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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Regulated Industries (Dean) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment

Delete lines 376 - 426

and insert:

Section 6. Section 482.157, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

482.157 Limited certification for commercial wildlife management personnel.-

(1) The department shall establish a limited certification category for individual commercial wildlife management personnel

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12	which authorizes the personnel to use nonchemical methods for
13	controlling pest birds or rodents, including, but not limited
14	to, the use of traps, glue boards, mechanical or electronic
15	devices, or exclusionary techniques.
16	(2) A person seeking limited certification under this
17	section must pass an examination administered by the department.
18	An application for examination must be accompanied by an
19	examination fee set by rule of the department of at least \$150
20	but not to exceed \$300. The department shall provide the
21	appropriate reference materials for the examination and make the
22	examination readily available to applicants at least quarterly
23	or as often as necessary in each county. Before the department
24	issues a limited certification under this section, the person
25	applying for certification must furnish proof that he or she
26	holds a certificate of insurance stating that his or her
27	employer meets the requirements for minimum financial
28	responsibility in s. 482.071(4).
29	(3) An application for recertification under this section
30	must be submitted biennially and must be accompanied by a
31	recertification fee set by rule of the department of at least
32	\$150 but not to exceed \$300. The application must also be
33	accompanied by proof that:
34	(a) The applicant completed 4 classroom hours of acceptable
35	continuing education.
36	(b) The applicant holds a certificate of insurance stating
37	that his or her employer meets the requirements for minimum
38	financial responsibility in s. 482.071(4).
39	(4) The department shall establish a grace period, not to
40	exceed 30 calendar days after a biennial date established by the
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41	department on which recertification is due. The department shall
42	assess a late charge of \$50, in addition to the recertification
43	fee, to commercial wildlife management personnel who are
44	recertified after the grace period.
45	(5) A limited certification automatically expires 180
46	calendar days after the biennial date on which recertification
47	is due unless the commercial wildlife personnel are recertified
48	before the certification expires. Once a certification expires,
49	certification may be issued only upon successful reexamination
50	and payment of the examination fees.
51	(6) Certification under this section does not authorize:
52	(a) Use of any pesticide or chemical substance, other than
53	adhesive materials, to control pest birds, rodents, or other
54	nuisance wildlife in, on, or under a structure.
55	(b) Operation of a pest control business.
56	(c) Supervision of a certified person.