1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to movable tiny homes; amending s.
3	320.01, F.S.; revising definitions; providing that a
4	park trailer may be used as permanent living quarters
5	under specified circumstances; providing that such a
6	park trailer may be referred to as a "movable tiny
7	home"; amending s. 320.822, F.S.; revising the
8	definition of the term "code"; amending s. 320.8231,
9	F.S.; establishing uniform standards for the
10	construction and inspection of a movable tiny home;
11	providing an effective date.
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13	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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15	Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section
16	320.01, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
17	320.01 Definitions, general.—As used in the Florida
18	Statutes, except as otherwise provided, the term:
19	(1) "Motor vehicle" means:
20	(b) A recreational vehicle-type unit primarily designed as
21	temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or travel
22	use, or designed to be used as provided in sub-sub-subparagraph
23	7.a.(II), which either has its own motive power or is mounted on
24	or drawn by another vehicle. Recreational vehicle-type units,
25	when traveling on the public roadways of this state, must comply
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26 with the length and width provisions of s. 316.515, as that 27 section may hereafter be amended. As defined below, the basic 28 entities are:

29 1. The "travel trailer," which is a vehicular portable unit, mounted on wheels, of such a size or weight as not to 30 require special highway movement permits when drawn by a 31 32 motorized vehicle. It is primarily designed and constructed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or 33 34 travel use. It has a body width of no more than 8 1/2 feet and an overall body length of no more than 40 feet when factory-35 36 equipped for the road.

37 2. The "camping trailer," which is a vehicular portable 38 unit mounted on wheels and constructed with collapsible partial 39 sidewalls which fold for towing by another vehicle and unfold at 40 the campsite to provide temporary living quarters for 41 recreational, camping, or travel use.

3. The "truck camper," which is a truck equipped with a portable unit designed to be loaded onto, or affixed to, the bed or chassis of the truck and constructed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or travel use.

46 4. The "motor home," which is a vehicular unit which does 47 not exceed the length, height, and width limitations provided in 48 s. 316.515, is a self-propelled motor vehicle, and is primarily 49 designed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, 50 camping, or travel use.

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5. The "private motor coach," which is a vehicular unit 52 which does not exceed the length, width, and height limitations 53 provided in s. 316.515(9), is built on a self-propelled bus type 54 chassis having no fewer than three load-bearing axles, and is 55 primarily designed to provide temporary living quarters for 56 recreational, camping, or travel use.

57 6. The "van conversion," which is a vehicular unit which 58 does not exceed the length and width limitations provided in s. 59 316.515, is built on a self-propelled motor vehicle chassis, and 60 is designed for recreation, camping, and travel use.

7.<u>a.</u> The "park trailer," which is a transportable unit
<u>that</u> which has a body width not exceeding 14 feet and <u>that</u> which
is built on a single chassis and is:

64 (I) Designed to provide seasonal or temporary living 65 quarters when connected to utilities necessary for operation of 66 installed fixtures and appliances. The total area of such the 67 unit may in a setup mode, when measured from the exterior 68 surface of the exterior stud walls at the level of maximum 69 dimensions, not including any bay window, does not exceed 400 70 square feet when constructed to ANSI A-119.5 standards, and 500 71 square feet when constructed to United States Department of 72 Housing and Urban Development Standards; or

73 <u>(II) Used as permanent living quarters for no more than</u> 74 <u>one household when connected to utilities necessary for</u> 75 <u>operation of installed fixtures and appliances. The total area</u>

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76 of such unit may not exceed 400 square feet when constructed to 77 standards specified in s. 320.8231(3), and 500 square feet when 78 constructed to United States Department of Housing and Urban 79 Development Standards. A park trailer under this sub-sub-80 subparagraph may be referred to as a "movable tiny home." b. The total area of a park trailer is measured from the 81 82 exterior surface of the exterior stud walls at the level of maximum dimensions, not including any bay window, when the unit 83 84 is in setup mode. The length of a park trailer means the 85 distance from the exterior of the front of the body (nearest to 86 the drawbar and coupling mechanism) to the exterior of the rear 87 of the body (at the opposite end of the body), including any 88 protrusions. The "fifth-wheel trailer," which is a vehicular unit 89 8. mounted on wheels, designed to provide temporary living quarters 90 91 for recreational, camping, or travel use, of such size or weight 92 as not to require a special highway movement permit, of gross 93 trailer area not to exceed 400 square feet in the setup mode, and designed to be towed by a motorized vehicle that contains a 94 95 towing mechanism that is mounted above or forward of the tow vehicle's rear axle. 96 Section 2. Subsection (2) of section 320.822, Florida 97

98 Statutes, is amended to read:

99320.822Definitions; ss. 320.822-320.862.-In construing100ss. 320.822-320.862, unless the context otherwise requires, the

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101 following words or phrases have the following meanings: 102 (2) "Code" means the appropriate standards found in: 103 (a) The Federal Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards for single-family mobile homes, adopted 104 105 promulgated by the Department of Housing and Urban Development; 106 The Uniform Standards Code approved by the American (b) 107 National Standards Institute, ANSI A-119.2 for recreational vehicles and ANSI A-119.5 for park trailers or the United States 108 109 Department of Housing and Urban Development standard for park trailers certified as meeting that standard; or 110 111 (C) The Mobile and Manufactured Home Repair and Remodeling 112 Code and the Used Recreational Vehicle Code; or 113 (d) The standards provided in s. 320.8231(3). 114 Section 3. Subsections (3) and (4) are added to section 115 320.8231, Florida Statutes, to read: 116 320.8231 Establishment of uniform standards for 117 recreational vehicle-type units and park trailers.-118 (3) A movable tiny home described in s. 119 320.01(1)(b)7.a.(II) must, in addition to complying with 120 subsection (1), be constructed with at least all of the 121 following: (a) Insulation with a thermal resistance value of at least 122 123 R-13 in the walls and at least R-19 in the ceiling. 124 (b) Residential-grade insulated doors and windows. 125 (c) An electrical system that meets National Fire

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126 Protection Association (NFPA) 70, National Electrical Code, 127 article 551 or article 552, as applicable. 128 (d) Low-voltage electrical systems that meet the 129 requirements of the ANSI/RVIA Low Voltage Systems in Conversion 130 and RVs Standard. 131 (e) Wall framing consisting of structural rated studs that are between 16 and 24 inches on center, which studs are at least 132 133 2 inches by 4 inches of wood or metal, or equivalent structural 134 insulated panels. 135 (4) Each movable tiny home described in s. 320.01(1)(b)7.a.(II) must have a sticker or other documentation 136 137 certifying that the movable tiny home was inspected and 138 certified for compliance with subsection (3) by a professional 139 engineer licensed in this state or by a third-party inspector 140 who is qualified to inspect for ANSI compliance and is 141 accredited pursuant to either the American Society for Testing 142 and Materials Appendix E541 or ISO/IEC 17020. 143 Section 4. This act shall take effect October 1, 2023.

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