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1	The Committee on Transportation (Webster) recommended the
1 2	The Committee on Transportation (Webster) recommended the following <b>amendment:</b>
2 3	TOTTOWING anendment:
4	Senate Amendment (with title amendment)
5	Delete everything after the enacting clause
6	and insert:
7	Section 1. This act may be cited as the "Deputy Michael
8	Callin, Michael Haligowski, and Deputy Ryan C. Seguin Memorial
9	Traffic Safety Act."
10	Section 2. Subsection (11) of section 318.14, Florida
11	Statutes, is amended to read:
12	318.14 Noncriminal traffic infractions; exception;
13	procedures
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14	(11) <u>(a)</u> If adjudication is withheld for any person
15	pursuant to subsection (9) or subsection (10) charged or cited
16	under this section, such action is not a conviction.
17	(b) If a person is cited for a violation of s.
18	322.34(2)(a)1. or 2. with a license that has been suspended
19	solely for failure to appear, failure to pay a civil penalty,
20	failure to attend a driver improvement course pursuant to s.
21	322.291, failure to pay child support, or failure to pay a
22	judgment and such person provides to the court a valid or
23	reinstated driver's license and proper proof of maintenance of
24	security as required by s. 316.646, the court may withhold
25	adjudication pursuant to this subsection. If adjudication is
26	withheld for any person pursuant to this paragraph, such action
27	is not a conviction if adjudication has not been withheld under
28	this paragraph for a prior offense during the 3 years before the
29	date of the cited offense. This paragraph does not affect the
30	court's ability to grant a withhold of adjudication under any
31	other provision currently in effect in any provision of traffic
32	or criminal court rules.
33	Section 3. Subsection (7) is added to section 322.03,
34	Florida Statutes, to read:
35	322.03 Drivers must be licensed; penalties
36	(7) Every judgment for a violation of subsection (1),
37	regardless of whether adjudication is withheld, shall be in
38	writing, signed by the judge, and recorded by the clerk of the
39	circuit court.
40	Section 4. Subsections (1) and (6) of section 322.251,
41	Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
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322.251 Notice of cancellation, suspension, revocation, or
 disqualification of license.--

(1) All orders of cancellation, suspension, revocation, or 44 45 disqualification issued under the provisions of this chapter, chapter 318, chapter 324, or ss. 627.732-627.734 shall be given 46 47 either by personal delivery thereof to the licensee whose 48 license is being canceled, suspended, revoked, or disqualified or by deposit in the United States mail in an envelope, first 49 50 class, postage prepaid, addressed to the licensee at his or her 51 last known mailing address furnished to the department. Such 52 mailing by the department constitutes notification, and any 53 failure by the person to receive the mailed order will not 54 affect or stay the effective date or term of the cancellation, 55 suspension, revocation, or disqualification of the licensee's driving privilege. Notification of cancellation, suspension, 56 revocation, or disqualification given by the department under 57 58 this section shall also inform the person whose license or 59 driving privilege has been canceled, suspended, revoked, or 60 disqualified that any motor vehicle driven by or under the actual physical control of that person while the license or 61 driving privilege is canceled, suspended, revoked, or 62 63 disqualified is subject to impoundment and immobilization under 64 s. 322.34; however, any failure by the department to include the 65 impoundment and immobilization information with the notification 66 or any failure by the person to receive that information will 67 not affect or stay the effective date or term of the cancellation, suspension, revocation, or disqualification of the 68 69 licensee's driving privilege and will not preclude, bar, or

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70 otherwise affect the impoundment or immobilization of a motor
71 vehicle under s. 322.34.

(6) (a) Whenever a cancellation, suspension, revocation, or 72 73 disqualification occurs, the department shall enter the cancellation, suspension, revocation, or disqualification order 74 75 on the licensee's driver file 20 days after the notice was 76 actually placed in the mail. Any inquiry into the file after the 77 20-day period shall reveal that the license is canceled, 78 suspended, revoked, or disqualified and whether the license has 79 been received by the department.

80 (b) The department shall make available on its Internet 81 website the means to determine the status of a person's driver's 82 license by entering the driver's license number. The department 83 shall also provide an automated telephone hotline to provide 84 callers with the status of a person's driver's license.

