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An act relating to motor vehicles, vessels, and enforcement of laws related thereto; amending s. 316.003, F.S.; providing that certain vehicles of the Department of Health are authorized emergency vehicles; amending s. 316.006, F.S.; authorizing the installation of multiparty stop signs on certain roads; providing guidelines for the installation of such signage; revising the traffic control jurisdiction of a county over certain roads and rights-of-way dedicated in a residential subdivision under certain circumstances; creating s. 316.00825, F.S.; authorizing the governing body of a county to abandon the roads and rights-of-way dedicated in a recorded subdivision plat under certain circumstances; providing for traffic control jurisdiction of such roads; amending s. 316.061, F.S.; authorizing certain entities to remove crashed motor vehicles from roadways under certain circumstances; providing a limitation of liability; amending s. 316.066, F.S.; providing for access to vehicle crash reports by local, state, and federal entities under certain circumstances; requiring said entities to maintain confidential status of such reports; amending s. 316.1975, F.S.; exempting operators of solid waste and recovered materials vehicles from provisions regarding unattended motor vehicles under certain circumstances; creating

s. 316.2127, F.S.; providing for operation of utility vehicles on city streets, county roads, or the State Highway System under certain circumstances; amending s. 316.2397, F.S.; authorizing emergency response vehicles of the Department of Health to use red flashing lights; amending s. 316.304, F.S.; revising requirements regarding the wearing of headsets while operating a vehicle; amending s. 316.520, F.S.; exempting certain vehicles carrying agricultural products; providing for criminal penalties for failure to secure loads on vehicles under certain circumstances; amending s. 316.640, F.S.; revising traffic law enforcement authority of university police officers; revising the powers and duties of traffic crash investigation officers; amending s. 318.1451, F.S.; providing traffic school reference guide requirements; amending s. 318.18, F.S.; providing for assessment of doubled fines for speeding in toll collection zones; providing a minimum penalty for violations of s. 316.520, F.S.; amending s. 318.19, F.S.; providing a mandatory hearing for violations of s. 316.520, F.S.; revising traffic law enforcement authority of the Office of Agricultural Law Enforcement; amending s. 322.056, F.S.; authorizing the court to direct the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to issue a driver's license restricted to business or employment purposes only to

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1 certain persons under age 18 found guilty of 2 certain alcohol, drug, or tobacco offenses; amending s. 570.073, F.S.; revising the powers 3 4 and duties of the Office of Agricultural Law 5 Enforcement; amending s. 319.23, F.S.; 6 requiring the Department of Highway Safety and 7 Motor Vehicles to retain certain evidence of title; amending s. 319.28, F.S.; revising 8 9 requirements for processing an application for title based on a contractual default; amending 10 s. 319.33, F.S.; revising the elements of the 11 12 offense of possessing, selling or offering for sale, concealing, or disposing of a motor 13 14 vehicle or mobile home, or major component part 15 thereof, on which the motor number or vehicle identification number has been destroyed, 16 removed, covered, altered, or defaced; 17 providing penalties; amending s. 320.025, F.S.; 18 19 providing for confidential registration and issuance under fictitious name of decals for 20 21 vessels operated by a law enforcement agency; requiring registration number and decal to be 22 23 affixed to such vessel; amending s. 320.05, F.S.; providing for release of vessel 24 registration information; providing exceptions; 25 26 amending s. 320.055, F.S.; providing registration period for certain nonapportioned 27 vehicles; amending s. 320.06, F.S.; revising 28 29 form of license plate validation stickers; reducing the number of required validation 30 stickers per plate; amending s. 320.072, F.S.; 31

revising initial registration fee exemptions; amending s. 320.0805, F.S.; reducing the timeframe for a personalized license plate to remain out of circulation prior to reassignment; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; providing for a use fee; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; directing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to develop a Florida Golf license plate; providing for the distribution and use of fees; authorizing the Florida Sports Foundation to establish a youth golf program; providing for an advisory committee; amending s. 320.083, F.S.; revising requirements for the Amateur Radio Operator specialty license plate; amending s. 320.0848, F.S.; revising fees for the 4-year disabled parking permit and renewal permit; amending s. 320.089, F.S.; revising weight restriction for the Ex-POW and Purple Heart license plates; amending s. 320.275, F.S.; creating a technical advisory committee to the Automobile Dealers Industry Advisory Board; providing for its duties and composition; requiring the office of the Attorney General, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to provide consumer education and information; amending s. 321.02, F.S.; providing for colors for use on Florida Highway Patrol motor vehicles and motorcycles; amending s. 322.051, F.S.; requiring acceptance of the Florida

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1 identification card as proof of identification 2 by persons accepting the Florida driver license 3 as proof of identification; amending s. 4 322.095, F.S.; deleting provision prohibiting 5 governmental entities or courts from providing 6 information regarding traffic law and substance 7 abuse education program schools or course providers; authorizing the Department of 8 9 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to provide a list of approved traffic law and substance 10 abuse education course providers with a single 11 12 phone number for each provider; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles 13 14 to approve and regulate certain courses for 15 driver improvement schools; amending s. 322.25, F.S.; correcting a cross reference; amending s. 16 17 322.27, F.S.; revising language relating to habitual traffic offender license revocation; 18 amending s. 322.271, F.S.; correcting a cross 19 reference; amending s. 322.28, F.S.; deleting 20 21 obsolete language relating to revocation of a driver's license; repealing s. 322.282, F.S., 22 23 relating to procedure when court revokes or suspends license or driving privilege and 24 orders reinstatement, and s. 322.331, F.S., 25 26 relating to restoration of license for habitual traffic offenders; amending s. 324.091, F.S.; 27 providing for electronic access to vehicle 28 29 insurer information; prohibiting compilation and retention of such information; amending s. 30 328.01, F.S.; deleting the requirement that a 31

1 copy of a contract upon which a claim of 2 ownership of a vessel is made be submitted if 3 an application for transfer of title is based 4 on a contractual default; amending s. 328.42, 5 F.S.; authorizing the department to deny or cancel a vessel registration, license plate, or 6 7 fuel-use tax decal when given a dishonored check by the customer; amending s. 328.56, 8 9 F.S.; revising language relating to display of vessel registration number; amending s. 328.72, 10 F.S.; deleting certain requirements for the 11 12 transfer of ownership of an antique vessel; amending s. 832.09, F.S.; requiring the 13 14 department to create a standardized form for notification from clerks of courts of 15 16 satisfaction of a worthless check; providing an 17 effective date.

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Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 316.003, Florida Statutes, is amended 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:

(1) AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY VEHICLES.--Vehicles of the fire department (fire patrol), police vehicles, and such ambulances and emergency vehicles of municipal departments, public service corporations operated by private corporations, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of

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<u>Health</u>, and the Department of Transportation as are designated or authorized by their respective department or the chief of police of an incorporated city or any sheriff of any of the various counties.

Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) and paragraph (b) of subsection (3) are amended and paragraph (c) is added to subsection (3) of section 316.006, Florida Statutes, to read:

316.006 Jurisdiction.--Jurisdiction to control traffic is vested as follows:

(2) MUNICIPALITIES. --

- (b) A municipality may exercise jurisdiction over any private road or roads, or over any limited access road or roads owned or controlled by a special district, located within its boundaries if the municipality and party or parties owning or controlling such road or roads provide, by written agreement approved by the governing body of the municipality, for municipal traffic control jurisdiction over the road or roads encompassed by such agreement. Pursuant thereto:
- 1. Provision for reimbursement for actual costs of traffic control and enforcement and for liability insurance and indemnification by the party or parties, and such other terms as are mutually agreeable, may be included in such an agreement.
- 2. The exercise of jurisdiction provided for herein shall be in addition to jurisdictional authority presently exercised by municipalities under law, and nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to limit or remove any such jurisdictional authority. Such jurisdiction includes regulation of access to such road or roads by security devices or personnel.

3. Any such agreement may provide for the installation of multiparty stop signs by the parties controlling the roads covered by the agreement if a determination is made by such parties that the signage will enhance traffic safety. Multiparty stop signs must conform to the manual and specifications of the Department of Transportation; however, minimum traffic volumes may not be required for the installation of such signage. Enforcement for the signs shall be as provided in s. 316.123.

This subsection shall not limit those counties which have the charter powers to provide and regulate arterial, toll, and other roads, bridges, tunnels, and related facilities from the proper exercise of those powers by the placement and maintenance of traffic control devices which conform to the manual and specifications of the Department of Transportation on streets and highways located within municipal boundaries.

