fourth of the contributions due must be paid on or before April 30, 2011, one-fourth must be paid on or before July 31, 2011, one-fourth must be paid on or before October 31, 2011, and the remaining one-fourth must be paid on or before December 31, 2011.~~

~~2.— In addition to the payments specified in subparagraph 1., for contributions due for wages paid in the second quarter of 2011, one-third of the contributions due must be paid on or before July 31, 2011, one-third must be paid on or before October 31, 2011, and the remaining one-third must be paid on or before December 31, 2011.~~

~~3.— In addition to the payments specified in subparagraphs 1. and 2., for contributions due for wages paid in the third quarter of 2011, one-half of the contributions due must be paid on or before October 31, 2011, and the remaining one-half must be paid on or before December 31, 2011.~~

~~4.— The annual administrative fee not to exceed \$5 for the election to pay under the installment method shall be collected at the time the employer makes the first installment payment. The \$5 fee shall be segregated from the payment and shall be deposited in the Operating Trust Fund within the Department of Revenue.~~

~~5.—Interest does not accrue on any contribution that becomes due for wages paid in the first three quarters of 2011 if the employer pays the contribution in accordance with subparagraphs 1.-4. Interest and fees continue to accrue on prior delinquent contributions and commence accruing on all contributions due for wages paid in the first three quarters of 2011 which are not paid in accordance with subparagraphs 1.-3. Penalties may be assessed in accordance with this chapter. The contributions due for wages paid in the fourth quarter of 2011 are not affected by this paragraph and are due and payable in accordance with this chapter.~~

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete provisions that have served their purpose.

Section 114. Subsection (13) of section 445.007, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

445.007 Regional workforce boards.—

~~(13) Workforce Florida, Inc., shall evaluate the means to establish a single, statewide workforce system brand for the state and shall submit its recommendations to the Governor by November 1, 2012.~~

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete a provision that has served its purpose.

Section 115. Section 455.2274, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

455.2274 Criminal proceedings against licensees; appearances by department representatives.—A representative of the department may voluntarily appear in a criminal proceeding brought against a person licensed by the department to practice a profession regulated by the state. The department's representative is authorized to furnish pertinent information, make recommendations regarding specific conditions of probation, and provide other assistance to the court necessary to promote justice or protect the public. The court may order a representative of the department to appear in a criminal proceeding if the crime charged is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a licensee ~~license~~ regulated by the department.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial substitution of the word "licensee" for the word "license" to conform to context.

Section 116. Subsection (1) of section 456.001, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

456.001 Definitions.—As used in this chapter, the term:

(1) "Board" means any board or commission, or other statutorily created entity to the extent such entity is authorized to exercise regulatory or rulemaking functions, within the department, except that, for ss. 456.003-456.018, 456.022, 456.023, 456.025-456.033 ~~456.025-456.034~~, and 456.039-

456.082, “board” means only a board, or other statutorily created entity to the extent such entity is authorized to exercise regulatory or rulemaking functions, within the Division of Medical Quality Assurance.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 456.034 by s. 1, ch. 2012-115, Laws of Florida.

Section 117. Subsection (3) of section 456.056, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

456.056 Treatment of Medicare beneficiaries; refusal, emergencies, consulting physicians.—

(3) If treatment is provided to a beneficiary for an emergency medical condition as defined in s. ~~395.002(8)(a)~~ 395.0142(2)(c), the physician must accept Medicare assignment provided that the requirement to accept Medicare assignment for an emergency medical condition shall not apply to treatment rendered after the patient is stabilized, or the treatment is unrelated to the original emergency medical condition. For the purpose of this subsection “stabilized” is defined to mean with respect to an emergency medical condition, that no material deterioration of the condition is likely within reasonable medical probability.

Reviser’s note.—Section 395.0142, which defined “emergency medical condition,” was amended and transferred to s. 395.1041 by s. 24, ch. 92-289, Laws of Florida, and the definition of “emergency medical condition” was deleted. The definition was added to s. 395.002 by s. 3, ch. 92-289.

Section 118. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 458.3115, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

458.3115 Restricted license; certain foreign-licensed physicians; examination; restrictions on practice; full licensure.—

(1)(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the department shall provide procedures under which certain physicians who are or were foreign-licensed and have practiced medicine no less than 2 years may take the USMLE or an examination developed by the department, in consultation with the board, to qualify for a restricted license to practice medicine in this state. The department-developed examination shall test the same areas of medical knowledge as the Federation of State Medical Boards of the United States, Inc. (FLEX) previously administered by the Florida Board of Medicine to grant medical licensure in Florida. ~~The department-developed examination must be made available no later than December 31, 1998, to a physician who qualifies for licensure.~~ A person who is eligible to take and elects to take the department-developed examination, who has previously passed part 1 or part 2 of the previously administered FLEX shall not be required to retake or pass the equivalent parts of the department-developed

examination, and may sit for the department-developed examination five times within 5 years.

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 119. Paragraph (e) of subsection (1) of section 464.0196, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

464.0196 Florida Center for Nursing; board of directors.—

(1) The Florida Center for Nursing shall be governed by a policy-setting board of directors. The board shall consist of 16 members, with a simple majority of the board being nurses representative of various practice areas. Other members shall include representatives of other health care professions, business and industry, health care providers, and consumers. The members of the board shall be appointed by the Governor as follows:

(e) Three nurse educators recommended by the State Board of Education, one of whom must be a director of a nursing program at a Florida College System institution ~~state community college~~.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform a reference to “state community college” to changes in chs. 2008-52 and 2009-228, Laws of Florida, transitioning references to community colleges to Florida College System institutions.

Section 120. Subsections (2) and (3) of section 475.617, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

475.617 Education and experience requirements.—

(2) To be certified as a residential appraiser, an applicant must present satisfactory evidence to the board that she or he has met the minimum education and experience requirements prescribed by rule of the board. The board shall prescribe by rule education and experience requirements that meet or exceed the following real property appraiser qualification criteria adopted on December 9, 2011, by the Appraiser Appraisal Qualifications Board of the Appraisal Foundation:

(a) Has at least 2,500 hours of experience obtained over a 24-month period in real property appraisal as defined by rule.

(b) Has successfully completed at least 200 classroom hours, inclusive of examination, of approved qualifying education courses in subjects related to real estate appraisal, which must include a 15-hour National Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice course, or its equivalent, as established by rule of the board, from a nationally recognized or state-recognized appraisal organization, career center, accredited community college, college, or university, state or federal agency or commission, or proprietary real estate school that holds a permit pursuant to s. 475.451. All qualifying education courses may be completed through in-person classroom

instruction or distance learning. A classroom hour is defined as 50 minutes out of each 60-minute segment. Past courses may be approved by the board and substituted on an hour-for-hour basis.

(3) To be certified as a general appraiser, an applicant must present evidence satisfactory to the board that she or he has met the minimum education and experience requirements prescribed by rule of the board. The board shall prescribe education and experience requirements that meet or exceed the following real property appraiser qualification criteria adopted on December 9, 2011, by the Appraiser Appraisal Qualifications Board of the Appraisal Foundation:

(a) Has at least 3,000 hours of experience obtained over a 30-month period in real property appraisal as defined by rule.

(b) Has successfully completed at least 300 classroom hours, inclusive of examination, of approved qualifying education courses in subjects related to real estate appraisal, which must include a 15-hour National Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice course, or its equivalent, as established by rule of the board, from a nationally recognized or state-recognized appraisal organization, career center, accredited community college, college, or university, state or federal agency or commission, or proprietary real estate school that holds a permit pursuant to s. 475.451. All qualifying education courses may be completed through in-person classroom instruction or distance learning. A classroom hour is defined as 50 minutes out of each 60-minute segment. Past courses may be approved by the board and substituted on an hour-for-hour basis.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial substitution of the word “Appraiser” for the word “Appraisal” to conform to the official title of the board.

Section 121. Paragraph (b) of subsection (39) of section 497.005, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

497.005 Definitions.—As used in this chapter, the term:

(39) “Legally authorized person” means, in the priority listed:

(b) The person designated by the decedent as authorized to direct disposition pursuant to Pub. L. No. 109-163, s. 564, as listed on the decedent's United States Department of Defense Record of Emergency Data, DD Form 93, or its successor form, if the decedent died while servicing in military service as described in 10 U.S.C. s. 1481(a)(1)-(8) in any branch of the United States Armed Forces, United States Reserve Forces, or National Guard;

In addition, the term may include, if no family member exists or is available, the guardian of the dead person at the time of death; the personal representative of the deceased; the attorney in fact of the dead person at the time of death; the health surrogate of the dead person at the time of

death; a public health officer; the medical examiner, county commission, or administrator acting under part II of chapter 406 or other public administrator; a representative of a nursing home or other health care institution in charge of final disposition; or a friend or other person not listed in this subsection who is willing to assume the responsibility as the legally authorized person. Where there is a person in any priority class listed in this subsection, the funeral establishment shall rely upon the authorization of any one legally authorized person of that class if that person represents that she or he is not aware of any objection to the cremation of the deceased's human remains by others in the same class of the person making the representation or of any person in a higher priority class.

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete the word “serving” and to insert the word “in” to provide clarity.

Section 122. Section 499.001, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

499.001 Florida Drug and Cosmetic Act; short title.—Sections 499.001-499.067 ~~499.001-499.081~~ may be cited as the “Florida Drug and Cosmetic Act.”

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 499.068 by s. 51, ch. 92-69, Laws of Florida, and the transfer of ss. 499.069, 499.0691, 499.07, 499.071, and 499.081 to locations within ss. 499.001-499.067 by ch. 2008-207, Laws of Florida.

Section 123. Paragraph (d) of subsection (15) of section 499.0121, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

499.0121 Storage and handling of prescription drugs; recordkeeping.—The department shall adopt rules to implement this section as necessary to protect the public health, safety, and welfare. Such rules shall include, but not be limited to, requirements for the storage and handling of prescription drugs and for the establishment and maintenance of prescription drug distribution records.

(15) DUE DILIGENCE OF PURCHASERS.—

~~(d) The department shall assess national data from the Automation of Reports and Consolidated Orders System of the federal Drug Enforcement Administration, excluding Florida data, and identify the national average of grams of hydrocodone, morphine, oxycodone, and methadone distributed per pharmacy registrant per month in the most recent year for which data is available. The department shall report the average for each of these drugs to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by November 1, 2011. The department shall assess the data reported pursuant to subsection (14) and identify the statewide average of grams of each benzodiazepine distributed per community pharmacy per month. The department shall report the average for each benzodiazepine to~~

the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by November 1, 2011.

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 124. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 509.302, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

509.302 Hospitality Education Program.—

(1)

(b) The program may affiliate with Florida State University, Florida International University, and the University of Central Florida. The program may also affiliate with any other member of the State University System or Florida Community College System, or with any privately funded college or university, which offers a program of hospitality administration and management.

Reviser's note.—Amended to substitute a reference to the Florida College System for a reference to the Florida Community College System to conform to s. 2, ch. 2008-52, Laws of Florida, which enacted s. 1001.60, creating the Florida College System.

Section 125. Subsection (3) of section 513.1115, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

513.1115 Placement of recreational vehicles on lots in permitted parks.

(3) This section does not limit the regulation of the uniform firesafety standards established under s. 633.206 ~~633.022~~.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the redesignation of s. 633.022 as s. 633.206 by s. 23, ch. 2013-183, Laws of Florida.

Section 126. Paragraph (b) of subsection (17) of section 553.79, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

553.79 Permits; applications; issuance; inspections.—

(17)

(b) This subsection does not apply to a building permit sought for:

1. A substantial improvement as defined in s. 161.54 or as defined in the Florida Building Code.

2. A change of occupancy as defined in the Florida Building Code.

3. A conversion from residential to nonresidential or mixed use pursuant to s. 553.507(3) ~~553.507(2)(a)~~ or as defined in the Florida Building Code.



4. A historic building as defined in the Florida Building Code.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 553.507(2)(a), and the creation of s. 553.507(3), relating to similar subject matter, by s. 27, ch. 2011-222, Laws of Florida.

Section 127. Paragraph (e) of subsection (1) and subsection (6) of section 553.80, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

553.80 Enforcement.—

(1) Except as provided in paragraphs (a)-(g), each local government and each legally constituted enforcement district with statutory authority shall regulate building construction and, where authorized in the state agency’s enabling legislation, each state agency shall enforce the Florida Building Code required by this part on all public or private buildings, structures, and facilities, unless such responsibility has been delegated to another unit of government pursuant to s. 553.79(9).

(e) Construction regulations governing public schools, state universities, and Florida College System institutions ~~community colleges~~ shall be enforced as provided in subsection (6).

The governing bodies of local governments may provide a schedule of fees, as authorized by s. 125.56(2) or s. 166.222 and this section, for the enforcement of the provisions of this part. Such fees shall be used solely for carrying out the local government’s responsibilities in enforcing the Florida Building Code. The authority of state enforcing agencies to set fees for enforcement shall be derived from authority existing on July 1, 1998. However, nothing contained in this subsection shall operate to limit such agencies from adjusting their fee schedule in conformance with existing authority.

(6) Notwithstanding any other law, state universities, Florida College System institutions ~~community colleges~~, and public school districts shall be subject to enforcement of the Florida Building Code under this part.

(a)1. State universities, Florida College System institutions ~~state community colleges~~, or public school districts shall conduct plan review and construction inspections to enforce building code compliance for their building projects that are subject to the Florida Building Code. These entities must use personnel or contract providers appropriately certified under part XII of chapter 468 to perform the plan reviews and inspections required by the code. Under these arrangements, the entities are not subject to local government permitting requirements, plans review, and inspection fees. State universities, Florida College System institutions ~~state community colleges~~, and public school districts are liable and responsible for all of their buildings, structures, and facilities. This paragraph does not limit the authority of the county, municipality, or code enforcement district to ensure that buildings, structures, and facilities owned by these entities comply with

the Florida Building Code or to limit the authority and responsibility of the fire official to conduct firesafety inspections under chapter 633.

2. In order to enforce building code compliance independent of a county or municipality, a state university, Florida College System institution ~~community college~~, or public school district may create a board of adjustment and appeal to which a substantially affected party may appeal an interpretation of the Florida Building Code which relates to a specific project. The decisions of this board, or, in its absence, the decision of the building code administrator, may be reviewed under s. 553.775.

(b) If a state university, Florida College System institution ~~state community college~~, or public school district elects to use a local government's code enforcement offices:

1. Fees charged by counties and municipalities for enforcement of the Florida Building Code on buildings, structures, and facilities of state universities, state colleges, and public school districts may not be more than the actual labor and administrative costs incurred for plans review and inspections to ensure compliance with the code.

2. Counties and municipalities shall expedite building construction permitting, building plans review, and inspections of projects of state universities, Florida College System institutions ~~state community colleges~~, and public school districts that are subject to the Florida Building Code according to guidelines established by the Florida Building Commission.

3. A party substantially affected by an interpretation of the Florida Building Code by the local government's code enforcement offices may appeal the interpretation to the local government's board of adjustment and appeal or to the commission under s. 553.775 if no local board exists. The decision of a local board is reviewable in accordance with s. 553.775.

(c) The Florida Building Commission and code enforcement jurisdictions shall consider balancing code criteria and enforcement to unique functions, where they occur, of research institutions by application of performance criteria in lieu of prescriptive criteria.