Section 5. Effective October 1, 2008, subsections (1),
(2), (4), (5), and (6) of section 322.34, Florida Statutes, are
amended, and subsection (10) is added to that section, to read:

322.34 Driving while license suspended, revoked, canceled,
 or disqualified.--

90 (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) and s. 322.341, any person whose driver's license or driving privilege has been 91 canceled, suspended, or revoked, or disqualified, except a 92 93 "habitual traffic offender" as defined in s. 322.264, who drives a vehicle upon the highways of this state while such license or 94 95 privilege is canceled, suspended, or revoked, or disqualified 96 commits is guilty of a moving violation, punishable as provided 97 in chapter 318.

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98	(2)(a) Except as provided in s. 322.341, any person whose
99	driver's license or driving privilege has been canceled,
100	suspended, <del>or</del> revoked <u>, or disqualified</u> as provided by law,
101	except persons defined in s. 322.264, who, knowing of such
102	cancellation, suspension, <del>or</del> revocation, <u>or disqualification,</u>
103	drives any motor vehicle upon the highways of this state while
104	such license or privilege is canceled, suspended, <del>or</del> revoked, <u>or</u>
105	disqualified, or any person who drives any motor vehicle upon
106	the highways of this state without having a valid driver's
107	license as required under s. 322.03, upon:
108	1.(a) A first conviction is guilty of a misdemeanor of the
109	second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s.
110	775.083, except that any person whose driver's license or
111	driving privilege was canceled, suspended, revoked, or
112	disqualified under s. 322.2615 relating to unlawful blood-
113	alcohol level or breath-alcohol level or for refusal to submit
114	to a breath, urine, or blood test authorized by s. 316.1932, s.
115	322.28(2)(a) for a violation of s. 316.193 or s. 316.1931
116	prohibiting driving under the influence, s. 316.655(2) for an
117	alcohol-related or drug-related conviction, or s. 316.1939 for
118	refusal to submit to testing is guilty of a misdemeanor of the
119	first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s.
120	775.083.
121	2.(b) A second conviction is guilty of a misdemeanor of
122	the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s.
123	775.083.

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124 <u>3.(c)</u> A third or subsequent conviction is guilty of a 125 felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 126 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

127 (b) If any person whose driver's license or driving privilege was canceled, suspended, revoked, or disqualified 128 129 under s. 322.2615 relating to unlawful blood-alcohol level or 130 breath-alcohol level or for refusal to submit to a breath, 131 urine, or blood test authorized by s. 316.1932, s. 322.28(2)(a) 132 for a violation of s. 316.193 or s. 316.1931 prohibiting driving 133 under the influence, s. 316.655(2) for an alcohol-related or drug-related conviction, or s. 316.1939 for refusal to submit to 134 testing is convicted under this subsection, the court must order 135 imprisonment for not less than 30 days or a probationary period 136 137 of not less than 90 days requiring the same level of supervision as community control with electronic monitoring as described in 138 chapter 948 and the use of a continuous alcohol monitor device. 139

140 The element of knowledge is satisfied if the person (C) has been previously cited as provided in subsection (1); or the 141 142 person admits to knowledge of the cancellation, suspension, or 143 revocation, or disgualification; or the person received notice as provided in subsection (4). There shall be a rebuttable 144 presumption that the knowledge requirement is satisfied if a 145 judgment or order or a cancellation, suspension, revocation, or 146 147 disqualification by the department as provided in subsection (4) 148 appears in the department's records for any case except for one 149 involving a suspension by the department for failure to pay a 150 traffic fine or for a financial responsibility violation.



151 (4) Any judgment or order rendered by a court or 152 adjudicatory body, any cancellation, suspension, revocation, or 153 disqualification by the department, or any uniform traffic 154 citation that cancels, suspends, or revokes, or disqualifies a 155 person's driver's license must contain a provision notifying the person that his or her driver's license has been canceled, 156 157 suspended, or revoked, or disqualified and must inform the 158 person that any motor vehicle driven by that person while the 159 license is canceled, suspended, revoked, or disqualified shall 160 be impounded or immobilized pursuant to this section. 161 (5) Any person whose driver's license has been revoked 162 pursuant to s. 322.264 (habitual offender) and who drives any 163 motor vehicle upon the highways of this state while such license is revoked commits is guilty of a felony of the third degree, 164 punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084, 165 and the court must order imprisonment for not less than 60 days. 166 167 (6) Any person who operates a motor vehicle: (a) Without having a driver's license as required under s. 168 169 322.03; or 170 (b) While his or her driver's license or driving privilege is canceled, suspended, or revoked, or disqualified pursuant to 171 s. 316.655, s. 322.26(8), s. 322.27(2), or s. 322.28(2) or (4), 172 173 174 and who by careless or negligent operation of the motor vehicle 175 causes the death of or serious bodily injury to another human 176 being, commits is guilty of a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. 177

