MEMORANDUM

To: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commissioners

From: Brenda Brand, Interim Director, Licensing and Permitting

Date: October 2, 2019

Subject: Consent Agenda: Draft Rule, Verification of Residency for the Purpose of Recreational Licenses and Permits

Purpose:
Obtain approval for a proposed new rule, 68-1.012 Florida Administrative Code (FAC).

Summary:
Applicants must verify Florida residency to obtain a resident recreational license or permit. Pursuant to section 379.101(30), Florida Statutes (FS), applicants may demonstrate Florida residency with a valid Florida driver license or an identification card that has both a Florida address and Florida residency verified by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV). In the absence of a valid Florida driver license or identification card, applicants may use a current Florida voter information card; a sworn statement manifesting and evidencing domicile in Florida in accordance with section 222.17, FS; proof of a current Florida homestead exemption; or for a child younger than 18 years of age, a student identification card from a Florida school or, if accompanied by his or her parent at the time of purchase, the parent’s proof of residency.

The proposed rule clarifies the methods applicants may use to demonstrate residency when applying for recreational licenses and permits through the Commission’s online licensing system. To verify residency, applicants using the Commission’s online recreational licensing system or telephone system are required to provide proof of a valid Florida driver license or identification card, as verified by DHSMV. Persons applying at a Commission licensing subagent location or Tax Collector’s office without a valid Florida driver license may provide any of the other forms of documentation authorized in section 379.101(30), FS.

If approved the rule will be advertised and filed for adoption without further hearing, as allowed by section 120.54, FS.

Staff Recommendation:
Approve proposed rule 68-1.012, FAC.

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