(d) School boards, Florida College System institution ~~community college~~ boards, and state universities may use annual facility maintenance permits to facilitate routine maintenance, emergency repairs, building refurbishment, and minor renovations of systems or equipment. The amount expended for maintenance projects may not exceed \$200,000 per project. A facility maintenance permit is valid for 1 year. A detailed log of alterations and inspections must be maintained and annually submitted to the building official. The building official retains the right to make inspections at the facility site as he or she considers necessary. Code compliance must be provided upon notification by the building official. If a pattern of code violations is found, the building official may withhold the issuance of future annual facility maintenance permits.

This part may not be construed to authorize counties, municipalities, or code enforcement districts to conduct any permitting, plans review, or inspections not covered by the Florida Building Code. Any actions by counties or municipalities not in compliance with this part may be appealed to the Florida Building Commission. The commission, upon a determination that actions not in compliance with this part have delayed permitting or construction, may suspend the authority of a county, municipality, or code enforcement district to enforce the Florida Building Code on the buildings, structures, or facilities of a state university, Florida College System institution ~~state community college~~, or public school district and provide for code enforcement at the expense of the state university, Florida College System institution ~~state community college~~, or public school district.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform references to community colleges to changes in chs. 2008-52 and 2009-228, Laws of Florida, transitioning references from community colleges to Florida College System institutions.

Section 128. Subsection (1) of section 562.45, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

562.45 Penalties for violating Beverage Law; local ordinances; prohibiting regulation of certain activities or business transactions; requiring nondiscriminatory treatment; providing exceptions.—

(1) Any person willfully and knowingly making any false entries in any records required under the Beverage Law or willfully violating any of the provisions of the Beverage Law, concerning the excise tax herein provided for shall be guilty of a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. It is unlawful for any person to violate any provision of the Beverage Law, and any person who violates any provision of the Beverage Law for which no penalty has been provided shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083; provided, that any person who shall have been convicted of a violation of any provision of the Beverage Law and shall thereafter be convicted of a further violation of the Beverage Law, shall, upon conviction of said further offense, be guilty of a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

Reviser's note.—Amended to insert the words “any person who violates” to conform to context.

Section 129. Subsection (5) of section 565.03, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

565.03 License fees; manufacturers, distributors, brokers, sales agents, and importers of alcoholic beverages; vendor licenses and fees; craft distilleries.—

(5) A craft distillery making sales under paragraph (2)(c) is responsible for submitting any excise taxes on beverages ~~beverages excise taxes~~ under the Beverage Law in its monthly report to the division with any tax payments due to the state.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial substitution of the words “excise taxes on beverages” for the words “beverages excise taxes.”

Section 130. Subsection (3) of section 570.964, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

570.964 Posting and notification.—

(3) Failure to comply with the requirements of this section ~~subsection~~ prevents an agritourism operator, his or her employer or employee, or the owner of the underlying land on which the agritourism occurs from invoking the privileges of immunity provided by this section.

Reviser's note.—Amended to correct an apparent error. No specific requirements are found in subsection (3); they are found elsewhere in the section.

Section 131. Subsection (3) of section 590.02, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

590.02 Florida Forest Service; powers, authority, and duties; liability; building structures; Florida Center for Wildfire and Forest Resources Management Training.—

(3) Employees of the Florida Forest Service and of federal, state, and local agencies, and all other persons and entities that are under contract or agreement with the Florida Forest Service to assist in firefighting operations as well as those entities, called upon by the Florida Forest Service to assist in firefighting may, in the performance of their duties, set counterfires, remove fences and other obstacles, dig trenches, cut firelines, use water from public and private sources, and carry on all other customary activities in the fighting of wildfires without incurring liability to any person or entity. The manner in which the Florida Forest Service monitors a smoldering wildfire or smoldering prescribed fire or fights any wildfire are planning level activities for which sovereign immunity applies and is not waived.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial insertion of the word “or” to improve clarity.

Section 132. Section 605.0109, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

605.0109 Powers.—A limited liability company has the powers, rights, and privileges granted by this chapter, by any other law, or by its operating agreement to do all things necessary or convenient to carry out its activities and affairs, including the power to do all of the following:

- (1) Sue, be sued, and defend in its name.
- (2) Purchase, receive, lease, or otherwise acquire, own, hold, improve, use, and otherwise deal with real or personal property or any legal or equitable interest in property, wherever located.
- (3) Sell, convey, mortgage, grant a security interest in, lease, exchange, and otherwise encumber or dispose of all or a part of its property.
- (4) Purchase, receive, subscribe for, or otherwise acquire, own, hold, vote, use, sell, mortgage, lend, grant a security interest in, or otherwise dispose of and deal in and with, shares or other interests in or obligations of another entity.
- (5) Make contracts or guarantees or incur liabilities; borrow money; issue notes, bonds, or other obligations, which may be convertible into or include the option to purchase other securities of the limited liability company; or make contracts of guaranty and suretyship which are necessary or convenient to the conduct, promotion, or attainment of the purposes, activities, and affairs of the limited liability company.
- (6) Lend money, invest or reinvest its funds, and receive and hold real or personal property as security for repayment.
- (7) Conduct its business, locate offices, and exercise the powers granted by this chapter within or without this state.
- (8) Select managers and appoint officers, directors, employees, and agents of the limited liability company, define their duties, fix their compensation, and lend them money and credit.
- (9) Make donations for the public welfare or for charitable, scientific, or educational purposes.
- (10) Pay pensions and establish pension plans, pension trusts, profit-sharing plans, bonus plans, option plans, and benefit or incentive plans for any or all of its current or former managers, members, officers, agents, and employees.
- (11) Be a promoter, incorporator, shareholder, partner, member, associate, or manager of a corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, or other entity.
- (12) Make payments or donations or conduct any other act not inconsistent with applicable law which furthers the business of the limited liability company.
- (13) Enter into interest rate, basis, currency, hedge or other swap agreements, or cap, floor, put, call, option, exchange or collar agreements, derivative agreements, or similar agreements.

(14) Grant, hold, or exercise a power of attorney, including an irrevocable power of attorney.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial insertion of the word “by” to conform to context.

Section 133. Subsection (5) of section 605.04092, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

605.04092 Conflict of interest transactions.—

(5) The presence of or a vote cast by a manager or member with an interest in the transaction does not affect the validity of an action taken under paragraph (4)(a) if the transaction is otherwise authorized, approved, or ratified as provided in subsection (4) ~~that subsection~~, but the presence or vote of the manager or member may be counted for purposes of determining whether the transaction is approved under other sections of this chapter.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial substitution of the reference to subsection (4) for the phrase “that subsection” to provide clarity.

Section 134. Subsection (14) of section 605.0711, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

605.0711 Known claims against dissolved limited liability company.—

(14) As used in this section and s. ~~605.0712~~ 605.0710, the term “successor entity” includes a trust, receivership, or other legal entity governed by the laws of this state to which the remaining assets and liabilities of a dissolved limited liability company are transferred and which exists solely for the purposes of prosecuting and defending suits by or against the dissolved limited liability company, thereby enabling the dissolved limited liability company to settle and close the activities and affairs of the dissolved limited liability company, to dispose of and convey the property of the dissolved limited liability company, to discharge the liabilities of the dissolved limited liability company, and to distribute to the dissolved limited liability company's members or transferees any remaining assets, but not for the purpose of continuing the activities and affairs for which the dissolved limited liability company was organized.

Reviser's note.—Amended to substitute a reference to s. 605.0712 for a reference to s. ~~605.0710~~. The term “successor entity” is not used in s. ~~605.0710~~; the term is used in s. 605.0712.

Section 135. Paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section 605.0714, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

605.0714 Administrative dissolution.—

(1) The department may dissolve a limited liability company administratively if the company does not:

(d) Deliver for filing a statement of a change under s. 605.0114 within 30 days after a change has occurred in the name or address of the agent unless, within 30 days after the change occurred:

1. The agent filed a statement of change under s. 605.0116; or
2. The change was made in accordance with s. 605.0114(4).

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial insertion of the word “in” to improve clarity.

Section 136. Subsection (7) of section 605.0904, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

605.0904 Effect of failure to have certificate of authority.—

(7) A foreign limited liability company that transacts business in this state without obtaining a certificate of authority is liable to this state for the years or parts thereof during which it transacted business in this state without obtaining a certificate of authority in an amount equal to all fees and penalties that would have been imposed by this chapter upon the foreign limited liability company had it duly applied for and received a certificate of authority to transact business in this state as required under this chapter. In addition to the payments thus prescribed, the foreign limited liability company is liable for a civil penalty of at least \$500 but not more than \$1,000 for each year or part thereof during which it transacts business in this state without a certificate of authority. The department may collect all penalties due under this subsection.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial insertion of the word “of” to conform to context.

Section 137. Subsection (2) of section 605.0905, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

605.0905 Activities not constituting transacting business.—

(2) The list of activities in subsection (1) is not an exhaustive list of activities that do not constitute transacting business within the meaning of s. 605.0902(1).

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial insertion of the words “do not” to conform to context.

Section 138. Paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section 605.0907, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

605.0907 Amendment to certificate of authority.—

(2) The amendment must be filed within 30 days after the occurrence of a change described in subsection (1), must be signed by an authorized representative of the foreign limited liability company, and must state the following:

(c) The date the foreign limited liability company was authorized to transact business in this state.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial insertion of the word “in” to improve clarity.

Section 139. Subsection (1) of section 605.0912, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

605.0912 Withdrawal on dissolution, merger, or conversion to nonfiling entity.—

(1) A registered foreign limited liability company that has dissolved and completed winding up, has merged into a foreign entity that is not registered in this state, or has converted to a domestic or foreign entity that is not organized, incorporated, registered or otherwise formed through the public filing of a record, shall deliver a notice of withdrawal of certificate of authority to the department for filing in accordance with s. 605.0910.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial insertion of the word “has” to conform to context.

Section 140. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section 605.1006, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

605.1006 Appraisal rights.—

(4) Notwithstanding subsection (1), the availability of appraisal rights must be limited in accordance with the following provisions:

(a) Appraisal rights are not available for holders of a membership interest interests that is are:

1. A covered security under s. 18(b)(1)(A) or (B) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended;

2. Traded in an organized market and part of a class or series that has at least 2,000 members or other holders and a market value of at least \$20 million, exclusive of the value of such class or series of membership interests held by the limited liability company's subsidiaries, senior executives, managers, and beneficial members owning more than 10 percent of such class or series of membership interests; or

3. Issued by an open-end management investment company registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Investment



Company Act of 1940 and subject to being redeemed at the option of the holder at net asset value.

Reviser's note.—Amended to correct subject-verb agreement.

Section 141. Subsection (5) of section 605.1033, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

605.1033 Approval of interest exchange.—

(5) All members of each domestic limited liability company that is a party to the interest exchange ~~and~~ who have a right to vote upon the interest exchange must be given written notice of any meeting with respect to the approval of a plan of interest exchange as provided in subsection (1) not less than 10 days and not more than 60 days before the date of the meeting at which the plan of interest exchange is submitted for approval by the members of such limited liability company. The notification required under this subsection may be waived in writing by the person entitled to such notification.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial deletion of the word “and” to improve clarity and to conform to similar language in s. 605.1023, as created by s. 2, ch. 2013-180, Laws of Florida.

Section 142. Subsection (3) of section 605.1041, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

605.1041 Conversion authorized.—

(3) By complying with the provisions of this section and ss. ~~605.1042-605.1046~~ ~~605.1042-608.1046~~ which are applicable to foreign entities, a foreign entity may become a domestic limited liability company if the conversion is authorized by the law of the foreign entity's jurisdiction of formation.

Reviser's note.—Amended to substitute a reference to ss. 605.1042-605.1046 for a reference to ss. 605.1042-608.1046 to conform to context. Section 608.1046 does not exist.

Section 143. Subsection (2) of section 605.1103, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

605.1103 Tax exemption on income of certain limited liability companies.

(2) For purposes of taxation under chapter 220, a limited liability company formed in this state or a foreign limited liability company with a certificate of authority to transact business in this state shall be classified as a partnership or a limited liability company that has only one member shall be disregarded as an entity separate from its owner for federal income tax purposes, unless classified otherwise for federal income tax purposes, in which case the limited liability company shall be classified identically to its

classification for federal income tax purposes. For purposes of taxation under chapter 220, a member or a transferee of a member of a limited liability company formed in this state or a foreign limited liability company with a certificate of authority to transact business in this state shall be treated as a resident or nonresident partner unless classified otherwise for federal income tax purposes, in which case the member or transferee of a member has the same status as the member or transferee of a member ~~has~~ for federal income tax purposes.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial deletion of the word “has” to improve clarity.

Section 144. Subsection (2) of section 610.108, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

610.108 Customer service standards.—

~~(2) Any municipality or county that, as of January 1, 2007, has an office or department dedicated to responding to cable or video service customer complaints may continue to respond to such complaints until July 1, 2009. Beginning July 1, 2009, The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services shall have the sole authority to respond to all cable or video service customer complaints. This provision does not permit the municipality, county, or department to impose customer service standards inconsistent with the requirements in 47 C.F.R. s. 76.309(c).~~

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 145. Section 610.119, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

610.119 Report ~~Reports~~ to the Legislature.—

~~(1) The Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability shall submit to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the majority and minority leaders of the Senate and House of Representatives, by December 1, 2009, and December 1, 2014, a report on the status of competition in the cable and video service industry, including, by each municipality and county, the number of cable and video service providers, the number of cable and video subscribers served, the number of areas served by fewer than two cable or video service providers, the trend in cable and video service prices, and the identification of any patterns of service as they impact demographic and income groups.~~

~~(2) By January 15, 2008, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services shall make recommendations to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the majority and minority leaders of the Senate and House of Representatives regarding the workload and staffing requirements associated with consumer complaints related to video and cable certificateholders. The Department of State shall provide to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, for inclusion in the report, the workload requirements for processing the certificates of franchise~~

authority. In addition, the Department of State shall provide the number of applications filed for cable and video certificates of franchise authority and the number of amendments received to original applications for franchise certificate authority.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to delete obsolete provisions.

Section 146. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 617.0601, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

617.0601 Members, generally.—

(1)

(b) The articles of incorporation or bylaws of any corporation not for profit that maintains chapters or affiliates may grant representatives of such chapters or affiliates the right to vote in conjunction with the board of directors of the corporation notwithstanding applicable quorum or voting requirements of this chapter if the corporation is registered with the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services pursuant to ss. 496.401-496.424, the Solicitation of Contributions Act.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to substitute a reference to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for a reference to the department to provide clarity. Section 617.01401(6) defines “department,” as used in chapter 617, as the Department of State; corporations registered pursuant to ss. 496.401-496.424, the Solicitation of Contributions Act, must register with the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

Section 147. Paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section 620.8503, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

620.8503 Transfer of partner’s transferable interest.—

(2) A transferee of a partner’s transferable interest in the partnership has a right:

(c) To seek, under s. 620.8801(6) ~~620.839(6)~~, a judicial determination that it is equitable to wind up the partnership business.

Reviser’s note.—Amended to correct an apparent error and facilitate correct interpretation. Section 620.8503, including the reference to s. 620.839(6) in paragraph (2)(c), was created by s. 13, ch. 95-242, Laws of Florida. Section 620.839 does not exist; the correct reference seems to be s. 620.8801(6), which relates to judicial determinations equitable to wind up partnership businesses.