18 (3) COUNTIES.--

- (b) A county may exercise jurisdiction over any private road or roads, or over any limited access road or roads owned or controlled by a special district, located in the unincorporated area within its boundaries if the county and party or parties owning or controlling such road or roads provide, by written agreement approved by the governing body of the county, for county traffic control jurisdiction over the road or roads encompassed by such agreement. Pursuant thereto:
- 1. Provision for reimbursement for actual costs of traffic control and enforcement and for liability insurance and indemnification by the party or parties, and such other

terms as are mutually agreeable, may be included in such an agreement.

- 2. Prior to entering into an agreement which provides for enforcement of the traffic laws of the state over a private road or roads, or over any limited access road or roads owned or controlled by a special district, the governing body of the county shall consult with the sheriff. No such agreement shall take effect prior to October 1, the beginning of the county fiscal year, unless this requirement is waived in writing by the sheriff.
- 3. The exercise of jurisdiction provided for herein shall be in addition to jurisdictional authority presently exercised by counties under law, and nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to limit or remove any such jurisdictional authority.
- 4. Any such agreement may provide for the installation of multiparty stop signs by the parties controlling the roads covered by the agreement if a determination is made by such parties that the signage will enhance traffic safety.

 Multiparty stop signs must conform to the manual and specifications of the Department of Transportation; however, minimum traffic volumes may not be required for the installation of such signage. Enforcement for the signs shall be as provided in s. 316.123.
- (c) If the governing body of a county abandons the roads and rights-of-way dedicated in a recorded residential subdivision, and simultaneously conveys the county's interest therein to a homeowners' association for the subdivision in the manner prescribed in s. 316.00825, that county's traffic control jurisdiction over the abandoned and conveyed roads ceases unless the requirements of paragraph (b) are met.

Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (2), each county shall have original jurisdiction to regulate parking, by resolution of the board of county commissioners and the erection of signs conforming to the manual and specifications of the Department of Transportation, in parking areas located on property owned or leased by the county, whether or not such areas are located within the boundaries of chartered municipalities.

Section 3. Section 316.00825, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

316.00825 Closing and abandonment of roads; optional conveyance to homeowners' association; traffic control jurisdiction.--

- (1)(a) In addition to the authority provided in s.

 336.12, the governing body of the county may abandon the roads and rights-of-way dedicated in a recorded residential subdivision plat and simultaneously convey the county's interest in such roads, rights-of-way, and appurtenant drainage facilities to a homeowners' association for the subdivision, if the following conditions have been met:
- 1. The homeowners' association has requested the abandonment and conveyance in writing for the purpose of converting the subdivision to a gated neighborhood with restricted public access.
- 2. No fewer than four-fifths of the owners of record of property located in the subdivision have consented in writing to the abandonment and simultaneous conveyance to the homeowners' association.
- 3. The homeowners' association is both a corporation not for profit organized and in good standing under chapter

617, and a "homeowners' association" as defined in s.
720.301(7) with the power to levy and collect assessments for routine and periodic major maintenance and operation of street lighting, drainage, sidewalks, and pavement in the subdivision.

- 4. The homeowners' association has entered into and executed such agreements, covenants, warranties, and other instruments; has provided, or has provided assurance of, such funds, reserve funds, and funding sources; and has satisfied such other requirements and conditions as may be established or imposed by the county with respect to the ongoing operation, maintenance, and repair and the periodic reconstruction or replacement of the roads, drainage, street lighting, and sidewalks in the subdivision after the abandonment by the county.
- (b) The homeowners' association shall install, operate, maintain, repair, and replace all signs, signals, markings, striping, guardrails, and other traffic control devices necessary or useful for the private roads unless an agreement has been entered into between the county and the homeowners' association, as authorized under s. 316.006(3)(b), expressly providing that the county has traffic control jurisdiction.
- (2) Upon abandonment of the roads and rights-of-way and the conveyance thereof to the homeowners' association, the homeowners' association shall have all the rights, title, and interest in the roads and rights-of-way, including all appurtenant drainage facilities, as were previously vested in the county. Thereafter, the homeowners' association shall hold the roads and rights-of-way in trust for the benefit of the owners of the property in the subdivision, and shall

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           Section 4. Subsection (3) is added to section 316.061,
    Florida Statutes, to read:
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           316.061 Crashes involving damage to vehicle or
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    of Transportation, law enforcement with proper jurisdiction,
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    and an expressway authority created pursuant to chapter 348,
    in the exercise, management, control, and maintenance of its
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    highway system, may undertake the removal from the main
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    debris caused thereby. Such removal is applicable when such a
    crash results only in damage to a vehicle or other property,
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    and where such removal can be accomplished safely and will
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    the road. The driver or any other person who has removed a
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    this subsection shall not be considered liable or at fault
    regarding the cause of the accident solely by reason of moving
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           Section 5. Paragraph (c) of subsection (3) of section
    316.066, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
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           316.066 Written reports of crashes.--
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(c) Crash reports required by this section which reveal the identity, home or employment telephone number or home or employment address of, or other personal information concerning the parties involved in the crash and which are received or prepared by any agency that regularly receives or prepares information from or concerning the parties to motor vehicle crashes are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution for a period of 60 days after the date the report is filed. However, such reports may be made immediately available to the parties involved in the crash, their legal representatives, their licensed insurance agents, their insurers or insurers to which they have applied for coverage, persons under contract with such insurers to provide claims or underwriting information, prosecutorial authorities, radio and television stations licensed by the Federal Communications Commission, newspapers qualified to publish legal notices under ss. 50.011 and 50.031, and free newspapers of general circulation, published once a week or more often, available and of interest to the public generally for the dissemination of news. For the purposes of this section, the following products or publications are not newspapers as referred to in this section: those intended primarily for members of a particular profession or occupational group; those with the primary purpose of distributing advertising; and those with the primary purpose of publishing names and other personally identifying information concerning parties to motor vehicle crashes. Any local, state, or federal agency, agent, or employee that is authorized to have access to such reports by any provision of law shall be granted such access in the

furtherance of the agency's statutory duties notwithstanding the provisions of this paragraph. Any local, state, or federal agency, agent, or employee receiving such crash reports shall maintain the confidential and exempt status of those reports and shall not disclose such crash reports to any person or entity. Any person attempting to access crash reports within 60 days after the date the report is filed must present legitimate credentials or identification that demonstrates his or her qualifications to access that information. This exemption is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act of 1995 in accordance with s. 119.15, and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2006, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

Section 6. Subsection (2) of section 316.1975, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

316.1975 Unattended motor vehicle.--

- (2) This section does not apply to the operator of:
- (a) An authorized emergency vehicle while in the performance of official duties and the vehicle is equipped with an activated antitheft device that prohibits the vehicle from being driven; or
- (b) A licensed delivery truck or other delivery vehicle while making deliveries; or
- (c) A solid waste or recovered materials vehicle while collecting such items.
- Section 7. Section 316.2127, Florida Statutes, is created to read:
- 316.2127 Operation of utility vehicles on certain roadways by homeowners' associations.--The operation of a utility vehicle, as defined in s. 320.01, upon the public roads or streets of this state by a homeowners' association,

as defined in s. 720.301, or its agents is prohibited except as provided herein:

- association or its agents only upon a county road that has been designated by a county, or a city street that has been designated by a city, for use by a utility vehicle for general maintenance, security, and landscaping purposes. Prior to making such a designation, the responsible local governmental entity must first determine that utility vehicles may safely travel on or cross the public road or street, considering factors including the speed, volume, and character of motor vehicle traffic on the road or street. Upon a determination that utility vehicles may be safely operated on a designated road or street, the responsible governmental entity shall post appropriate signs to indicate that such operation is allowed.
- (2) A utility vehicle may be operated by a homeowners' association or its agents on a portion of the State Highway System only under the following conditions:
- (a) To cross a portion of the State Highway System which intersects a county road or a city street that has been designated for use by utility vehicles if the Department of Transportation has reviewed and approved the location and design of the crossing and any traffic control devices needed for safety purposes.
- (b) To cross, at midblock, a portion of the State

 Highway System where the highway bisects property controlled or maintained by a homeowners' association if the Department of Transportation has reviewed and approved the location and design of the crossing and any traffic control devices needed for safety purposes.

- (c) To travel on a state road that has been designated for transfer to a local government unit pursuant to s.

