A bill to be entitled 1 2 An act relating to the consumer services functions of the 3 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; amending 4 s. 493.6105, F.S.; revising the application requirements 5 and procedures for certain private investigative, private 6 security, recovery agent, firearm, and firearms instructor 7 licenses; amending s. 493.6106, F.S.; revising citizenship 8 requirements for licenses issued by the department; 9 prohibiting the licensure of applicants for a statewide 10 firearm license or firearms instructor license who are 11 prohibited from purchasing or possessing firearms; requiring that private investigative, security, and 12 13 recovery agencies notify the Department of Agriculture and 14 Consumer Services of changes to their branch office 15 locations; amending s. 493.6107, F.S.; revising 16 requirements for the method of payment of certain fees; 17 amending s. 493.6108, F.S.; revising requirements for criminal history checks of license applicants whose 18 19 fingerprints are not legible; requiring the department to investigate the mental history and current mental and 20 21 emotional fitness of applicants for firearms instructor 22 licenses; amending s. 493.6111, F.S.; revising the 23 validity period for firearms instructor licenses; 24 requiring a security officer school or recovery agent 25 school to obtain the department's approval for use of a 26 fictitious name; specifying that a licensee may not 27 conduct business under more than one fictitious name; 28 amending s. 493.6113, F.S.; revising application renewal

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procedures and requirements; revising the documentation required for renewal of private investigative agency, recovery agency, and firearms instructor licenses; amending s. 493.6115, F.S.; conforming cross-references; amending s. 493.6118, F.S.; authorizing disciplinary action against statewide firearm licensees and firearms instructor licensees who are prohibited from purchasing or possessing firearms; amending s. 493.6121, F.S.; deleting provisions for the department's access to certain criminal history records provided to licensed gun dealers, manufacturers, and exporters; amending s. 493.6202, F.S.; revising requirements for the method of payment of certain fees; amending s. 493.6203, F.S.; prohibiting bodyquard services from being credited toward certain license requirements; revising the training requirements for private investigator intern license applicants; requiring the automatic suspension of an intern's license under certain circumstances; providing an exception; amending s. 493.6302, F.S.; revising requirements for the method of payment of certain fees; amending s. 493.6303, F.S.; revising the training requirements for security officer license applicants; amending s. 493.6304, F.S.; revising application requirements and procedures for security officer school licenses; amending s. 501.145, F.S.; deleting authority for the department to bring actions for injunctive relief under the Bedding Label Act; deleting the definitions of certain terms to conform; amending s. 525.01, F.S.; revising requirements for petroleum fuel

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affidavits; amending s. 526.06, F.S.; revising prohibited acts related to certain mixing, blending, compounding, or adulterating of liquid fuels; deleting certain provisions authorizing the sale of ethanol-blended fuels for use in motor vehicles; amending s. 526.203, F.S.; revising the definition of "blended gasoline" for purposes of renewable fuel standards; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 493.6105, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

493.6105 Initial application for license.-

- (1) Each individual, partner, or principal officer in a corporation, shall file with the department a complete application accompanied by an application fee not to exceed \$60, except that the applicant for a Class "D" or Class "G" license is shall not be required to submit an application fee. The application fee is shall not be refundable.
- (a) The application submitted by any individual, partner, or corporate officer <u>must</u> shall be approved by the department <u>before the</u> prior to that individual, partner, or corporate officer <u>assumes</u> assuming his or her duties.
- (b) Individuals who invest in the ownership of a licensed agency, but do not participate in, direct, or control the operations of the agency <u>are shall</u> not be required to file an application.
 - (2) Each application $\underline{\text{must}}$ $\underline{\text{shall}}$ be signed $\underline{\text{and verified}}$ by Page 3 of 23

the individual under oath <u>as provided in s. 92.525</u> and shall be notarized.

- (3) The application <u>must</u> shall contain the following information concerning the individual signing the application same:
 - (a) Name and any aliases.
 - (b) Age and date of birth.
 - (c) Place of birth.

- (d) Social security number or alien registration number, whichever is applicable.
- (e) <u>Current Present</u> residence address <u>and mailing address</u> and his or her residence addresses within the 5 years immediately preceding the submission of the application.
- (f) Occupations held presently and within the 5 years immediately preceding the submission of the application.
- (f)(g) A statement of all criminal convictions, findings of guilt, and pleas of guilty or nolo contendere, regardless of adjudication of guilt. If the application is submitted for a Class "G" or Class "K" license by an applicant who is younger than 24 years of age, the application must also include a statement of all findings of the applicant having committed a delinquent act in any state, territory, or country which was punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding 1 year and which would, if committed by an adult, have been a felony.
- (g) One passport-type color photograph taken within the 6 months immediately preceding submission of the application.
- (h) A statement whether he or she has ever been adjudicated incompetent under chapter 744.

