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Senator Villalobos moved the following amendment:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

On page 87, between lines 7 and 8,

insert:

Section 50. Subsection (1) of section 318.32, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

318.32 Jurisdiction; limitations.--

(1) Hearing officers shall be empowered to accept pleas from and decide the guilt or innocence of any person, adult or juvenile, charged with any civil traffic infraction and shall be empowered to adjudicate or withhold adjudication of guilt in the same manner as a county court judge under the statutes, rules, and procedures presently existing or as subsequently amended, except that hearing officers shall not:

(a) Have the power to hold a defendant in contempt of court, but shall be permitted to file a motion for order of contempt with the appropriate state trial court judge;

(b) Hear a case involving a crash resulting in injury or death; ~~or~~

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1 (c) Hear a criminal traffic offense case or a case  
 2 involving a civil traffic infraction issued in conjunction  
 3 with a criminal traffic offense; or-

4 (d) Have the power to suspend a defendant's driver's  
 5 license pursuant to s. 316.655(2).

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7 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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11 And the title is amended as follows:

12 On page 10, line 13, after the semicolon,

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14 insert:

15 amending s. 318.32, F.S.; prohibiting a hearing  
 16 officer from suspending a defendant's driver's  
 17 license;

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