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178	(10) With respect to any offense governed by this section,
179	regardless of whether adjudication is withheld, every judgment
180	shall be in writing, signed by the judge, and recorded by the
181	clerk of the circuit court.
182	Section 6. Effective July 1, 2009, subsections (3) and (8)
183	of section 322.34, Florida Statutes, as amended by this act, are
184	amended to read:
185	322.34 Driving while license suspended, revoked, canceled,
186	or disqualified
187	(3) In any proceeding for a violation of this section, a
188	court may consider evidence, other than that specified in
189	subsection (2) or subsection (11), that the person knowingly
190	violated this section.
191	(8)(a) 1. If a law enforcement officer determines that a
192	motor vehicle is being driven by or is under the actual physical
193	control of a person whose driver's license or driving privilege
194	is canceled, suspended, revoked, or disqualified, the officer
195	shall immediately impound the motor vehicle or immobilize the
196	motor vehicle by installing an immobilization device on the
197	vehicle. The officer shall serve notice of the impoundment or
198	immobilization upon the driver. The notice shall include the
199	location where the motor vehicle is being held and information
200	on the procedures to have the motor vehicle released from
201	impoundment or immobilization by a department-approved vendor. A
202	law enforcement agency or officer who proceeds in good faith to
203	immobilize or impound a vehicle under this section shall not be
204	responsible for any towing, immobilizing, or impounding fees. A
205	law enforcement officer may leave the scene of the impoundment

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206 without completing the impoundment process if the officer is 207 ordered elsewhere by his superior officer or an emergency 208 elsewhere arises, or due to other exigent circumstances. 209 2. A law enforcement officer impounding or immobilizing a motor vehicle under subparagraph 1. shall notify the department 210 211 or the department's agent within 24 hours to effect impoundment 212 or immobilization under this paragraph. The department or the 213 department's agent shall remove and impound or immobilize the motor vehicle at another location. The motor vehicle may be 214 215 immobilized by installation of an immobilization device on the 216 vehicle; however, the impounding company shall not release the 217 motor vehicle for immobilization at another location without proof that the immobilization vendor is approved by the 218 219 department. The motor vehicle shall remain in impound or immobilized until the owner or lessee receives authorization 220 221 from the department for release of the motor vehicle under the 222 provisions of this subsection. The department is authorized to 223 adopt by rule procedures for removal and immobilization of the 224 motor vehicle by a department-approved vendor from the location 225 where the motor vehicle was impounded or immobilized by the law 226 enforcement officer under subparagraph 1. 227 3. A motor vehicle impounded or immobilized under this 228 paragraph that, according to the records of the department, is 229 owned or leased by the person who was driving or in actual 230 physical control of the motor vehicle when it was stopped and 231 impounded or immobilized under subparagraph 1. shall remain

impounded or immobilized until the person's license and driving 233 privilege are reinstated and payment of the fees imposed under

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234	paragraph (c) and all costs of towing, impoundment,
235	immobilization, and storage has been made. If department records
236	show a different owner or lessee, the motor vehicle shall be
237	released to that owner or lessee or the owner's or lessee's
238	agent upon payment of the fees imposed under paragraph (c) and
239	all costs of towing, impoundment, immobilization, and storage.
240	The department's records shall reflect that the motor vehicle is
241	immobilized or impounded.
242	(b) Within 7 business days after the date the law
243	enforcement agency or the department impounds or immobilizes the
244	motor vehicle under this subsection, the department shall send
245	notice of the impoundment or immobilization by certified mail,
246	return receipt requested, to any registered owners or coowners
247	of the motor vehicle other than the driver and to each person of
248	record claiming a lien against the motor vehicle. The notice
249	shall include the location where the motor vehicle is being held
250	and information on the procedures to have the motor vehicle
251	released from impoundment or immobilization by a department-
252	approved vendor. All costs and fees for the impoundment or
253	immobilization, including the cost of notification, must be paid
254	by the owner of the motor vehicle or, if the motor vehicle is
255	leased, by the person leasing the motor vehicle.
256	(c)1. The department shall collect a \$30 processing fee
257	from the owner or lessee prior to release of any motor vehicle
258	immobilized or impounded under this subsection. Moneys collected
259	under this subparagraph shall be forwarded to the Department of
260	Revenue, which shall deposit \$28 of the fee into the State
261	Transportation Trust Fund created under s. 206.46 to be used to

