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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to the rental car surcharge; amending
3	s. 212.0606, F.S.; providing an alternative rental car
4	surcharge rate for use of a motor vehicle pursuant to
5	an agreement with a car-sharing service for less than
6	a specified number of hours; defining the term "car-
7	sharing service"; providing for applicability;
8	providing an effective date.
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10	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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12	Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 212.0606, Florida
13	Statutes, is amended, and subsection (5) is added to that
14	section, to read:
15	212.0606 Rental car surcharge
16	(1) A surcharge of $\frac{2}{2}$ $\frac{2.00}{2.00}$ per day or any part of a day
17	is imposed upon the lease or rental of a motor vehicle licensed
18	for hire and designed to carry less than nine passengers
19	regardless of whether such motor vehicle is licensed in Florida.
20	The surcharge applies to only the first 30 days of the term of
21	any lease or rental. The surcharge is subject to all applicable
22	taxes imposed by this chapter.
23	(5) Notwithstanding subsection (1), if a member of a car-
24	sharing service uses a motor vehicle pursuant to an agreement
25	with a car-sharing service for less than 24 hours, in lieu of
26	the surcharge imposed under subsection (1), a surcharge of 8
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27	cents per hour of usage is imposed. Any fraction of an hour
28	shall be rounded up to the nearest whole hour for purposes of
29	calculating the surcharge. If a member of a car-sharing service
30	uses the same motor vehicle for 24 consecutive hours or more,
31	the surcharge of \$2 per day or any part of a day shall be
32	imposed pursuant to subsection (1). For purposes of this
33	subsection, the term "car-sharing service" means a membership-
34	based organization or business or division thereof which
35	requires the payment of an application or membership fee and
36	provides member access to motor vehicles:
37	(a) Only at locations that are not staffed by car-sharing
38	service personnel employed solely for the purpose of interacting
39	with car-sharing service members;
40	(b) Twenty-four hours per day, 7 days per week;
41	(c) Only through automated means, which may include, but
42	are not limited to, smartphone applications or electronic
43	membership cards;
44	(d) On hourly or shorter increments;
45	(e) Without a separate fee for refueling the motor
46	vehicle;
47	(f) Without a separate fee for minimum financial
48	responsibility liability insurance; and
49	(g) Owned or controlled by the car-sharing service or its
50	affiliates.
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52	The lease, rental, or usage of a motor vehicle from a location
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- 53 owned, operated, or leased by or for the benefit of an airport
- 54 or airport authority is not eligible for imposition of the
- 55 <u>surcharge under this subsection in lieu</u> of the surcharge imposed
- 56 <u>under subsection (1).</u>
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Section 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2015.

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