1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to the Department of Highway Safety 3 and Motor Vehicles; creating s. 83.684, F.S.; authorizing state law enforcement officers to 4 5 terminate residential leases under certain circumstances; amending s. 316.003, F.S.; defining the 6 7 term "autocycle"; revising the definition of the term 8 "motorcycle"; conforming a cross-reference; amending 9 s. 316.2397, F.S.; prohibiting vehicles or equipment 10 from showing or displaying red and white lights while being driven or moved; authorizing firefighters to use 11 12 or display red and white lights under certain circumstances; authorizing active volunteer 13 14 firefighters to display red and white warning signals under certain circumstances; requiring certain 15 16 vehicles to use amber lights; amending s. 316.2398, 17 F.S.; prohibiting vehicles or equipment from showing or displaying red and white lights while being driven 18 19 or moved; authorizing firefighters to use or display red and white lights under certain circumstances; 20 21 authorizing active volunteer firefighters to display red and white warning signals under certain 22 circumstances; amending s. 316.302, F.S.; revising 23 provisions relating to federal regulations to which 24 owners and drivers of commercial motor vehicles are 25 subject; delaying the requirement for electronic 26

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provisions regarding eligibility for agricultural license tags; amending s. 320.08068, F.S.; requiring the Able Trust to distribute a specified percentage of the annual use fees from motorcycle specialty license plates to Preserve Vision Florida, rather than Prevent Blindness Florida; creating s. 320.0875, F.S.; providing for a special motorcycle license plate to be issued to a recipient of the Purple Heart; providing requirements for the plate; amending s. 320.089, F.S.; providing for a special license plate to be issued to a recipient of the Bronze Star; making technical changes; amending s. 320.133, F.S.; defining the term "transporter license plate eligible business"; revising requirements for the issuance, use, and display of a transporter license plate; providing criminal penalties; providing for disqualification from issuance; providing recordkeeping requirements; providing conditions for cancellation and removal of such plates; amending s. 320.27, F.S.; revising the definitions of "motor vehicle dealer" and "motor vehicle broker"; making technical changes; amending s. 321.25, F.S.; providing for reimbursement to the department of tuition and other course expenses for certain training under certain circumstances; authorizing the department to institute a civil action; providing an exception; amending s. 322.01,

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F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 322.03, F.S.; authorizing operation of an autocycle without a motorcycle endorsement; amending s. 322.051, F.S.; revising eligibility for a "D" designation on an identification card; amending s. 322.08, F.S.; requiring an application form for an original, renewal, or replacement driver license or identification card to include language authorizing a voluntary contribution to Preserve Vision Florida, rather than to Prevent Blindness Florida; amending s. 322.091, F.S.; revising reporting requirements relating to students whose driving privileges have been suspended; amending s. 322.12, F.S.; exempting the operation of an autocycle from certain examination requirements for licenses to operate motorcycles; amending s. 322.135, F.S.; requiring tax collectors to provide driver license services to residents of all counties; amending s. 322.12, F.S.; revising the allocation of fees from certain driver license examinations; amending s. 322.161, F.S.; providing a short title; revising the period of time in which certain licensees may accumulate points before being issued a restricted driver license by the department; requiring restricted licensees to attend a driver improvement course approved by the department; providing for extension of the restriction period

131 under certain circumstances; amending s. 322.17, F.S.; 132 providing for replacement of a stolen identification 133 card at no charge; amending s. 322.21, F.S.; deleting 134 obsolete provisions; deleting a fee for certain 135 specialty driver licenses or identification cards; 136 revising fee distributions for certain driver license 137 reinstatement services performed by tax collectors; 138 providing for expedited service of a renewal or 139 replacement driver license or identification card; 140 providing for fee disposition; amending s. 322.61, 141 F.S.; providing penalties for texting or using a 142 handheld mobile telephone while operating a commercial motor vehicle; amending s. 715.07, F.S.; providing to 143 144 whom a towed vehicle may be released to; providing that an original copy of a signed document is not 145 required to release a vehicle; providing applicability 146 147 of certain changes made by the act; amending ss. 148 212.05, 316.303, 316.545, 316.613, and 655.960, F.S.; 149 conforming cross-references; providing effective 150 dates. 151 152 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 153 Section 1. Section 83.684, Florida Statutes, is created to 154 read: 155 156 83.684 Termination of rental agreement by state law

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enforcement officer.-

- (1) Any certified member of state law enforcement may terminate his or her rental agreement by providing his or her landlord with a written notice of termination to be effective on the date stated in the notice that is at least 10 days after the landlord's receipt of the notice of termination if any of the following criteria are met:
- (a) The officer is required to relocate, pursuant to a permanent or temporary assignment;
- (b) The officer or immediate family member has been subjected to harassment by tenants, management, or members of the general public at, or near this location;
- (c) The officer or immediate family member has received threats; or
- (d) The officer's or immediate family member's personal property or State property has been vandalized.
- (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), if the officer or immediate family member deems it in his or her best interest to terminate the rental agreement for any reason this provision shall operate as a termination for convenience by the tenant.
- (3) The notice of termination shall be in writing and sent by either registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, or by facsimile. The notice shall be sent to the address stated in the rental agreement or to the rental office.

 An official law enforcement agency or local police report documenting threats to the officer or his or her immediate

family member shall be sufficient proof for this subsection.

- (4) Upon termination of a rental agreement under this section, the tenant is liable only for the rent due under the rental agreement prorated to the effective date of the termination payable at such time as would have otherwise been required by the terms of the rental agreement. The tenant is not liable for any other rent or damages, assessments, or fees, due to the early termination of the tenancy as provided for in this section.
- (5) The provisions of this section may not be waived or modified by the agreement of the parties under any circumstances.

Section 2. Subsections (2) through (97) of section 316.003, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (3) through (98), respectively, present subsections (41) and (55) are amended, and a new subsection (2) is added to that section, to read:

316.003 Definitions.—The following words and phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them in this section, except where the context otherwise requires:

(2) AUTOCYCLE.—A three-wheeled motorcycle that has two wheels in the front and one wheel in the back; is equipped with a roll cage or roll hoops, a seat belt for each occupant, antilock brakes, a steering wheel, and seating that does not require the operator to straddle or sit astride it; and is

manufactured in accordance with the applicable federal motorcycle safety standards provided in 49 C.F.R. part 571 by a manufacturer registered with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

- (42) (41) MOTORCYCLE.—Any motor vehicle having a seat or saddle for the use of the rider and designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground, including an autocycle, and but excluding a vehicle in which the operator is enclosed by a cabin unless it meets the requirements set forth by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for a motorcycle. The term "motorcycle" does not include a tractor or a moped.
- (56) (55) PRIVATE ROAD OR DRIVEWAY.—Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (78) (b) (77) (b), any privately owned way or place used for vehicular travel by the owner and those having express or implied permission from the owner, but not by other persons.
- Section 3. Subsections (1) and (3) of section 316.2397, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
 - 316.2397 Certain lights prohibited; exceptions.-
- (1) A No person may not shall drive or move or cause to be moved any vehicle or equipment upon any highway within this state with a any lamp or device thereon showing or displaying a red, red and white, or blue light visible from directly in front thereof except for certain vehicles hereinafter provided in this section.

(3) Vehicles of the fire department and fire patrol,
including vehicles of volunteer firefighters as permitted under
s. 316.2398, may show or display red or red and white lights.
Vehicles of medical staff physicians or technicians of medical
facilities licensed by the state as authorized under s.
316.2398, ambulances as authorized under this chapter, and buses
and taxicabs as authorized under s. 316.2399 may show or display
red lights. Vehicles of the fire department, fire patrol, police
vehicles, and such ambulances and emergency vehicles of
municipal and county departments, public service corporations
operated by private corporations, the Fish and Wildlife
Conservation Commission, the Department of Environmental
Protection, the Department of Transportation, the Department of
Agriculture and Consumer Services, and the Department of
Corrections as are designated or authorized by their respective
department or the chief of police of an incorporated city or any
sheriff of any county may operate emergency lights and sirens in
an emergency. Wreckers, mosquito control fog and spray vehicles,
and emergency vehicles of governmental departments or public
service corporations may show or display amber lights when in
actual operation or when a hazard exists provided they are not
used going to and from the scene of operation or hazard without
specific authorization of a law enforcement officer or law
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rollbacks registered as wreckers pursuant to s. 320.08(5)(d) or
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recoveries and loading on the roadside day or night, and may use such lights while towing a vehicle on wheel lifts, slings, or under reach, flatbeds, car carriers, or rollbacks if the operator of the wrecker deems such lights necessary. A flatbed, car carrier, or rollback may not use amber rotating or flashing lights when hauling a vehicle on the bed unless it creates a hazard to other motorists because of protruding objects. Further, escort vehicles may show or display amber lights when in the actual process of escorting overdimensioned equipment, material, or buildings as authorized by law. Vehicles owned or leased by private security agencies may show or display green and amber lights, with either color being no greater than 50 percent of the lights displayed, while the security personnel are engaged in security duties on private or public property. Section 4. Section 316.2398, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

316.2398 Display or use of red <u>or red and white</u> warning signals; motor vehicles of volunteer firefighters or medical staff.—

(1) A privately owned vehicle belonging to an active firefighter member of a regularly organized volunteer firefighting company or association, while en route to the fire station for the purpose of proceeding to the scene of a fire or other emergency or while en route to the scene of a fire or other emergency in the line of duty as an active firefighter member of a regularly organized firefighting company or

association, may display or use red or red and white warning signals. Or A privately owned vehicle belonging to a medical staff physician or technician of a medical facility licensed by the state, while responding to an emergency in the line of duty, may display or use red warning signals. Warning signals must be visible from the front and from the rear of such vehicle, subject to the following restrictions and conditions:

- (a) No more than two red or red and white warning signals may be displayed.
- (b) No inscription of any kind may appear across the face of the lens of the red or red and white warning signal.
- (c) In order for an active volunteer firefighter to display such red or red and white warning signals on his or her vehicle, the volunteer firefighter must first secure a written permit from the chief executive officers of the firefighting organization to use the red or red and white warning signals, and this permit must be carried by the volunteer firefighter at all times while the red or red and white warning signals are displayed.
- (2) A It is unlawful for any person who is not an active firefighter member of a regularly organized volunteer firefighting company or association or a physician or technician of the medical staff of a medical facility licensed by the state $\underline{\text{may not}}$ to display on any motor vehicle owned by him or her, at any time, any red $\underline{\text{or red}}$ and white warning signals as described in subsection (1).