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262	carry out public transit responsibilities of the Department of
263	Transportation under s. 341.041. The Department of Revenue shall
264	remit the remaining \$2 to the Florida Law Enforcement Memorial
265	Fund of the Florida State Lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police
266	to be used to carry out the purposes of that fund in this state.
267	2. The department shall charge a reasonable fee, not to
268	exceed \$6, to the owner or lessee of the motor vehicle to cover
269	the operational costs of the program and the cost of
270	immobilizing or impounding the motor vehicle. Fees collected
271	under this subparagraph shall be deposited in the Highway Safety
272	Operating Trust Fund of the Department of Highway Safety and
273	Motor Vehicles.
274	(d) The department shall authorize release of the motor
275	vehicle to the owner or lessee:
276	1. Upon satisfaction of all of the requirements under this
277	subsection for release of the motor vehicle; or
278	2. Upon request by the owner or lessee and a statement
279	that the family of the owner or lessee living in the same
280	household has no other private or public means of transportation
281	and at least one household member has a valid driver's license
282	that is not canceled, suspended, revoked, or disqualified. The
283	department shall verify the statement using department records
284	prior to authorization of release.
285	(e) A motor vehicle immobilized under this subsection may
286	not be operated in this state until released from immobilization
287	by the department or the department's agent. A motor vehicle
288	immobilized under this subsection that is found being operated
289	upon any street or highway in this state before being released

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290	by the department or the department's agent shall be seized and
291	removed from the street or highway and may be forfeited pursuant
292	to ss. 932.701-932.704.
293	(f) The department may contract with vendors to carry out
294	the provisions of this subsection.
295	(g) Notification of cancellation, suspension, revocation,
296	or disqualification given by the department under s. 322.251
297	shall also inform the person whose driver's license or driving
298	privilege has been canceled, suspended, revoked, or disqualified
299	that any motor vehicle driven by or under the actual physical
300	control of that person while the license or driving privilege is
301	canceled, suspended, revoked, or disqualified is subject to
302	impoundment and immobilization under this subsection; however,
303	failure to receive the information shall not preclude, bar, or
304	otherwise affect the impoundment or immobilization of a motor
305	vehicle under this subsection.
306	(h) The department shall make available on its Internet
307	website the means to determine the status of a person's driver's
308	license by entering the driver's license number. The department
309	shall also provide an automated telephone hotline to provide
310	callers with the status of a person's driver's license.
311	(i) The department may adopt rules pursuant to ss.
312	120.536(1) and 120.54 to implement the provisions of this
313	subsection. <del>Upon the arrest of a person for the offense of</del>
314	driving while the person's driver's license or driving privilege
315	is suspended or revoked, the arresting officer shall determine:
316	1. Whether the person's driver's license is suspended or
317	revoked.

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318	2. Whether the person's driver's license has remained
319	suspended or revoked since a conviction for the offense of
320	driving with a suspended or revoked license.
321	3. Whether the suspension or revocation was made under s.
322	316.646 or s. 627.733, relating to failure to maintain required
323	security, or under s. 322.264, relating to habitual traffic
324	offenders.
325	4. Whether the driver is the registered owner or coowner
326	of the vehicle.
327	(b) If the arresting officer finds in the affirmative as
328	to all of the criteria in paragraph (a), the officer shall
329	immediately impound or immobilize the vehicle.
330	(c) Within 7 business days after the date the arresting
331	agency impounds or immobilizes the vehicle, either the arresting
332	agency or the towing service, whichever is in possession of the
333	vehicle, shall send notice by certified mail, return receipt
334	requested, to any coregistered owners of the vehicle other than
335	the person arrested and to each person of record claiming a lien
336	against the vehicle. All costs and fees for the impoundment or
337	immobilization, including the cost of notification, must be paid
338	by the owner of the vehicle or, if the vehicle is leased, by the
339	person leasing the vehicle.
340	(d) Either the arresting agency or the towing service,
341	whichever is in possession of the vehicle, shall determine
342	whether any vehicle impounded or immobilized under this section
343	has been leased or rented or if there are any persons of record
344	with a lien upon the vehicle. Either the arresting agency or the
345	towing service, whichever is in possession of the vehicle, shall