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(i) A statement whether he or she has ever been committed to a mental institution under chapter 394.

- (j) A full set of fingerprints on a card provided by the department and a fingerprint fee to be established by rule of the department based upon costs determined by state and federal agency charges and department processing costs. An applicant who has, within the immediately preceding 6 months, submitted a fingerprint card and fee for licensing purposes under this chapter shall not be required to submit another fingerprint card or fee.
- (k) A personal inquiry waiver which allows the department to conduct necessary investigations to satisfy the requirements of this chapter.
- (1) Such further facts as may be required by the department to show that the individual signing the application is of good moral character and qualified by experience and training to satisfy the requirements of this chapter.
- (4) In addition to the application requirements outlined in subsection (3), the applicant for a Class "C," Class "CC," Class "E," Class "EE," or Class "G" license shall submit two color photographs taken within the 6 months immediately preceding the submission of the application, which meet specifications prescribed by rule of the department. All other applicants shall submit one photograph taken within the 6 months immediately preceding the submission of the application.
- $\underline{(4)}$ (5) In addition to the application requirements outlined under subsection (3), the applicant for a Class "C," Class "E," Class "M," Class "MA," Class "MB," or Class "MR"

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license shall include a statement on a form provided by the department of the experience which he or she believes will qualify him or her for such license.

- (5) (6) In addition to the requirements outlined in subsection (3), an applicant for a Class "G" license shall satisfy minimum training criteria for firearms established by rule of the department, which training criteria shall include, but is not limited to, 28 hours of range and classroom training taught and administered by a Class "K" licensee; however, no more than 8 hours of such training shall consist of range training. If the applicant can show proof that he or she is an active law enforcement officer currently certified under the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission or has completed the training required for that certification within the last 12 months, or if the applicant submits one of the certificates specified in paragraph (6)(a) (7)(a), the department may waive the foregoing firearms training requirement.
- $\underline{(6)}$ (7) In addition to the requirements under subsection (3), an applicant for a Class "K" license shall:
 - (a) Submit one of the following certificates:
- 1. The Florida Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission <u>Instructor</u> <u>Firearms Instructor's</u> Certificate <u>and</u> <u>written confirmation by the commission that the applicant possesses an active firearms certification.</u>
- 2. The National Rifle Association Police Firearms
 Instructor's Certificate.
 - 2.3. The National Rifle Association Private Security

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Firearm Instructor Firearms Instructor's Certificate.

- 3.4. A firearms <u>instructor</u> instructor's certificate <u>issued</u> by from a federal <u>law enforcement agency</u>, state, county, or municipal police academy in this state recognized as such by the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission or by the Department of Education.
- (b) Pay the fee for and pass an examination administered by the department which shall be based upon, but is not necessarily limited to, a firearms instruction manual provided by the department.
- $\underline{(7)}$ (8) In addition to the application requirements for individuals, partners, or officers outlined under subsection (3), the application for an agency license shall contain the following information:
- (a) The proposed name under which the agency intends to operate.
- (b) The street address, mailing address, and telephone numbers of the principal location at which business is to be conducted in this state.
- (c) The street address, mailing address, and telephone numbers of all branch offices within this state.
- (d) The names and titles of all partners or, in the case of a corporation, the names and titles of its principal officers.
- (8) (9) Upon submission of a complete application, a Class "CC," Class "C," Class "D," Class "EE," Class "E," Class "M," Class "MA," Class "MB," or Class "MR" applicant may commence employment or appropriate duties for a licensed agency or branch

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office. However, the Class "C" or Class "E" applicant must work under the direction and control of a sponsoring licensee while his or her application is being processed. If the department denies application for licensure, the employment of the applicant must be terminated immediately, unless he or she performs only unregulated duties.