 335.0415 if the Department of Transportation determines that the operation of a utility vehicle within the right-of-way of the road will not impede the safe and efficient flow of motor vehicle traffic. The department may authorize the operation of utility vehicles on such a road if:
- 1. The road is the only available public road on which utility vehicles may travel or cross or the road provides the safest travel route among alternative routes available; and
- 2. The speed, volume, and character of motor vehicle traffic on the road is considered in making such a determination.

- Upon its determination that utility vehicles may be operated on a given road, the department shall post appropriate signs on the road to indicate that such operation is allowed.
- (3) A utility vehicle may be operated by a homeowners' association or its agents only during the hours between sunrise and sunset, unless the responsible governmental entity has determined that a utility vehicle may be operated during the hours between sunset and sunrise and the utility vehicle is equipped with headlights, brake lights, turn signals, and a windshield.
- (4) A utility vehicle must be equipped with efficient brakes, a reliable steering apparatus, safe tires, a rearview mirror, and red reflectorized warning devices in both the front and the rear.
- (5) A utility vehicle may not be operated on public roads or streets by any person under the age of 14.

A violation of this section is a noncriminal traffic infraction, punishable pursuant to chapter 318 as either a moving violation for infractions of subsection (1), subsection (2), subsection (3), or subsection (4) or as a nonmoving violation for infractions of subsection (5).

Section 8. Subsection (9) of section 316.2397, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

316.2397 Certain lights prohibited; exceptions.--

(9) Flashing red lights may be used by emergency response vehicles of the Department of Environmental Protection and the Department of Health when responding to an emergency in the line of duty.

Section 9. Subsection (2) of section 316.304, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

316.304 Wearing of headsets.--

- (2) This section does not apply to:
- (a) Any law enforcement officer equipped with any communication device necessary in performing his or her assigned duties or to any emergency vehicle operator equipped with any ear protection device.
- (b) Any applicant for a license to operate a motorcycle while taking the examination required by s. 322.12(5).
- (c) Any person operating a motorcycle who is using a headset that is installed in a helmet and worn so as to prevent the speakers from making direct contact with the user's ears so that the user can hear surrounding sounds.
- (d) Any person using a headset in conjunction with a cellular telephone that only provides sound through one ear and allows surrounding sounds to be hear with the other ear.

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(e) Any person using a headset in conjunction with communicating with the central base operation that only provides sound through one ear and allows surrounding sounds to be heard with the other ear.

Section 10. Section 316.520, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

316.520 Loads on vehicles.--

- (1) A vehicle may not be driven or moved on any highway unless the vehicle is so constructed or loaded as to prevent any of its load from dropping, shifting, leaking, blowing, or otherwise escaping therefrom, except that sand may be dropped only for the purpose of securing traction or water or other substance may be sprinkled on a roadway in cleaning or maintaining the roadway.
- (2) It is the duty of every owner and driver, severally, of any vehicle hauling, upon any public road or highway open to the public, dirt, sand, lime rock, gravel, silica, or other similar aggregate or trash, garbage, any inanimate object or objects, or any similar material that could fall or blow from such vehicle, to prevent such materials from falling, blowing, or in any way escaping from such vehicle. Covering and securing the load with a close-fitting tarpaulin or other appropriate cover or a load securing device meeting the requirements of 49 C.F.R. s. 393.100 or a device designed to reasonably ensure that cargo will not shift upon or fall from the vehicle is required and shall constitute compliance with this section.
- (3)(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), a violation of this section is a noncriminal traffic infraction, punishable as a nonmoving violation as provided in chapter 318.

1	(b) Any person who willfully violates the provisions
2	of this section which offense results in serious bodily injury
3	or death to an individual and which offense occurs as a result
4	of failing to comply with subsections (1) and (2) commits a
5	criminal traffic offense and a misdemeanor of the second
6	degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.
7	(4) The provisions of subsection (2) requiring
8	covering and securing the load with a close-fitting tarpaulin
9	or other appropriate cover does not apply to vehicles carrying
10	agricultural products locally from a harvest site or to or
11	from a farm on roads where the posted speed limit is 65 miles
12	per hour or less and the distance driven on public roads is
13	<u>less than 20 miles.</u>
14	Section 11. Paragraph (f) is added to subsection (3)
15	of section 318.18, Florida Statutes, and subsection (12) is
16	added to said section, to read:
17	318.18 Amount of civil penaltiesThe penalties
18	required for a noncriminal disposition pursuant to s. 318.14
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21	(b) For moving violations involving unlawful speed,
22	the fines are as follows:
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24	For speed exceeding the limit by: Fine:
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(f) A person cited for exceeding the speed limit 1 2 within a zone posted for any electronic or manual toll 3 collection facility will be assessed a fine double the amount listed in paragraph (b). However, no person cited for 4 5 exceeding the speed limit in any toll collection zone shall be 6 subject to a doubled fine unless the governmental entity or 7 authority controlling the toll collection zone first installs 8 a traffic control device providing warning that speeding fines 9 are doubled. Any such traffic control device must meet the requirements of the uniform system of traffic control devices. 10 (12) One hundred dollars for a violation of s. 11 12 316.520(1) or (2). If, at a hearing, the alleged offender is found to have committed this offense, the court shall impose a 13 14 minimum civil penalty of \$100. For a second or subsequent adjudication within a period of 5 years, the department shall 15 suspend the driver's license of the person for not less than 16 17 180 days and not more than 1 year. Section 12. Section 318.19, Florida Statutes, is 18 19 amended to read: 20 318.19 Infractions requiring a mandatory hearing. -- Any person cited for the infractions listed in this section shall 21 not have the provisions of s. 318.14(2), (4), and (9)22 23 available to him or her but must appear before the designated official at the time and location of the scheduled hearing: 24 (1) Any infraction which results in a crash that 25 causes the death of another; or 26 (2) Any infraction which results in a crash that 27 causes "serious bodily injury" of another as defined in s. 28 29 316.1933(1); or

(3) Any infraction of s. 316.172(1)(b); or

(4) Any infraction of s. 316.520(1) or (2).

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Section 13. Subsection (1), paragraph (b) of subsection (2), and paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (3) of section 316.640, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

316.640 Enforcement.--The enforcement of the traffic laws of this state is vested as follows:

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(a)1.a. The Division of Florida Highway Patrol of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, the Division of Law Enforcement of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, the Division of Law Enforcement of the Department of Environmental Protection, and law enforcement officers of the Department of Transportation each have authority to enforce all of the traffic laws of this state on all the streets and highways thereof and elsewhere throughout the state wherever the public has a right to travel by motor vehicle. The Division of the Florida Highway Patrol may employ as a traffic accident investigation officer any individual who successfully completes at least 200 hours of instruction in traffic accident investigation and court presentation through the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program as approved by the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission and funded through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration or a similar program approved by the commission, but who does not necessarily meet the uniform minimum standards established by the commission for law enforcement officers or auxiliary law enforcement officers under chapter 943. Any such traffic accident investigation officer who makes an investigation at the scene of a traffic accident may issue traffic citations, based upon personal investigation, when he or she has reasonable and probable grounds to believe that a person who was involved in the accident committed an offense under this

chapter, chapter 319, chapter 320, or chapter 322 in connection with the accident. This paragraph does not permit the carrying of firearms or other weapons, nor do such officers have arrest authority other than for the issuance of a traffic citation as authorized in this paragraph.

- b. University police officers shall have authority to enforce all of the traffic laws of this state when such violations occur on or about any property or facilities that are under the guidance, supervision, regulation, or control of a state university, a direct-support organization of such state university, or any other organization controlled by the state university or a direct-support organization of the state university System, except that traffic laws may be enforced off-campus when hot pursuit originates on or adjacent to any such property or facilities on-campus.
- c. Community college police officers shall have the authority to enforce all the traffic laws of this state only when such violations occur on any property or facilities that are under the guidance, supervision, regulation, or control of the community college system.
- d. Police officers employed by an airport authority shall have the authority to enforce all of the traffic laws of this state only when such violations occur on any property or facilities that are owned or operated by an airport authority.
- (I) An airport authority may employ as a parking enforcement specialist any individual who successfully completes a training program established and approved by the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission for parking enforcement specialists but who does not otherwise meet the uniform minimum standards established by the commission for law enforcement officers or auxiliary or part-time officers

under s. 943.12. Nothing in this sub-sub-subparagraph shall be construed to permit the carrying of firearms or other weapons, nor shall such parking enforcement specialist have arrest authority.