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346 notify by express courier service with receipt or certified 347 mail, return receipt requested, within 7 business days after the 348 date of the immobilization or impoundment of the vehicle, the 349 registered owner and all persons having a recorded lien against 350 the vehicle that the vehicle has been impounded or immobilized. 351 A lessor, rental car company, or lienholder may then obtain the 352 vehicle, upon payment of any lawful towing or storage charges. 353 If the vehicle is a rental vehicle subject to a written 354 contract, the charges may be separately charged to the renter, 355 in addition to the rental rate, along with other separate fees, 356 charges, and recoupments disclosed on the rental agreement. If 357 the storage facility fails to provide timely notice to a lessor, 358 rental car company, or lienholder as required by this paragraph, the storage facility shall be responsible for payment of any 359 towing or storage charges necessary to release the vehicle to a 360 lessor, rental car company, or lienholder that accrue after the 361 362 notice period, which charges may then be assessed against the 363 driver of the vehicle if the vehicle was lawfully impounded or 364 immobilized. 365 (e) Except as provided in paragraph (d), the vehicle shall 366 remain impounded or immobilized for any period imposed by the

367 court until:

368 1. The owner presents proof of insurance to the arresting 369 agency; or

370 2. The owner presents proof of sale of the vehicle to the
371 arresting agency and the buyer presents proof of insurance to
372 the arresting agency.

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374	If proof is not presented within 35 days after the impoundment
375	or immobilization, a lien shall be placed upon such vehicle
376	pursuant to s. 713.78.
377	(f) The owner of a vehicle that is impounded or
378	immobilized under this subsection may, within 10 days after the
379	date the owner has knowledge of the location of the vehicle,
380	file a complaint in the county in which the owner resides to
381	determine whether the vehicle was wrongfully taken or withheld.
382	Upon the filing of a complaint, the owner may have the vehicle
383	released by posting with the court a bond or other adequate
384	security equal to the amount of the costs and fees for
385	impoundment or immobilization, including towing or storage, to
386	ensure the payment of such costs and fees if the owner does not
387	prevail. When the vehicle owner does not prevail on a complaint
388	that the vehicle was wrongfully taken or withheld, he or she
389	must pay the accrued charges for the immobilization or
390	impoundment, including any towing and storage charges assessed
391	against the vehicle. When the bond is posted and the fee is paid
392	as set forth in s. 28.24, the clerk of the court shall issue a
393	certificate releasing the vehicle. At the time of release, after
394	reasonable inspection, the owner must give a receipt to the
395	towing or storage company indicating any loss or damage to the
396	vehicle or to the contents of the vehicle.
397	Section 7. Section 322.3402, Florida Statutes, is created
398	to read:
399	322.3402 State attorney Drive Legal program
400	(1) The state attorney may establish a Drive Legal program
401	for a person accused of a violation of the misdemeanor offense
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402	of driving while license suspended if the person's license was
403	suspended at the time of the offense for failure to pay a
404	penalty, failure to appear, failure to complete a driver
405	improvement program, failure to pay child support, or failure to
406	satisfy financial responsibility requirements, insurance
407	requirements, or judgments. The program may divert the person
408	from prosecution or offer a negotiated disposition to an offense
409	other than the one charged. The program may be established
410	within the state attorney's office or through an independent
411	contractor. The use of such a diversion program shall not affect
412	the authority of the state attorney to prosecute any person for
413	any such violation. Exceptions to any program criteria,
414	policies, or procedures shall be made solely at the discretion
415	of the state attorney.
416	(2) In establishing the criteria for admission to the
417	program, for the effective administration of the program, and
418	for the protection of the public, the state attorney may exclude
419	any applicant, including, but not limited to, an applicant:
420	(a) Who has been previously or is currently classified as
421	a habitual traffic offender.
422	(b) Whose license has been previously or is currently
423	permanently suspended or revoked.
424	(c) Who has any convictions or suspensions on his or her
425	license for the offense of DUI or a violation of chapter 893.
426	(d) Who has been adjudicated or has had adjudication of
427	guilt withheld for a felony driving or traffic offense in this
428	state or any other jurisdiction.