Section 2. Paragraph (f) of subsection (1) and paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 493.6106, Florida Statutes, are amended, and paragraph (g) is added to subsection (1) of that section, to read:

493.6106 License requirements; posting.-

- (1) Each individual licensed by the department must:
- (f) Be a citizen or <u>permanent</u> legal resident alien of the United States or have <u>appropriate</u> been granted authorization <u>issued</u> to seek employment in this country by the United States Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services <u>of the United</u> States Department of Homeland Security.
- (g) Not be prohibited from purchasing or possessing a firearm by state or federal law if the individual is applying for a Class "G" license or a Class "K" license.
- (2) Each agency shall have a minimum of one physical location within this state from which the normal business of the agency is conducted, and this location shall be considered the primary office for that agency in this state.
- (a) If an agency <u>or branch office</u> desires to change the physical location of the business, as it appears on the agency license, the department must be notified within 10 days <u>after</u> of the change, and, except upon renewal, the fee prescribed in s.

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493.6107 must be submitted for each license requiring revision.

Each license requiring revision must be returned with such

notification.

Section 3. Subsection (3) of section 493.6107, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

493.6107 Fees.-

- (3) The fees set forth in this section must be paid by certified check or money order or, at the discretion of the department, by electronic funds transfer agency check at the time the application is approved, except that the applicant for a Class "G" or Class "M" license must pay the license fee at the time the application is made. If a license is revoked or denied or if the application is withdrawn, the license fee shall not be refunded.
- Section 4. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) and subsection (3) of section 493.6108, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
 493.6108 Investigation of applicants by Department of
 Agriculture and Consumer Services.—
- (1) Except as otherwise provided, prior to the issuance of a license under this chapter, the department shall make an investigation of the applicant for a license. The investigation shall include:
- (a)1. An examination of fingerprint records and police records. When a criminal history analysis of any applicant under this chapter is performed by means of fingerprint card identification, the time limitations prescribed by s. 120.60(1) shall be tolled during the time the applicant's fingerprint card is under review by the Department of Law Enforcement or the

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United States Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

- 2. If a legible set of fingerprints, as determined by the Department of Law Enforcement or the Federal Bureau of Investigation, cannot be obtained after two attempts, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services may determine the applicant's eligibility based upon a criminal history record check under the applicant's name conducted by the Department of Law Enforcement if the and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. A set of fingerprints are taken by a law enforcement agency or the department and the applicant submits a written statement signed by the fingerprint technician or a licensed physician stating that there is a physical condition that precludes obtaining a legible set of fingerprints or that the fingerprints taken are the best that can be obtained is sufficient to meet this requirement.
- (3) The department shall also investigate the mental history and current mental and emotional fitness of any Class "G" or Class "K" applicant, and may deny a Class "G" or Class "K" license to anyone who has a history of mental illness or drug or alcohol abuse.
- Section 5. Subsections (2) and (4) of section 493.6111, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
 - 493.6111 License; contents; identification card.-
- (2) Licenses shall be valid for a period of 2 years, except for Class "A," Class "B," Class "AB," Class "K," Class "R," and branch agency licenses, which shall be valid for a period of 3 years.

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Notwithstanding the existence of a valid Florida corporate registration, an no agency or school licensee may not conduct activities regulated under this chapter under any fictitious name without prior written authorization from the department to use that name in the conduct of activities regulated under this chapter. The department may not authorize the use of a name which is so similar to that of a public officer or agency, or of that used by another licensee, that the public may be confused or misled thereby. The authorization for the use of a fictitious name shall require, as a condition precedent to the use of such name, the filing of a certificate of engaging in business under a fictitious name under s. 865.09. A No licensee may not shall be permitted to conduct business under more than one fictitious name except as separately licensed nor shall the license be valid to protect any licensee who is engaged in the business under any name other than that specified in the license. An agency desiring to change its licensed name shall notify the department and, except upon renewal, pay a fee not to exceed \$30 for each license requiring revision including those of all licensed employees except Class "D" or Class "G" licensees. Upon the return of such licenses to the department, revised licenses shall be provided. Section 6.

Section 6. Subsection (2) and paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 493.6113, Florida Statutes, are amended, and paragraph (d) is added to subsection (3) of that section, to read:

- 493.6113 Renewal application for licensure.
- (2) At least No less than 90 days before prior to the

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expiration date of the license, the department shall mail a written notice to the last known <u>mailing residence</u> address <u>of the licensee</u> for individual licensees and to the last known agency address for agencies.