Section 148. Paragraph (b) of subsection (5) of section 624.91, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

624.91 The Florida Healthy Kids Corporation Act.—

(5) CORPORATION AUTHORIZATION, DUTIES, POWERS.—

(b) The Florida Healthy Kids Corporation shall:

1. Arrange for the collection of any family, local contributions, or employer payment or premium, in an amount to be determined by the board of directors, to provide for payment of premiums for comprehensive insurance coverage and for the actual or estimated administrative expenses.

2. Arrange for the collection of any voluntary contributions to provide for payment of Florida Kidcare program premiums for children who are not eligible for medical assistance under Title XIX or Title XXI of the Social Security Act.

3. Subject to the provisions of s. 409.8134, accept voluntary supplemental local match contributions that comply with the requirements of Title XXI of the Social Security Act for the purpose of providing additional Florida Kidcare coverage in contributing counties under Title XXI.

4. Establish the administrative and accounting procedures for the operation of the corporation.

5. Establish, with consultation from appropriate professional organizations, standards for preventive health services and providers and comprehensive insurance benefits appropriate to children, provided that such standards for rural areas shall not limit primary care providers to board-certified pediatricians.

6. Determine eligibility for children seeking to participate in the Title XXI-funded components of the Florida Kidcare program consistent with the requirements specified in s. 409.814, as well as the non-Title-XXI-eligible children as provided in subsection (3).

7. Establish procedures under which providers of local match to, applicants to and participants in the program may have grievances reviewed by an impartial body and reported to the board of directors of the corporation.

8. Establish participation criteria and, if appropriate, contract with an authorized insurer, health maintenance organization, or third-party administrator to provide administrative services to the corporation.

9. Establish enrollment criteria that include penalties or waiting periods of 30 days for reinstatement of coverage upon voluntary cancellation for nonpayment of family premiums.

10. Contract with authorized insurers or any provider of health care services, meeting standards established by the corporation, for the provision of comprehensive insurance coverage to participants. Such standards shall include criteria under which the corporation may contract with more than

one provider of health care services in program sites. Health plans shall be selected through a competitive bid process. The Florida Healthy Kids Corporation shall purchase goods and services in the most cost-effective manner consistent with the delivery of quality medical care. The maximum administrative cost for a Florida Healthy Kids Corporation contract shall be 15 percent. For health care contracts, the minimum medical loss ratio for a Florida Healthy Kids Corporation contract shall be 85 percent. For dental contracts, the remaining compensation to be paid to the authorized insurer or provider under a Florida Healthy Kids Corporation contract shall be no less than an amount which is 85 percent of premium; to the extent any contract provision does not provide for this minimum compensation, this section shall prevail. The health plan selection criteria and scoring system, and the scoring results, shall be available upon request for inspection after the bids have been awarded.

11. Establish disenrollment criteria in the event local matching funds are insufficient to cover enrollments.

12. Develop and implement a plan to publicize the Florida Kidcare program, the eligibility requirements of the program, and the procedures for enrollment in the program and to maintain public awareness of the corporation and the program.

13. Secure staff necessary to properly administer the corporation. Staff costs shall be funded from state and local matching funds and such other private or public funds as become available. The board of directors shall determine the number of staff members necessary to administer the corporation.

14. In consultation with the partner agencies, provide a report on the Florida Kidcare program annually to the Governor, the Chief Financial Officer, the Commissioner of Education, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Minority Leaders of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

15. Provide information on a quarterly basis to the Legislature and the Governor which compares the costs and utilization of the full-pay enrolled population and the Title XXI-subsidized enrolled population in the Florida Kidcare program. The information, at a minimum, must include:

a. The monthly enrollment and expenditure for full-pay enrollees in the Medikids and Florida Healthy Kids programs compared to the Title XXI-subsidized enrolled population; and

b. The costs and utilization by service of the full-pay enrollees in the Medikids and Florida Healthy Kids programs and the Title XXI-subsidized enrolled population.

~~By February 1, 2010, the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation shall provide a study to the Legislature and the Governor on premium impacts to the~~

~~subsidized portion of the program from the inclusion of the full pay program, which shall include recommendations on how to eliminate or mitigate possible impacts to the subsidized premiums.~~

16. Establish benefit packages that conform to the provisions of the Florida Kidcare program, as created in ss. 409.810-409.821.

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 149. Paragraph (c) of subsection (6) of section 627.351, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

627.351 Insurance risk apportionment plans.—

(6) CITIZENS PROPERTY INSURANCE CORPORATION.—

(c) The corporation's plan of operation:

1. Must provide for adoption of residential property and casualty insurance policy forms and commercial residential and nonresidential property insurance forms, which must be approved by the office before use. The corporation shall adopt the following policy forms:

a. Standard personal lines policy forms that are comprehensive multi-peril policies providing full coverage of a residential property equivalent to the coverage provided in the private insurance market under an HO-3, HO-4, or HO-6 policy.

b. Basic personal lines policy forms that are policies similar to an HO-8 policy or a dwelling fire policy that provide coverage meeting the requirements of the secondary mortgage market, but which is more limited than the coverage under a standard policy.

c. Commercial lines residential and nonresidential policy forms that are generally similar to the basic perils of full coverage obtainable for commercial residential structures and commercial nonresidential structures in the admitted voluntary market.

d. Personal lines and commercial lines residential property insurance forms that cover the peril of wind only. The forms are applicable only to residential properties located in areas eligible for coverage under the coastal account referred to in sub-subparagraph (b)2.a.

e. Commercial lines nonresidential property insurance forms that cover the peril of wind only. The forms are applicable only to nonresidential properties located in areas eligible for coverage under the coastal account referred to in sub-subparagraph (b)2.a.

f. The corporation may adopt variations of the policy forms listed in sub-subparagraphs a.-e. which contain more restrictive coverage.

g. Effective January 1, 2013, the corporation shall offer a basic personal lines policy similar to an HO-8 policy with dwelling repair based on common construction materials and methods.

2. Must provide that the corporation adopt a program in which the corporation and authorized insurers enter into quota share primary insurance agreements for hurricane coverage, as defined in s. 627.4025(2)(a), for eligible risks, and adopt property insurance forms for eligible risks which cover the peril of wind only.

a. As used in this subsection, the term:

(I) “Quota share primary insurance” means an arrangement in which the primary hurricane coverage of an eligible risk is provided in specified percentages by the corporation and an authorized insurer. The corporation and authorized insurer are each solely responsible for a specified percentage of hurricane coverage of an eligible risk as set forth in a quota share primary insurance agreement between the corporation and an authorized insurer and the insurance contract. The responsibility of the corporation or authorized insurer to pay its specified percentage of hurricane losses of an eligible risk, as set forth in the agreement, may not be altered by the inability of the other party to pay its specified percentage of losses. Eligible risks that are provided hurricane coverage through a quota share primary insurance arrangement must be provided policy forms that set forth the obligations of the corporation and authorized insurer under the arrangement, clearly specify the percentages of quota share primary insurance provided by the corporation and authorized insurer, and conspicuously and clearly state that the authorized insurer and the corporation may not be held responsible beyond their specified percentage of coverage of hurricane losses.

(II) “Eligible risks” means personal lines residential and commercial lines residential risks that meet the underwriting criteria of the corporation and are located in areas that were eligible for coverage by the Florida Windstorm Underwriting Association on January 1, 2002.

b. The corporation may enter into quota share primary insurance agreements with authorized insurers at corporation coverage levels of 90 percent and 50 percent.

c. If the corporation determines that additional coverage levels are necessary to maximize participation in quota share primary insurance agreements by authorized insurers, the corporation may establish additional coverage levels. However, the corporation’s quota share primary insurance coverage level may not exceed 90 percent.

d. Any quota share primary insurance agreement entered into between an authorized insurer and the corporation must provide for a uniform specified percentage of coverage of hurricane losses, by county or territory as set forth by the corporation board, for all eligible risks of the authorized insurer covered under the agreement.

e. Any quota share primary insurance agreement entered into between an authorized insurer and the corporation is subject to review and approval by the office. However, such agreement shall be authorized only as to insurance contracts entered into between an authorized insurer and an insured who is already insured by the corporation for wind coverage.

f. For all eligible risks covered under quota share primary insurance agreements, the exposure and coverage levels for both the corporation and authorized insurers shall be reported by the corporation to the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund. For all policies of eligible risks covered under such agreements, the corporation and the authorized insurer must maintain complete and accurate records for the purpose of exposure and loss reimbursement audits as required by fund rules. The corporation and the authorized insurer shall each maintain duplicate copies of policy declaration pages and supporting claims documents.

g. The corporation board shall establish in its plan of operation standards for quota share agreements which ensure that there is no discriminatory application among insurers as to the terms of the agreements, pricing of the agreements, incentive provisions if any, and consideration paid for servicing policies or adjusting claims.

h. The quota share primary insurance agreement between the corporation and an authorized insurer must set forth the specific terms under which coverage is provided, including, but not limited to, the sale and servicing of policies issued under the agreement by the insurance agent of the authorized insurer producing the business, the reporting of information concerning eligible risks, the payment of premium to the corporation, and arrangements for the adjustment and payment of hurricane claims incurred on eligible risks by the claims adjuster and personnel of the authorized insurer. Entering into a quota sharing insurance agreement between the corporation and an authorized insurer is voluntary and at the discretion of the authorized insurer.

3.a. May provide that the corporation may employ or otherwise contract with individuals or other entities to provide administrative or professional services that may be appropriate to effectuate the plan. The corporation may borrow funds by issuing bonds or by incurring other indebtedness, and shall have other powers reasonably necessary to effectuate the requirements of this subsection, including, without limitation, the power to issue bonds and incur other indebtedness in order to refinance outstanding bonds or other indebtedness. The corporation may seek judicial validation of its bonds or other indebtedness under chapter 75. The corporation may issue bonds or incur other indebtedness, or have bonds issued on its behalf by a unit of local government pursuant to subparagraph (q)2. in the absence of a hurricane or other weather-related event, upon a determination by the corporation, subject to approval by the office, that such action would enable it to efficiently meet the financial obligations of the corporation and that such financings are reasonably necessary to effectuate the requirements of this subsection. The corporation may take all actions needed to facilitate tax-free status for such



bonds or indebtedness, including formation of trusts or other affiliated entities. The corporation may pledge assessments, projected recoveries from the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund, other reinsurance recoverables, policyholder surcharges and other surcharges, and other funds available to the corporation as security for bonds or other indebtedness. In recognition of s. 10, Art. I of the State Constitution, prohibiting the impairment of obligations of contracts, it is the intent of the Legislature that no action be taken whose purpose is to impair any bond indenture or financing agreement or any revenue source committed by contract to such bond or other indebtedness.

~~b. To ensure that the corporation is operating in an efficient and economic manner while providing quality service to policyholders, applicants, and agents, the board shall commission an independent third-party consultant having expertise in insurance company management or insurance company management consulting to prepare a report and make recommendations on the relative costs and benefits of outsourcing various policy issuance and service functions to private servicing carriers or entities performing similar functions in the private market for a fee, rather than performing such functions in-house. In making such recommendations, the consultant shall consider how other residual markets, both in this state and around the country, outsource appropriate functions or use servicing carriers to better match expenses with revenues that fluctuate based on a widely varying policy count. The report must be completed by July 1, 2012. Upon receiving the report, the board shall develop a plan to implement the report and submit the plan for review, modification, and approval to the Financial Services Commission. Upon the commission's approval of the plan, the board shall begin implementing the plan by January 1, 2013.~~

4. Must require that the corporation operate subject to the supervision and approval of a board of governors consisting of nine individuals who are residents of this state and who are from different geographical areas of the state, one of whom is appointed by the Governor and serves solely to advocate on behalf of the consumer. The appointment of a consumer representative by the Governor is in addition to the appointments authorized under subparagraph a.

a. The Governor, the Chief Financial Officer, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall each appoint two members of the board. At least one of the two members appointed by each appointing officer must have demonstrated expertise in insurance and be deemed to be within the scope of the exemption provided in s. 112.313(7)(b). The Chief Financial Officer shall designate one of the appointees as chair. All board members serve at the pleasure of the appointing officer. All members of the board are subject to removal at will by the officers who appointed them. All board members, including the chair, must be appointed to serve for 3-year terms beginning annually on a date designated by the plan. However, for the first term beginning on or after July 1, 2009, each appointing officer shall appoint one member of the board for a 2-year term and one member for a 3-year term. A board vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term by the

appointing officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall appoint a technical advisory group to provide information and advice to the board in connection with the board's duties under this subsection. The executive director and senior managers of the corporation shall be engaged by the board and serve at the pleasure of the board. Any executive director appointed on or after July 1, 2006, is subject to confirmation by the Senate. The executive director is responsible for employing other staff as the corporation may require, subject to review and concurrence by the board.

b. The board shall create a Market Accountability Advisory Committee to assist the corporation in developing awareness of its rates and its customer and agent service levels in relationship to the voluntary market insurers writing similar coverage.

(I) The members of the advisory committee consist of the following 11 persons, one of whom must be elected chair by the members of the committee: four representatives, one appointed by the Florida Association of Insurance Agents, one by the Florida Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors, one by the Professional Insurance Agents of Florida, and one by the Latin American Association of Insurance Agencies; three representatives appointed by the insurers with the three highest voluntary market share of residential property insurance business in the state; one representative from the Office of Insurance Regulation; one consumer appointed by the board who is insured by the corporation at the time of appointment to the committee; one representative appointed by the Florida Association of Realtors; and one representative appointed by the Florida Bankers Association. All members shall be appointed to 3-year terms and may serve for consecutive terms.

(II) The committee shall report to the corporation at each board meeting on insurance market issues which may include rates and rate competition with the voluntary market; service, including policy issuance, claims processing, and general responsiveness to policyholders, applicants, and agents; and matters relating to depopulation.

5. Must provide a procedure for determining the eligibility of a risk for coverage, as follows:

a. Subject to s. 627.3517, with respect to personal lines residential risks, if the risk is offered coverage from an authorized insurer at the insurer's approved rate under a standard policy including wind coverage or, if consistent with the insurer's underwriting rules as filed with the office, a basic policy including wind coverage, for a new application to the corporation for coverage, the risk is not eligible for any policy issued by the corporation unless the premium for coverage from the authorized insurer is more than 15 percent greater than the premium for comparable coverage from the corporation. Whenever an offer of coverage for a personal lines residential risk is received for a policyholder of the corporation at renewal from an authorized insurer, if the offer is equal to or less than the corporation's renewal premium for comparable coverage, the risk is not eligible for coverage with the corporation. If the risk is not able to obtain such offer, the

risk is eligible for a standard policy including wind coverage or a basic policy including wind coverage issued by the corporation; however, if the risk could not be insured under a standard policy including wind coverage regardless of market conditions, the risk is eligible for a basic policy including wind coverage unless rejected under subparagraph 8. However, a policyholder removed from the corporation through an assumption agreement remains eligible for coverage from the corporation until the end of the assumption period. The corporation shall determine the type of policy to be provided on the basis of objective standards specified in the underwriting manual and based on generally accepted underwriting practices.