(3) It is unlawful for An active volunteer firefighter may not to operate any red or red and white warning signals as authorized in subsection (1), except while en route to the fire station for the purpose of proceeding to the scene of a fire or other emergency, or while at or en route to the scene of a fire or other emergency, in the line of duty.

- (4) It is unlawful for A physician or technician of the medical staff of a medical facility may not to operate any red warning signals as authorized in subsection (1), except when responding to an emergency in the line of duty.
- (5) A violation of this section is a nonmoving violation, punishable as provided in chapter 318. In addition, <u>a any</u> volunteer firefighter <u>who violates this section</u> shall be dismissed from membership in the firefighting organization by the chief executive officers thereof.
- Section 5. Subsection (1) and paragraphs (a), (c), (d), and (f) of subsection (2) of section 316.302, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
- 316.302 Commercial motor vehicles; safety regulations; transporters and shippers of hazardous materials; enforcement.—
 - (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3):
- (a) All owners and drivers of commercial motor vehicles that are operated on the public highways of this state while engaged in interstate commerce are subject to the rules and regulations contained in 49 C.F.R. parts 382, 385, and 390-397.
 - (b) Except as otherwise provided in this section, all

owners or drivers of commercial motor vehicles that are engaged in intrastate commerce are subject to the rules and regulations contained in 49 C.F.R. parts 382, 383, 385, and 390-397, with the exception of 49 C.F.R. s. 390.5 as it relates to the definition of bus, as such rules and regulations existed on December 31, 2016 2012.

- (c) The emergency exceptions provided by 49 C.F.R. s. 392.82 also apply to communications by utility drivers and utility contractor drivers during a Level 1 activation of the State Emergency Operations Center, as provided in the Florida Comprehensive Emergency Management plan, or during a state of emergency declared by executive order or proclamation of the Governor.
- (d) Except as provided in s. 316.215(5), and except as provided in s. 316.228 for rear overhang lighting and flagging requirements for intrastate operations, the requirements of this section supersede all other safety requirements of this chapter for commercial motor vehicles.
- (e) The requirement for electronic logging devices and hours of service support documents will not go into effect for motor carriers engaged in intrastate commerce, not carrying hazardous materials in amounts that require placards, until December 31, 2018.
- (2) (a) A person who operates a commercial motor vehicle solely in intrastate commerce not transporting any hazardous material in amounts that require placarding pursuant to 49

C.F.R. part 172 need not comply with 49 C.F.R. ss. 391.11(b)(1) and $395.3 \frac{395.3(a)}{and}(b)$.

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Except as provided in 49 C.F.R. s. 395.1, a person who operates a commercial motor vehicle solely in intrastate commerce not transporting any hazardous material in amounts that require placarding pursuant to 49 C.F.R. part 172 may not drive after having been on duty more than 70 hours in any period of 7 consecutive days or more than 80 hours in any period of 8 consecutive days if the motor carrier operates every day of the week. Thirty-four consecutive hours off duty shall constitute the end of any such period of 7 or 8 consecutive days. This weekly limit does not apply to a person who operates a commercial motor vehicle solely within this state while transporting, during harvest periods, any unprocessed agricultural products or unprocessed food or fiber that is subject to seasonal harvesting from place of harvest to the first place of processing or storage or from place of harvest directly to market or while transporting livestock, livestock feed, or farm supplies directly related to growing or harvesting agricultural products. Upon request of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, motor carriers shall furnish time records or other written verification to that department so that the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles can determine compliance with this subsection. These time records must be furnished to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles within 2 days after receipt of that department's

request. Falsification of such information is subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$100. The provisions of This paragraph $\underline{\text{does}}$ do not apply to operators of farm labor vehicles operated during a state of emergency declared by the Governor or operated pursuant to s. $570.07(21)_{7}$ and $\underline{\text{does}}$ do not apply to drivers of utility service vehicles as defined in 49 C.F.R. s. 395.2.

- (d) A person who operates a commercial motor vehicle solely in intrastate commerce not transporting any hazardous material in amounts that require placarding pursuant to 49 C.F.R. part 172 within a 150 air-mile radius of the location where the vehicle is based need not comply with 49 C.F.R. s. 395.8; if the requirements of 49 C.F.R. s. 395.1(e)(1)(ii), (iii) (A) and (C), 395.1(e)(1)(iii) and (v) are met. If a driver is not released from duty within 12 hours after the driver arrives for duty, the motor carrier must maintain documentation of the driver's driving times throughout the duty period.
- (f) A person who operates a commercial motor vehicle having a declared gross vehicle weight, gross vehicle weight rating, and gross combined weight rating of less than 26,001 pounds solely in intrastate commerce and who is not transporting hazardous materials in amounts that require placarding pursuant to 49 C.F.R. part 172, or who is transporting petroleum products as defined in s. 376.301, is exempt from subsection (1). However, such person must comply with 49 C.F.R. parts 382, 392, and 393, and with 49 C.F.R. ss. 396.3(a)(1) and 396.9.

Section 6. Paragraph (a) of subsection (6) of section

417 316.3025, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

316.3025 Penalties.-

- (6) (a) A driver who violates 49 C.F.R. s. 392.80, which prohibits texting while operating a commercial motor vehicle, or 49 C.F.R. s. 392.82, which prohibits using a handheld mobile telephone while operating a commercial motor vehicle, may be assessed a civil penalty and commercial driver license disqualification as follows:
 - 1. First violation: \$500.
- 2. Second violation: \$1,000 and a 60-day commercial driver license disqualification pursuant to 49 C.F.R. part 383.
- 3. Third and subsequent violations: \$2,750 and a 120-day commercial driver license disqualification pursuant to 49 C.F.R. part 383.
- Section 7. Subsections (4) and (5) of section 316.614, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
 - 316.614 Safety belt usage.-
 - (4) It is unlawful for any person:
- (a) To operate a motor vehicle <u>or an autocycle</u> in this state unless each passenger and the operator of the vehicle <u>or autocycle</u> under the age of 18 years are restrained by a safety belt or by a child restraint device pursuant to s. 316.613, if applicable; or
- (b) To operate a motor vehicle <u>or autocycle</u> in this state unless the person is restrained by a safety belt.

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(5) It is unlawful for any person 18 years of age or older to be a passenger in the front seat of a motor vehicle or an autocycle unless such person is restrained by a safety belt when the vehicle or autocycle is in motion.

Section 8. Paragraph (d) of subsection (3) of section 318.18, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

318.18 Amount of penalties.—The penalties required for a noncriminal disposition pursuant to s. 318.14 or a criminal offense listed in s. 318.17 are as follows:

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(d) Notwithstanding paragraph (b), a person cited for exceeding the speed limit in a posted work construction zone, which posting must include notification of the speed limit and the doubling of fines, shall pay a fine double the amount listed in paragraph (b). The fine shall be doubled for work construction zone violations only if work construction personnel are present or operating equipment on the road or immediately adjacent to the road under construction.

Section 9. Subsections (24) and (26) of section 320.01, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

- 320.01 Definitions, general.—As used in the Florida Statutes, except as otherwise provided, the term:
- (24) "Apportionable vehicle" means any vehicle, except recreational vehicles, vehicles displaying restricted plates, city pickup and delivery vehicles, buses used in transportation of chartered parties, and government-owned vehicles, which is

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used or intended for use in two or more member jurisdictions that allocate or proportionally register vehicles and which is used for the transportation of persons for hire or is designed, used, or maintained primarily for the transportation of property and:

(a) Is a power unit having a gross vehicle weight in excess of 26,000 pounds;

- (b) Is a power unit having three or more axles, regardless of weight; or
- (c) Is used in combination, when the weight of such combination exceeds 26,000 pounds gross vehicle weight.

Vehicles, or combinations thereof, having a gross vehicle weight of 26,000 pounds or less and two-axle vehicles may be proportionally registered.

- (26) "Motorcycle" means any motor vehicle having a seat or saddle for the use of the rider and designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground, including an autocycle and excluding a vehicle in which the operator is enclosed by a cabin unless it meets the requirements set forth by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for a motorcycle. The term "motorcycle" does not include a tractor or a moped.
- Section 10. Paragraph (a) of subsection (15) of section 320.02, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
 - 320.02 Registration required; application for

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registration; forms.-

registration shall include language permitting the voluntary contribution of \$1 per applicant, to be quarterly distributed by the department to Prevent Blindness Florida, a not-for-profit organization, to prevent blindness and preserve the sight of the residents of this state. A statement providing an explanation of the purpose of the funds shall be included with the application form. Prior to the department distributing the funds collected pursuant to this paragraph, Prevent Blindness Florida must submit a report to the department that identifies how such funds were used during the preceding year.

For the purpose of applying the service charge provided in s. 215.20, contributions received under this subsection are not income of a revenue nature.

Section 11. Subsection (1) of section 320.03, Florida
511 Statutes, is amended to read:

320.03 Registration; duties of tax collectors; International Registration Plan.—

(1) (a) The tax collectors in the several counties of the state, as authorized agents of the department, shall issue registration certificates, registration license plates, validation stickers, and mobile home stickers to applicants, and shall provide to applicants for each the option to register emergency contact information and the option to be contacted

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with information about state and federal benefits available as a result of military service, subject to the requirements of law, in accordance with rules of the department. Each tax collector shall provide the same motor vehicle registration services in office to residents of other counties that it provides for residents of its home county.

(b) Any person, firm, or corporation representing itself, through advertising or naming of the business, to be an authorized agent of the department shall be deemed guilty of an unfair and deceptive trade practice as defined in part II of chapter 501. No such person, firm, or corporation shall use either the state or county name as a part of their business name when such use can reasonably be interpreted as an official state or county office.

