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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

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| WITHDRAWN | <u> </u> | (Y/N) |
| OTHER | <u> </u> | |

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Commerce Committee
 2 Representative Fine offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Subsection (5) of section 493.6105, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

493.6105 Initial application for license.—

(5) In addition to the requirements outlined in subsection (3), an applicant for a Class "G" license must satisfy minimum training criteria for firearms established by rule of the department, including which training criteria includes, but is not limited to, 28 hours of range and classroom training conducted by in-person instruction or live online instruction through a secure website, provided that the applicant's identity, attendance, and successful completion of training are

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17 verified by the instructor. As part of his or her application,
18 the applicant must submit a training certificate to the
19 department upon completion of the training. Training must be
20 taught and administered by one or more a Class "K" licensees.
21 licensee; however, No more than 20 hours of such training may be
22 conducted in an online classroom, and 8 hours of such training
23 shall consist of in-person range training- including safe
24 handling and storage of firearms. Consistent with s. 493.6115,
25 the department shall by rule establish the general content and
26 the number of hours of each subject area to be taught, the
27 method of delivery and the security protocols for online
28 training and testing, the reporting requirements for
29 verification of successful completion of training, and any other
30 rules necessary for the regulation of Class "K" licensees
31 providing in-person or online training. Upon completion of the
32 training, the instructor must submit results directly to the
33 Division of Licensing in a manner prescribed by the department.
34 The instructor must also provide a copy of the training results
35 to the applicant who completed the training. The department may
36 waive the foregoing firearms training requirement if:

37 (a) The applicant provides proof that he or she is
38 currently certified as a law enforcement officer or correctional
39 officer pursuant to the requirements of the Criminal Justice
40 Standards and Training Commission or has successfully completed
41 the training required for certification within the last 12

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42 months.

43 (b) The applicant provides proof that he or she is
44 currently certified as a federal law enforcement officer and has
45 received law enforcement firearms training administered by a
46 federal law enforcement agency.

47 (c) The applicant submits a valid firearm certificate
48 listed among those specified in paragraph (6) (a).

49 Section 2. Section 493.6132, Florida Statutes, is created
50 to read:

51 493.6132 Online training courses.-

52 (1) An online training course for a Class "D" license must
53 be conducted live and by a licensed school or training facility
54 that maintains a physical location in this state.

55 (2) A Class "K" licensed firearms instructor conducting an
56 online training course must maintain a physical location in this
57 state and must conduct online classes live at a location in this
58 state.

59 (3) An applicant may only be logged into the online
60 training course from one device at a time.

61 (4) The online training course must include, at a minimum,
62 all of the following:

63 (a) Security questions to ensure that the applicant is
64 actively using the computer or mobile device and is following
65 along with the online training.

66 (b) A minimum amount of time that each applicant must

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67 spend on each screen before moving on to the next screen.

68 (c) Randomized test questions.

69 (d) A digital record of the applicant's attendance log
70 along with any components required by department rule.

71 (5) A licensed school or training facility, or a Class "K"
72 licensee conducting an online course, must maintain records of
73 all training sessions, including the name and license number of
74 the instructor who is present online with the students while the
75 students are receiving instruction, and proof of compliance with
76 all security protocols at the school, facility, or place of
77 business in this state. The records required under this
78 subsection must be made accessible to the department's
79 investigators upon request.

80 (6) A licensed school or training facility, or a Class "K"
81 licensee conducting an online course must provide the Division
82 of Licensing with live access to each course for the purposes of
83 auditing, monitoring, or inspection as deemed necessary by the
84 division.

85 (7) If an applicant is absent during a portion of a live
86 online class, a licensed school or training facility, or a Class
87 "K" licensee conducting an online course, may deliver
88 instruction in part using recordings, as limited by department
89 rule.

90 Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section
91 493.6303, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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92 493.6303 License requirements.—In addition to the license
93 requirements set forth elsewhere in this chapter, each
94 individual or agency must comply with the following additional
95 requirements:

96 (4) (a) An applicant for a Class "D" license must submit
97 proof of successful completion of a minimum of 40 hours of
98 professional training at a school or training facility licensed
99 by the department. The training may be conducted by in-person
100 instruction or online instruction presented live through a
101 secure website of the licensed school or training facility,
102 provided that the applicant's identity, attendance, and
103 successful completion of training are verified by the
104 instructor. As part of his or her application, the applicant
105 must submit the completed training certificate to the department
106 upon completion of the training. The department shall by rule
107 and in accordance with s. 493.6103 establish the general content
108 and number of hours of each subject area to be taught, the
109 method of delivery and the security protocols for online
110 training and testing, the reporting requirements for
111 verification of successful completion of training, and any other
112 rules necessary for the regulation of schools or training
113 facilities providing in-person or online training. Upon
114 completion of such training, the training facility or the
115 instructor must submit proof of completion of training for each
116 applicant to the department electronically in a manner

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117 prescribed by the department. The training facility or the
118 instructor must also provide a copy of the training results to
119 the applicant who completed the training.

120 Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.

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Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:

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An act relating to online training for private

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security officers; amending ss. 493.6105 and 493.6303,

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F.S.; providing that certain required training

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criteria for Class "G" and Class "D" licenses,

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respectively, may be conducted online; providing

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requirements for such online training; requiring the

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Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to

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establish certain criteria and rules for the

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regulation of certain entities that provide online

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training; providing reporting requirements upon

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completion of the training; creating s. 493.6132,

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F.S.; providing requirements for online training

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courses for a Class "D" license; requiring entities

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offering online training to provide the Division of

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Licensing with live access to each course; authorizing

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such entities to deliver online instruction using

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141 | recordings under certain circumstances; providing an
142 | effective date.