(I) If the risk accepts an offer of coverage through the market assistance plan or through a mechanism established by the corporation other than a plan established by s. 627.3518, before a policy is issued to the risk by the corporation or during the first 30 days of coverage by the corporation, and the producing agent who submitted the application to the plan or to the corporation is not currently appointed by the insurer, the insurer shall:

(A) Pay to the producing agent of record of the policy for the first year, an amount that is the greater of the insurer’s usual and customary commission for the type of policy written or a fee equal to the usual and customary commission of the corporation; or

(B) Offer to allow the producing agent of record of the policy to continue servicing the policy for at least 1 year and offer to pay the agent the greater of the insurer’s or the corporation’s usual and customary commission for the type of policy written.

If the producing agent is unwilling or unable to accept appointment, the new insurer shall pay the agent in accordance with sub-sub-sub-subparagraph (A).

(II) If the corporation enters into a contractual agreement for a take-out plan, the producing agent of record of the corporation policy is entitled to retain any unearned commission on the policy, and the insurer shall:

(A) Pay to the producing agent of record, for the first year, an amount that is the greater of the insurer’s usual and customary commission for the type of policy written or a fee equal to the usual and customary commission of the corporation; or

(B) Offer to allow the producing agent of record to continue servicing the policy for at least 1 year and offer to pay the agent the greater of the insurer’s or the corporation’s usual and customary commission for the type of policy written.

If the producing agent is unwilling or unable to accept appointment, the new insurer shall pay the agent in accordance with sub-sub-sub-subparagraph (A).

b. With respect to commercial lines residential risks, for a new application to the corporation for coverage, if the risk is offered coverage under a policy including wind coverage from an authorized insurer at its approved rate, the risk is not eligible for a policy issued by the corporation unless the premium for coverage from the authorized insurer is more than 15 percent greater than the premium for comparable coverage from the corporation. Whenever an offer of coverage for a commercial lines residential risk is received for a policyholder of the corporation at renewal from an authorized insurer, if the offer is equal to or less than the corporation's renewal premium for comparable coverage, the risk is not eligible for coverage with the corporation. If the risk is not able to obtain any such offer, the risk is eligible for a policy including wind coverage issued by the corporation. However, a policyholder removed from the corporation through an assumption agreement remains eligible for coverage from the corporation until the end of the assumption period.

(I) If the risk accepts an offer of coverage through the market assistance plan or through a mechanism established by the corporation other than a plan established by s. 627.3518, before a policy is issued to the risk by the corporation or during the first 30 days of coverage by the corporation, and the producing agent who submitted the application to the plan or the corporation is not currently appointed by the insurer, the insurer shall:

(A) Pay to the producing agent of record of the policy, for the first year, an amount that is the greater of the insurer's usual and customary commission for the type of policy written or a fee equal to the usual and customary commission of the corporation; or

(B) Offer to allow the producing agent of record of the policy to continue servicing the policy for at least 1 year and offer to pay the agent the greater of the insurer's or the corporation's usual and customary commission for the type of policy written.

If the producing agent is unwilling or unable to accept appointment, the new insurer shall pay the agent in accordance with sub-sub-sub-subparagraph (A).

(II) If the corporation enters into a contractual agreement for a take-out plan, the producing agent of record of the corporation policy is entitled to retain any unearned commission on the policy, and the insurer shall:

(A) Pay to the producing agent of record, for the first year, an amount that is the greater of the insurer's usual and customary commission for the type of policy written or a fee equal to the usual and customary commission of the corporation; or

(B) Offer to allow the producing agent of record to continue servicing the policy for at least 1 year and offer to pay the agent the greater of the insurer's or the corporation's usual and customary commission for the type of policy written.

If the producing agent is unwilling or unable to accept appointment, the new insurer shall pay the agent in accordance with sub-sub-sub-subparagraph (A).

c. For purposes of determining comparable coverage under sub-subparagraphs a. and b., the comparison must be based on those forms and coverages that are reasonably comparable. The corporation may rely on a determination of comparable coverage and premium made by the producing agent who submits the application to the corporation, made in the agent's capacity as the corporation's agent. A comparison may be made solely of the premium with respect to the main building or structure only on the following basis: the same coverage A or other building limits; the same percentage hurricane deductible that applies on an annual basis or that applies to each hurricane for commercial residential property; the same percentage of ordinance and law coverage, if the same limit is offered by both the corporation and the authorized insurer; the same mitigation credits, to the extent the same types of credits are offered both by the corporation and the authorized insurer; the same method for loss payment, such as replacement cost or actual cash value, if the same method is offered both by the corporation and the authorized insurer in accordance with underwriting rules; and any other form or coverage that is reasonably comparable as determined by the board. If an application is submitted to the corporation for wind-only coverage in the coastal account, the premium for the corporation's wind-only policy plus the premium for the ex-wind policy that is offered by an authorized insurer to the applicant must be compared to the premium for multiperil coverage offered by an authorized insurer, subject to the standards for comparison specified in this subparagraph. If the corporation or the applicant requests from the authorized insurer a breakdown of the premium of the offer by types of coverage so that a comparison may be made by the corporation or its agent and the authorized insurer refuses or is unable to provide such information, the corporation may treat the offer as not being an offer of coverage from an authorized insurer at the insurer's approved rate.

6. Must include rules for classifications of risks and rates.

7. Must provide that if premium and investment income for an account attributable to a particular calendar year are in excess of projected losses and expenses for the account attributable to that year, such excess shall be held in surplus in the account. Such surplus must be available to defray deficits in that account as to future years and used for that purpose before assessing assessable insurers and assessable insureds as to any calendar year.

8. Must provide objective criteria and procedures to be uniformly applied to all applicants in determining whether an individual risk is so hazardous as to be uninsurable. In making this determination and in establishing the criteria and procedures, the following must be considered:

a. Whether the likelihood of a loss for the individual risk is substantially higher than for other risks of the same class; and

b. Whether the uncertainty associated with the individual risk is such that an appropriate premium cannot be determined.

The acceptance or rejection of a risk by the corporation shall be construed as the private placement of insurance, and the provisions of chapter 120 do not apply.

9. Must provide that the corporation make its best efforts to procure catastrophe reinsurance at reasonable rates, to cover its projected 100-year probable maximum loss as determined by the board of governors.

10. The policies issued by the corporation must provide that if the corporation or the market assistance plan obtains an offer from an authorized insurer to cover the risk at its approved rates, the risk is no longer eligible for renewal through the corporation, except as otherwise provided in this subsection.

11. Corporation policies and applications must include a notice that the corporation policy could, under this section, be replaced with a policy issued by an authorized insurer which does not provide coverage identical to the coverage provided by the corporation. The notice must also specify that acceptance of corporation coverage creates a conclusive presumption that the applicant or policyholder is aware of this potential.

12. May establish, subject to approval by the office, different eligibility requirements and operational procedures for any line or type of coverage for any specified county or area if the board determines that such changes are justified due to the voluntary market being sufficiently stable and competitive in such area or for such line or type of coverage and that consumers who, in good faith, are unable to obtain insurance through the voluntary market through ordinary methods continue to have access to coverage from the corporation. If coverage is sought in connection with a real property transfer, the requirements and procedures may not provide an effective date of coverage later than the date of the closing of the transfer as established by the transferor, the transferee, and, if applicable, the lender.

13. Must provide that, with respect to the coastal account, any assessable insurer with a surplus as to policyholders of \$25 million or less writing 25 percent or more of its total countrywide property insurance premiums in this state may petition the office, within the first 90 days of each calendar year, to qualify as a limited apportionment company. A regular assessment levied by the corporation on a limited apportionment company for a deficit incurred by the corporation for the coastal account may be paid to the corporation on a monthly basis as the assessments are collected by the limited apportionment company from its insureds, but a limited apportionment company must begin collecting the regular assessments not later than 90 days after the regular assessments are levied by the corporation, and the regular assessments must be paid in full within 15 months after being levied by the corporation. A limited apportionment company shall collect from its policyholders any emergency assessment imposed under sub-subparagraph (b)3.d. The plan

must provide that, if the office determines that any regular assessment will result in an impairment of the surplus of a limited apportionment company, the office may direct that all or part of such assessment be deferred as provided in subparagraph (q)4. However, an emergency assessment to be collected from policyholders under sub-subparagraph (b)3.d. may not be limited or deferred.

14. Must provide that the corporation appoint as its licensed agents only those agents who also hold an appointment as defined in s. 626.015(3) with an insurer who at the time of the agent’s initial appointment by the corporation is authorized to write and is actually writing personal lines residential property coverage, commercial residential property coverage, or commercial nonresidential property coverage within the state.

15. Must provide a premium payment plan option to its policyholders which, at a minimum, allows for quarterly and semiannual payment of premiums. A monthly payment plan may, but is not required to, be offered.

16. Must limit coverage on mobile homes or manufactured homes built before 1994 to actual cash value of the dwelling rather than replacement costs of the dwelling.

17. Must provide coverage for manufactured or mobile home dwellings. Such coverage must also include the following attached structures:

a. Screened enclosures that are aluminum framed or screened enclosures that are not covered by the same or substantially the same materials as those of the primary dwelling;

b. Carports that are aluminum or carports that are not covered by the same or substantially the same materials as those of the primary dwelling; and

c. Patios that have a roof covering that is constructed of materials that are not the same or substantially the same materials as those of the primary dwelling.

The corporation shall make available a policy for mobile homes or manufactured homes for a minimum insured value of at least \$3,000.

18. May provide such limits of coverage as the board determines, consistent with the requirements of this subsection.

19. May require commercial property to meet specified hurricane mitigation construction features as a condition of eligibility for coverage.

20. Must provide that new or renewal policies issued by the corporation on or after January 1, 2012, which cover sinkhole loss do not include coverage for any loss to appurtenant structures, driveways, sidewalks, decks, or patios that are directly or indirectly caused by sinkhole activity. The corporation shall exclude such coverage using a notice of coverage change, which may be

included with the policy renewal, and not by issuance of a notice of nonrenewal of the excluded coverage upon renewal of the current policy.

21. As of January 1, 2012, must require that the agent obtain from an applicant for coverage from the corporation an acknowledgment signed by the applicant, which includes, at a minimum, the following statement:

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF POTENTIAL SURCHARGE  
AND ASSESSMENT LIABILITY:

1. AS A POLICYHOLDER OF CITIZENS PROPERTY INSURANCE CORPORATION, I UNDERSTAND THAT IF THE CORPORATION SUSTAINS A DEFICIT AS A RESULT OF HURRICANE LOSSES OR FOR ANY OTHER REASON, MY POLICY COULD BE SUBJECT TO SURCHARGES, WHICH WILL BE DUE AND PAYABLE UPON RENEWAL, CANCELLATION, OR TERMINATION OF THE POLICY, AND THAT THE SURCHARGES COULD BE AS HIGH AS 45 PERCENT OF MY PREMIUM, OR A DIFFERENT AMOUNT AS IMPOSED BY THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE.

2. I UNDERSTAND THAT I CAN AVOID THE CITIZENS POLICYHOLDER SURCHARGE, WHICH COULD BE AS HIGH AS 45 PERCENT OF MY PREMIUM, BY OBTAINING COVERAGE FROM A PRIVATE MARKET INSURER AND THAT TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR COVERAGE BY CITIZENS, I MUST FIRST TRY TO OBTAIN PRIVATE MARKET COVERAGE BEFORE APPLYING FOR OR RENEWING COVERAGE WITH CITIZENS. I UNDERSTAND THAT PRIVATE MARKET INSURANCE RATES ARE REGULATED AND APPROVED BY THE STATE.

3. I UNDERSTAND THAT I MAY BE SUBJECT TO EMERGENCY ASSESSMENTS TO THE SAME EXTENT AS POLICYHOLDERS OF OTHER INSURANCE COMPANIES, OR A DIFFERENT AMOUNT AS IMPOSED BY THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE.

4. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT CITIZENS PROPERTY INSURANCE CORPORATION IS NOT SUPPORTED BY THE FULL FAITH AND CREDIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

a. The corporation shall maintain, in electronic format or otherwise, a copy of the applicant's signed acknowledgment and provide a copy of the statement to the policyholder as part of the first renewal after the effective date of this subparagraph.

b. The signed acknowledgment form creates a conclusive presumption that the policyholder understood and accepted his or her potential surcharge and assessment liability as a policyholder of the corporation.



Reviser's note.—Subparagraph (6)(c)3. is amended to delete an obsolete provision. Sub-subparagraph (6)(c)4.a. is amended to confirm the editorial insertion of the word “be” to improve clarity.

Section 150. Subsection (5) of section 627.3518, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

627.3518 Citizens Property Insurance Corporation policyholder eligibility clearinghouse program.—The purpose of this section is to provide a framework for the corporation to implement a clearinghouse program by January 1, 2014.

(5) Notwithstanding s. 627.3517, any applicant for new coverage from the corporation is not eligible for coverage from the corporation if provided an offer of coverage from an authorized insurer through the program at a premium that is at or below the eligibility threshold established in s. 627.351(6)(c)5.a. Whenever an offer of coverage for a personal lines risk is received for a policyholder of the corporation at renewal from an authorized insurer through the program, if the offer is equal to or less than the corporation's renewal premium for comparable coverage, the risk is not eligible for coverage with the corporation. In the event an offer of coverage for a new applicant is received from an authorized insurer through the program, and the premium offered exceeds the eligibility threshold contained in s. 627.351(6)(c)5.a., the applicant or insured may elect to accept such coverage, or may elect to accept or continue coverage with the corporation. In the event an offer of coverage for a personal lines risk is received from an authorized insurer at renewal through the program, and the premium offered is more than the corporation's renewal premium for comparable coverage, the insured may elect to accept such coverage, or may elect to accept or continue coverage with the corporation. Section 627.351(6)(c)5.a.(I) does not apply to an offer of coverage from an authorized insurer obtained through the program. An applicant for coverage from the corporation who was ~~previously~~ declared ineligible for coverage at renewal by the corporation in the previous 36 months due to an offer of coverage pursuant to this subsection shall be considered a renewal under this section if the corporation determines that the authorized insurer making the offer of coverage pursuant to this subsection continues to insure the applicant and increased the rate on the policy in excess of the increase allowed for the corporation under s. 627.351(6)(n)6.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial deletion of the word “previously” to eliminate redundancy.

Section 151. Subsection (3) of section 627.642, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

627.642 Outline of coverage.—

(3) In addition to the outline of coverage, a policy as specified in s. ~~627.6699(3)(l)~~ ~~627.6699(3)(k)~~ must be accompanied by an identification card that contains, at a minimum:

(a) The name of the organization issuing the policy or the name of the organization administering the policy, whichever applies.

(b) The name of the contract holder.

(c) The type of plan only if the plan is filed in the state, an indication that the plan is self-funded, or the name of the network.

(d) The member identification number, contract number, and policy or group number, if applicable.

(e) A contact phone number or electronic address for authorizations and admission certifications.

(f) A phone number or electronic address whereby the covered person or hospital, physician, or other person rendering services covered by the policy may obtain benefits verification and information in order to estimate patient financial responsibility, in compliance with privacy rules under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act.

(g) The national plan identifier, in accordance with the compliance date set forth by the federal Department of Health and Human Services.

The identification card must present the information in a readily identifiable manner or, alternatively, the information may be embedded on the card and available through magnetic stripe or smart card. The information may also be provided through other electronic technology.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the redesignation of s. 627.6699(3)(k) as s. 627.6699(3)(l) by s. 23, ch. 2013-101, Laws of Florida.