Section 12. Effective July 1, 2018, subsection (10) of section 320.03, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.03 Registration; duties of tax collectors; International Registration Plan.—

(10) Jurisdiction over the electronic filing system for use by authorized electronic filing system agents to electronically title or register motor vehicles, vessels, mobile homes, or off-highway vehicles; process title transactions, derelict motor vehicle certificates, and certificates of destruction for derelict and salvage motor vehicles pursuant to ss. 319.30(2), (3), (7), and (8); issue or transfer registration license plates or decals; electronically transfer fees due for

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the title and registration process; and perform inquiries for title, registration, and lienholder verification and certification of service providers is expressly preempted to the state, and the department shall have regulatory authority over the system. The electronic filing system shall be available for use statewide and applied uniformly throughout the state. An entity that, in the normal course of its business, sells products that must be titled or registered, provides title and registration services on behalf of its consumers, or processes title transactions, derelict motor vehicle certificates, or certificates of destruction for derelict or salvage motor vehicles pursuant to ss. 319.30(2), (3), (7), or (8), and meets all established requirements may be an authorized electronic filing system agent and shall not be precluded from participating in the electronic filing system in any county. Upon request from a qualified entity, the tax collector shall appoint the entity as an authorized electronic filing system agent for that county. The department shall adopt rules in accordance with chapter 120 to replace the December 10, program standards and to administer the provisions of this section, including, but not limited to, establishing participation requirements, certification of service providers, electronic filing system requirements, and enforcement authority for noncompliance. The December 10, 2009, program standards, excluding any standards which conflict with this subsection, shall remain in effect until the rules are adopted. An

authorized electronic filing agent may charge a fee to the customer for use of the electronic filing system. The department shall adopt rules to administer the provisions of this subsection, including, but not limited to, establishing participation requirements, certification of service providers, electronic filing system requirements, disclosures, and enforcement authority for noncompliance.

Section 13. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 320.06, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.06 Registration certificates, license plates, and validation stickers generally.—

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(b)1. Registration license plates bearing a graphic symbol and the alphanumeric system of identification shall be issued for a 10-year period. At the end of the 10-year period, upon renewal, the plate shall be replaced. The department shall extend the scheduled license plate replacement date from a 6-year period to a 10-year period. The fee for such replacement is \$28, \$2.80 of which shall be paid each year before the plate is replaced, to be credited toward the next \$28 replacement fee. The fees shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund. A credit or refund may not be given for any prior years' payments of the prorated replacement fee if the plate is replaced or surrendered before the end of the 10-year period, except that a credit may be given if a registrant is required by the department to replace a license plate under s.

320.08056(8)(a). With each license plate, a validation sticker shall be issued showing the owner's birth month, license plate number, and the year of expiration or the appropriate renewal period if the owner is not a natural person. The validation sticker shall be placed on the upper right corner of the license plate. The license plate and validation sticker shall be issued based on the applicant's appropriate renewal period. The registration period is 12 months, the extended registration period is 24 months, and all expirations occur based on the applicant's appropriate registration period.

- 2. Before October 1, 2018, a vehicle that has an apportioned registration shall be issued an annual license plate and a cab card denoting that denote the declared gross vehicle weight for each apportioned jurisdiction in which the vehicle is authorized to operate.
- 3. Beginning October 1, 2018, a vehicle registered in accordance with the International Registration Plan shall be issued a license plate for a 5-year period, an annual cab card denoting the declared gross vehicle weight, and an annual validation sticker showing the month and year of expiration. The validation sticker, which is issued for a 12-month period, shall be placed in the center of the license plate. The license plate and validation sticker shall be issued based on the applicant's appropriate renewal period. The fee for the initial validation sticker and any renewed validation sticker is \$28. This fee shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.

If the license plate is damaged or worn, it may be replaced at no charge by applying to the department and surrendering the current license plate.

 $\underline{4.2.}$ In order to retain the efficient administration of the taxes and fees imposed by this chapter, the 80-cent fee increase in the replacement fee imposed by chapter 2009-71, Laws of Florida, is negated as provided in s. 320.0804.

Section 14. Section 320.0605, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.0605 Certificate of registration; possession required; exception.—

thereof, a true copy or electronic copy of rental or lease documentation issued for a motor vehicle or issued for a replacement vehicle in the same registration period, a temporary receipt printed upon self-initiated electronic renewal of a registration via the Internet, or a cab card issued for a vehicle registered under the International Registration Plan shall, at all times while the vehicle is being used or operated on the roads of this state, be in the possession of the operator thereof or be carried in the vehicle for which issued and shall be exhibited upon demand of any authorized law enforcement officer or any agent of the department, except for a vehicle registered under s. 320.0657. The provisions of This section does de not apply during the first 30 days after purchase of a replacement vehicle. A violation of this section is a

651	violation as provided in chapter 318.
652	(b)1. The act of presenting to a law enforcement officer
653	or agent of the department an electronic device displaying an
654	electronic copy of rental or lease documentation does not
655	constitute consent for the officer or agent to access any
656	information on the device other than the displayed rental or
657	lease documentation.
658	2. The person who presents the device to the officer or
659	agent assumes the liability for any resulting damage to the
660	device.
661	(2) Rental or lease documentation that is sufficient to
662	satisfy the requirement in subsection (1) includes the
663	following:
664	(a) Date of rental and time of exit from rental facility;
665	(b) Rental station identification;
666	(c) Rental agreement number;

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(f) Vehicle's make, model, and color;

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- (g) Vehicle's mileage; and
- (h) Authorized renter's name.
- Section 15. Subsection (5) of section 320.0607, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 320.0607 Replacement license plates, validation decal, or

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Rental vehicle license plate number and state of

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mobile home sticker.-

(5) Upon the issuance of an original license plate, the applicant shall pay a fee of \$28 to be deposited in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund. Beginning October 1, 2018, this subsection does not apply to a vehicle registered under the International Registration Plan.

Section 16. Subsection (4) is added to section 320.0655, Florida Statutes, to read:

320.0655 Permanent license plates for governmental entities and volunteer fire departments.—

(4) Any motor vehicle owned by a governmental entity or otherwise purchased with state funds shall be clearly marked and numbered in a manner that ownership of the vehicle can easily be determined. This subsection does not apply to vehicles registered using a fictitious name pursuant to s. 320.025.

Section 17. Section 320.08, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.08 License taxes.—Except as otherwise provided herein, there are hereby levied and imposed annual license taxes for the operation of motor vehicles, mopeds, motorized bicycles as defined in s. 316.003(4) 316.003(2), tri-vehicles as defined in s. 316.003, and mobile homes as defined in s. 320.01, which shall be paid to and collected by the department or its agent upon the registration or renewal of registration of the following:

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- (b) Any moped: \$5 flat.
- (c) Upon registration of a motorcycle, motor-driven cycle, or moped, in addition to the license taxes specified in this subsection, a nonrefundable motorcycle safety education fee in the amount of \$2.50 shall be paid. The proceeds of such additional fee shall be deposited in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund to fund a motorcycle driver improvement program implemented pursuant to s. 322.025, the Florida Motorcycle Safety Education Program established in s. 322.0255, or the general operations of the department.
- (d) An ancient or antique motorcycle: \$7.50 flat, of which \$2.50 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
 - (2) AUTOMOBILES OR TRI-VEHICLES FOR PRIVATE USE.-
- 716 (a) An ancient or antique automobile, as defined in s.
- 717 320.086, or a street rod, as defined in s. 320.0863: \$7.50 flat.
 - (b) Net weight of less than 2,500 pounds: \$14.50 flat.
- 719 (c) Net weight of 2,500 pounds or more, but less than 720 3,500 pounds: \$22.50 flat.
 - (d) Net weight of 3,500 pounds or more: \$32.50 flat.
 - (3) TRUCKS.-
 - (a) Net weight of less than 2,000 pounds: \$14.50 flat.
 - (b) Net weight of 2,000 pounds or more, but not more than 3,000 pounds: \$22.50 flat.
- 726 (c) Net weight more than 3,000 pounds, but not more than 727 5,000 pounds: \$32.50 flat.

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- in the field by a farmer or in the woods for the purpose of harvesting a crop, including naval stores, during such harvesting operations, and which is not principally operated upon the roads of the state: \$7.50 flat. The term "goat" means a motor vehicle designed, constructed, and used principally for the transportation of citrus fruit within citrus groves or for the transportation of crops on farms, and which can also be used for hauling associated equipment or supplies, including required sanitary equipment, and the towing of farm trailers.
- (e) An ancient or antique truck, as defined in s. 320.086: \$7.50 flat.
- (4) HEAVY TRUCKS, TRUCK TRACTORS, FEES ACCORDING TO GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT.—
- (a) Gross vehicle weight of 5,001 pounds or more, but less than 6,000 pounds: \$60.75 flat, of which \$15.75 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (b) Gross vehicle weight of 6,000 pounds or more, but less than 8,000 pounds: \$87.75 flat, of which \$22.75 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (c) Gross vehicle weight of 8,000 pounds or more, but less than 10,000 pounds: \$103 flat, of which \$27 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (d) Gross vehicle weight of 10,000 pounds or more, but less than 15,000 pounds: \$118 flat, of which \$31 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

(e) Gross vehicle weight of 15,000 pounds or more, but less than 20,000 pounds: \$177 flat, of which \$46 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

- (f) Gross vehicle weight of 20,000 pounds or more, but less than 26,001 pounds: \$251 flat, of which \$65 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (g) Gross vehicle weight of 26,001 pounds or more, but less than 35,000: \$324 flat, of which \$84 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (h) Gross vehicle weight of 35,000 pounds or more, but less than 44,000 pounds: \$405 flat, of which \$105 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (i) Gross vehicle weight of 44,000 pounds or more, but less than 55,000 pounds: \$773 flat, of which \$201 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (j) Gross vehicle weight of 55,000 pounds or more, but less than 62,000 pounds: \$916 flat, of which \$238 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (k) Gross vehicle weight of 62,000 pounds or more, but less than 72,000 pounds: \$1,080 flat, of which \$280 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (1) Gross vehicle weight of 72,000 pounds or more: \$1,322 flat, of which \$343 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (m) Notwithstanding the declared gross vehicle weight, a truck tractor used within the state $\frac{a}{a}$ 150-mile radius of its

780 home address is eliqible for a license plate for a fee of \$324 flat if:

- 1. The truck tractor is used exclusively for hauling forestry products; or
- The truck tractor is used primarily for the hauling of forestry products, and is also used for the hauling of associated forestry harvesting equipment used by the owner of the truck tractor.