- (3) Each licensee shall be responsible for renewing his or her license on or before its expiration by filing with the department an application for renewal accompanied by payment of the prescribed license fee.
- (a) Each <u>Class "B"</u> <u>Class "A," Class "B," or Class "R"</u> licensee shall additionally submit on a form prescribed by the department a certification of insurance which evidences that the licensee maintains coverage as required under s. 493.6110.
- (d) Each Class "K" licensee shall additionally submit one of the certificates specified under s. 493.6105(6) as proof that he or she remains certified to provide firearms instruction.
- Section 7. Subsection (8), paragraph (d) of subsection (12), and subsection (16) of section 493.6115, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
 - 493.6115 Weapons and firearms.-
- (8) A Class "G" applicant must satisfy the minimum training criteria as set forth in s. 493.6105(5)(6) and as established by rule of the department.
- (12) The department may issue a temporary Class "G" license, on a case-by-case basis, if:
- (d) The applicant has received approval from the department subsequent to its conduct of a criminal history record check as authorized in s. $\underline{493.6108(1)(a)1.}$ $\underline{493.6121(6).}$
 - (16) If the criminal history record check program

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referenced in s. 493.6108(1)(a)1.493.6121(6) is inoperable, the department may issue a temporary "G" license on a case-by-case basis, provided that the applicant has met all statutory requirements for the issuance of a temporary "G" license as specified in subsection (12), excepting the criminal history record check stipulated there; provided, that the department requires that the licensed employer of the applicant conduct a criminal history record check of the applicant pursuant to standards set forth in rule by the department, and provide to the department an affidavit containing such information and statements as required by the department, including a statement that the criminal history record check did not indicate the existence of any criminal history that would prohibit licensure. Failure to properly conduct such a check, or knowingly providing incorrect or misleading information or statements in the affidavit shall constitute grounds for disciplinary action against the licensed agency, including revocation of license.

Section 8. Paragraph (u) of subsection (1) of section 493.6118, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (v), and a new paragraph (u) is added to that subsection to read:

493.6118 Grounds for disciplinary action.

- (1) The following constitute grounds for which disciplinary action specified in subsection (2) may be taken by the department against any licensee, agency, or applicant regulated by this chapter, or any unlicensed person engaged in activities regulated under this chapter.
- (u) For a Class "G" or a Class "K" applicant or licensee, being prohibited from purchasing or possessing a firearm by

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state or federal law.

Section 9. Subsections (7) and (8) of section 493.6121, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (6) and (7), respectively, and present subsection (6) of that section is amended, to read:

493.6121 Enforcement; investigation.-

(6) The department shall be provided access to the program that is operated by the Department of Law Enforcement, pursuant to s. 790.065, for providing criminal history record information to licensed gun dealers, manufacturers, and exporters. The department may make inquiries, and shall receive responses in the same fashion as provided under s. 790.065. The department shall be responsible for payment to the Department of Law Enforcement of the same fees as charged to others afforded access to the program.

Section 10. Subsection (3) of section 493.6202, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

493.6202 Fees.-

(3) The fees set forth in this section must be paid by eertified check or money order or, at the discretion of the department, by electronic funds transfer agency check at the time the application is approved, except that the applicant for a Class "G," Class "C," Class "CC," Class "M," or Class "MA" license must pay the license fee at the time the application is made. If a license is revoked or denied or if the application is withdrawn, the license fee shall not be refunded.

Section 11. Subsections (2), (4), and (6) of section 493.6203, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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493.6203 License requirements.—In addition to the license requirements set forth elsewhere in this chapter, each individual or agency shall comply with the following additional requirements:

- (2) An applicant for a Class "MA" license shall have 2 years of lawfully gained, verifiable, full-time experience, or training in:
- (a) Private investigative work or related fields of work that provided equivalent experience or training;
 - (b) Work as a Class "CC" licensed intern;
 - (c) Any combination of paragraphs (a) and (b);
- (d) Experience described in paragraph (a) for 1 year and experience described in paragraph (e) for 1 year;
 - (e) No more than 1 year using:

- 1. College coursework related to criminal justice, criminology, or law enforcement administration; or
- Successfully completed law enforcement-related training received from any federal, state, county, or municipal agency;
 or
- (f) Experience described in paragraph (a) for 1 year and work in a managerial or supervisory capacity for 1 year.

However, experience in performing bodyguard services is not creditable toward the requirements of this subsection.

(4) An applicant for a Class "C" license shall have 2 years of lawfully gained, verifiable, full-time experience, or training in one, or a combination of more than one, of the following:

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(a) Private investigative work or related fields of work that provided equivalent experience or training.

- (b) College coursework related to criminal justice, criminology, or law enforcement administration, or successful completion of any law enforcement-related training received from any federal, state, county, or municipal agency, except that no more than 1 year may be used from this category.
 - (c) Work as a Class "CC" licensed intern.