- (II) A parking enforcement specialist employed by an airport authority is authorized to enforce all state, county, and municipal laws and ordinances governing parking only when such violations are on property or facilities owned or operated by the airport authority employing the specialist, by appropriate state, county, or municipal traffic citation.
- e. The Office of Agricultural Law Enforcement of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services shall have the authority to enforce traffic laws of this state only as authorized by the provisions of chapter 570. However, nothing in this section shall expand the authority of the Office of Agricultural Law Enforcement at its agricultural inspection stations to issue any traffic tickets except those traffic tickets for vehicles illegally passing the inspection station.
- f. School safety officers shall have the authority to enforce all of the traffic laws of this state when such violations occur on or about any property or facilities which are under the guidance, supervision, regulation, or control of the district school board.
- 2. An agency of the state as described in subparagraph 1. is prohibited from establishing a traffic citation quota. A violation of this subparagraph is not subject to the penalties provided in chapter 318.
- 3. Any disciplinary action taken or performance evaluation conducted by an agency of the state as described in subparagraph 1. of a law enforcement officer's traffic enforcement activity must be in accordance with written

work-performance standards. Such standards must be approved by the agency and any collective bargaining unit representing such law enforcement officer. A violation of this subparagraph is not subject to the penalties provided in chapter 318.

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- (b) The sheriff's office of each county may employ as a traffic crash investigation officer any individual who successfully completes at least 200 hours of instruction in traffic crash investigation and court presentation through the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) as approved by the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission and funded through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) or a similar program approved by the commission, but who does not necessarily otherwise meet the uniform minimum standards established by the commission for law enforcement officers or auxiliary law enforcement officers under chapter 943. Any such traffic crash investigation officer who makes an investigation at the scene of a traffic crash may issue traffic citations when, based upon personal investigation, he or she has reasonable and probable grounds to believe that a person who was involved in the crash has committed an offense under this chapter, chapter 319, chapter 320, or chapter 322 in connection with the crash. This paragraph does not permit the carrying of firearms or other weapons, nor do such officers have arrest authority other than for the issuance of a traffic citation as authorized in this paragraph.
 - (3) MUNICIPALITIES. --
- (b) The police department of a chartered municipality may employ as a traffic crash investigation officer any individual who successfully completes at least 200 hours of

instruction in traffic crash investigation and court 1 presentation through the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program 2 (STEP) as approved by the Criminal Justice Standards and 3 4 Training Commission and funded through the National Highway 5 Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) or a similar program 6 approved by the commission, but who does not otherwise meet 7 the uniform minimum standards established by the commission for law enforcement officers or auxiliary law enforcement 8 9 officers under chapter 943. Any such traffic crash investigation officer who makes an investigation at the scene 10 of a traffic crash is authorized to issue traffic citations 11 12 when, based upon personal investigation, he or she has reasonable and probable grounds to believe that a person 13 14 involved in the crash has committed an offense under the provisions of this chapter, chapter 319, chapter 320, or 15 16 chapter 322 in connection with the crash. Nothing in This 17 paragraph does not shall be construed to permit the carrying of firearms or other weapons, nor do shall such officers have 18 19 arrest authority other than for the issuance of a traffic citation as authorized above. 20

(c)1. A chartered municipality or its authorized agency or instrumentality may employ as a parking enforcement specialist any individual who successfully completes a training program established and approved by the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission for parking enforcement specialists, but who does not otherwise meet the uniform minimum standards established by the commission for law enforcement officers or auxiliary or part-time officers under s. 943.12.

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2. A parking enforcement specialist employed by a chartered municipality or its authorized agency or

instrumentality is authorized to enforce all state, county, and municipal laws and ordinances governing parking within the boundaries of the municipality employing the specialist, by appropriate state, county, or municipal traffic citation.

Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to permit the carrying of firearms or other weapons, nor shall such a parking enforcement specialist have arrest authority.

3. A parking enforcement specialist employed pursuant to this subsection may not carry firearms or other weapons or have arrest authority.

Section 14. Subsection (1) of section 322.056, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.056 Mandatory revocation or suspension of, or delay of eligibility for, driver's license for persons under age 18 found guilty of certain alcohol, drug, or tobacco offenses; prohibition.--

- (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 322.055, if a person under 18 years of age is found guilty of or delinquent for a violation of s. 562.11(2), s. 562.111, or chapter 893, and:
- (a) The person is eligible by reason of age for a driver's license or driving privilege, the court shall direct the department to revoke or to withhold issuance of his or her driver's license or driving privilege for a period of:
- 1. Not less than 6 months and not more than 1 year for the first violation.
 - 2. Two years, for a subsequent violation.
- (b) The person's driver's license or driving privilege is under suspension or revocation for any reason, the court shall direct the department to extend the period of suspension or revocation by an additional period of:

- 1. Not less than 6 months and not more than 1 year for the first violation.
 - 2. Two years, for a subsequent violation.

- (c) The person is ineligible by reason of age for a driver's license or driving privilege, the court shall direct the department to withhold issuance of his or her driver's license or driving privilege for a period of:
- 1. Not less than 6 months and not more than 1 year after the date on which he or she would otherwise have become eligible, for the first violation.
- 2. Two years after the date on which he or she would otherwise have become eligible, for a subsequent violation.

However, the court may, in its sound discretion, direct the department to issue a license for driving privileges restricted to business or employment purposes only, as defined in s. 322.271, if the person is otherwise qualified for such a license.

Section 15. Section 570.073, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

570.073 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, law enforcement officers.--

Agricultural Law Enforcement under the supervision of a senior manager exempt under s. 110.205 in the Senior Management Service. The commissioner may designate law enforcement officers, as necessary, to enforce any criminal law or conduct any criminal investigation or to enforce the provisions of any statute or any other laws of this state relating to any matter over which the department has jurisdiction or which occurs on property owned, managed, or occupied by the department.

Officers appointed under this section have the primary responsibility for enforcing laws relating to agriculture and consumer services as outlined below and violations of law that threaten the overall security and safety of this state's agriculture and consumer services. Those matters include The primary responsibilities include the enforcement of laws relating to:

- (a) Domesticated animals, including livestock, poultry, aquaculture products, and other wild or domesticated animals or animal products.
- (b) Farms, farm equipment, livery tack, citrus or citrus products, or horticultural products.
- (c) Trespass, littering, forests, forest fires, and open burning.
 - (d) Damage to or theft of forest products.
 - (e) Enforcement of a marketing order.
 - (f) Protection of consumers.

- (g) Civil traffic offenses <u>as outlined under Florida</u>

 <u>law</u> provided for in chapters 316, 320, and 322, subject to the provisions of chapter 318, relating to any matter over which the department has jurisdiction or committed on property owned, managed, or occupied by the department.
- (h) The use of alcohol or drugs which occurs on property owned, managed, or occupied by the department.
- (i) Any emergency situation in which the life, limb, or property of any person is placed in immediate and serious danger.
- (j) Any crime incidental to or related to paragraphs (a)-(i).
- (k) Any law over which the Commissioner of Agriculture has responsibility.

(2) Each law enforcement officer shall meet the qualifications of law enforcement officers under s. 943.13 and shall be certified as a law enforcement officer by the Department of Law Enforcement under the provisions of chapter 943. Upon certification, each law enforcement officer is subject to and shall have the same arrest and other authority provided for law enforcement officers generally in chapter 901 and shall have statewide jurisdiction as provided in subsection (1). Each officer shall also have arrest authority as provided for state law enforcement officers in s. 901.15(11). Such officers have full law enforcement powers granted to other peace officers of this state, including the power to make arrests, carry firearms, serve court process, and seize contraband and the proceeds of illegal activities.