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Of the fee imposed by this paragraph, \$84 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

(n) A truck tractor or heavy truck, not operated as a forhire vehicle, which is engaged exclusively in transporting raw, unprocessed, and nonmanufactured agricultural or horticultural products within the state a 150-mile radius of its home address, is eligible for a restricted license plate for a fee of:

- If such vehicle's declared gross vehicle weight is less than 44,000 pounds, \$87.75 flat, of which \$22.75 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- If such vehicle's declared gross vehicle weight is 44,000 pounds or more and such vehicle only transports from the point of production to the point of primary manufacture; to the point of assembling the same; or to a shipping point of a rail, water, or motor transportation company, \$324 flat, of which \$84 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

Such not-for-hire truck tractors and heavy trucks used exclusively in transporting raw, unprocessed, and nonmanufactured agricultural or horticultural products may be incidentally used to haul farm implements and fertilizers delivered direct to the growers. The department may require any documentation deemed necessary to determine eligibility prior to issuance of this license plate. For the purpose of this paragraph, "not-for-hire" means the owner of the motor vehicle must also be the owner of the raw, unprocessed, and nonmanufactured agricultural or horticultural product, or the user of the farm implements and fertilizer being delivered.

- (5) SEMITRAILERS, FEES ACCORDING TO GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT; SCHOOL BUSES; SPECIAL PURPOSE VEHICLES.—
- (a)1. A semitrailer drawn by a GVW truck tractor by means of a fifth-wheel arrangement: \$13.50 flat per registration year or any part thereof, of which \$3.50 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 2. A semitrailer drawn by a GVW truck tractor by means of a fifth-wheel arrangement: \$68 flat per permanent registration, of which \$18 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (b) A motor vehicle equipped with machinery and designed for the exclusive purpose of well drilling, excavation, construction, spraying, or similar activity, and which is not designed or used to transport loads other than the machinery described above over public roads: \$44 flat, of which \$11.50 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

(c) A school bus used exclusively to transport pupils to and from school or school or church activities or functions within their own county: \$41 flat, of which \$11 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

- (d) A wrecker, as defined in s. 320.01, which is used to tow a vessel as defined in s. 327.02, a disabled, abandoned, stolen-recovered, or impounded motor vehicle as defined in s. 320.01, or a replacement motor vehicle as defined in s. 320.01: \$41 flat, of which \$11 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (e) A wrecker that is used to tow any nondisabled motor vehicle, a vessel, or any other cargo unless used as defined in paragraph (d), as follows:
- 1. Gross vehicle weight of 10,000 pounds or more, but less than 15,000 pounds: \$118 flat, of which \$31 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 2. Gross vehicle weight of 15,000 pounds or more, but less than 20,000 pounds: \$177 flat, of which \$46 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 3. Gross vehicle weight of 20,000 pounds or more, but less than 26,000 pounds: \$251 flat, of which \$65 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 4. Gross vehicle weight of 26,000 pounds or more, but less than 35,000 pounds: \$324 flat, of which \$84 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
 - 5. Gross vehicle weight of 35,000 pounds or more, but less

than 44,000 pounds: \$405 flat, of which \$105 shall be deposited 858 into the General Revenue Fund.

- Gross vehicle weight of 44,000 pounds or more, but less than 55,000 pounds: \$772 flat, of which \$200 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 7. Gross vehicle weight of 55,000 pounds or more, but less than 62,000 pounds: \$915 flat, of which \$237 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 8. Gross vehicle weight of 62,000 pounds or more, but less than 72,000 pounds: \$1,080 flat, of which \$280 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 9. Gross vehicle weight of 72,000 pounds or more: \$1,322 flat, of which \$343 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- A hearse or ambulance: \$40.50 flat, of which \$10.50 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
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- Under nine passengers: \$17 flat, of which \$4.50 shall (a) be deposited into the General Revenue Fund; plus \$1.50 per cwt, of which 50 cents shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- Nine passengers and over: \$17 flat, of which \$4.50 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund; plus \$2 per cwt, of which 50 cents shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
 - TRAILERS FOR PRIVATE USE.-(7)

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- (a) Any trailer weighing 500 pounds or less: \$6.75 flat per year or any part thereof, of which \$1.75 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (b) Net weight over 500 pounds: \$3.50 flat, of which \$1 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund; plus \$1 per cwt, of which 25 cents shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
 - (8) TRAILERS FOR HIRE.-

- (a) Net weight under 2,000 pounds: \$3.50 flat, of which \$1 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund; plus \$1.50 per cwt, of which 50 cents shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (b) Net weight 2,000 pounds or more: \$13.50 flat, of which \$3.50 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund; plus \$1.50 per cwt, of which 50 cents shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
 - (9) RECREATIONAL VEHICLE-TYPE UNITS.-
- (a) A travel trailer or fifth-wheel trailer, as defined by s. 320.01(1)(b), that does not exceed 35 feet in length: \$27 flat, of which \$7 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (b) A camping trailer, as defined by s. 320.01(1)(b)2.: \$13.50 flat, of which \$3.50 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
 - (c) A motor home, as defined by s. 320.01(1)(b)4.:
 - 1. Net weight of less than 4,500 pounds: \$27 flat, of

910 which \$7 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

- 2. Net weight of 4,500 pounds or more: \$47.25 flat, of which \$12.25 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
 - (d) A truck camper as defined by s. 320.01(1)(b)3.:
- 1. Net weight of less than 4,500 pounds: \$27 flat, of which \$7 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 2. Net weight of 4,500 pounds or more: \$47.25 flat, of which \$12.25 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
 - (e) A private motor coach as defined by s. 320.01(1)(b)5.:
- 1. Net weight of less than 4,500 pounds: \$27 flat, of which \$7 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 2. Net weight of 4,500 pounds or more: \$47.25 flat, of which \$12.25 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (10) PARK TRAILERS; TRAVEL TRAILERS; FIFTH-WHEEL TRAILERS; 35 FEET TO 40 FEET.—
- (a) Park trailers.—Any park trailer, as defined in s. 320.01(1)(b)7.: \$25 flat.
- (b) A travel trailer or fifth-wheel trailer, as defined in s. 320.01(1)(b), that exceeds 35 feet: \$25 flat.
 - (11) MOBILE HOMES.—

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- (a) A mobile home not exceeding 35 feet in length: \$20 flat.
- (b) A mobile home over 35 feet in length, but not exceeding 40 feet: \$25 flat.
- 934 (c) A mobile home over 40 feet in length, but not 935 exceeding 45 feet: \$30 flat.

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(d) A mobile home over 45 feet in length, but not exceeding 50 feet: \$35 flat.

- (e) A mobile home over 50 feet in length, but not exceeding 55 feet: \$40 flat.
- (f) A mobile home over 55 feet in length, but not exceeding 60 feet: \$45 flat.
- (g) A mobile home over 60 feet in length, but not exceeding 65 feet: \$50 flat.
 - (h) A mobile home over 65 feet in length: \$80 flat.
- (12) DEALER AND MANUFACTURER LICENSE PLATES.—A franchised motor vehicle dealer, independent motor vehicle dealer, marine boat trailer dealer, or mobile home dealer and manufacturer license plate: \$17 flat, of which \$4.50 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (13) EXEMPT OR OFFICIAL LICENSE PLATES.—Any exempt or official license plate: \$4 flat, of which \$1 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (14) LOCALLY OPERATED MOTOR VEHICLES FOR HIRE.—A motor vehicle for hire operated wholly within a city or within 25 miles thereof: \$17 flat, of which \$4.50 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund; plus \$2 per cwt, of which 50 cents shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (15) TRANSPORTER.—Any transporter license plate issued to a transporter pursuant to s. 320.133: \$101.25 flat, of which \$26.25 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
 - Section 18. Paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section

320.08068, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
320.08068 Motorcycle specialty license plates.—

- (4) A license plate annual use fee of \$20 shall be collected for each motorcycle specialty license plate. Annual use fees shall be distributed to The Able Trust as custodial agent. The Able Trust may retain a maximum of 10 percent of the proceeds from the sale of the license plate for administrative costs. The Able Trust shall distribute the remaining funds as follows:
- (b) Twenty percent to <u>Preserve Vision</u> Prevent Blindness Florida.

Section 19. Section 320.0875, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

320.0875 Purple Heart special motorcycle license plate.-

- (1) Upon application to the department and payment of the license tax for the motorcycle as provided in s. 320.08, a resident of the state who owns or leases a motorcycle that is not used for hire or commercial use shall be issued a Purple Heart special motorcycle license plate if he or she provides documentation acceptable to the department that he or she is a recipient of the Purple Heart medal.
- (2) The Purple Heart special motorcycle license plate shall be stamped with the term "Combat-wounded Veteran" followed by the serial number of the license plate. The Purple Heart special motorcycle license plate may have the term "Purple Heart" stamped on the plate and the likeness of the Purple Heart

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medal appearing on the plate.

