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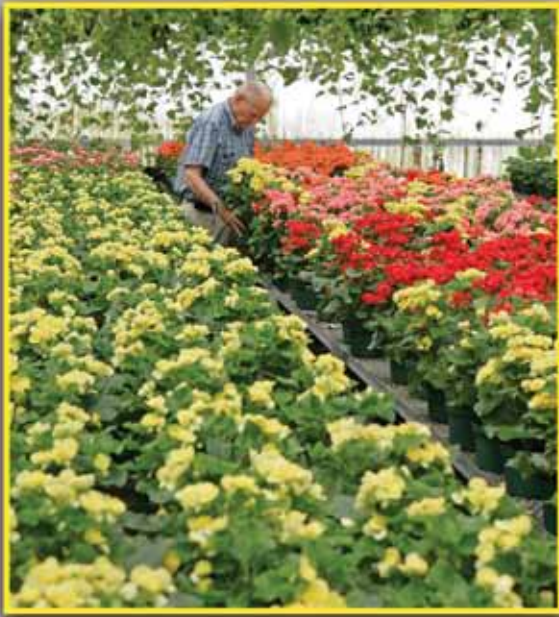
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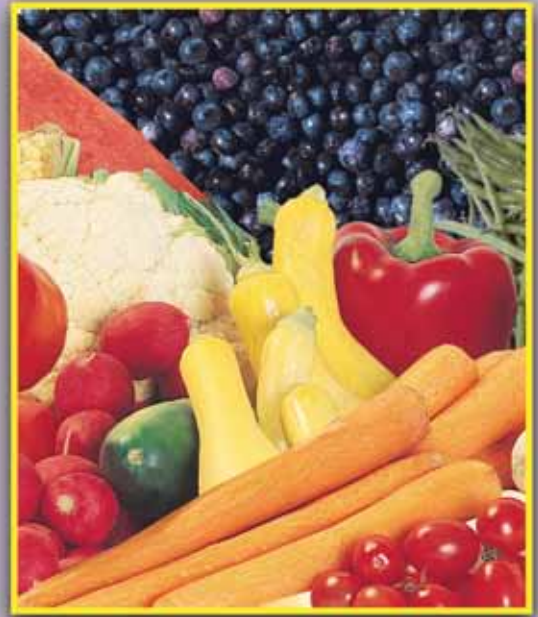
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Florida's agricultural producers supply over 280 essential commodities to households throughout North America and to 100 international trading partners. Florida's farms are some of the most productive in the world. As one of Florida's valued agricultural producers, you could suffer damaging financial losses if buyers fail to pay you for the commodities you sold them.



The Florida Agricultural Dealer's License Law requires dealers of agricultural products to post appropriate bonds and obtain a license from the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services before they do business in Florida. The law gives you protection against buyers who fail to pay on account, write bad checks or declare bankruptcy. It gives you confidence that your customers have been pre-qualified and transactions are secured.



Should a licensed dealer fail to pay you, the department will access the money from the bonds that agricultural dealers are required to post as part of the licensing process and return the unpaid balance to you. The program has returned over \$3.8 million to Florida producers in the last five years.

Even longtime customers can fall on hard times and trusted relationships can end in bitter court battles when finances get tight. If you are an agricultural producer in Florida, **REDUCE YOUR RISK**. Make the Agricultural Dealer's License a condition of sale and ensure that all of your buyers are properly licensed.

**Florida Agricultural Dealer's License Law  
Section 604.15-604.34, Florida Statutes**