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1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to the Department of Agriculture and 3 Consumer Services; amending s. 316.520, F.S.; revising 4 application of agricultural load securing 5 requirements; amending s. 570.441, F.S.; extending the 6 scheduled expiration for the Department of Agriculture 7 and Consumer Services' use of funds from the Pest 8 Control Trust Fund for certain duties of the 9 department; amending s. 590.02, F.S.; directing the 10 Florida Forest Service to develop a training 11 curriculum for wildland firefighters; providing 12 requirements for such training; amending s. 597.003, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Agriculture and 13 14 Consumer Services to revoke an aquaculture certificate of registration under certain conditions; amending s. 15 633.408, F.S.; providing wildland firefighter training 16 17 and certification for certain firefighters and volunteer firefighters; providing an effective date. 18 19 20 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 21 22 Subsection (4) of section 316.520, Florida Section 1. 23 Statutes, is amended to read: 24 Loads on vehicles.-316.520 25 The provision of subsection (2) requiring covering and

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securing the load with a close-fitting tarpaulin or other appropriate cover does not apply to vehicles carrying agricultural products locally from a harvest site or to or from a farm on roads where the posted speed limit is 65 miles per hour or less and the distance driven on public roads is less than 20 miles.

Section 2. Subsection (4) of section 570.441, Florida Statutes, is amended to read

570.441 Pest Control Trust Fund.-

- (4) In addition to the uses authorized under subsection (2), moneys collected or received by the department under chapter 482 may be used to carry out the provisions of s. 570.44. This subsection expires June 30, 2024 <del>2020</del>.
- Section 3. Paragraph (e) of subsection (1) of section 590.02, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 590.02 Florida Forest Service; powers, authority, and duties; liability; building structures; Withlacoochee Training Center.—
- (1) The Florida Forest Service has the following powers, authority, and duties to:
- (e) Develop a training curriculum for wildland forestry firefighters which must contain a minimum of 40 hours of structural firefighter training, a minimum of 40 hours of emergency medical training, the basic volunteer structural fire training course approved by the Florida State Fire College of

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51 the Division of State Fire Marshal and a minimum of  $\underline{376}$  250 hours of wildfire training;

Section 4. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 597.003, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

597.003 Powers and duties of Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.—

- (1) The department is hereby designated as the lead agency in encouraging the development of aquaculture in the state and shall have and exercise the following functions, powers, and duties with regard to aquaculture:
- (a) Issue or deny aquaculture certificates that identify aquaculture producers and aquaculture products, and collect all related fees. The department may revoke an aquaculture certificate of registration issued pursuant to s. 597.004 upon a finding that aquaculture is not the primary purpose of the certified entity's operation.

Section 5. Subsection (8) of section 633.408, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 633.408 Firefighter and volunteer firefighter training and certification.—
- (8) (a) Pursuant to s. 590.02(1) (e), the division shall establish a structural fire training program of not less than  $\underline{40}$  206 hours. The division shall issue to a person satisfactorily complying with this training program and who has successfully passed an examination as prescribed by the division and who has

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met the requirements of s. 590.02(1)(e), a <u>Wildland Firefighter</u> Forestry Certificate of Compliance.

- (b) An individual who holds a current and valid <u>Wildland</u>

  <u>Firefighter</u> Forestry Certificate of Compliance is entitled to the same rights, privileges, and benefits provided for by law as a firefighter.
  - Section 6. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.

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