Section 20. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 320.089, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

members of National Guard; survivors of Pearl Harbor; Purple
Heart medal recipients; active or retired United States Armed
Forces reservists; Combat Infantry Badge, Combat Medical Badge,
or Combat Action Badge recipients; Combat Action Ribbon
recipients; Air Force Combat Action Medal recipients;
Distinguished Flying Cross recipients; former prisoners of war;
Korean War Veterans; Vietnam War Veterans; Operation Desert
Shield Veterans; Operation Desert Storm Veterans; Operation
Enduring Freedom Veterans; Operation Iraqi Freedom Veterans;
Women Veterans; World War II Veterans; and Navy Submariners;
Special license plates for military servicemembers, veterans,
and Pearl Harbor Survivors; fee.—

- (1) (a) Upon application to the department and payment of the license tax for the vehicle as provided in s. 320.08, a resident of the state who owns or leases Each owner or lessee of an automobile or truck for private use or recreational vehicle as specified in s. 320.08(9)(c) or (d), which is not used for hire or commercial use, shall be issued a license plate pursuant to the following if the applicant provides the department with proof he or she meets the qualifications listed in this section for the applicable license plate:
 - 1. A person released or discharged from any branch $\frac{1}{2}$

1014 a resident of the state and a veteran of the United States Armed

1015 Forces shall be issued a license plate stamped with the term

1016 "Veteran" or, a "Woman Veteran" followed by the serial number of

1017 the license plate.,

- $\underline{2.}$ A World War II Veteran shall be issued a license plate stamped with the term "WWII Veteran" followed by the serial number of the license plate. τ
- 3. A Navy Submariner shall be issued a license plate stamped with the term "Navy Submariner" followed by the serial number of the license plate.
- 4. An active or retired member of the Florida National Guard shall be issued a license plate stamped with the term "National Guard" followed by the serial number of the license plate.
- 5. A member of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association or other person on active military duty in Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, shall be issued a license plate stamped with the term "Pearl Harbor Survivor" followed by the serial number of the license plate., a survivor of the attack on Pearl Harbor,
- 6. A recipient of the Purple Heart medal shall be issued a license plate stamped with the term "Combat-wounded Veteran" followed by the serial number of the license plate. The Purple Heart plate may have the term "Purple Heart" stamped on the plate and the likeness of the Purple Heart medal appearing on the plate.
 - 7. An active or retired member of any branch of the United

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States Armed Forces Reserve shall be issued a license plate stamped with the term "U.S. Reserve" followed by the serial number of the license plate.

- 8. A member of the Combat Infantrymen's Association, Inc., or a recipient of the Combat Infantry Badge, Combat Medical Badge, Combat Action Badge, Combat Action Ribbon, or Air Force Combat Action Medal shall be issued a license plate stamped with the term "Combat Infantry Badge," "Combat Medical Badge," "Combat Action Badge," "Combat Action Ribbon," or "Air Force Combat Action Medal," as appropriate, and a likeness of the related campaign medal or badge, followed by the serial number of the license plate.
- 9. A recipient of the, or Distinguished Flying Cross shall be issued a license plate stamped with the term "Distinguished Flying Cross" and a likeness of the Distinguished Flying Cross followed by the serial number of the license plate.
- 10. A recipient of the Bronze Star shall be issued a license plate stamped with the term "Bronze Star" and a likeness of the Bronze Star followed by the serial number of the license plate., upon application to the department, accompanied by proof of release or discharge from any branch of the United States

 Armed Forces, proof of active membership or retired status in the Florida National Guard, proof of membership in the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association or proof of active military duty in Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, proof of being a Purple Heart medal recipient, proof of active or retired membership in any

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branch of the United States Armed Forces Reserve, or proof of membership in the Combat Infantrymen's Association, Inc., proof of being a recipient of the Combat Infantry Badge, Combat Medical Badge, Combat Action Badge, Combat Action Ribbon, Air Force Combat Action Medal, or Distinguished Flying Cross, and upon payment of the license tax for the vehicle as provided in s. 320.08, shall be issued a license plate as provided by s. 320.06 which, in lieu of the serial numbers prescribed by s. 320.06, is stamped with the words "Veteran," "Woman Veteran," "WWII Veteran," "Navy Submariner," "National Guard," "Pearl Harbor Survivor," "Combat-wounded veteran," "U.S. Reserve," "Combat Infantry Badge," "Combat Medical Badge," "Combat Action Badge, " "Combat Action Ribbon, " "Air Force Combat Action Medal, " or "Distinguished Flying Cross," as appropriate, and a likeness of the related campaign medal or badge, followed by the serial number of the license plate. Additionally, the Purple Heart plate may have the words "Purple Heart" stamped on the plate and the likeness of the Purple Heart medal appearing on the plate. Section 21. Section 320.133, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.133 Transporter license plates.-

(1) As used in this section, the term "transporter license plate eligible business" means a business engaged in the limited operation of an unregistered motor vehicle or a repossessor who contracts with lending institutions to repossess or recover motor vehicles or mobile homes.

(2) A person is not eligible to purchase or renew a transporter license plate unless he or she provides proof satisfactory to the department that his or her business is a transporter license plate eligible business.

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The application for qualification as a transporter license plate eligible business must be on a form prescribed by the department and must contain the legal name of the person or persons applying for the license plate, the name of the business, and the principal or principals of the business. The application must describe the exact physical location of the place of business within the state. This location must be available at all reasonable hours for transporter license plate records inspection by the department or any law enforcement agency. The application must contain proof of a garage liability insurance policy or a business automobile policy in the amount of at least \$100,000, and the certificate of insurance must indicate the number of transporter license plates reported to the insurance company. Such coverage shall be maintained for the entire registration period. Upon seeking initial qualification, the applicant must provide documentation proving that the business is registered with the Division of Corporations of the Department of State to conduct business in the state. The business must indicate how it meets the qualification as a transporter license plate eligible business by describing in detail the business processes that require the use of a transporter license plate.

(4)(a) (1) The department may is authorized to issue a
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licensed dealer and is qualified as a transporter license plate
eligible business, incidental to the conduct of his or her
business, engages in the transporting of motor vehicles which
are not currently registered to any owner and which do not have
license plates, upon payment of the license tax imposed by s.
320.08(15) for each $\frac{\text{transporter}}{\text{transporter}}$ license plate and upon
proof of liability insurance as described in subsection (3)
coverage in the amount of \$100,000 or more. The proof of
insurance must indicate the number of transporter license plates
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unregistered any motor vehicle in the possession of the
transporter while the motor vehicle is being transported in the
course of the transporter's business and may not be attached to
any vehicle owned by the transporter or his or her business for
which registration would otherwise be required. A person who
sells or unlawfully possesses, distributes, or brokers a
transporter license plate to be attached to any vehicle commits
a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s.
775.082 or s. 775.083, and any and all transporter license
plates issued are subject to cancellation by the department.
(b) A person who knowingly and willfully sells or
unlawfully possesses, distributes, or brokers a transporter

registration pursuant to this chapter or chapter 319 commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083, and is disqualified from transporter license plate usage. All transporter license plates issued to the person's business shall be canceled and must be returned to the department immediately upon disqualification. The transporter license plate is subject to removal as provided in subsection (9), and any and all transporter plates issued are subject to cancellation by the department.

- (5) A transporter license plate eligible business issued a transporter license plate must maintain for 2 years, at its location, records of each use of each transporter license plate and evidence that the plate was used as required by this chapter. Such records must be open to inspection by the department or its agents or any law enforcement officer during reasonable business hours. A person who fails to maintain true and accurate records of any transporter license plate usage or comply with this subsection commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083, may be subject to cancellation of any and all transporter license plates issued, and is automatically disqualified from future transporter license plate issuance.
- (6) When attached to a motor vehicle, a transporter license plate issued under this section must be accompanied by the registration issued for the license plate by the department

and proof of insurance as described in subsection (3). A person							
who operates a motor vehicle with a transporter license plate							
attached who fails to provide the documentation listed in this							
subsection commits a misdemeanor of the second degree,							
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license plate is subject to removal as provided in subsection							
(9). This subsection does not apply to a person who contracts							
with dealers and auctions to transport motor vehicles.							
(7) (2) A license plate issued pursuant to subsection (4)							

- (1) (2) A license <u>plate</u> issued pursuant to subsection (4) (1) must be in a distinctive color approved by the department, and the word "transporter" must appear on the face of the license plate in place of the county name.
- (8) An initial registration or renewal A license plate issued under this section is valid for a period of 12 months, beginning January 1 and ending December 31. A No refund of the license tax imposed may not be provided for any unexpired portion of a license period.
- (9) A license plate attached to a motor vehicle in violation of subsection (4) or subsection (6) must be immediately removed by law enforcement from the motor vehicle to which it is attached and surrendered to the department by the law enforcement agency for cancellation.
- Section 22. Subsection (1) of section 320.27, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
 - 320.27 Motor vehicle dealers.-
 - (1) DEFINITIONS.—The following words, terms, and phrases

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when used in this section have the meanings respectively ascribed to them in this subsection, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

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- (a) "Department" means the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.
- (b) "Motor vehicle" means any motor vehicle of the type and kind required to be registered and titled under chapter 319 and this chapter, except a recreational vehicle, moped, motorcycle powered by a motor with a displacement of 50 cubic centimeters or less, or mobile home.
- "Motor vehicle dealer" means any person engaged in the business of buying, selling, or dealing in motor vehicles or offering or displaying motor vehicles for sale at wholesale or retail, or who may service and repair motor vehicles pursuant to an agreement as defined in s. 320.60(1). Any person who buys, sells, or deals in three or more motor vehicles in any 12-month period or who offers or displays for sale three or more motor vehicles in any 12-month period shall be prima facie presumed to be a motor vehicle dealer engaged in such business. Any motor vehicle broker who possesses, stores, displays, provides test drives, delivers, or takes ownership of any vehicles for the purpose of selling, leasing, or exchanging such vehicles shall be deemed to be a "motor vehicle dealer." The terms "selling" and "sale" include lease-purchase transactions. A motor vehicle dealer may, at retail or wholesale, sell a recreational vehicle as described in s. 320.01(1)(b)1.-6. and 8., acquired in

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exchange for the sale of a motor vehicle, provided such acquisition is incidental to the principal business of being a motor vehicle dealer. However, a motor vehicle dealer may not buy a recreational vehicle for the purpose of resale unless licensed as a recreational vehicle dealer pursuant to s. 320.771. A motor vehicle dealer may apply for a certificate of title to a motor vehicle required to be registered under s. 320.08(2)(b), (c), and (d), using a manufacturer's statement of origin as permitted by s. 319.23(1), only if such dealer is authorized by a franchised agreement as defined in s. 320.60(1), to buy, sell, or deal in such vehicle and is authorized by such agreement to perform delivery and preparation obligations and warranty defect adjustments on the motor vehicle; provided this limitation shall not apply to recreational vehicles, van conversions, or any other motor vehicle manufactured on a truck chassis. The transfer of a motor vehicle by a dealer not meeting these qualifications shall be titled as a used vehicle. The classifications of motor vehicle dealers are defined as follows:

- 1. "Franchised motor vehicle dealer" means any person who engages in the business of repairing, servicing, buying, selling, or dealing in motor vehicles pursuant to an agreement as defined in s. 320.60(1).
- 2. "Independent motor vehicle dealer" means any person other than a franchised or wholesale motor vehicle dealer who engages in the business of buying, selling, or dealing in motor vehicles, and who may service and repair motor vehicles.