However, experience in performing bodyguard services is not creditable toward the requirements of this subsection.

- (6)(a) A Class "CC" licensee shall serve an internship under the direction and control of a designated sponsor, who is a Class "C," Class "MA," or Class "M" licensee.
- (b) Effective January 1, 2012 September 1, 2008, before submission of an application to the department, the an applicant for a Class "CC" license must have completed a minimum of 40 at least 24 hours of professional training a 40-hour course pertaining to general investigative techniques and this chapter, which course is offered by a state university or by a school, community college, college, or university under the purview of the Department of Education, and the applicant must pass an examination. The training must be provided in two parts, one 24-hour course and one 16-hour course. The certificate evidencing satisfactory completion of the 40 at least 24 hours of professional training a 40-hour course must be submitted with the application for a Class "CC" license. The remaining 16 hours must be completed and an examination passed within 180 days. If

documentation of completion of the required training is not submitted within the specified timeframe, the individual's license is automatically suspended or his or her authority to work as a Class "CC" pursuant to s. 493.6105(9) is rescinded until such time as proof of certificate of completion is provided to the department. The training course specified in this paragraph may be provided by face-to-face presentation, online technology, or a home study course in accordance with rules and procedures of the Department of Education. The administrator of the examination must verify the identity of each applicant taking the examination.

- (c) An individual who submits an application for a Class "CC" license on or after September 1, 2008, through December 31, 2011, who has not completed the 16-hour course must submit proof of successful completion of the course within 180 days after the date the application is submitted. If documentation of completion of the required training is not submitted by that date, the individual's license is automatically suspended until proof of the required training is submitted to the department. An individual licensed on or before August 31, 2008, is not required to complete additional training hours in order to renew an active license beyond the required total amount of training, and within the timeframe, in effect at the time he or she was licensed.
- 1. Upon an applicant's successful completion of each part of the approved <u>training</u> course and passage of any required examination, the school, community college, college, or university shall issue a certificate of completion to the

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applicant. The certificates must be on a form established by rule of the department.

- 2. The department shall establish by rule the general content of the <u>professional</u> training course and the examination criteria.
- 3. If the license of an applicant for relicensure \underline{is} has been invalid for more than 1 year, the applicant must complete the required training and pass any required examination.
- Section 12. Subsection (3) of section 493.6302, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

493.6302 Fees.-

- (3) The fees set forth in this section must be paid by certified check or money order or, at the discretion of the department, by electronic funds transfer agency check at the time the application is approved, except that the applicant for a Class "D," Class "G," Class "M," or Class "MB" license must pay the license fee at the time the application is made. If a license is revoked or denied or if the application is withdrawn, the license fee shall not be refunded.
- Section 13. Subsection (4) of section 493.6303, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 493.6303 License requirements.—In addition to the license requirements set forth elsewhere in this chapter, each individual or agency shall comply with the following additional requirements:
- (4)(a) Effective January 1, 2012, an applicant for a Class "D" license must submit proof of successful completion of complete a minimum of 40 hours of professional training at a

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school or training facility licensed by the department. The training must be provided in two parts, one 24-hour course and one 16-hour course. The department shall by rule establish the general content and number of hours of each subject area to be taught.

- (b) An individual who submits an application for a Class
 "D" license on or after January 1, 2007, through December 31,
 2011, who has not completed the 16-hour course must submit proof
 of successful completion of the course within 180 days after the
 date the application is submitted. If documentation of
 completion of the required training is not submitted by that
 date, the individual's license is automatically suspended until
 proof of the required training is submitted to the department.
 This section does not require a person licensed before January
 1, 2007, to complete additional training hours in order to renew
 an active license beyond the required total amount of training
 within the timeframe prescribed by law at the time he or she was
 licensed. An applicant may fulfill the training requirement
 prescribed in paragraph (a) by submitting proof of:
- 1. Successful completion of the total number of required hours of training before initial application for a Class "D" license; or
- 2. Successful completion of 24 hours of training before initial application for a Class "D" license and successful completion of the remaining 16 hours of training within 180 days after the date that the application is submitted. If documentation of completion of the required training is not submitted within the specified timeframe, the individual's

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license is automatically suspended until such time as proof of the required training is provided to the department.