(3) The Commissioner may also appoint part-time,

- reserve or auxiliary law enforcement officers under chapter 943.
- (4)(3) All department law enforcement officers, upon certification under s. 943.1395, shall have the same right and authority to carry arms as do the sheriffs of this state.
- (5)(4) Each law enforcement officer in the state who is certified pursuant to chapter 943 has the same authority as law enforcement officers designated in this section to enforce the laws of this state as described in subsection (1).
- Section 16. Subsection (5) of section 318.1451, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
 - 318.1451 Driver improvement schools.--
- (5)(a) No governmental entity or court shall provide, issue, or maintain any information or orders regarding driver improvement schools or course providers, with the exception of directing inquiries or requests to the local telephone

directory heading of driving instruction or the traffic school reference guide. However, The department is authorized to maintain the information and records necessary to administer its duties and responsibilities for driver improvement courses. Where such information is a public record as defined in chapter 119, it shall be made available to the public upon request pursuant to s. 119.07(1).

governmental entity to distribute a traffic school reference guide which <u>lists</u> shall list the benefits of attending a driver improvement school <u>and contains the names of the fully approved course providers with a single telephone number for each such provider, as furnished by the provider, but under no circumstance may any list of course providers or schools be included, and shall refer further inquiries to the telephone directory under driving instruction.</u>

Section 17. Subsections (5) and (11) of section 319.23, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

319.23 Application for, and issuance of, certificate of title.--

(5) The certificate of title issued by the department for a motor vehicle or mobile home previously registered outside this state shall give the name of the state or country in which the vehicle was last registered outside this state. The department shall retain the evidence of title presented by the applicant upon which the certificate of title is issued. The department shall use reasonable diligence in ascertaining whether or not the facts in the application are true; and, if satisfied that the applicant is the owner of the motor vehicle or mobile home and that the application is in the proper form, it shall issue a certificate of title.

1 (11) The department is not required to retain any 2 evidence of title presented by the applicant and based on 3 which the certificate of title is issued. 4 Section 18. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 5 319.28, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 6 319.28 Transfer of ownership by operation of law.--7 (1)(a) In the event of the transfer of ownership of a 8 motor vehicle or mobile home by operation of law as upon 9 inheritance, devise or bequest, order in bankruptcy, insolvency, replevin, attachment, execution, or other judicial 10 sale or whenever the engine of a motor vehicle is replaced by 11 another engine or whenever a motor vehicle is sold to satisfy 12 storage or repair charges or repossession is had upon default 13 14 in performance of the terms of a security agreement, chattel mortgage, conditional sales contract, trust receipt, or other 15 16 like agreement, and upon the surrender of the prior 17 certificate of title or, when that is not possible, 18 presentation of satisfactory proof to the department of 19 ownership and right of possession to such motor vehicle or mobile home, and upon payment of the fee prescribed by law and 20 21 presentation of an application for certificate of title, the department may issue to the applicant a certificate of title 22 23 thereto. If the application is predicated upon a security agreement, chattel mortgage, conditional sales contract, trust 24 25 receipt, or other like agreement, the original instrument or a 26 certified copy thereof shall accompany the application; 27 however, if an owner under a chattel mortgage voluntarily 28 surrenders possession of the motor vehicle or mobile home, the 29 original or a certified copy of the chattel mortgage shall 30 accompany the application for a certificate of title and it

shall not be necessary to institute proceedings in any court to foreclose such mortgage.

Section 19. Paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section 319.33, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsection (6) of said section is reenacted, to read:

319.33 Offenses involving vehicle identification numbers, applications, certificates, papers; penalty.--

- (1) It is unlawful:
- (d) To possess, sell or offer for sale, conceal, or dispose of in this state a motor vehicle or mobile home, or major component part thereof, on which any the motor number or vehicle identification number that has been affixed by the manufacturer or by a state agency, such as the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, which regulates motor vehicles has been destroyed, removed, covered, altered, or defaced, with knowledge of such destruction, removal, covering, alteration, or defacement, except as provided in s. 319.30(4).
- (6) Any person who violates any provision of this section is guilty of a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. Any motor vehicle used in violation of this section shall constitute contraband which may be seized by a law enforcement agency and shall be subject to forfeiture proceedings pursuant to ss. 932.701-932.704. This section is not exclusive of any other penalties prescribed by any existing or future laws for the larceny or unauthorized taking of motor vehicles or mobile homes, but is supplementary thereto.

Section 20. Section 320.025, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.025 Registration certificate and license plate $\underline{\text{or}}$ decal issued under fictitious name; application.--

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- (1) A confidential registration certificate and registration license plate or decal shall be issued under a fictitious name only for a motor vehicle or vessel owned or operated by a law enforcement agency of state, county, municipal, or federal government, the Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, or any state public defender's office. The requesting agency shall file a written application with the department on forms furnished by the department, which includes a statement that the license plate or decal will be used for the Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit-or law enforcement or any state public defender's office activities requiring concealment of publicly leased or owned motor vehicles or vessels and a statement of the position classifications of the individuals who are authorized to use the license plate or decal. The department may modify its records to reflect the fictitious identity of the owner or lessee until such time as the license plate or decal and registration certificate are surrendered to it.
- (2) Except as provided in subsection (1), any motor vehicle owned or exclusively operated by the state or any county, municipality, or other governmental entity must at all times display a license plate of the type prescribed in s. 320.0655. Any vessel owned or exclusively operated by the state or any county, municipality, or other governmental entity must at all times display a registration number as required in s. 328.56 and a vessel decal as required in s. 328.48(5).
- (3) This section constitutes an exception to other statutes relating to falsification of public records, false

swearing, and similar matters. All records relating to the registration application of the Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, a law enforcement agency, or any state public defender's office, and records necessary to carry out the intended purpose of this section, are exempt from the provisions of s. 119.07(1), and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution as long as the information is retained by the department. This section does not prohibit other personations, fabrications, or creations of false identifications by the Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, or law enforcement or public defender's officers in the official performance of covert operations.

Section 21. Subsections (1) and (2) of section 320.05, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

320.05 Records of the department; inspection procedure; lists and searches; fees.--

- (1) Except as provided in $\underline{\text{ss.s.}}119.07(3)$ and $\underline{320.025(3)}$, the department may release records as provided in this section.
- registration of a motor vehicle, vessel, or mobile home, as herein provided for, the department shall register the motor vehicle, vessel, or mobile home under the distinctive number assigned to such motor vehicle, vessel, or mobile home by the department. Electronic registration records shall be open to the inspection of the public during business hours.

 Information on a motor vehicle or vessel registration may not be made available to a person unless the person requesting the information furnishes positive proof of identification. The agency that furnishes a motor vehicle or vessel registration record shall record the name and address of any person other

than a representative of a law enforcement agency who requests and receives information from a motor vehicle or vessel 2 3 registration record and shall also record the name and address 4 of the person who is the subject of the inquiry or other 5 information identifying the entity about which information is requested. A record of each such inquiry must be maintained 6 7 for a period of 6 months from the date upon which the 8 information was released to the inquirer. Nothing in this 9 section shall prohibit any financial institution, insurance company, motor vehicle dealer, licensee under chapter 493, 10 attorney, or other agency which the department determines has 11 12 the right to know from obtaining, for professional or business use only, information in such records from the department 13 14 through any means of telecommunication pursuant to a code 15 developed by the department providing all fees specified in subsection (3) have been paid. The department shall disclose 16 17 records or information to the child support enforcement agency to assist in the location of individuals who owe or 18 19 potentially owe support, as defined in s. 409.2554, or to whom such an obligation is owed pursuant to Title IV-D of the 20 Social Security Act. 21

Section 22. Subsection (5) of section 320.055, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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320.055 Registration periods; renewal periods.--The following registration periods and renewal periods are established:

(5) For a vehicle subject to <u>apportioned</u> registration under s. 320.08(4), (5)(a)1., (e), (6)(b), or (14), the registration period shall be a period of 12 months beginning in a month designated by the department and ending on the last day of the 12th month. For a vehicle subject to this

registration period, the renewal period is the last month of the registration period. The registration period may be shortened or extended at the discretion of the department, on receipt of the appropriate prorated fees, in order to evenly distribute such registrations on a monthly basis. For a vehicle subject to nonapportioned registration under s. 320.08(4), (5)(a)1., (6)(b), or (14), the registration period begins December 1 and ends November 30. The renewal period is the 31-day period beginning December 1.

Section 23. Paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (1) of section 320.06, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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

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Registration license plates bearing a graphic symbol and the alphanumeric system of identification shall be issued for a 5-year period. At the end of said 5-year period, upon renewal, the plate shall be replaced. The fee for such replacement shall be \$10, \$2 of which shall be paid each year before the plate is replaced, to be credited towards the next \$10 replacement fee. The fees shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund. A credit or refund shall not be given for any prior years' payments of such prorated replacement fee when the plate is replaced or surrendered before the end of the 5-year period. With each license plate, there shall be issued a validation sticker 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 This validation sticker is to shall be placed on the upper right left corner of the license plate and shall be issued one time during the life of the license plate,

or upon request when it has been damaged or destroyed. There shall also be issued with each license plate a serially numbered validation sticker showing the year of expiration, which sticker shall be placed on the upper right corner of the license plate. Such license plate and validation sticker stickers shall be issued based on the applicant's appropriate renewal period. The registration period shall be a period of 12 months, and all expirations shall occur based on the applicant's appropriate registration period. A vehicle with an apportioned registration shall be issued an annual license plate and a cab card that denote the declared gross vehicle weight for each apportioned jurisdiction in which the vehicle is authorized to operate.