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- "Wholesale motor vehicle dealer" means any person who engages exclusively in the business of buying, selling, or dealing in motor vehicles at wholesale or with motor vehicle auctions. Such person shall be licensed to do business in this state, shall not sell or auction a vehicle to any person who is not a licensed dealer, and shall not have the privilege of the use of dealer license plates. Any person who buys, sells, or deals in motor vehicles at wholesale or with motor vehicle auctions on behalf of a licensed motor vehicle dealer and as a bona fide employee of such licensed motor vehicle dealer is not required to be licensed as a wholesale motor vehicle dealer. In such cases it shall be prima facie presumed that a bona fide employer-employee relationship exists. A wholesale motor vehicle dealer shall be exempt from the display provisions of this section but shall maintain an office wherein records are kept in order that those records may be inspected.
- 4. "Motor vehicle auction" means any person offering motor vehicles or recreational vehicles for sale to the highest bidder where buyers are licensed motor vehicle dealers. Such person shall not sell a vehicle to anyone other than a licensed motor vehicle dealer.
- 5. "Salvage motor vehicle dealer" means any person who engages in the business of acquiring salvaged or wrecked motor vehicles for the purpose of reselling them and their parts.

The term "motor vehicle dealer" does not include persons not

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engaged in the purchase or sale of motor vehicles as a business who are disposing of vehicles acquired for their own use or for use in their business or acquired by foreclosure or by operation of law, provided such vehicles are acquired and sold in good faith and not for the purpose of avoiding the provisions of this law; persons engaged in the business of manufacturing, selling, or offering or displaying for sale at wholesale or retail no more than 25 trailers in a 12-month period; public officers while performing their official duties; receivers; trustees, administrators, executors, quardians, or other persons appointed by, or acting under the judgment or order of, any court; banks, finance companies, or other loan agencies that acquire motor vehicles as an incident to their regular business; motor vehicle brokers; and motor vehicle rental and leasing companies that sell motor vehicles to motor vehicle dealers licensed under this section. Vehicles owned under circumstances described in this paragraph may be disposed of at retail, wholesale, or auction, unless otherwise restricted. A manufacturer of fire trucks, ambulances, or school buses may sell such vehicles directly to governmental agencies or to persons who contract to perform or provide firefighting, ambulance, or school transportation services exclusively to governmental agencies without processing such sales through dealers if such fire trucks, ambulances, school buses, or similar vehicles are not presently available through motor vehicle dealers licensed by the department.

(d) "Motor vehicle broker" means any person engaged in the

business of offering to procure or procuring motor vehicles for the general public <u>for compensation</u>, or who holds himself or herself out through solicitation, advertisement, or otherwise as one who offers to procure or procures motor vehicles for the general public, and who does not store, display, or take ownership of any vehicles for the purpose of selling, leasing, or exchanging such vehicles.

- (e) "Person" means any natural person, firm, partnership, association, or corporation.
- (f) "Bona fide employee" means a person who is employed by a licensed motor vehicle dealer and receives annually an Internal Revenue Service Form W-2, or an independent contractor who has a written contract with a licensed motor vehicle dealer and receives annually an Internal Revenue Service Form 1099, for the purpose of acting in the capacity of or conducting motor vehicle sales transactions as a motor vehicle dealer.
- Section 23. Section 321.25, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 321.25 Training provided at patrol schools; reimbursement of tuition and other course expenses.—
- <u>(1)</u> The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles may is authorized to provide for the training of law enforcement officials and individuals in matters relating to the duties, functions, and powers of the Florida Highway Patrol in the schools established by the department for the training of highway patrol candidates and officers. The Department of

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Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles <u>may</u> is authorized to charge a fee for providing the training authorized by this section. The fee shall be charged to persons attending the training. The fee shall be based on the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles' costs for providing the training, and such costs may include, but are not limited to, tuition, lodging, and meals. Revenues from the fees shall be used to offset the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles' costs for providing the training. The cost of training local enforcement officers shall be paid for by their respective offices, counties, or municipalities, as the case may be. Such cost shall be deemed a proper county or municipal expense or a proper expenditure of the office of sheriff.

- (2) Notwithstanding s. 943.16, a person who attends training under subsection (1) at the expense of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles must remain in the employment or appointment of the Florida Highway Patrol for at least 3 years. Once employed, if the person fails to remain employed by the Florida Highway Patrol for at least 3 years from the first date of employment, the person must pay the cost of tuition and other course expenses to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles. For purposes of this section, the term "other course expenses" may include the cost of meals and lodging.
- (3) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles may institute a civil action to collect the cost of tuition and

other course expenses if it is not reimbursed pursuant to subsection (2), provided that the Florida Highway Patrol gave written notification to the person of the 3-year employment commitment during the employment screening process and the person returned signed acknowledgment of receipt of such notification.

(4) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles may waive a person's requirement of reimbursement in part or in full when the person terminates employment due to hardship or extenuating circumstances.

Section 24. Subsection (4) of section 322.01, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.01 Definitions.—As used in this chapter:

- (4) "Authorized emergency vehicle" means a vehicle that is equipped with extraordinary audible and visual warning devices, that is authorized by s. 316.2397 to display red, red and white, or blue lights, and that is on call to respond to emergencies. The term includes, but is not limited to, ambulances, law enforcement vehicles, fire trucks, and other rescue vehicles. The term does not include wreckers, utility trucks, or other vehicles that are used only incidentally for emergency purposes.
- Section 25. Subsection (4) of section 322.03, Florida
 1375 Statutes, is amended to read:
- 1376 322.03 Drivers must be licensed; penalties.—
 - (4) A person may not operate a motorcycle unless he or she

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holds a driver license that authorizes such operation, subject to the appropriate restrictions and endorsements. A person may operate an autocycle without a motorcycle endorsement.

Section 26. Paragraph (e) of subsection (8) of section 322.051, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.051 Identification cards.-

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- (e)1. Upon request by a person who has posttraumatic stress disorder, traumatic brain injury, or a developmental disability, or by a parent or guardian of a child or ward who has posttraumatic stress disorder, traumatic brain injury, or a developmental disability, the department shall issue an identification card exhibiting a capital "D" for the person, child, or ward if the person or the parent or guardian of the child or ward submits:
 - a. Payment of an additional \$1 fee; and
- b. Proof acceptable to the department of a diagnosis by a licensed physician of a developmental disability as defined in s. 393.063, posttraumatic stress disorder, or traumatic brain injury.
- 2. The department shall deposit the additional \$1 fee into the Agency for Persons with Disabilities Operations and Maintenance Trust Fund under s. 20.1971(2).
- 3. A replacement identification card that includes the designation may be issued without payment of the fee required under s. 322.21(1)(f).

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- Section 27. Paragraph (m) of subsection (8) of section 322.08, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 322.08 Application for license; requirements for license and identification card forms.—
- (8) The application form for an original, renewal, or replacement driver license or identification card must include language permitting the following:
- (m) A voluntary contribution of \$1 per applicant, which shall be distributed to Prevent Blindness
 Florida, a not-for-profit organization, to prevent blindness and preserve the sight of the residents of this state.

A statement providing an explanation of the purpose of the trust funds shall also be included. For the purpose of applying the service charge provided under s. 215.20, contributions received under paragraphs (b)-(t) are not income of a revenue nature.

Section 28. Subsection (5) of section 322.091, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.091 Attendance requirements.-

(5) REPORTING AND ACCOUNTABILITY.—The department shall upon request report quarterly to each school district the legal name, sex, date of birth, and social security number of each student whose driving privileges have been suspended under this

1430	section.
1431	Section 29. Paragraph (c) is added to subsection (5) of
1432	section 322.12, Florida Statutes, to read:
1433	322.12 Examination of applicants
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1435	(c) This subsection does not apply to the operation of an
1436	autocycle.
1437	Section 30. Paragraph (d) is added to subsection (1) of
1438	section 322.135, Florida Statutes, to read:
1439	322.135 Driver license agents.—
1440	(1) The department shall, upon application, authorize by
1441	interagency agreement any or all of the tax collectors who are
1442	constitutional officers under s. 1(d), Art. VIII of the State
1443	Constitution in the several counties of the state, subject to
1444	the requirements of law, in accordance with rules of the
1445	department, to serve as its agent for the provision of specified
1446	driver license services.
1447	(d) Each tax collector shall provide the same driver
1448	license services in office to residents of other counties that
1449	it provides for residents of its home county.
1450	Section 31. Section 322.161, Florida Statutes, is amended
1451	to read:
1452	322.161 High-risk drivers; restricted licenses
1453	(1) This section may be cited as the "Brittany Baxter
1454	Act."
1455	$(2)\frac{(1)}{(1)}$ (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the

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contrary, the department shall restrict the driving privilege of any Class E licensee who is age 15 through 17 and who has accumulated six or more points pursuant to s. 318.14, excluding parking violations, within a 15-month 12-month period.

- (b) Upon determination that any person has accumulated six or more points, the department shall notify the licensee and issue the licensee a restricted license for business purposes only. The licensee must appear before the department within 10 days after notification to have this restriction applied. The period of restriction shall be for at least a period of no less than 1 year beginning on the date it is applied by the department. During the period of restriction, the licensee must complete a 12-hour approved advanced driver improvement course and receive 4 hours of behind-the-wheel training from a Florida licensed commercial driving school. Successful completion of a behind-the-wheel examination is required in order to receive completion credit for the course.
- the department after 1 year if the licensee <u>has completed such</u> driver improvement course approved by the department and does not accumulate any additional points. <u>If the licensee has not completed the course requirement, the period of restriction shall be extended until such time as the licensee completes the course requirement. If the licensee accumulates any additional points, then the period of restriction shall be extended 90 days for each point. The restriction shall also be automatically</u>

withdrawn upon the licensee's 18th birthday if no other grounds for restriction exist. The licensee must appear before the department to have the restriction removed and a duplicate license issued.

(3)(2) Any action taken by the department pursuant to this section shall not be subject to any formal or informal administrative hearing or similar administrative procedure.