Section 152. Paragraph (d) of subsection (2) of section 627.6515, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

627.6515 Out-of-state groups.—

(2) Except as otherwise provided in this part, this part does not apply to a group health insurance policy issued or delivered outside this state under which a resident of this state is provided coverage if:

(d) Applications for certificates of coverage offered to residents of this state must contain, in contrasting color and not less than 12-point type, the following statement on the same page as the applicant's signature:

“This policy is primarily governed by the laws of ...insert state where the master policy is ~~is~~ filed.... As a result, all of the rating laws applicable to policies filed in this state do not apply to this coverage, which may result

in increases in your premium at renewal that would not be permissible under a Florida-approved policy. Any purchase of individual health insurance should be considered carefully, as future medical conditions may make it impossible to qualify for another individual health policy. For information concerning individual health coverage under a Florida-approved policy, consult your agent or the Florida Department of Financial Services.”

This paragraph applies only to group certificates providing health insurance coverage which require individualized underwriting to determine coverage eligibility for an individual or premium rates to be charged to an individual except for the following:

1. Policies issued to provide coverage to groups of persons all of whom are in the same or functionally related licensed professions, and providing coverage only to such licensed professionals, their employees, or their dependents;
2. Policies providing coverage to small employers as defined by s. 627.6699. Such policies shall be subject to, and governed by, the provisions of s. 627.6699;
3. Policies issued to a bona fide association, as defined by s. 627.6571(5), provided that there is a person or board acting as a fiduciary for the benefit of the members, and such association is not owned, controlled by, or otherwise associated with the insurance company; or
4. Any accidental death, accidental death and dismemberment, accident-only, vision-only, dental-only, hospital indemnity-only, hospital accident-only, cancer, specified disease, Medicare supplement, products that supplement Medicare, long-term care, or disability income insurance, or similar supplemental plans provided under a separate policy, certificate, or contract of insurance, which cannot duplicate coverage under an underlying health plan, coinsurance, or deductibles or coverage issued as a supplement to workers' compensation or similar insurance, or automobile medical-payment insurance.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial substitution of the word “is” for the word “if” to provide clarity.

Section 153. Subsection (5) of section 627.6562, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

627.6562 Dependent coverage.—

~~(5)(a) Until April 1, 2009, the parent of a child who qualifies for coverage under subsection (2) but whose coverage as a dependent child under the parent's plan terminated under the terms of the plan before October 1, 2008, may make a written election to reinstate coverage, without proof of insurability, under that plan as a dependent child pursuant to this section.~~

~~(b) The covered person's plan may require the payment of a premium by the covered person or dependent child, as appropriate, subject to the approval of the Office of Insurance Regulation, for any period of coverage relating to a dependent's written election for coverage pursuant to paragraph (a).~~

~~(c) Notice regarding the reinstatement of coverage for a dependent child as provided under this subsection must be provided to a covered person in the certificate of coverage prepared for covered persons by the insurer or by the covered person's employer. Such notice may be given through the group policyholder.~~

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 154. Subsection (2) of section 627.657, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

627.657 Provisions of group health insurance policies.—

(2) The medical policy as specified in s. ~~627.6699(3)(l)~~ 627.6699(3)(k) must be accompanied by an identification card that contains, at a minimum:

(a) The name of the organization issuing the policy or name of the organization administering the policy, whichever applies.

(b) The name of the certificateholder.

(c) The type of plan only if the plan is filed in the state, an indication that the plan is self-funded, or the name of the network.

(d) The member identification number, contract number, and policy or group number, if applicable.

(e) A contact phone number or electronic address for authorizations and admission certifications.

(f) A phone number or electronic address whereby the covered person or hospital, physician, or other person rendering services covered by the policy may obtain benefits verification and information in order to estimate patient financial responsibility, in compliance with privacy rules under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act.

(g) The national plan identifier, in accordance with the compliance date set forth by the federal Department of Health and Human Services.

The identification card must present the information in a readily identifiable manner or, alternatively, the information may be embedded on the card and available through magnetic stripe or smart card. The information may also be provided through other electronic technology.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the redesignation of s. 627.6699(3)(k) as s. 627.6699(3)(l) by s. 23, ch. 2013-101, Laws of Florida.

Section 155. Subsection (8) of section 627.6686, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

627.6686 Coverage for individuals with autism spectrum disorder required; exception.—

(8) ~~Beginning January 1, 2011,~~ The maximum benefit under paragraph (4)(b) shall be adjusted annually on January 1 of each calendar year to reflect any change from the previous year in the medical component of the then current Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor.

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 156. Subsection (28) of section 633.102, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

633.102 Definitions.—As used in this chapter, the term:

~~(28) "Special state firesafety inspector" means an individual officially assigned to the duties of conducting firesafety inspections required by law on behalf of or by an agency of the state having authority for inspections other than the division.~~

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision. Section 633.216(3) provides that the classification of special state firesafety inspector is abolished effective July 1, 2013, and all special state firesafety inspector certifications expire at midnight June 30, 2013.

Section 157. Subsection (3) of section 633.216, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

633.216 Inspection of buildings and equipment; orders; firesafety inspection training requirements; certification; disciplinary action.—The State Fire Marshal and her or his agents or persons authorized to enforce laws and rules of the State Fire Marshal shall, at any reasonable hour, when the State Fire Marshal has reasonable cause to believe that a violation of this chapter or s. 509.215, or a rule adopted thereunder, or a minimum firesafety code adopted by the State Fire Marshal or a local authority, may exist, inspect any and all buildings and structures which are subject to the requirements of this chapter or s. 509.215 and rules adopted thereunder. The authority to inspect shall extend to all equipment, vehicles, and chemicals which are located on or within the premises of any such building or structure.

~~(3)(a)1.— Effective July 1, 2013, the classification of special state firesafety inspector is abolished, and all special state firesafety inspector certifications expire at midnight June 30, 2013.~~

~~2.— Any person who is a special state firesafety inspector on June 30, 2013, and who has failed to comply with paragraph (b) or paragraph (c) may not perform any firesafety inspection required by law.~~

~~3.— A special state firesafety inspector certificate may not be issued after June 30, 2011.~~

~~(b)1.— Any person who is a special state firesafety inspector on July 1, 2011, and who has at least 5 years of experience as a special state firesafety inspector as of July 1, 2011, may take the firesafety inspection examination as provided in paragraph (2)(a) for firesafety inspectors before July 1, 2013, to be certified as a firesafety inspector under this section.~~

~~2.— Upon passing the examination, the person shall be certified as a firesafety inspector as provided in this section.~~

~~3.— A person who fails to become certified must comply with paragraph (c) to be certified as a firesafety inspector under this section.~~

~~(c)1.— To be certified as a firesafety inspector under this section, a person who:~~

~~a.— Is a special state firesafety inspector on July 1, 2011, and who does not have 5 years of experience as a special state firesafety inspector as of July 1, 2011; or~~

~~b.— Has 5 years of experience as a special state firesafety inspector but has failed the examination taken as provided in paragraph (2)(a),~~

~~must take an additional 80 hours of the courses described in paragraph (2)(b).~~

~~2.— After successfully completing the courses described in this paragraph, such person may take the firesafety inspection examination as provided in paragraph (2)(a), if such examination is taken before July 1, 2013.~~

~~3.— Upon passing the examination, the person shall be certified as a firesafety inspector as provided in this section.~~

~~4.— A person who fails the course of study or the examination described in this paragraph may not perform any firesafety inspection required by law on or after July 1, 2013.~~

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 158. Subsection (1) of section 633.316, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

633.316 Fire suppression system contractors; disciplinary action.—

(1) The violation of any provision of this chapter or any rule adopted and adopted pursuant hereto or the failure or refusal to comply with any notice or order to correct a violation or any cease and desist order by a person who

possesses a license or permit issued pursuant to s. 633.304 is cause for denial, nonrenewal, revocation, or suspension of such license or permit by the State Fire Marshal after such officer has determined that the person committed such violation. An order of suspension must state the period of such suspension, which period may not be in excess of 2 years from the date of such order. An order of revocation may be entered for a period not exceeding 5 years. Such orders shall effect suspension or revocation of all licenses or permits issued by the division to the person, and during such period a license or permit may not be issued by the division to such person. During the suspension or revocation of any license or permit, the former licensee or permittee may not engage in or attempt or profess to engage in any transaction or business for which a license or permit is required under this chapter or directly or indirectly own, control, or be employed in any manner by any firm, business, or corporation for which a license or permit under this chapter is required. If, during the period between the beginning of proceedings and the entry of an order of suspension or revocation by the State Fire Marshal, a new license or permit has been issued by the division to the person so charged, the order of suspension or revocation shall operate to suspend or revoke such new license or permit held by such person.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial deletion of the words “adopted and” to improve clarity.

Section 159. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section 633.408, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

633.408 Firefighter and volunteer firefighter training and certification.

(4) The division shall issue a firefighter certificate of compliance to an individual who does all of the following:

(a) Satisfactorily completes the Minimum Standards Course or who has satisfactorily completed training for firefighters in another state which has been determined by the division to be at least the equivalent of the training required for the Minimum Standards Course.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial deletion of the word “who.”

Section 160. Section 634.283, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

634.283 Power of department and office to examine and investigate.—The department and office may, within their respective regulatory jurisdictions, examine and investigate the affairs of every person involved in the business of motor vehicle service agreements in this state in order to determine whether such person has been or is engaged in any unfair method of competition or in any unfair or deceptive act or practice prohibited by s. 634.2815, and each shall have the powers and duties specified in ss. ~~634.284-634.288~~ 634.284-634.289 in connection therewith.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 634.289 by s. 99, ch. 2013-18, Laws of Florida.

Section 161. Subsection (8) of section 641.31098, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

641.31098 Coverage for individuals with developmental disabilities.—

(8) ~~Beginning January 1, 2011,~~ The maximum benefit under paragraph (4)(b) shall be adjusted annually on January 1 of each calendar year to reflect any change from the previous year in the medical component of the then current Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor.

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 162. Subsection (1) and paragraphs (b), (c), and (d) of subsection (5) of section 658.27, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

658.27 Control of bank or trust company; definitions and related provisions.—

(1) In ss. ~~658.27-658.285~~ 658.27-658.29, unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

(a) “Bank holding company” means any business organization which has or acquires control over any bank or trust company or over any business organization that is or becomes a bank holding company by virtue of ss. ~~658.27-658.285~~ 658.27-658.29.

(b) “Business organization” means a corporation, association, partnership, or business trust and includes any similar organization (including a trust company and including a bank, whether or not authorized to engage in trust business, but only if such bank is, or by virtue of ss. ~~658.27-658.285~~ 658.27-658.29 becomes, a bank holding company), whether created, organized, or existing under the laws of the United States; this state or any other state of the United States; or any other country, government, or jurisdiction. “Business organization” does not include any corporation the majority of the shares of which are owned by the United States or by this state. “Business organization” also includes any other trust, unless by its terms it must terminate within 25 years or not later than 21 years and 10 months after the death of individuals living on the effective date of the trust, unless the office determines, after notice and opportunity for hearing, that a purpose for the creation of such trust was the evasion of the provisions of ss. ~~658.27-658.285~~ 658.27-658.29.

(c) “Edge Act corporation” means a corporation organized and existing under the provisions of s. 25(a) of the Federal Reserve Act, 12 U.S.C. ss. 611-632.



(d) “Subsidiary,” with respect to a specified bank, trust company, or bank holding company, means:

1. Any business organization 25 percent or more of the voting shares of which, excluding shares owned by the United States or by any business organization wholly owned by the United States, are directly or indirectly owned or controlled by such bank, trust company, or bank holding company or are held by such bank, trust company, or bank holding company with power to vote;

2. Any business organization the election of a majority of the directors of which is controlled in any manner by such bank, trust company, or bank holding company; or

3. Any business organization with respect to the management or policies of which such bank, trust company, or bank holding company has the power, directly or indirectly, to exercise a controlling influence, as determined by the office after notice and opportunity for hearing.

(e) “Successor,” with respect to a specified bank holding company, means any business organization which acquires directly or indirectly from the bank holding company shares of any bank or trust company, when and if the relationship between such business organization and the bank holding company is such that the transaction effects no substantial change in the control of the bank or trust company or beneficial ownership of such shares of such bank or trust company. The commission may, by rule, further define the term “successor” to the extent necessary to prevent evasion of the purposes of ss. 658.27-658.285 ~~658.27-658.29~~. For the purposes of ss. 658.27-658.285 ~~658.27-658.29~~, any successor to a bank holding company shall be deemed to have been a bank holding company from the date on which the predecessor business organization became a bank holding company.

(5) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, no bank and no business organization shall be deemed to own or control voting shares or assets of another bank or another business organization if:

(b) The shares are acquired in connection with the underwriting of securities by a business organization, in good faith and without any intent or purpose to evade the purposes of ss. 658.27-658.285 ~~658.27-658.29~~, and if such shares are held only for such period of time, not exceeding 3 months from date of acquisition, as will permit the sale thereof on a reasonable basis; however, upon application by the underwriting business organization, and after notice and opportunity for hearing, if the office finds that the sale of such shares within that period of time would create an unreasonable hardship on the underwriting business organization, that there is no intent or purpose to evade the purposes of ss. 658.27-658.285 ~~658.27-658.29~~ by the continued ownership or control of such shares by such underwriting business organization, and that an extension of such period of time would not be detrimental to the public interest, the office is authorized to extend, from

time to time, for not more than 1 month at a time, the 3-month period, but the aggregate of such extensions shall not exceed 3 months;

(c) Control of voting rights of such shares is acquired in good faith, and without any purpose or intent to evade the purposes of ss. ~~658.27-658.285~~ 658.27-658.285, in the course of participating in a proxy solicitation by a business organization formed in good faith, and without any purpose or intent to evade the purposes of ss. ~~658.27-658.285~~ 658.27-658.285 ~~658.27-658.29~~, for the sole purpose of participating in such proxy solicitation, and such control of voting rights terminates immediately upon the conclusion of the sole purpose for which such business organization was formed; or

(d) The ownership or control of such shares or assets is acquired in securing or collecting a debt previously contracted in good faith, unless the office, after notice and opportunity for hearing, finds that a purpose of any part of any transaction was an evasion of the purposes of ss. ~~658.27-658.285~~ 658.27-658.285 ~~658.27-658.29~~ and if the ownership or control of such shares or assets is held only for such reasonable period of time, not exceeding 2 years after the date of acquisition, as will permit the divestiture thereof on a reasonable basis. Upon application by the bank or business organization which acquired such ownership or control in accordance with the preceding provisions of this paragraph, and after notice and opportunity for hearing, if the office finds that the bank or business organization has made reasonable and good faith efforts to divest itself of such ownership or control on a reasonable basis within the 2-year period but has been unable to do so, that immediate divestiture of such ownership or control would create an unreasonable hardship on such bank or business organization, that continuation of such ownership or control involves no purpose or intent to evade the purposes of ss. ~~658.27-658.285~~ 658.27-658.285 ~~658.27-658.29~~, and that an extension of the 2-year period would not be detrimental to the public interest, the office is authorized to extend, from time to time and for not more than 1 year at a time, the 2-year period, but the aggregate of all such extensions shall not exceed 3 years.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 658.29 by s. 15, ch. 96-168, Laws of Florida.

Section 163. Subsection (7) of section 658.995, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

658.995 Credit Card Bank Act.—

(7) A credit card bank shall not be considered a “bank” for the purposes of ss. ~~658.27-658.2953~~ 658.27-658.296.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 658.296 by s. 25, ch. 2011-194, Laws of Florida.

