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CHAMBER ACTION

1 The Committee on State Administration recommends the following: 2 3 Committee Substitute 4 Remove the entire bill and insert: 5 A bill to be entitled 6 An act relating to state vehicles; creating s. 284.311, 7 F.S.; requiring certain state employees using state-owned 8 vehicles for off-duty work to reimburse the state for 9 property damage coverage for such use; requiring the 10 Division of Risk Management of the Department of Financial Services to adopt rules for such reimbursement and 11 12 insurance coverage; amending s. 287.17, F.S.; construing the term "official state business" to permit the use of 13 14 state vehicles by law enforcement officers for going to and from lunch breaks and incidental stops for personal 15 16 errands; providing an effective date. 17 18 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 19 Section 1. Section 284.311, Florida Statutes, is created 20 21 to read: 22 284.311 Property damage coverage for state-owned 23 vehicles. -- If a state employee whose duties are those of a law Page 1 of 3

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24 enforcement officer, as defined in s. 943.10, uses the motor 25 vehicle for off-duty work for which he or she must reimburse the 26 state, that reimbursement must include a reimbursement for 27 property damage coverage on the motor vehicle while the vehicle 28 is used for the off-duty work. The Division of Risk Management 29 within the Department of Financial Services shall adopt rules assessing the amount of such reimbursement for the actual costs 30 31 of coverage associated with off-duty coverage and may adopt 32 rules that provide for a deductible in an amount of not more 33 than \$500 per incident when the employee is determined to be at 34 fault in the incident and was using the motor vehicle in 35 approved activities for which he or she was liable to reimburse 36 the state. 37 Section 2. Subsection (3) of section 287.17, Florida 38 Statutes, is amended to read: 287.17 Limitation on use of motor vehicles and aircraft.--39 40 The term "official state business" may not be (3)(a) construed to permit the use of a motor vehicle or aircraft for 41 42 commuting purposes, unless special assignment of a motor vehicle 43 is authorized as a perquisite by the Department of Management 44 Services, required by an employee after normal duty hours to 45 perform duties of the position to which assigned, or authorized 46 for an employee whose home is the official base of operation. (b) For motor vehicles used by a state employee whose 47 duties are those of a law enforcement officer, as defined in s. 48 49 943.10, the term "official state business" shall be construed to 50 permit the use of the vehicle during normal duty hours to and 51 from lunch or meal breaks and incidental stops for personal

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- 52 errands, but not substantial deviations from official state
- 53 business, if such use is at the direction of or with the
- 54 permission of the agency head.
- 55 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004.