Section 32. Subsection (1) of section 322.12, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.12 Examination of applicants.-

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It is the intent of the Legislature that every applicant for an original driver license in this state be required to pass an examination pursuant to this section. However, the department may waive the knowledge, endorsement, and skills tests for an applicant who is otherwise qualified and who surrenders a valid driver license from another state or a province of Canada, or a valid driver license issued by the United States Armed Forces, if the driver applies for a Florida license of an equal or lesser classification. An Any applicant who fails to pass the initial knowledge test incurs a \$10 fee for each subsequent test, to be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund, except that if a subsequent test is administered by the tax collector, the tax collector shall retain such \$10 fee, less the General Revenue Service Charge set forth in s. 215.20(1). Any applicant who fails to pass the initial skills test incurs a \$20 fee for each subsequent test, to be

deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund, except that if a subsequent test is administered by the tax collector, the tax collector shall retain such \$20 fee, less the General Revenue Service Charge set forth in s. 215.20(1). A person who seeks to retain a hazardous-materials endorsement, pursuant to s. 322.57(1)(e), must pass the hazardous-materials test, upon surrendering his or her commercial driver license, if the person has not taken and passed the hazardous-materials test within 2 years before applying for a commercial driver license in this state.

Section 33. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 322.17, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.17 Replacement licenses, identification cards, and permits.—

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(b) In the event that an instruction permit, or driver license, or identification card issued under the provisions of this chapter is stolen, the person to whom the same was issued may, at no charge, obtain a replacement upon furnishing proof satisfactory to the department that such permit, or license, or identification card was stolen and further furnishing the person's full name, date of birth, sex, residence and mailing address, proof of birth satisfactory to the department, and proof of identity satisfactory to the department.

Section 34. Paragraphs (e) and (i) of subsection (1) and subsection (8) of section 322.21, Florida Statutes, are amended,

and subsection (10) is added to that section, to read:

322.21 License fees; procedure for handling and collecting
fees.—

- (1) Except as otherwise provided herein, the fee for:
- (e) A replacement driver license issued pursuant to s. 322.17 is \$25. Of this amount, \$7 shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund and \$18 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund. Beginning July 1, 2015, or upon completion of the transition of driver license issuance services, If the replacement driver license is issued by the tax collector, the tax collector shall retain the \$7 that would otherwise be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund and the remaining revenues shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (i) The specialty driver license or identification card issued pursuant to s. 322.1415 is \$25, which is in addition to other fees required in this section. The fee shall be distributed as follows:
- 1. Fifty percent shall be distributed as provided in s. 320.08058 to the appropriate state or independent university, professional sports team, or branch of the United States Armed Forces.
- 2. Fifty percent shall be distributed to the department for costs directly related to the specialty driver license and identification card program and to defray the costs associated with production enhancements and distribution.

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- (8) A Any person who applies for reinstatement following the suspension or revocation of the person's driver license must pay a service fee of \$45 following a suspension, and \$75 following a revocation, which is in addition to the fee for a license. A Any person who applies for reinstatement of a commercial driver license following the disqualification of the person's privilege to operate a commercial motor vehicle shall pay a service fee of \$75, which is in addition to the fee for a license. The department shall collect all of these fees at the time of reinstatement. The department shall issue proper receipts for such fees and shall promptly transmit all funds received by it as follows:
- (a) Of the \$45 fee received from a licensee for reinstatement following a suspension:

- 1. If the reinstatement is processed by the department, the department shall deposit \$15 in the General Revenue Fund and \$30 in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.
- 2. If the reinstatement is processed by the tax collector, \$15, less the General Revenue Service Charge set forth in s.

 215.20(1), shall be retained by the tax collector, \$15 shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund, and \$15 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (b) Of the \$75 fee received from a licensee for reinstatement following a revocation or disqualification:
- 1. If the reinstatement is processed by the department, the department shall deposit \$35 in the General Revenue Fund and

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2. If the reinstatement is processed by the tax collector, \$20, less the General Revenue Service Charge set forth in s.

215.20(1), shall be retained by the tax collector, \$20 shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund, and \$35 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

If the revocation or suspension of the driver license was for a violation of s. 316.193, or for refusal to submit to a lawful breath, blood, or urine test, an additional fee of \$130 must be charged. However, only one \$130 fee may be collected from one person convicted of violations arising out of the same incident. The department shall collect the \$130 fee and deposit the fee into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund at the time of reinstatement of the person's driver license, but the fee may not be collected if the suspension or revocation is overturned. If the revocation or suspension of the driver license was for a conviction for a violation of s. 817.234(8) or (9) or s. 817.505, an additional fee of \$180 is imposed for each offense. The department shall collect and deposit the additional fee into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund at the time of reinstatement of the person's driver license.

(10) An applicant who submits an application for a renewal or replacement driver license or identification card to the department using a convenience service shall be provided with an option for expedited shipping whereby the department, at the

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applicant's request, shall issue the license or identification card within 5 working days after receipt of the application and send the license or identification card using an expedited mail service. A fee shall be charged for the expedited mail option, not to exceed the cost of the expedited mail service, which is in addition to fees imposed by s. 322.051 or this section, or for the convenience service. Fees collected for the expedited shipping option shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.

Section 35. Subsection (1) of section 322.61, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsection (2) of that section is reenacted, to read:

322.61 Disqualification from operating a commercial motor vehicle.—

(1) A person who, for offenses occurring within a 3-year period, is convicted of two of the following serious traffic violations, or any combination thereof, arising in separate incidents committed in a commercial motor vehicle shall, in addition to any other applicable penalties, be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for a period of 60 days. A holder of a commercial driver license or commercial learner's permit who, for offenses occurring within a 3-year period, is convicted of two of the following serious traffic violations, or any combination thereof, arising in separate incidents committed in a noncommercial motor vehicle shall, in addition to any other applicable penalties, be disqualified from operating a

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- (a) A violation of any state or local law relating to motor vehicle traffic control, other than a parking violation, arising in connection with a crash resulting in death;
 - (b) Reckless driving, as defined in s. 316.192;
- (c) Unlawful speed of 15 miles per hour or more above the posted speed limit;
 - (d) Improper lane change, as defined in s. 316.085;
 - (e) Following too closely, as defined in s. 316.0895;
- (f) Texting while driving a commercial motor vehicle, as prohibited by 49 C.F.R. s. 392.80;
- (g) Using a handheld mobile telephone while driving a commercial motor vehicle, as prohibited by 49 C.F.R. s. 392.82;
- (h) (f) Driving a commercial vehicle without obtaining a commercial driver license;
- (i) (g) Driving a commercial vehicle without the proper class of commercial driver license or commercial learner's permit or without the proper endorsement; or
- (j) (h) Driving a commercial vehicle without a commercial driver license or commercial learner's permit in possession, as required by s. 322.03.
- (2) (a) Any person who, for offenses occurring within a 3-year period, is convicted of three serious traffic violations specified in subsection (1) or any combination thereof, arising

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in separate incidents committed in a commercial motor vehicle shall, in addition to any other applicable penalties, including but not limited to the penalty provided in subsection (1), be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for a period of 120 days.

- (b) A holder of a commercial driver license or commercial learner's permit who, for offenses occurring within a 3-year period, is convicted of three serious traffic violations specified in subsection (1) or any combination thereof arising in separate incidents committed in a noncommercial motor vehicle shall, in addition to any other applicable penalties, including, but not limited to, the penalty provided in subsection (1), be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for a period of 120 days if such convictions result in the suspension, revocation, or cancellation of the licenseholder's driving privilege.
- Section 36. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 715.07, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 715.07 Vehicles or vessels parked on private property; towing.—
- (2) The owner or lessee of real property, or any person authorized by the owner or lessee, which person may be the designated representative of the condominium association if the real property is a condominium, may cause any vehicle or vessel parked on such property without her or his permission to be removed by a person regularly engaged in the business of towing

vehicles or vessels, without liability for the costs of removal, transportation, or storage or damages caused by such removal, transportation, or storage, under any of the following circumstances:

- (a) The towing or removal of any vehicle or vessel from private property without the consent of the registered owner or other legally authorized person in control of that vehicle or vessel is subject to strict compliance with the following conditions and restrictions:
- 1.a. Any towed or removed vehicle or vessel must be stored at a site within a 10-mile radius of the point of removal in any county of 500,000 population or more, and within a 15-mile radius of the point of removal in any county of less than 500,000 population. That site must be open for the purpose of redemption of vehicles on any day that the person or firm towing such vehicle or vessel is open for towing purposes, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., and, when closed, shall have prominently posted a sign indicating a telephone number where the operator of the site can be reached at all times. Upon receipt of a telephoned request to open the site to redeem a vehicle or vessel, the operator shall return to the site within 1 hour or she or he will be in violation of this section.
- b. If no towing business providing such service is located within the area of towing limitations set forth in subsubparagraph a., the following limitations apply: any towed or removed vehicle or vessel must be stored at a site within a 20-

mile radius of the point of removal in any county of 500,000 population or more, and within a 30-mile radius of the point of removal in any county of less than 500,000 population.

- 2. The person or firm towing or removing the vehicle or vessel shall, within 30 minutes after completion of such towing or removal, notify the municipal police department or, in an unincorporated area, the sheriff, of such towing or removal, the storage site, the time the vehicle or vessel was towed or removed, and the make, model, color, and license plate number of the vehicle or description and registration number of the vessel and shall obtain the name of the person at that department to whom such information was reported and note that name on the trip record.
- 3. A person in the process of towing or removing a vehicle or vessel from the premises or parking lot in which the vehicle or vessel is not lawfully parked must stop when a person seeks the return of the vehicle or vessel. The vehicle or vessel must be returned upon the payment of a reasonable service fee of not more than one-half of the posted rate for the towing or removal service as provided in subparagraph 6. The vehicle or vessel may be towed or removed if, after a reasonable opportunity, the owner or legally authorized person in control of the vehicle or vessel is unable to pay the service fee. If the vehicle or vessel is redeemed, a detailed signed receipt must be given to the person redeeming the vehicle or vessel.
 - 4. A person may not pay or accept money or other valuable

consideration for the privilege of towing or removing vehicles or vessels from a particular location.