Section 164. Paragraph (d) of subsection (4) and paragraph (a) of subsection (13) of section 713.78, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

713.78 Liens for recovering, towing, or storing vehicles and vessels.—

(4)

(d) If attempts to locate the name and address of the owner or lienholder prove unsuccessful, the towing-storage operator shall, after 7 working days, excluding Saturday and Sunday, of the initial tow or storage, notify the public agency of jurisdiction where the vehicle or vessel is stored in writing by certified mail or acknowledged hand delivery that the towing-storage company has been unable to locate the name and address of the owner or lienholder and a physical search of the vehicle or vessel has disclosed no ownership information and a good faith effort has been made, including records checks of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles database and the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System or an equivalent commercially available system databases. For purposes of this paragraph and subsection (9), “good faith effort” means that the following checks have been performed by the company to establish prior state of registration and for title:

1. Check of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles database for the owner and any lienholder.

2. Check of the electronic National Motor Vehicle Title Information System or an equivalent commercially available system to determine the state of registration when there is not a current registration record for the vehicle on file with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

3. Check of vehicle or vessel for any type of tag, tag record, temporary tag, or regular tag.

4. Check of law enforcement report for tag number or other information identifying the vehicle or vessel, if the vehicle or vessel was towed at the request of a law enforcement officer.

5. Check of trip sheet or tow ticket of tow truck operator to see if a tag was on vehicle or vessel at beginning of tow, if private tow.

6. If there is no address of the owner on the impound report, check of law enforcement report to see if an out-of-state address is indicated from driver license information.

7. Check of vehicle or vessel for inspection sticker or other stickers and decals that may indicate a state of possible registration.

8. Check of the interior of the vehicle or vessel for any papers that may be in the glove box, trunk, or other areas for a state of registration.

9. Check of vehicle for vehicle identification number.

10. Check of vessel for vessel registration number.

11. Check of vessel hull for a hull identification number which should be carved, burned, stamped, embossed, or otherwise permanently affixed to the

outboard side of the transom or, if there is no transom, to the outmost seaboard side at the end of the hull that bears the rudder or other steering mechanism.

(13)(a) Upon receipt by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles of written notice from a wrecker operator who claims a wrecker operator's lien under paragraph ~~(2)(e)~~ or paragraph (2)(d) for recovery, towing, or storage of an abandoned vehicle or vessel upon instructions from any law enforcement agency, for which a certificate of destruction has been issued under subsection (11) and the vehicle has been reported to the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System, the department shall place the name of the registered owner of that vehicle or vessel on the list of those persons who may not be issued a license plate or revalidation sticker for any motor vehicle under s. 320.03(8). If the vehicle or vessel is owned jointly by more than one person, the name of each registered owner shall be placed on the list. The notice of wrecker operator's lien shall be submitted on forms provided by the department, which must include:

1. The name, address, and telephone number of the wrecker operator.
2. The name of the registered owner of the vehicle or vessel and the address to which the wrecker operator provided notice of the lien to the registered owner under subsection (4).
3. A general description of the vehicle or vessel, including its color, make, model, body style, and year.
4. The vehicle identification number (VIN); registration license plate number, state, and year; validation decal number, state, and year; vessel registration number; hull identification number; or other identification number, as applicable.
5. The name of the person or the corresponding law enforcement agency that requested that the vehicle or vessel be recovered, towed, or stored.
6. The amount of the wrecker operator's lien, not to exceed the amount allowed by paragraph (b).

Reviser's note.—Paragraph (4)(d) is amended to confirm the editorial insertion of the word “database” and editorial deletion of the word “databases” to improve clarity. Paragraph (13)(a) is amended to conform to the deletion of referenced paragraph (2)(d) by s. 3, ch. 2005-137, Laws of Florida, and the subsequent redesignation of referenced paragraph (2)(c) as paragraph (2)(d) by s. 75, ch. 2013-160, Laws of Florida.

Section 165. Subsection (1) of section 718.301, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

718.301 Transfer of association control; claims of defect by association.

(1) If unit owners other than the developer own 15 percent or more of the units in a condominium that will be operated ultimately by an association, the unit owners other than the developer are entitled to elect at least one-third of the members of the board of administration of the association. Unit owners other than the developer are entitled to elect at least a majority of the members of the board of administration of an association, upon the first to occur of any of the following events:

(a) Three years after 50 percent of the units that will be operated ultimately by the association have been conveyed to purchasers;

(b) Three months after 90 percent of the units that will be operated ultimately by the association have been conveyed to purchasers;

(c) When all the units that will be operated ultimately by the association have been completed, some of them have been conveyed to purchasers, and none of the others are being offered for sale by the developer in the ordinary course of business;

(d) When some of the units have been conveyed to purchasers and none of the others are being constructed or offered for sale by the developer in the ordinary course of business;

(e) When the developer files a petition seeking protection in bankruptcy;

(f) When a receiver for the developer is appointed by a circuit court and is not discharged within 30 days after such appointment, unless the court determines within 30 days after appointment of the receiver that transfer of control would be detrimental to the association or its members; or

(g) Seven years after the date of the recording of the certificate of a surveyor and mapper pursuant to s. 718.104(4)(e) or the recording of an instrument that transfers title to a unit in the condominium which is not accompanied by a recorded assignment of developer rights in favor of the grantee of such unit, whichever occurs first; or, in the case of an association that may ultimately operate more than one condominium, 7 years after the date of the recording of the certificate of a surveyor and mapper pursuant to s. 718.104(4)(e) or the recording of an instrument that transfers title to a unit which is not accompanied by a recorded assignment of developer rights in favor of the grantee of such unit, whichever occurs first, for the first condominium it operates; or, in the case of an association operating a phase condominium created pursuant to s. 718.403, 7 years after the date of the recording of the certificate of a surveyor and mapper pursuant to s. 718.104(4)(e) or the recording of an instrument that transfers title to a unit which is not accompanied by a recorded assignment of developer rights in favor of the grantee of such unit, whichever occurs first.

The developer is entitled to elect at least one member of the board of administration of an association as long as the developer holds for sale in the ordinary course of business at least 5 percent, in condominiums with fewer

than 500 units, and 2 percent, in condominiums with more than 500 units, of the units in a condominium operated by the association. After the developer relinquishes control of the association, the developer may exercise the right to vote any developer-owned units in the same manner as any other unit owner except for purposes of reacquiring control of the association or selecting the majority members of the board of administration.

Reviser's note.—Reenacted to confirm restoration by the editors of the flush left language at the end of subsection (1). A drafting error in s. 7, ch. 2013-122, Laws of Florida, placed the flush left material of subsection (1) at the end of paragraph (g); the intent was for it to remain flush left text at the end of subsection (1).

Section 166. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 871.015, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

871.015 Unlawful protests.—

(1) As used in this section, the term:

(a) “Funeral or burial” means a service or ceremony offered or provided in connection with the final disposition, memorialization, interment ~~internment~~, entombment, or inurnment of human remains or cremated human remains.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial substitution of the word “interment” for the word “internment” to conform to context.

Section 167. Subsection (8) of section 893.055, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

893.055 Prescription drug monitoring program.—

(8) To assist in fulfilling program responsibilities, performance measures shall be reported annually to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by the department each December 1, ~~beginning in 2011~~. Data that does not contain patient, physician, health care practitioner, prescriber, or dispenser identifying information may be requested during the year by department employees so that the department may undertake public health care and safety initiatives that take advantage of observed trends. Performance measures may include, but are not limited to, efforts to achieve the following outcomes:

(a) Reduction of the rate of inappropriate use of prescription drugs through department education and safety efforts.

(b) Reduction of the quantity of pharmaceutical controlled substances obtained by individuals attempting to engage in fraud and deceit.

(c) Increased coordination among partners participating in the prescription drug monitoring program.

(d) Involvement of stakeholders in achieving improved patient health care and safety and reduction of prescription drug abuse and prescription drug diversion.

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 168. Paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of section 893.1495, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

893.1495 Retail sale of ephedrine and related compounds.—

(5)(a) Any person purchasing, receiving, or otherwise acquiring any nonprescription compound, mixture, or preparation containing any detectable quantity of ephedrine or related compounds must:

1. Be at least 18 years of age.
2. Produce a government-issued photo identification showing his or her name, date of birth, address, and photo identification number or an alternative form of identification acceptable under federal regulation 8 C.F.R. s. 274a.2(b)(1)(v)(A) and (B).
3. Sign his or her name on a record of the purchase, either on paper or on an electronic signature capture device.

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete the words “federal regulation” to provide clarity.

Section 169. Paragraph (c) of subsection (4) of section 943.0585, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

943.0585 Court-ordered expunction of criminal history records.—The courts of this state have jurisdiction over their own procedures, including the maintenance, expunction, and correction of judicial records containing criminal history information to the extent such procedures are not inconsistent with the conditions, responsibilities, and duties established by this section. Any court of competent jurisdiction may order a criminal justice agency to expunge the criminal history record of a minor or an adult who complies with the requirements of this section. The court shall not order a criminal justice agency to expunge a criminal history record until the person seeking to expunge a criminal history record has applied for and received a certificate of eligibility for expunction pursuant to subsection (2). A criminal history record that relates to a violation of s. 393.135, s. 394.4593, s. 787.025, chapter 794, s. 796.03, s. 800.04, s. 810.14, s. 817.034, s. 825.1025, s. 827.071, chapter 839, s. 847.0133, s. 847.0135, s. 847.0145, s. 893.135, s. 916.1075, a violation enumerated in s. 907.041, or any violation specified as a predicate offense for registration as a sexual predator pursuant to s. 775.21, without regard to whether that offense alone is sufficient to require such registration, or for registration as a sexual offender pursuant to s. 943.0435, may not be expunged, without regard to whether adjudication was withheld, if the defendant was found guilty of or pled guilty or nolo contendere to the offense,

or if the defendant, as a minor, was found to have committed, or pled guilty or nolo contendere to committing, the offense as a delinquent act. The court may only order expunction of a criminal history record pertaining to one arrest or one incident of alleged criminal activity, except as provided in this section. The court may, at its sole discretion, order the expunction of a criminal history record pertaining to more than one arrest if the additional arrests directly relate to the original arrest. If the court intends to order the expunction of records pertaining to such additional arrests, such intent must be specified in the order. A criminal justice agency may not expunge any record pertaining to such additional arrests if the order to expunge does not articulate the intention of the court to expunge a record pertaining to more than one arrest. This section does not prevent the court from ordering the expunction of only a portion of a criminal history record pertaining to one arrest or one incident of alleged criminal activity. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a criminal justice agency may comply with laws, court orders, and official requests of other jurisdictions relating to expunction, correction, or confidential handling of criminal history records or information derived therefrom. This section does not confer any right to the expunction of any criminal history record, and any request for expunction of a criminal history record may be denied at the sole discretion of the court.

(4) EFFECT OF CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD EXPUNCTION.—Any criminal history record of a minor or an adult which is ordered expunged by a court of competent jurisdiction pursuant to this section must be physically destroyed or obliterated by any criminal justice agency having custody of such record; except that any criminal history record in the custody of the department must be retained in all cases. A criminal history record ordered expunged that is retained by the department is confidential and exempt from the provisions of s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution and not available to any person or entity except upon order of a court of competent jurisdiction. A criminal justice agency may retain a notation indicating compliance with an order to expunge.

(c) Information relating to the existence of an expunged criminal history record which is provided in accordance with paragraph (a) is confidential and exempt from the provisions of s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution, except that the department shall disclose the existence of a criminal history record ordered expunged to the entities set forth in subparagraphs (a)1., 4., 5., and 6. ~~(a)1., 4., 5., 6., and 7.~~ for their respective licensing, access authorization, and employment purposes, and to criminal justice agencies for their respective criminal justice purposes. It is unlawful for any employee of an entity set forth in subparagraph (a)1., subparagraph (a)4., subparagraph (a)5., ~~or~~ subparagraph (a)6., ~~or~~ subparagraph (a)7. to disclose information relating to the existence of an expunged criminal history record of a person seeking employment, access authorization, or licensure with such entity or contractor, except to the person to whom the criminal history record relates or to persons having direct responsibility for employment, access authorization, or licensure decisions. Any person who violates



this paragraph commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of subparagraph (4)(a)7. by s. 25, ch. 2013-116, Laws of Florida.

Section 170. Subsection (4) of section 943.059, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

943.059 Court-ordered sealing of criminal history records.—The courts of this state shall continue to have jurisdiction over their own procedures, including the maintenance, sealing, and correction of judicial records containing criminal history information to the extent such procedures are not inconsistent with the conditions, responsibilities, and duties established by this section. Any court of competent jurisdiction may order a criminal justice agency to seal the criminal history record of a minor or an adult who complies with the requirements of this section. The court shall not order a criminal justice agency to seal a criminal history record until the person seeking to seal a criminal history record has applied for and received a certificate of eligibility for sealing pursuant to subsection (2). A criminal history record that relates to a violation of s. 393.135, s. 394.4593, s. 787.025, chapter 794, s. 796.03, s. 800.04, s. 810.14, s. 817.034, s. 825.1025, s. 827.071, chapter 839, s. 847.0133, s. 847.0135, s. 847.0145, s. 893.135, s. 916.1075, a violation enumerated in s. 907.041, or any violation specified as a predicate offense for registration as a sexual predator pursuant to s. 775.21, without regard to whether that offense alone is sufficient to require such registration, or for registration as a sexual offender pursuant to s. 943.0435, may not be sealed, without regard to whether adjudication was withheld, if the defendant was found guilty of or pled guilty or nolo contendere to the offense, or if the defendant, as a minor, was found to have committed or pled guilty or nolo contendere to committing the offense as a delinquent act. The court may only order sealing of a criminal history record pertaining to one arrest or one incident of alleged criminal activity, except as provided in this section. The court may, at its sole discretion, order the sealing of a criminal history record pertaining to more than one arrest if the additional arrests directly relate to the original arrest. If the court intends to order the sealing of records pertaining to such additional arrests, such intent must be specified in the order. A criminal justice agency may not seal any record pertaining to such additional arrests if the order to seal does not articulate the intention of the court to seal records pertaining to more than one arrest. This section does not prevent the court from ordering the sealing of only a portion of a criminal history record pertaining to one arrest or one incident of alleged criminal activity. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a criminal justice agency may comply with laws, court orders, and official requests of other jurisdictions relating to sealing, correction, or confidential handling of criminal history records or information derived therefrom. This section does not confer any right to the sealing of any criminal history record, and any request for sealing a criminal history record may be denied at the sole discretion of the court.

(4) EFFECT OF CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD SEALING.—A criminal history record of a minor or an adult which is ordered sealed by a court of competent jurisdiction pursuant to this section is confidential and exempt from the provisions of s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution and is available only to the person who is the subject of the record, to the subject's attorney, to criminal justice agencies for their respective criminal justice purposes, which include conducting a criminal history background check for approval of firearms purchases or transfers as authorized by state or federal law, to judges in the state courts system for the purpose of assisting them in their case-related decisionmaking responsibilities, as set forth in s. 943.053(5), or to those entities set forth in subparagraphs (a)1., 4., 5., and 6. ~~(a)1., 4., 5., 6., and 8.~~ for their respective licensing, access authorization, and employment purposes.