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(c) Registration license plates equipped with validation stickers shall be valid for not more than 12 months and shall expire at midnight on the last day of the registration period. For each registration period after the one in which the metal registration license plate is issued, and until the license plate is required to be replaced, a validation sticker showing the month and year of expiration shall be issued upon payment of the proper license tax amount and fees and shall be valid for not more than 12 months. When license plates equipped with validation stickers are issued in any month other than the owner's birth month or the designated registration period for any other motor vehicle, the effective date shall reflect the birth month or month and the year of renewal. However, when a license plate or validation sticker is issued for a period of less than 12 months, the applicant shall pay the appropriate amount of license tax and the applicable fee under the provisions of s. 320.14 in addition to all other fees. Validation stickers issued for vehicles

taxed under the provisions of s. 320.08(6)(a), for any company which owns 250 vehicles or more, or for semitrailers taxed under the provisions of s. 320.08(5)(a), for any company which owns 50 vehicles or more, may be placed on any vehicle in the fleet so long as the vehicle receiving the validation sticker has the same owner's name and address as the vehicle to which the validation sticker was originally assigned.

Section 24. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 320.072, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.072 Additional fee imposed on certain motor vehicle registration transactions.--

- (2) The fee imposed by subsection (1) shall not apply to:
- (a) Any registration renewal transaction, except that this exemption shall not apply if the plate being renewed expired 10 or more years prior to the transaction date.

Section 25. Subsection (6) of section 320.0805, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.0805 Personalized prestige license plates.--

(6) A personalized prestige license plate shall be issued for the exclusive continuing use of the applicant. An exact duplicate of any plate may not be issued to any other applicant during the same registration period. An exact duplicate may not be issued for any succeeding year unless the previous owner of a specific plate relinquishes it by failure to apply for renewal or reissuance for 1 year three consecutive annual registration periods following the last original year of issuance.

Section 26. Paragraph (hh) is added to subsection (4) of section 320.08056, Florida Statutes, as amended by chapter 2001-355, Laws of Florida, to read:

320.08056 Specialty license plates.--1 2 (4) The following license plate annual use fees shall 3 be collected for the appropriate specialty license plates: (hh) Florida Golf license plate, \$25. 4 5 Section 27. Subsection (34) is added to section 6 320.08058, Florida Statutes, as amended by chapter 2001-355, 7 Laws of Florida, to read: 8 320.08058 Specialty license plates.--9 (34) FLORIDA GOLF LICENSE PLATES. --(a) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor 10 Vehicles shall develop a Florida Golf license plate as 11 12 provided in this section. The word "Florida" must appear at the bottom of the plate. The Dade Amateur Golf Association, 13 14 following consultation with the PGA TOUR, the Florida Sports 15 Foundation, the LPGA, and the PGA of America may submit a revised sample plate for consideration by the department. 16 17 The department shall distribute the Florida Golf license plate annual use fee to the Florida Sports Foundation, 18 19 a direct-support organization of the Office of Tourism, Trade, 20 and Economic Development. The license plate annual use fees 21 are to be annually allocated as follows: 1. Up to 5 percent of the proceeds from the annual use 22 23 fees may be used by the Florida Sports Foundation for the administration of the Florida Youth Golf Program. 24 25 2. The Dade Amateur Golf Association shall receive the 26 first \$80,000 in proceeds from the annual use fees for the 27 operation of youth golf programs in Miami-Dade County. 28 Thereafter, 15 percent of the proceeds from the annual use 29 fees shall be provided to the Dade Amateur Golf Association 30 for the operation of youth golf programs in Miami-Dade County. 31

3. The remaining proceeds from the annual use fees shall be available for grants to nonprofit organizations to operate youth golf programs and for marketing the Florida Golf license plates. All grant recipients, including the Dade Amateur Golf Association, shall be required to provide to the Florida Sports Foundation an annual program and financial report regarding the use of grant funds. Such reports shall be made available to the public.

- (c) The Florida Sports Foundation may establish a Florida Youth Golf Program. The Florida Youth Golf Program shall assist organizations for the benefit of youth, introduce young people to golf, instruct young people in golf, teach the values of golf, and stress life skills, fair play, courtesy, and self-discipline.
- (d) The Florida Sports Foundation shall establish a seven-member advisory committee to offer advice regarding the distribution of the annual use fees for grants to nonprofit organizations. The advisory committee shall consist of one member from a group serving youth, one member from a group serving disabled youth, and five members at large.

Section 28. Subsection (1) of section 320.083, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.083 Amateur radio operators; special license plates; fees.--

(1) A person who is the owner or lessee of an automobile or truck for private use, a truck weighing not more than 7,999 5,000 pounds, or a recreational vehicle as specified in s. 320.08(9)(c) or (d), which is not used for hire or commercial use; who is a resident of the state; and who holds a valid official amateur radio station license issued by the Federal Communications Commission shall be

issued a special license plate upon application, accompanied by proof of ownership of such radio station license, and payment of the following tax and fees:

- (a) The license tax required for the vehicle, as prescribed by s. 320.08(2), (3)(a), (b), or (c), (4)(a), (b), (c), (d), (e), or (f), or (9); and
- (b) An initial additional fee of \$5, and an additional fee of \$1.50 thereafter.

Section 29. Subsection (2) of section 320.0848, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.0848 Persons who have disabilities; issuance of disabled parking permits; temporary permits; permits for certain providers of transportation services to persons who have disabilities.--

- (2) DISABLED PARKING PERMIT; PERSONS WITH LONG-TERM MOBILITY PROBLEMS.--
- (a) The disabled parking permit is a placard that can be placed in a motor vehicle so as to be visible from the front and rear of the vehicle. Each side of the placard must have the international symbol of accessibility in a contrasting color in the center so as to be visible. One side of the placard must display the applicant's driver's license number or state identification card number along with a warning that the applicant must have such identification at all times while using the parking permit. A validation sticker must also be issued with each disabled parking permit, showing the month and year of expiration on each side of the placard. Validation stickers must be of the size specified by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and must be affixed to the disabled parking permits. The disabled parking permits must use the same colors as license plate validations.

(b) License plates issued under ss. 320.084, 320.0842, 320.0843, and 320.0845 are valid for the same parking privileges and other privileges provided under ss. 316.1955, 316.1964, and 526.141(5)(a).

- (c) The administrative processing fee for each initial 4-year disabled parking permit or renewal permit shall be \$1.50, and all proceeds of that fee shall be retained by the tax collector of the county in which the fee was collected.
- (c)1. Except as provided in subparagraph 2., the fee for a disabled parking permit shall be:
- a. Fifteen dollars for each initial 4-year permit or renewal permit, of which the State Transportation Trust Fund shall receive \$13.50 and the tax collector of the county in which the fee was collected shall receive \$1.50.
- b. One dollar for each additional or additional renewal 4-year permit, of which the State Transportation Trust Fund shall receive all funds collected.
- (d) The department shall not issue an additional disabled parking permit unless the applicant states that he or she is they are a frequent traveler or a quadriplegic. The department may not issue to any one eligible applicant more than two disabled parking permits except to an organization in accordance with paragraph (1)(e). Subsections (1), (5), (6), and (7) apply to this subsection.
- $\underline{\text{(e)}2}$. If an applicant who is a disabled veteran, is a resident of this state, has been honorably discharged, and either has been determined by the Department of Defense or the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or its predecessor to have a service-connected disability rating for compensation of 50 percent or greater or has been determined to have a service-connected disability rating of 50 percent or

greater and is in receipt of both disability retirement pay from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, he or she must still provide and has a signed physician's statement of qualification for the disabled parking permits., the fee for a disabled parking permit shall be:

a. One dollar and fifty cents for the initial 4-year permit or renewal permit.

b. One dollar for each additional or additional renewal 4-year permit.

The tax collector of the county in which the fee was collected shall retain all funds received pursuant to this subparagraph.

