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A bill to be entitled 1 2 An act relating to the Florida Business Information 3 Portal; creating s. 20.166, F.S.; establishing the Florida Business Information Portal within the 4 5 Department of Business and Professional Regulation; 6 directing the department to implement the portal by a 7 specified date; specifying the contents of the portal; 8 requiring designated state agencies to cooperate with 9 the department in the development, implementation, and 10 updating of the portal; requiring the department to 11 submit to the Governor and Legislature a report of 12 recommendations and estimated costs for including 13 local government information in the portal; repealing 14 ss. 215.1995 and 288.109, F.S., relating to the One-15 Stop Business Registration Portal Clearing Trust Fund within the Department of Revenue and establishment of 16 the One-Stop Business Registration Portal, 17 respectively; terminating the One-Stop Business 18 19 Registration Portal Clearing Trust Fund; prescribing 20 procedures for termination of the trust fund; 21 providing an effective date. 2.2 23 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 24 25 Section 20.166, Florida Statutes, is created to Section 1. 26 read:

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27	20.166 Florida Business Information Portal
28	(1) The Florida Business Information Portal is established
29	within the Department of Business and Professional Regulation.
30	(2) By June 30, 2017, the Department of Business and
31	Professional Regulation, in collaboration with the state
32	agencies identified in subsection (4), shall implement the
33	Florida Business Information Portal that provides the
34	information needed to start and operate a business in Florida,
35	including information regarding licenses, permits, or
36	registrations that must be issued by the state agencies
37	identified in subsection (4).
38	(3) The Florida Business Information Portal shall include,
39	but need not be limited to:
40	(a) A downloadable guide to starting and operating a
41	business in Florida.
42	(b) A list of business types and an associated checklist
43	for starting each type of business.
44	(c) A mechanism to guide users to the appropriate state
45	licensing, permitting, and registration agencies.
46	(d) Information regarding business tax registration and
47	filing.
48	(e) Information regarding registering with the Department
49	of State.
50	(4) The state agencies that shall cooperate with the
51	Department of Business and Professional Regulation in the
52	development, implementation, and ongoing content updates of the
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53	Florida Business Information Portal include, but are not limited
54	to:
55	(a) The Agency for Health Care Administration.
56	(b) The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.
57	(c) The Department of Economic Opportunity.
58	(d) The Department of Environmental Protection.
59	(e) The Department of Financial Services, including the
60	Office of Financial Regulation and the Office of Insurance
61	Regulation.
62	(f) The Department of Health.
63	(g) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.
64	(h) The Department of the Lottery.
65	(i) The Department of Management Services.
66	(j) The Department of Revenue.
67	(k) The Department of State.
68	(1) The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.
69	(5) By October 1, 2017, the Department of Business and
70	Professional Regulation shall submit to the Governor, the
71	President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of
72	Representatives a report containing recommendations and
73	estimated costs for the inclusion of local government
74	information in the Florida Business Information Portal.
75	Section 2. <u>Sections 215.1995 and 288.109</u> , Florida
76	Statutes, are repealed.
77	Section 3. The One-Stop Business Registration Portal
78	Clearing Trust Fund, FLAIR number 73-2-977, within the
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79	Department of Revenue is terminated. The Chief Financial Officer
80	shall close out and remove the terminated trust fund from the
81	various state accounting systems using generally accepted
82	accounting principles concerning outstanding warrants, assets,
83	and liabilities.
84	Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.

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