(a) The subject of a criminal history record sealed under this section or under other provisions of law, including former s. 893.14, former s. 901.33, and former s. 943.058, may lawfully deny or fail to acknowledge the arrests covered by the sealed record, except when the subject of the record:

1. Is a candidate for employment with a criminal justice agency;
2. Is a defendant in a criminal prosecution;
3. Concurrently or subsequently petitions for relief under this section, s. 943.0583, or s. 943.0585;
4. Is a candidate for admission to The Florida Bar;
5. Is seeking to be employed or licensed by or to contract with the Department of Children and Families, the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation within the Department of Education, the Agency for Health Care Administration, the Agency for Persons with Disabilities, the Department of Health, the Department of Elderly Affairs, or the Department of Juvenile Justice or to be employed or used by such contractor or licensee in a sensitive position having direct contact with children, the disabled, or the elderly;
6. Is seeking to be employed or licensed by the Department of Education, any district school board, any university laboratory school, any charter school, any private or parochial school, or any local governmental entity that licenses child care facilities; or
7. Is attempting to purchase a firearm from a licensed importer, licensed manufacturer, or licensed dealer and is subject to a criminal history check under state or federal law.

(b) Subject to the exceptions in paragraph (a), a person who has been granted a sealing under this section, former s. 893.14, former s. 901.33, or former s. 943.058 may not be held under any provision of law of this state to commit perjury or to be otherwise liable for giving a false statement by reason of such person's failure to recite or acknowledge a sealed criminal history record.

(c) Information relating to the existence of a sealed criminal record provided in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (a) is confidential and exempt from the provisions of s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution, except that the department shall disclose the sealed criminal history record to the entities set forth in subparagraphs (a)1., 4., 5., and 6. ~~(a) 1., 4., 5., 6., and 8.~~ for their respective licensing, access authorization, and employment purposes. It is unlawful for any employee of an entity set forth in subparagraph (a)1., subparagraph (a)4., subparagraph (a)5., or ~~subparagraph (a)6., or subparagraph (a)8.~~ to disclose information relating to the existence of a sealed criminal history record of a person seeking employment, access authorization, or licensure with such entity or contractor, except to the person to whom the criminal history record relates or to persons having direct responsibility for employment, access authorization, or licensure decisions. Any person who violates the provisions of this paragraph commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of subparagraph (4)(a)8. by s. 26, ch. 2013-116, Laws of Florida.

Section 171. Subsection (5) of section 945.091, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

945.091 Extension of the limits of confinement; restitution by employed inmates.—

(5) The provisions of this section shall not be deemed to authorize any inmate who has been convicted of any murder, manslaughter, sexual battery, robbery, arson, aggravated assault, aggravated battery, kidnapping, escape, breaking and entering with intent to commit a felony, or aircraft piracy, or any attempt to commit the aforementioned crimes, to attend any classes at any Florida College System institution ~~state community college~~ or any university which is a part of the State University System.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform a reference to a state community college to changes in chs. 2008-52 and 2009-228, Laws of Florida, transitioning references from community colleges to Florida College System institutions.

Section 172. Subsection (11) of section 951.23, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

951.23 County and municipal detention facilities; definitions; administration; standards and requirements.—

(11) GANG STATUS OF INMATES.—A county or municipal detention facility may designate an individual to be responsible for assessing whether each current inmate is a criminal gang member or associate using the criteria in s. 874.03. The individual should at least once biweekly transmit

information on inmates believed to be a criminal gang members ~~member~~ or associates ~~associate~~ to the arresting law enforcement agency.

Reviser's note.—Amended to provide clarity and facilitate correct interpretation.

Section 173. Paragraph (a) of subsection (21) of section 1002.20, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1002.20 K-12 student and parent rights.—Parents of public school students must receive accurate and timely information regarding their child's academic progress and must be informed of ways they can help their child to succeed in school. K-12 students and their parents are afforded numerous statutory rights including, but not limited to, the following:

(21) PARENTAL INPUT AND MEETINGS.—

(a) *Meetings with school district personnel.*—Parents of public school students may be accompanied by another adult of their choice at any meeting with school district personnel. School district personnel may not object to the attendance of such adult or discourage or attempt to discourage, through any action, statement, or other means, parents from inviting another person of their choice to attend any meeting. Such prohibited actions include, but are not limited to, attempted or actual coercion or harassment of parents or students or retaliation or threats of consequences to parents or students.

1. Such meetings include, but ~~not~~ are not limited to, meetings related to: the eligibility for exceptional student education or related services; the development of an individual family support plan (IFSP); the development of an individual education plan (IEP); the development of a 504 accommodation plan issued under s. 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; the transition of a student from early intervention services to other services; the development of postsecondary goals for a student and the transition services needed to reach those goals; and other issues that may affect a student's educational environment, discipline, or placement.

2. The parents and school district personnel attending the meeting shall sign a document at the meeting's conclusion which states whether any school district personnel have prohibited, discouraged, or attempted to discourage the parents from inviting a person of their choice to the meeting.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial deletion of the word "not."

Section 174. Paragraph (g) of subsection (4) of section 1002.34, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1002.34 Charter technical career centers.—

(4) CHARTER.—A sponsor may designate centers as provided in this section. An application to establish a center may be submitted by a sponsor or

another organization that is determined, by rule of the State Board of Education, to be appropriate. However, an independent school is not eligible for status as a center. The charter must be signed by the governing body of the center and the sponsor and must be approved by the district school board and Florida College System institution board of trustees in whose geographic region the facility is located. If a charter technical career center is established by the conversion to charter status of a public technical center formerly governed by a district school board, the charter status of that center takes precedence in any question of governance. The governance of the center or of any program within the center remains with its board of directors unless the board agrees to a change in governance or its charter is revoked as provided in subsection (15). Such a conversion charter technical career center is not affected by a change in the governance of public technical centers or of programs within other centers that are or have been governed by district school boards. A charter technical career center, or any program within such a center, that was governed by a district school board and transferred to a Florida College System institution prior to the effective date of this act is not affected by this provision. An applicant who wishes to establish a center must submit to the district school board or Florida College System institution board of trustees, or a consortium of one or more of each, an application on a form developed by the Department of Education which includes:

(g) A method for determining whether a student has satisfied the requirements for graduation specified in s. 1003.428 ~~or s. 1003.429~~ and for completion of a postsecondary certificate or degree.

Students at a center must meet the same testing and academic performance standards as those established by law and rule for students at public schools and public technical centers. The students must also meet any additional assessment indicators that are included within the charter approved by the district school board or Florida College System institution board of trustees.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 1003.429 by s. 20, ch. 2013-27, Laws of Florida.

Section 175. Subsection (5) of section 1002.41, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1002.41 Home education programs.—

(5) Home education students may participate in the Bright Futures Scholarship Program in accordance with the provisions of ss. 1009.53-1009.538 ~~1009.53-1009.539~~.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 1009.539 by s. 1, ch. 2003-89, Laws of Florida.

Section 176. Paragraph (e) of subsection (1) of section 1002.45, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1002.45 Virtual instruction programs.—

## (1) PROGRAM.—

## (e) Each school district shall:

1. Provide to the department by ~~October 1, 2011, and by each~~ October 1 thereafter, a copy of each contract and the amounts paid per unweighted full-time equivalent student for services procured pursuant to subparagraphs (c) 1. and 2.

2. Expend the difference in funds provided for a student participating in the school district virtual instruction program pursuant to subsection (7) and the price paid for contracted services procured pursuant to subparagraphs (c) 1. and 2. for the district's local instructional improvement system pursuant to s. 1006.281 or other technological tools that are required to access electronic and digital instructional materials.

3. At the end of each fiscal year, but no later than September 1, report to the department an itemized list of the technological tools purchased with these funds.

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete an obsolete provision.

Section 177. Subsection (12) of section 1002.83, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

## 1002.83 Early learning coalitions.—

(12) State, federal, and local matching funds provided to the early learning coalitions may not be used directly or indirectly to pay for meals, food, or beverages for coalition members, coalition employees, or ~~for~~ subcontractor employees. Preapproved, reasonable, and necessary per diem allowances and travel expenses may be reimbursed. Such reimbursement shall be at the standard travel reimbursement rates established in s. 112.061 and must comply with applicable federal and state requirements.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial deletion of the word “for” to improve clarity.

Section 178. Subsection (20) of section 1002.84, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1002.84 Early learning coalitions; school readiness powers and duties. Each early learning coalition shall:

(20) To increase transparency and accountability, comply with the requirements of this section before contracting with a member of the coalition or a relative, as defined in s. 112.3143(1)(c) ~~112.3143(1)(b)~~, of a coalition member or of an employee of the coalition. Such contracts may not be executed without the approval of the office. Such contracts, as well as documentation demonstrating adherence to this section by the coalition, must be approved by a two-thirds vote of the coalition, a quorum having been

established; all conflicts of interest must be disclosed before the vote; and any member who may benefit from the contract, or whose relative may benefit from the contract, must abstain from the vote. A contract under \$25,000 between an early learning coalition and a member of that coalition or between a relative, as defined in s. 112.3143(1)(c) ~~112.3143(1)(b)~~, of a coalition member or of an employee of the coalition is not required to have the prior approval of the office but must be approved by a two-thirds vote of the coalition, a quorum having been established, and must be reported to the office within 30 days after approval. If a contract cannot be approved by the office, a review of the decision to disapprove the contract may be requested by the early learning coalition or other parties to the disapproved contract.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the redesignation of s. 112.3143(1)(b) as s. 112.3143(1)(c) by s. 6, ch. 2013-36, Laws of Florida.

Section 179. Subsection (7) of section 1002.89, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1002.89 School readiness program; funding.—

(7) Funds appropriated for the school readiness program may not be expended for the purchase or improvement of land; for the purchase, construction, or permanent improvement of any building or facility; or for the purchase of buses. However, funds may be expended for minor remodeling and upgrading of child care facilities to ensure that providers meet state and local child care standards, including applicable health and safety requirements.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial insertion of the word “of” to improve clarity.

Section 180. Subsection (1) of section 1003.49, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1003.49 Graduation and promotion requirements for publicly operated schools.—

(1) Each state or local public agency, including the Department of Children and Family Services, the Department of Corrections, the boards of trustees of universities and Florida College System institutions, and the Board of Trustees of the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, which agency is authorized to operate educational programs for students at any level of grades kindergarten through 12 shall be subject to all applicable requirements of ss. 1003.428, ~~1003.429~~, 1008.23, and 1008.25. Within the content of these cited statutes each such state or local public agency or entity shall be considered a “district school board.”

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 1003.429 by s. 20, ch. 2013-27, Laws of Florida.

Section 181. Paragraph (a) of subsection (12) of section 1003.52, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1003.52 Educational services in Department of Juvenile Justice programs.—

(12)(a) Funding for eligible students enrolled in juvenile justice education programs shall be provided through the Florida Education Finance Program as provided in s. 1011.62 and the General Appropriations Act. Funding shall include, at a minimum:

1. Weighted program funding or the basic amount for current operation multiplied by the district cost differential as provided in s. ~~1011.62(1)(t)~~ 1011.62(1)(s) and (2);

2. The supplemental allocation for juvenile justice education as provided in s. 1011.62(10);

3. A proportionate share of the district's exceptional student education guaranteed allocation, the supplemental academic instruction allocation, and the instructional materials allocation;

4. An amount equivalent to the proportionate share of the state average potential discretionary local effort for operations, which shall be determined as follows:

a. If the district levies the maximum discretionary local effort and the district's discretionary local effort per FTE is less than the state average potential discretionary local effort per FTE, the proportionate share shall include both the discretionary local effort and the compression supplement per FTE. If the district's discretionary local effort per FTE is greater than the state average per FTE, the proportionate share shall be equal to the state average; or

b. If the district does not levy the maximum discretionary local effort and the district's actual discretionary local effort per FTE is less than the state average potential discretionary local effort per FTE, the proportionate share shall be equal to the district's actual discretionary local effort per FTE. If the district's actual discretionary local effort per FTE is greater than the state average per FTE, the proportionate share shall be equal to the state average potential local effort per FTE; and

5. A proportionate share of the district's proration to funds available, if necessary.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the redesignation of s. 1011.62(1)(s) as s. 1011.62(1)(t) by s. 39, ch. 2013-27, Laws of Florida.

Section 182. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 1006.15, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:



1006.15 Student standards for participation in interscholastic and intrascholastic extracurricular student activities; regulation.—

(3)(a) To be eligible to participate in interscholastic extracurricular student activities, a student must:

1. Maintain a grade point average of 2.0 or above on a 4.0 scale, or its equivalent, in the previous semester or a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or above on a 4.0 scale, or its equivalent, in the courses required by s. 1003.428 ~~or s. 1003.429~~.

2. Execute and fulfill the requirements of an academic performance contract between the student, the district school board, the appropriate governing association, and the student's parents, if the student's cumulative grade point average falls below 2.0, or its equivalent, on a 4.0 scale in the courses required by s. 1003.428 ~~or s. 1003.429~~. At a minimum, the contract must require that the student attend summer school, or its graded equivalent, between grades 9 and 10 or grades 10 and 11, as necessary.

3. Have a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or above on a 4.0 scale, or its equivalent, in the courses required by s. 1003.428 ~~or s. 1003.429~~ during his or her junior or senior year.

4. Maintain satisfactory conduct, including adherence to appropriate dress and other codes of student conduct policies described in s. 1006.07(2). If a student is convicted of, or is found to have committed, a felony or a delinquent act that would have been a felony if committed by an adult, regardless of whether adjudication is withheld, the student's participation in interscholastic extracurricular activities is contingent upon established and published district school board policy.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the repeal of s. 1003.429 by s. 20, ch. 2013-27, Laws of Florida.

Section 183. Subsections (4) and (5) of section 1006.282, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

1006.282 Pilot program for the transition to electronic and digital instructional materials.—

(4) By August 1 of each year, ~~beginning in 2011~~, the school board must report to the Department of Education the school or schools in its district which have been designated as pilot program schools. The department shall publish the list of pilot program schools on the department's Internet website. The report must include:

(a) The name of the pilot program school, the contact person and contact person information, and the grade or grades and associated course or courses included in the pilot program school.

(b) A description of the type of technological tool or tools that will be used to access the electronic or digital instructional materials included in the pilot program school, whether district-owned or student-owned.

(c) The projected costs and funding sources, which must include cost savings or cost avoidances, associated with the pilot program.

(5) By September 1 of each year, ~~beginning in 2012~~, each school board that has a designated pilot program school shall provide to the Department of Education, the Executive Office of the Governor, and the chairs of the appropriations committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives a review of the pilot program schools which must include, but need not be limited to:

- (a) Successful practices;
- (b) The average amount of online Internet time needed by a student to access and use the school's electronic or digital instructional materials;
- (c) Lessons learned;
- (d) The level of investment and cost-effectiveness; and
- (e) Impacts on student performance.

Reviser's note.—Amended to delete obsolete provisions.

Section 184. Paragraph (b) of subsection (5) of section 1006.73, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1006.73 Florida Virtual Campus.—

- (5) The Florida Virtual Campus shall:
  - (b) Develop and manage a statewide Internet-based catalog of distance learning courses, degree programs, and resources offered by public post-secondary education institutions which is intended to assist in the coordination and collaboration of articulation and access pursuant to parts II and III of chapter 1007. The campus shall establish operational guidelines and procedures for the catalog which must:
    1. Require participating institutions to provide information concerning the distance learning course or degree program to include course number and classification of instructional programs number and information on the availability of the course or degree program; the type of required technology; any prerequisite course or technology competency or skill; the availability of academic support services and financial aid resources; and course costs, fees, and payment policies.
    2. Require that distance learning courses and degree programs meet applicable accreditation standards and criteria.