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- (c) An individual However, any person whose license is suspended or has been revoked, suspended pursuant to paragraph (b) subparagraph 2., or is expired for at least 1 year, or longer is considered, upon reapplication for a license, an initial applicant and must submit proof of successful completion of 40 hours of professional training at a school or training facility licensed by the department as provided prescribed in paragraph (a) before a license is will be issued. Any person whose license was issued before January 1, 2007, and whose license has been expired for less than 1 year must, upon reapplication for a license, submit documentation of completion of the total number of hours of training prescribed by law at the time her or his initial license was issued before another license will be issued. This subsection does not require an individual licensed before January 1, 2007, to complete additional training hours in order to renew an active license, beyond the required total amount of training within the timeframe prescribed by law at the time she or he was licensed.
- Section 14. Subsection (2) of section 493.6304, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
 - 493.6304 Security officer school or training facility.-
- (2) The application shall be signed and <u>verified by the applicant under oath as provided in s. 92.525</u> notarized and shall contain, at a minimum, the following information:
- (a) The name and address of the school or training facility and, if the applicant is an individual, her or his

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name, address, and social security or alien registration number.

- (b) The street address of the place at which the training is to be conducted.
- (c) A copy of the training curriculum and final examination to be administered.
- Section 15. Subsections (2) and (4) of section 501.145, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
 - 501.145 Bedding Label Act.-

- (2) DEFINITIONS.—<u>As used in</u> For the purpose of this section, the term:
- (a) "bedding" means any mattress, box spring, pillow, or cushion made of leather or any other material which is or can be stuffed or filled in whole or in part with any substance or material, which can be used by any human being for sleeping or reclining purposes.
- (b) "Department" means the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.
- (c) "Enforcing authority" means the Department of
 Agriculture and Consumer Services or the Department of Legal
 Affairs.
- (4) PENALTIES.—The <u>Department of Legal Affairs</u> enforcing authority may bring an action for injunctive relief against any person who violates the provisions of this section. Any person who knowingly sells bedding which contains used material that is not labeled in accordance with this section commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

Section 16. Subsection (2) of section 525.01, Florida

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Statutes, is amended to read:

525.01 Gasoline and oil to be inspected.-

- (2) All petroleum fuels <u>are shall be</u> subject to inspection and analysis by the department. Before selling or offering for sale in this state any petroleum fuel, all manufacturers, <u>terminal suppliers</u>, wholesalers, and <u>importers as defined in s.</u> 206.01 jobbers shall file with the department:
- (a) An affidavit <u>stating</u> that they desire to do business in this state, and the name and address of the manufacturer of the petroleum fuel.
- (b) An affidavit stating that the petroleum fuel is in conformity with the standards prescribed by department rule.

Section 17. Section 526.06, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

526.06 Mixing, blending, compounding, or adulteration of liquid fuels of same manufacturer prohibited; sale of gasoline blended with ethanol.—A It is unlawful for any person may not to mix, blend, compound, or adulterate the liquid fuel, lubricating oil, grease, or similar product of a manufacturer or distributor with a liquid fuel, lubricating oil, grease, or similar product of the same manufacturer or distributor of a character or nature different from the character or nature of the liquid fuel, lubricating oil, grease, or similar product so mixed, blended, compounded, or adulterated, and expose for sale, offer for sale, or sell the same as the unadulterated product of such manufacturer or distributor or as the unadulterated product of any other manufacturer or distributor. However, nothing in this chapter does not shall be construed to prevent the lawful owner

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of such products from applying his, her, or its own trademark, trade name, or symbol to any product or material. Ethanolblended fuels which contain unleaded gasoline and up to 10 percent denatured ethanol by volume may be sold at retail service stations for use in motor vehicles. To provide retail service stations flexibility during the transition period to ethanol-blended fuels, the T50 and TV/L specifications for gasoline containing between 9 and 10 percent ethanol shall be applied to all gasoline containing between 1 and 10 percent ethanol by volume provided the last three or fewer deliveries contained between 9 and 10 percent ethanol by volume. If there is no reasonable availability of ethanol or the price of ethanol exceeds the price of gasoline, the T50 and TV/L specifications for gasoline containing between 9 and 10 percent ethanol shall be applicable for gasoline containing between 1 and 10 percent ethanol for up to three deliveries of fuel.

Section 18. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 526.203, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

526.203 Renewable fuel standard.-

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- (1) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this act:
- (b) "Blended gasoline" means a mixture of 90 to 91 percent or less gasoline and 9 to 10 percent or more fuel ethanol, by volume, that meets the specifications as adopted by the department. The fuel ethanol portion may be derived from any agricultural source.

Section 19. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.