- 5. Except for property appurtenant to and obviously a part of a single-family residence, and except for instances when notice is personally given to the owner or other legally authorized person in control of the vehicle or vessel that the area in which that vehicle or vessel is parked is reserved or otherwise unavailable for unauthorized vehicles or vessels and that the vehicle or vessel is subject to being removed at the owner's or operator's expense, any property owner or lessee, or person authorized by the property owner or lessee, prior to towing or removing any vehicle or vessel from private property without the consent of the owner or other legally authorized person in control of that vehicle or vessel, must post a notice meeting the following requirements:
- a. The notice must be prominently placed at each driveway access or curb cut allowing vehicular access to the property, within 5 feet from the public right-of-way line. If there are no curbs or access barriers, the signs must be posted not less than one sign for each 25 feet of lot frontage.
- b. The notice must clearly indicate, in not less than 2-inch high, light-reflective letters on a contrasting background, that unauthorized vehicles will be towed away at the owner's expense. The words "tow-away zone" must be included on the sign in not less than 4-inch high letters.
 - c. The notice must also provide the name and current

telephone number of the person or firm towing or removing the vehicles or vessels.

- d. The sign structure containing the required notices must be permanently installed with the words "tow-away zone" not less than 3 feet and not more than 6 feet above ground level and must be continuously maintained on the property for not less than 24 hours prior to the towing or removal of any vehicles or vessels.
- e. The local government may require permitting and inspection of these signs prior to any towing or removal of vehicles or vessels being authorized.
- f. A business with 20 or fewer parking spaces satisfies the notice requirements of this subparagraph by prominently displaying a sign stating "Reserved Parking for Customers Only Unauthorized Vehicles or Vessels Will be Towed Away At the Owner's Expense" in not less than 4-inch high, light-reflective letters on a contrasting background.
- g. A property owner towing or removing vessels from real property must post notice, consistent with the requirements in sub-subparagraphs a.-f., which apply to vehicles, that unauthorized vehicles or vessels will be towed away at the owner's expense.

A business owner or lessee may authorize the removal of a vehicle or vessel by a towing company when the vehicle or vessel is parked in such a manner that restricts the normal operation of business; and if a vehicle or vessel parked on a public

right-of-way obstructs access to a private driveway the owner, lessee, or agent may have the vehicle or vessel removed by a towing company upon signing an order that the vehicle or vessel be removed without a posted tow-away zone sign.

- 6. Any person or firm that tows or removes vehicles or vessels and proposes to require an owner, operator, or person in control of a vehicle or vessel to pay the costs of towing and storage prior to redemption of the vehicle or vessel must file and keep on record with the local law enforcement agency a complete copy of the current rates to be charged for such services and post at the storage site an identical rate schedule and any written contracts with property owners, lessees, or persons in control of property which authorize such person or firm to remove vehicles or vessels as provided in this section.
- 7. Any person or firm towing or removing any vehicles or vessels from private property without the consent of the owner or other legally authorized person in control of the vehicles or vessels shall, on any trucks, wreckers as defined in s.
 713.78(1)(c), or other vehicles used in the towing or removal, have the name, address, and telephone number of the company performing such service clearly printed in contrasting colors on the driver and passenger sides of the vehicle. The name shall be in at least 3-inch permanently affixed letters, and the address and telephone number shall be in at least 1-inch permanently affixed letters.
 - 8. Vehicle entry for the purpose of removing the vehicle

or vessel shall be allowed with reasonable care on the part of the person or firm towing the vehicle or vessel. Such person or firm shall be liable for any damage occasioned to the vehicle or vessel if such entry is not in accordance with the standard of reasonable care.

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9. When a vehicle or vessel has been towed or removed pursuant to this section, it must be released to its owner or person in custody or control of the vehicle or vessel, which includes, but is not limited to, a person in possession of the keys or person in possession of a signed letter from the owner, custodian within one hour after requested. The release of the vehicle does not require an original signed letter. Faxes, emails, or other electronic transmissions must be accepted as forms of authorization to release a vehicle or vessel. Proof of ownership is not required as a means to release a vehicle or vessel. Any vehicle or vessel owner or person in custody or control or agent shall have the right to inspect the vehicle or vessel before accepting its return, and no release or waiver of any kind which would release the person or firm towing the vehicle or vessel from liability for damages noted by the owner or other legally authorized person at the time of the redemption may be required from any vehicle or vessel owner, custodian, or person in custody or control agent as a condition of release of the vehicle or vessel to its owner or person in custody or control requesting the release. A detailed, signed receipt showing the legal name of the company or person towing or

removing the vehicle or vessel must be given to the person paying towing or storage charges at the time of payment, whether requested or not.

Section 37. The amendment made by this act to s. 318.18, Florida Statutes, shall apply upon the creation of a new inventory of uniform traffic citation forms.

Section 38. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 212.05, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

212.05 Sales, storage, use tax.—It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that every person is exercising a taxable privilege who engages in the business of selling tangible personal property at retail in this state, including the business of making mail order sales, or who rents or furnishes any of the things or services taxable under this chapter, or who stores for use or consumption in this state any item or article of tangible personal property as defined herein and who leases or rents such property within the state.

- (1) For the exercise of such privilege, a tax is levied on each taxable transaction or incident, which tax is due and payable as follows:
- (c) At the rate of 6 percent of the gross proceeds derived from the lease or rental of tangible personal property, as defined herein; however, the following special provisions apply to the lease or rental of motor vehicles:
- 1. When a motor vehicle is leased or rented for a period of less than 12 months:

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a. If the motor vehicle is rented in Florida, the entire amount of such rental is taxable, even if the vehicle is dropped off in another state.

- b. If the motor vehicle is rented in another state and dropped off in Florida, the rental is exempt from Florida tax.
- 2. Except as provided in subparagraph 3., for the lease or rental of a motor vehicle for a period of not less than 12 months, sales tax is due on the lease or rental payments if the vehicle is registered in this state; provided, however, that no tax shall be due if the taxpayer documents use of the motor vehicle outside this state and tax is being paid on the lease or rental payments in another state.
- 3. The tax imposed by this chapter does not apply to the lease or rental of a commercial motor vehicle as defined in s. \$\frac{316.003(13)(a)}{316.003(12)(a)}\$ to one lessee or rentee for a period of not less than 12 months when tax was paid on the purchase price of such vehicle by the lessor. To the extent tax was paid with respect to the purchase of such vehicle in another state, territory of the United States, or the District of Columbia, the Florida tax payable shall be reduced in accordance with the provisions of s. 212.06(7). This subparagraph shall only be available when the lease or rental of such property is an established business or part of an established business or the same is incidental or germane to such business.

Section 39. Subsections (1) and (3) of section 316.303, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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316.303 Television receivers.

- (1) No motor vehicle may be operated on the highways of this state if the vehicle is actively displaying moving television broadcast or pre-recorded video entertainment content that is visible from the driver's seat while the vehicle is in motion, unless the vehicle is equipped with autonomous technology, as defined in s. $\underline{316.003(3)}$ $\underline{316.003(2)}$, and is being operated in autonomous mode, as provided in s. $\underline{316.85(2)}$.
- (3) This section does not prohibit the use of an electronic display used in conjunction with a vehicle navigation system; an electronic display used by an operator of a vehicle equipped with autonomous technology, as defined in s. 316.003(3) 316.003; or an electronic display used by an operator of a vehicle equipped and operating with driver-assistive truck platooning technology, as defined in s. 316.003.

Section 40. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section 316.545, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

316.545 Weight and load unlawful; special fuel and motor fuel tax enforcement; inspection; penalty; review.—

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(b) The officer or inspector shall inspect the license plate or registration certificate of the commercial vehicle to determine whether its gross weight is in compliance with the declared gross vehicle weight. If its gross weight exceeds the declared weight, the penalty shall be 5 cents per pound on the difference between such weights. In those cases when the

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commercial vehicle is being operated over the highways of the state with an expired registration or with no registration from this or any other jurisdiction or is not registered under the applicable provisions of chapter 320, the penalty herein shall apply on the basis of 5 cents per pound on that scaled weight which exceeds 35,000 pounds on laden truck tractor-semitrailer combinations or tandem trailer truck combinations, 10,000 pounds on laden straight trucks or straight truck-trailer combinations, or 10,000 pounds on any unladen commercial motor vehicle. A driver of a commercial motor vehicle entering the state at a designated port-of-entry location, as defined in s. 316.003 316.003(54), or operating on designated routes to a port-ofentry location, who obtains a temporary registration permit shall be assessed a penalty limited to the difference between its gross weight and the declared gross vehicle weight at 5 cents per pound. If the license plate or registration has not been expired for more than 90 days, the penalty imposed under this paragraph may not exceed \$1,000. In the case of special mobile equipment, which qualifies for the license tax provided for in s. 320.08(5)(b), being operated on the highways of the state with an expired registration or otherwise not properly registered under the applicable provisions of chapter 320, a penalty of \$75 shall apply in addition to any other penalty which may apply in accordance with this chapter. A vehicle found in violation of this section may be detained until the owner or operator produces evidence that the vehicle has been properly

registered. Any costs incurred by the retention of the vehicle shall be the sole responsibility of the owner. A person who has been assessed a penalty pursuant to this paragraph for failure to have a valid vehicle registration certificate pursuant to the provisions of chapter 320 is not subject to the delinquent fee authorized in s. 320.07 if such person obtains a valid registration certificate within 10 working days after such penalty was assessed.

Section 41. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 316.613, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

316.613 Child restraint requirements.-

- (2) As used in this section, the term "motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle as defined in s. 316.003 that is operated on the roadways, streets, and highways of the state. The term does not include:
- (a) A school bus as defined in s. 316.003 316.003 (68).

 Section 42. Subsection (1) of section 655.960, Florida

 Statutes, is amended to read:
- 655.960 Definitions; ss. 655.960-655.965.—As used in this section and ss. 655.961-655.965, unless the context otherwise requires:
- (1) "Access area" means any paved walkway or sidewalk which is within 50 feet of any automated teller machine. The term does not include any street or highway open to the use of the public, as defined in s. 316.003(78)(a) 316.003(77)(a) or (b), including any adjacent sidewalk, as defined in s. 316.003.

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Section 43. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act, this act shall take effect October 1, 2017.

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