3. Require that, at a minimum, the catalog is reviewed at the start of each academic semester to ensure that distance learning courses and degree programs comply with all operational guidelines and procedures.

4. Define and describe the catalog's search and retrieval options that, at a minimum, will allow users to search by academic term or course start date; institution, multiple institutions, or all institutions; and course or program delivery method, course type, course availability, subject or discipline, and course number or classification of instructional programs number.

5. Use an Internet-based analytic tool that allows for the collection and analysis of data, including, but not limited to:

a. The number and type of students who use the catalog to search for distance learning courses and degree programs.

b. The number and type of requests for information on distance learning courses and degree programs that are not listed in the catalog.

c. A summary of specific requests by course type or course number, delivery method, offering institution, and semester.

6. Periodically obtain and analyze data from the Florida College System and the State University System concerning:

a. Costs of distance learning courses and degree programs.

b. Completion, graduation, and retention rates of students enrolled in distance learning courses ~~course~~ and degree programs.

c. Distance learning course completion.

Reviser's note.—Amended to confirm the editorial substitution of the word "courses" for the word "course" to improve clarity.

Section 185. Subsection (2) of section 1008.44, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1008.44 Industry certifications; Industry Certification Funding List and Postsecondary Industry Certification Funding List.—

(2) The State Board of Education shall approve, at least annually, the Postsecondary Industry Certification Funding List pursuant to this section. The commissioner shall recommend, at least annually, the Postsecondary Industry Certification Funding List to the State Board of Education and may at any time recommend adding certifications. The Chancellor of the State University System, the Chancellor of the Florida College System, and the Chancellor of Career and Adult Education shall work with local workforce boards, other postsecondary institutions, businesses, and industry to identify, create, and recommend to the commissioner industry certifications to be placed on the funding list. The list shall be used to determine annual

performance funding distributions to school districts or Florida College System institutions as specified in ss. 1011.80 and 1011.81, respectively. The chancellors shall review results of the economic security report of employment and earning outcomes produced annually pursuant to s. 445.07 ~~445.007~~ when determining recommended certifications for the list, as well as other reports and indicators available regarding certification needs.

Reviser's note.—Amended to correct a reference to conform to context.

Section 445.07 relates to the economic security report of employment and earning outcomes. Section 445.007 relates to regional workforce boards.

Section 186. Subsection (3) of section 1009.22, Florida Statutes, is reenacted and amended to read:

1009.22 Workforce education postsecondary student fees.—

(3)(a) Except as otherwise provided by law, fees for students who are nonresidents for tuition purposes must offset the full cost of instruction. Residency of students shall be determined as required in s. 1009.21. Fee-nonexempt students enrolled in applied academics for adult education instruction shall be charged fees equal to the fees charged for adult general education programs. Each Florida College System institution that conducts developmental education and applied academics for adult education instruction in the same class section may charge a single fee for both types of instruction.

(b) Fees for continuing workforce education shall be locally determined by the district school board or Florida College System institution board. Expenditures for the continuing workforce education program provided by the Florida College System institution or school district must be fully supported by fees. Enrollments in continuing workforce education courses may not be counted for purposes of funding full-time equivalent enrollment.

(c) ~~Effective July 1, 2011,~~ For programs leading to a career certificate or an applied technology diploma, the standard tuition shall be \$2.22 per contact hour for residents and nonresidents and the out-of-state fee shall be \$6.66 per contact hour. For adult general education programs, a block tuition of \$45 per half year or \$30 per term shall be assessed for residents and nonresidents, and the out-of-state fee shall be \$135 per half year or \$90 per term. Each district school board and Florida College System institution board of trustees shall adopt policies and procedures for the collection of and accounting for the expenditure of the block tuition. All funds received from the block tuition shall be used only for adult general education programs. Students enrolled in adult general education programs may not be assessed the fees authorized in subsection (5), subsection (6), or subsection (7).

(d) ~~Beginning with the 2008-2009 fiscal year and each year thereafter,~~ The tuition and the out-of-state fee per contact hour shall increase at the beginning of each fall semester at a rate equal to inflation, unless otherwise

provided in the General Appropriations Act. The Office of Economic and Demographic Research shall report the rate of inflation to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Governor, and the State Board of Education each year prior to March 1. For purposes of this paragraph, the rate of inflation shall be defined as the rate of the 12-month percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, U.S. City Average, All Items, or successor reports as reported by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, or its successor for December of the previous year. In the event the percentage change is negative, the tuition and out-of-state fee shall remain at the same level as the prior fiscal year.

(e) Each district school board and each Florida College System institution board of trustees may adopt tuition and out-of-state fees that may vary no more than 5 percent below and 5 percent above the combined total of the standard tuition and out-of-state fees established in paragraph (c).

~~(f) The maximum increase in resident tuition for any school district or Florida College System institution during the 2007-2008 fiscal year shall be 5 percent over the tuition charged during the 2006-2007 fiscal year.~~

~~(f)(g)~~ The State Board of Education may adopt, by rule, the definitions and procedures that district school boards and Florida College System institution boards of trustees shall use in the calculation of cost borne by students.

Reviser's note.—Section 54, ch. 2013-27, Laws of Florida, purported to amend subsection (3) but did not publish paragraphs (b)-(g). Absent affirmative evidence of legislative intent to repeal paragraphs (b)-(g), subsection (3) is reenacted to confirm that the omission was not intended. Paragraphs (c), (d), and (f) are amended to delete obsolete provisions.

Section 187. Subsection (1) of section 1011.61, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1011.61 Definitions.—Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 1000.21, the following terms are defined as follows for the purposes of the Florida Education Finance Program:

(1) A “full-time equivalent student” in each program of the district is defined in terms of full-time students and part-time students as follows:

(a) A “full-time student” is one student on the membership roll of one school program or a combination of school programs listed in s. 1011.62(1)(c) for the school year or the equivalent for:

1. Instruction in a standard school, comprising not less than 900 net hours for a student in or at the grade level of 4 through 12, or not less than 720 net hours for a student in or at the grade level of kindergarten through grade 3 or in an authorized prekindergarten exceptional program;

2. Instruction in a double-session school or a school utilizing an experimental school calendar approved by the Department of Education, comprising not less than the equivalent of 810 net hours in grades 4 through 12 or not less than 630 net hours in kindergarten through grade 3; or

3. Instruction comprising the appropriate number of net hours set forth in subparagraph 1. or subparagraph 2. for students who, within the past year, have moved with their parents for the purpose of engaging in the farm labor or fish industries, if a plan furnishing such an extended school day or week, or a combination thereof, has been approved by the commissioner. Such plan may be approved to accommodate the needs of migrant students only or may serve all students in schools having a high percentage of migrant students. The plan described in this subparagraph is optional for any school district and is not mandated by the state.

(b) A “part-time student” is a student on the active membership roll of a school program or combination of school programs listed in s. 1011.62(1)(c) who is less than a full-time student.

(c)1. A “full-time equivalent student” is:

a. A full-time student in any one of the programs listed in s. 1011.62(1)(c);  
or

b. A combination of full-time or part-time students in any one of the programs listed in s. 1011.62(1)(c) which is the equivalent of one full-time student based on the following calculations:

(I) A full-time student in a combination of programs listed in s. 1011.62(1)(c) shall be a fraction of a full-time equivalent membership in each special program equal to the number of net hours per school year for which he or she is a member, divided by the appropriate number of hours set forth in subparagraph (a)1. or subparagraph (a)2. The difference between that fraction or sum of fractions and the maximum value as set forth in subsection (4) for each full-time student is presumed to be the balance of the student’s time not spent in a special program and shall be recorded as time in the appropriate basic program.

(II) A prekindergarten student with a disability shall meet the requirements specified for kindergarten students.

(III) A full-time equivalent student for students in kindergarten through grade 12 in a full-time virtual instruction program under s. 1002.45 or a virtual charter school under s. 1002.33 shall consist of six full-credit completions or the prescribed level of content that counts toward promotion to the next grade in programs listed in s. 1011.62(1)(c). Credit completions may be a combination of full-credit courses or half-credit courses. Beginning in the 2016-2017 fiscal year, the reported full-time equivalent students and associated funding of students enrolled in courses requiring passage of an end-of-course assessment under s. 1003.4282 to earn a standard high school

diploma shall be adjusted if the student does not pass the end-of-course assessment. However, no adjustment shall be made for a student who enrolls in a segmented remedial course delivered online.

(IV) A full-time equivalent student for students in kindergarten through grade 12 in a part-time virtual instruction program under s. 1002.45 shall consist of six full-credit completions in programs listed in s. 1011.62(1)(c)1. and 3. Credit completions may be a combination of full-credit courses or half-credit courses. Beginning in the 2016-2017 fiscal year, the reported full-time equivalent students and associated funding of students enrolled in courses requiring passage of an end-of-course assessment under s. 1003.4282 to earn a standard high school diploma shall be adjusted if the student does not pass the end-of-course assessment. However, no adjustment shall be made for a student who enrolls in a segmented remedial course delivered online.

(V) A Florida Virtual School full-time equivalent student shall consist of six full-credit completions or the prescribed level of content that counts toward promotion to the next grade in the programs listed in s. 1011.62(1)(c) 1. and 3. for students participating in kindergarten through grade 12 part-time virtual instruction and the programs listed in s. 1011.62(1)(c) for students participating in kindergarten through grade 12 full-time virtual instruction. Credit completions may be a combination of full-credit courses or half-credit courses. Beginning in the 2016-2017 fiscal year, the reported full-time equivalent students and associated funding of students enrolled in courses requiring passage of an end-of-course assessment under s. 1003.4282 to earn a standard high school diploma shall be adjusted if the student does not pass the end-of-course assessment. However, no adjustment shall be made for a student who enrolls in a segmented remedial course delivered online.

(VI) Each successfully completed full-credit course earned through an online course delivered by a district other than the one in which the student resides shall be calculated as  $\frac{1}{6}$  FTE.

(VII) A full-time equivalent student for courses requiring passage of a statewide, standardized end-of-course assessment under s. 1003.4282 to earn a standard high school diploma shall be defined and reported based on the number of instructional hours as provided in this subsection until the 2016-2017 fiscal year. Beginning in the 2016-2017 fiscal year, the FTE for the course shall be assessment-based and shall be equal to  $\frac{1}{6}$  FTE. The reported FTE shall be adjusted if the student does not pass the end-of-course assessment. However, no adjustment shall be made for a student who enrolls in a segmented remedial course delivered online.

(VIII) For students enrolled in a school district as a full-time student, the district may report  $\frac{1}{6}$  FTE for each student who passes a statewide, standardized end-of-course assessment without being enrolled in the corresponding course.

2. A student in membership in a program scheduled for more or less than 180 school days or the equivalent on an hourly basis as specified by rules of the State Board of Education is a fraction of a full-time equivalent membership equal to the number of instructional hours in membership divided by the appropriate number of hours set forth in subparagraph (a)1.; however, for the purposes of this subparagraph, membership in programs scheduled for more than 180 days is limited to students enrolled in:

- a. Juvenile justice education programs.
- b. The Florida Virtual School.
- c. Virtual instruction programs and virtual charter schools for the purpose of course completion and credit recovery pursuant to ss. 1002.45 and 1003.498. Course completion applies only to a student who is reported during the second or third membership surveys and who does not complete a virtual education course by the end of the regular school year. The course must be completed no later than the deadline for amending the final student enrollment survey for that year. Credit recovery applies only to a student who has unsuccessfully completed a traditional or virtual education course during the regular school year and must re-take the course in order to be eligible to graduate with the student's class.

~~3.—The department shall determine and implement an equitable method of equivalent funding for experimental schools and for schools operating under emergency conditions, which schools have been approved by the department to operate for less than the minimum school day.~~

The full-time equivalent student enrollment calculated under this subsection is subject to the requirements in subsection (4).

The department shall determine and implement an equitable method of equivalent funding for experimental schools and for schools operating under emergency conditions, which schools have been approved by the department to operate for less than the minimum school day.

Reviser's note.—Amended to correct an editorial error. The flush left language at the end of subsection (1) was redesignated as subparagraph (1)(c)3. by s. 18, ch. 2013-45, Laws of Florida, and it appeared there in the 2013 edition of the Florida Statutes but was erroneously repeated at the end of the subsection.

Section 188. Subsection (10) of section 1011.80, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1011.80 Funds for operation of workforce education programs.—

(10) A high school student dually enrolled under s. 1007.271 in a workforce education program operated by a Florida College System institution or school district career center generates the amount calculated for workforce education funding, including any payment of performance



funding, and the proportional share of full-time equivalent enrollment generated through the Florida Education Finance Program for the student's enrollment in a high school. If a high school student is dually enrolled in a Florida College System institution program, including a program conducted at a high school, the Florida College System institution earns the funds generated for workforce education funding, and the school district earns the proportional share of full-time equivalent funding from the Florida Education Finance Program. If a student is dually enrolled in a career center operated by the same district as the district in which the student attends high school, that district earns the funds generated for workforce education funding and also earns the proportional share of full-time equivalent funding from the Florida Education Finance Program. If a student is dually enrolled in a workforce education program provided by a career center operated by a different school district, the funds must be divided between the two school districts proportionally from the two funding sources. A student may not be reported for funding in a dual enrollment workforce education program unless the student has completed the basic skills assessment pursuant to s. 1004.91. A student who is coenrolled in a K-12 education program and an adult education program may be reported for purposes of funding in an adult education program. If a student is coenrolled in core curricula courses for credit recovery or dropout prevention purposes and does not have a pattern of excessive absenteeism or habitual truancy or a history of disruptive behavior in school, the student may be reported for funding for up to two courses per year. Such a student is exempt from the payment of the block tuition for adult general education programs provided in s. ~~1009.22(3)(c)~~ 1009.22(3)(d). The Department of Education shall develop a list of courses to be designated as core curricula courses for the purposes of coenrollment.

Reviser's note.—Amended to correct a reference to conform to context.

An amendment by s. 58, ch. 2013-27, Laws of Florida, added the reference to s. 1009.22(3)(d); material concerning payment of block tuition for adult general education programs is in s. 1009.22(3)(c).

Section 189. Subsection (8) of section 1013.12, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1013.12 Casualty, safety, sanitation, and firesafety standards and inspection of property.—

(8) ADDITIONAL STANDARDS.—In addition to any other rules adopted under this section or s. ~~633.206~~ 633.022, the State Fire Marshal in consultation with the Department of Education shall adopt and administer rules prescribing the following standards for the safety and health of occupants of educational and ancillary plants:

(a) The designation of serious life-safety hazards, including, but not limited to, nonfunctional fire alarm systems, nonfunctional fire sprinkler systems, doors with padlocks or other locks or devices that preclude egress at any time, inadequate exits, hazardous electrical system conditions, potential structural failure, and storage conditions that create a fire hazard.

(b) The proper placement of functional smoke and heat detectors and accessible, unexpired fire extinguishers.

(c) The maintenance of fire doors without doorstops or wedges improperly holding them open.

Reviser's note.—Amended to conform to the transfer of s. 633.022 to s. 633.206 by s. 23, ch. 2013-183, Laws of Florida.

Section 190. This act shall take effect on the 60th day after adjournment sine die of the session of the Legislature in which enacted.

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