3. If an applicant presents to the department a statement from the Federal Government or the State of Florida indicating the applicant is a recipient of supplemental security income, the fee for the disabled parking permit shall be \$9 for the initial 4-year permit or renewal permit, of which the State Transportation Trust Fund shall receive \$6.75 and the tax collector of the county in which the fee was collected shall receive \$2.25.

 $\underline{(f)(d)}$ To obtain a replacement for a disabled parking permit that has been lost or stolen, a person must submit an application on a form prescribed by the department and must pay a replacement fee in the amount of \$1.00, to be retained by the issuing agency. If the person submits with the application a police report documenting that the permit was stolen, there is no replacement fee.

 $\underline{(g)}$ (e) A person who qualifies for a disabled parking permit under this section may be issued an international wheelchair user symbol license plate under s. 320.0843 in lieu of the disabled parking permit; or, if the person qualifies

for a "DV" license plate under s. 320.084, such a license plate may be issued to him or her in lieu of a disabled parking permit.

Section 30. Subsections (2) and (3) of section 320.089, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

320.089 Members of National Guard and active United States Armed Forces reservists; former prisoners of war; survivors of Pearl Harbor; Purple Heart medal recipients; special license plates; fee.--

- (2) Each owner or lessee of an automobile or truck for private use, truck weighing not more than 7,999 5,000 pounds, or recreational vehicle as specified in s. 320.08(9)(c) or (d), which is not used for hire or commercial use, who is a resident of the state and who is a former prisoner of war, or their unremarried surviving spouse, shall, upon application therefor to the department, be issued a license plate as provided in s. 320.06, on which license plate are stamped the words "Ex-POW" followed by the serial number. Each application shall be accompanied by proof that the applicant meets the qualifications specified in paragraph (a) or paragraph (b).
- (a) A citizen of the United States who served as a member of the Armed Forces of the United States or the armed forces of a nation allied with the United States who was held as a prisoner of war at such time as the Armed Forces of the United States were engaged in combat, or their unremarried surviving spouse, may be issued the special license plate provided for in this subsection without payment of the license tax imposed by s. 320.08.
- (b) A person who was serving as a civilian with the consent of the United States Government, or a person who was a member of the Armed Forces of the United States who was not a

United States citizen and was held as a prisoner of war when the Armed Forces of the United States were engaged in combat, or their unremarried surviving spouse, may be issued the special license plate provided for in this subsection upon payment of the license tax imposed by s. 320.08.

(3) Each owner or lessee of an automobile or truck for private use, truck weighing not more than 7,999 5,000 pounds, or recreational vehicle as specified in s. 320.08(9)(c) or (d), which is not used for hire or commercial use, who is a resident of this state and who is the unremarried surviving spouse of a recipient of the Purple Heart medal shall, upon application therefor to the department, with the payment of the required fees, be issued a license plate as provided in s. 320.06, on which license plate are stamped the words "Purple Heart" and the likeness of the Purple Heart medal followed by the serial number. Each application shall be accompanied by proof that the applicant is the unremarried surviving spouse of a recipient of the Purple Heart medal.

Section 31. Subsection (4) and (5) are added to section 320.275, Florida Statutes, to read:

320.275 Automobile Dealers Industry Advisory Board.--

(4) A technical advisory committee is created to advise the Automobile Dealers Industry Advisory Board. The committee, from its own initiative, may make recommendations to the board on proposed legislation and proposed rules and procedures, may consider any matters relating to the motor vehicle dealer industry, and may make recommendations on consumer education and information, and submit an annual report to the board. The technical advisory committee shall be composed of one representative from a senior citizens organization; one representative from an organization

representing low-income Floridians; one representative from the consumer affairs division of a county or city; one representative from a nationally recognized consumer organization; one representative from an organization representing the disabled; and one representative from the office of the Attorney General.

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(5) The office of the Attorney General, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall coordinate and provide consumer education and information relative to this chapter.

Section 32. Section 321.02, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

321.02 Powers and duties of department, highway patrol. -- The director of the Division of Highway Patrol of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall also be the commander of the Florida Highway Patrol. The said department shall set up and promulgate rules and regulations by which the personnel of the Florida Highway Patrol officers shall be examined, employed, trained, located, suspended, reduced in rank, discharged, recruited, paid and pensioned, subject to civil service provisions hereafter set out. The department may enter into contracts or agreements, with or without competitive bidding or procurement, to make available, on a fair, reasonable, nonexclusive, and nondiscriminatory basis, property and other structures under division control for the placement of new facilities by any wireless provider of mobile service as defined in 47 U.S.C. s. 153(n) or s. 332(d), and any telecommunications company as defined in s. 364.02 when it is determined to be practical and feasible to make such property or other structures available. The department may, without adopting a rule, charge a just,

reasonable, and nondiscriminatory fee for placement of the facilities, payable annually, based on the fair market value 2 3 of space used by comparable communications facilities in the 4 state. The department and a wireless provider or telecommunications company may negotiate the reduction or 5 6 elimination of a fee in consideration of services provided to 7 the division by the wireless provider or the 8 telecommunications company. All such fees collected by the 9 department shall be deposited directly into the State Agency Law Enforcement Radio System Trust Fund, and may be used to 10 construct, maintain, or support the system. The department is 11 12 further specifically authorized to purchase, sell, trade, rent, lease and maintain all necessary equipment, uniforms, 13 14 motor vehicles, communication systems, housing facilities, 15 office space, and perform any other acts necessary for the proper administration and enforcement of this chapter. 16 17 However, all supplies and equipment consisting of single items or in lots shall be purchased under the requirements of s. 18 19 287.057. Purchases shall be made by accepting the bid of the lowest responsive bidder, the right being reserved to reject 20 all bids. The department shall prescribe a distinctive uniform 21 and distinctive emblem to be worn by all officers of the 22 23 Florida Highway Patrol. It shall be unlawful for any other person or persons to wear a similar uniform or emblem, or any 24 part or parts thereof. The department shall also prescribe a 25 26 distinctive color or colors for use on all motor vehicles and 27 motorcycles operated to be used by the Florida Highway Patrol. The prescribed colors shall be referred to as "Florida Highway 28 29 Patrol black and tan." Section 33. Subsection (7) is added to section 30 322.051, Florida Statutes, to read: 31

322.051 Identification cards.--

(7) Any person accepting the Florida driver license as proof of identification must accept a Florida identification card as proof of identification when the bearer of the identification card does not also have a driver license.

Section 34. Subsection (7) of section 322.095, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsections (8) and (9) are added to said section, to read:

322.095 Traffic law and substance abuse education program for driver's license applicants.--

(7)(a) No governmental entity or court shall provide, issue, or maintain any information or orders regarding traffic law and substance abuse education program schools or course providers, with the exception of directing inquiries or requests to the local telephone directory heading of driving instruction or the driver's license applicant reference guide. However, The department is authorized to maintain the information and records necessary to administer its duties and responsibilities for the program. Where such information is a public record as defined in chapter 119, it shall be made available to the public upon request pursuant to s. 119.07(1). The department may prepare a list of fully approved traffic law and substance abuse education course providers with a single telephone number for each such provider, as furnished by the provider.

(b) The department shall prepare for any governmental entity to distribute a driver's license applicant reference guide which shall list the benefits of attending a traffic law and substance abuse education school, but under no circumstance may include any list of course providers or

schools. The department shall refer further inquiries to the telephone directory heading of driving instruction.

- (8) The department shall approve and regulate courses of all traffic law and substance abuse education schools that use technology as the delivery method as the courses relate to this section.
- (9) In determining whether to approve courses of traffic law and substance abuse education schools that use technology as the delivery method as the courses relate to this section, for courses submitted on or after May 1, 2002, the department shall consider only those courses submitted by a person, business, or entity that has received:
 - (a) Approval for statewide delivery; and
- (b) Independent scientific research evidence of course effectiveness.

Section 35. Subsection (7) of section 322.25, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 322.25 When court to forward license to department and report convictions; temporary reinstatement of driving privileges.--
- (7) Any licensed driver convicted of driving, or being in the actual physical control of, a vehicle within this state while under the influence of alcoholic beverages, any chemical substance set forth in s. 877.111, or any substance controlled under chapter 893, when affected to the extent that his or her normal faculties are impaired, and whose license and driving privilege have been revoked as provided in subsection (1) may be issued a court order for reinstatement of a driving privilege on a temporary basis; provided that, as a part of the penalty, upon conviction, the defendant is required to enroll in and complete a driver improvement course for the

rehabilitation of drinking drivers and the driver is otherwise eligible for reinstatement of the driving privilege as provided by s. 322.282. The court order for reinstatement shall be on a form provided by the department and must be taken by the person convicted to a Florida driver's license examining office, where a temporary driving permit may be issued. The period of time for which a temporary permit issued in accordance with this subsection is valid shall be deemed to be part of the period of revocation imposed by the court.

Section 36. Subsection (5) of section 322.27, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.27 Authority of department to suspend or revoke license.--

(5) The department shall revoke the license of any person designated a habitual offender, as set forth in s. 322.264, and such person shall not be eligible to be relicensed for a minimum of 5 years after from the date of revocation, except as provided for in s. 322.271. Any person whose license is revoked may, by petition to the department, show cause why his or her license should not be revoked.

Section 37. Subsection (4) of section 322.271, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.271 Authority to modify revocation, cancellation, or suspension order.--

(4) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 322.28(2)(d)(e), a person whose driving privilege has been permanently revoked because he or she has been convicted of DUI manslaughter in violation of s. 316.193 and has no prior convictions for DUI-related offenses may, upon the expiration of 5 years after the date of such revocation or the expiration of 5 years after the termination of any term of incarceration

under s. 316.193 or former s. 316.1931, whichever date is later, petition the department for reinstatement of his or her driving privilege.

- (a) Within 30 days after the receipt of such a petition, the department shall afford the petitioner an opportunity for a hearing. At the hearing, the petitioner must demonstrate to the department that he or she:
- 1. Has not been arrested for a drug-related offense during the 5 years preceding the filing of the petition;
- 2. Has not driven a motor vehicle without a license for at least 5 years prior to the hearing;
- 3. Has been drug-free for at least 5 years prior to the hearing; and
- 4. Has completed a DUI program licensed by the department.
- (b) At such hearing, the department shall determine the petitioner's qualification, fitness, and need to drive. Upon such determination, the department may, in its discretion, reinstate the driver's license of the petitioner. Such reinstatement must be made subject to the following qualifications:
- 1. The license must be restricted for employment purposes for not less than 1 year; and
- 2. Such person must be supervised by a DUI program licensed by the department and report to the program for such supervision and education at least four times a year or additionally as required by the program for the remainder of the revocation period. Such supervision shall include evaluation, education, referral into treatment, and other activities required by the department.

(c) Such person must assume the reasonable costs of supervision. If such person fails to comply with the required supervision, the program shall report the failure to the department, and the department shall cancel such person's driving privilege.

- (d) If, after reinstatement, such person is convicted of an offense for which mandatory revocation of his or her license is required, the department shall revoke his or her driving privilege.
- (e) The department shall adopt rules regulating the providing of services by DUI programs pursuant to this section.

Section 38. Paragraphs (d) and (e) of subsection (2) of section 322.28, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

322.28 Period of suspension or revocation.--

- (2) In a prosecution for a violation of s. 316.193 or former s. 316.1931, the following provisions apply:
- (d) When any driver's license or driving privilege has been revoked pursuant to the provisions of this section, the department shall not grant a new license, except upon reexamination of the licensee after the expiration of the period of revocation so prescribed. However, the court may, in its sound discretion, issue an order of reinstatement on a form furnished by the department which the person may take to any driver's license examining office for reinstatement by the department pursuant to s. 322.282.
- (d)(e) The court shall permanently revoke the driver's license or driving privilege of a person who has been convicted four times for violation of s. 316.193 or former s. 316.1931 or a combination of such sections. The court shall permanently revoke the driver's license or driving privilege

of any person who has been convicted of DUI manslaughter in violation of s. 316.193. If the court has not permanently 2 revoked such driver's license or driving privilege within 30 3 4 days after imposing sentence, the department shall permanently 5 revoke the driver's license or driving privilege pursuant to this paragraph. No driver's license or driving privilege may 6 7 be issued or granted to any such person. This paragraph applies only if at least one of the convictions for violation 8 9 of s. 316.193 or former s. 316.1931 was for a violation that occurred after July 1, 1982. For the purposes of this 10 paragraph, a conviction for violation of former s. 316.028, 11 12 former s. 316.1931, or former s. 860.01 is also considered a conviction for violation of s. 316.193. Also, a conviction of 13 14 driving under the influence, driving while intoxicated, driving with an unlawful blood-alcohol level, or any other 15 similar alcohol-related or drug-related traffic offense 16 17 outside this state is considered a conviction for the purposes 18 of this paragraph. 19

Section 39. <u>Sections 322.282 and 322.331, Florida Statutes, are repealed.</u>

Section 40. Subsection (3) is added to section 324.091, Florida Statutes, to read:

324.091 Notice to department; notice to insurer.--

information maintained in the department's vehicle database may be provided by an approved third-party provider to insurers, lawyers, and financial institutions in compliance with s. 627.736(9)(a) and for subrogation and claims purposes only. The compilation and retention of this information is strictly prohibited.

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Section 41. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section 328.01, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

328.01 Application for certificate of title.--

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If the application for transfer of title is based upon a contractual default, the recorded lienholder shall establish proof of right to ownership by submitting with the application the original certificate of title and a copy of the applicable contract upon which the claim of ownership is made. If the claim is based upon a court order or judgment, a copy of such document shall accompany the application for transfer of title. If, on the basis of departmental records, there appears to be any other lien on the vessel, the certificate of title must contain a statement of such a lien, unless the application for a certificate of title is either accompanied by proper evidence of the satisfaction or extinction of the lien or contains a statement certifying that any lienholder named on the last-issued certificate of title has been sent notice by certified mail, at least 5 days before the application was filed, of the applicant's intention to seek a repossessed title. If such notice is given and no written protest to the department is presented by a subsequent lienholder within 15 days after the date on which the notice was mailed, the certificate of title shall be issued showing no liens. If the former owner or any subsequent lienholder files a written protest under oath within the 15-day period, the department shall not issue the repossessed certificate for 10 days thereafter. If, within the 10-day period, no injunction or other order of a court of competent jurisdiction has been served on the department commanding it not to deliver the certificate, the department shall deliver the repossessed

certificate to the applicant, or as is otherwise directed in the application, showing no other liens than those shown in the application.

Section 42. Subsection (2) of section 328.42, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

328.42 Suspension or denial of a vessel registration due to support delinquency; dishonored checks.--

(2) The department may deny or cancel any vessel registration, license plate, or fuel-use tax decal if the owner pays for the registration, license plate, fuel-use tax decal, or any tax liability, penalty, or interest specified in chapter 207 by a dishonored check.

Section 43. Section 328.56, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

328.56 Vessel registration number.--Each vessel that is used on the waters of the state must display a commercial or recreational Florida registration number, unless it is:

- (1) A vessel used exclusively on private lakes and ponds.
 - (2) A vessel owned by the United States Government.
 - (3) A vessel used exclusively as a ship's lifeboat.
 - (4) A non-motor-powered vessel.
 - (5) A federally documented vessel.
- (6) A vessel already covered by a registration number in full force and effect which has been awarded to it pursuant to a federally approved numbering system of another state or by the United States Coast Guard in a state without a federally approved numbering system, if the vessel has not been within this state for a period in excess of 90 consecutive days.

- (7) A vessel operating under a valid temporary certificate of number.
- (8) A vessel from a country other than the United States temporarily using the waters of this state.
- (9) An undocumented vessel used exclusively for racing.

Section 44. Subsection (4) of section 328.72, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

328.72 Classification; registration; fees and charges; surcharge; disposition of fees; fines; marine turtle stickers.--

(4) TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP.--

(a) When the ownership of a registered vessel changes, an application for transfer of registration shall be filed with the county tax collector by the new owner within 30 days with a fee of \$3.25. The county tax collector shall retain \$2.25 of the fee and shall remit \$1 to the department. A refund may not be made for any unused portion of a registration period.

(b) If a vessel is an antique as defined in subsection 21 (2), the application shall be accompanied by either a certificate of title, a bill of sale and a registration, or a bill of sale and an affidavit by the owner defending the title from all claims. The bill of sale must contain a complete vessel description to include the hull identification number and engine number, if appropriate; the year, make, and color of the vessel; the selling price; and the signatures of the seller and purchaser.

Section 45. Subsection (3) is added to section 832.09, Florida Statutes, to read:

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