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429	(e) Who is deemed at fault by a law enforcement officer in
430	a traffic crash in the instant offense.
431	(f) Who is charged with another misdemeanor or felony
432	violation emanating out of the instant offense.
433	(g) Who has previously applied to, and successfully or
434	unsuccessfully completed, the program or a comparable program in
435	another jurisdiction.
436	(h) Who has a significant prior criminal history.
437	(3) Policies for the administration of the program should
438	include provisions requiring the applicant to:
439	(a) Apply to the program within a specified period of
440	time.
441	(b) Knowingly and intelligently waive his or her rights to
442	speedy trial and discovery.
443	(c) Take all necessary steps to obtain a valid Florida
444	driver's license, including paying or satisfying all outstanding
445	citations, fines, court costs and fees, child support payments,
446	and judgments, within a specified period of time.
447	(d) Attend an appropriate educational program.
448	(e) Obtain and maintain for a specified period of time
449	valid motor vehicle insurance for all vehicles owned and
450	operated by the applicant.
451	(f) Correct all previously cited equipment violations for
452	all vehicles owned and operated by the applicant.
453	(g) Complete any driving schools required by the
454	Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles or the program.
455	(h) Pay a reasonable application fee to cover the costs of
456	the program.



457	(4) Polices for the administration of the program should
458	include provisions that would make the applicant no longer
459	eligible for successful completion of the program, including,
460	but not limited to:
461	(a) Any arrest or charge for any criminal offense or any
462	traffic offense that is a moving violation.
463	(b) Any failure to continue to make good faith efforts to
464	comply with the requirements set forth in subsection (3).
465	(5) For the effective administration of the state
466	attorney's program, the county courts and the clerks of court
467	shall cooperate with the state attorney to facilitate the
468	consolidation of all of an applicant's pending traffic matters
469	before one judge of the county court. Additionally, in order to
470	assist indigent applicants obtain a valid Florida driver's
471	license, all such parties shall develop a process for the
472	disposition of pending outstanding monetary obligations by
473	ordering public works or community service as provided by law.
474	Section 8. Effective October 1, 2008, section 322.341,
475	Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
476	322.341 Driving while license permanently revokedAny
477	person whose driver's license or driving privilege has been
478	permanently revoked pursuant to s. 322.26 or s. 322.28 and who
479	drives a motor vehicle upon the highways of this state <u>commits</u>
480	is guilty of a felony of the third degree, punishable as
481	provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084 <u>, and the court</u>
482	must order:
483	(1) Imprisonment for not less than 90 days; or

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484	(2) Imprisonment for not less than 30 days followed by a
485	minimum of 180 days of community control with electronic
486	monitoring as provided for in chapter 948 and the use of a
487	continuous alcohol monitor device.
488	Section 9. The Department of Highway Safety and Motor
489	Vehicles shall inform the motoring public of the changes to s.
490	322.34, Florida Statutes, made by this act relating to
491	impoundment or immobilization of a motor vehicle being driven by
492	a person whose driver license is canceled, suspended, revoked,
493	or disqualified and shall provide such information in newly
494	printed driver license educational materials after July 1, 2008,
495	and in public service announcements produced in cooperation with
496	the Florida Highway Patrol.
497	Section 10. During the period from July 1, 2008, to July
498	1, 2009, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
499	shall notify by mail persons whose driver license or driving
500	privilege has been canceled, suspended, revoked, or disqualified
501	of the changes to s. 322.34, Florida Statutes, made by this act
502	relating to impoundment or immobilization of a motor vehicle
503	being driven by such person; however, failure to receive such
504	notification shall not preclude, bar, or otherwise affect the
505	impoundment or immobilization of a motor vehicle under s.
506	322.34, Florida Statutes.
507	Section 11. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this
508	act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2008.
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511	And the title is amended as follows:
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512 Delete everything before the enacting clause and insert: 513 A bill to be entitled 514 515 An act relating to highway safety; creating the "Deputy 516 Michael Callin, Michael Haligowski, and Deputy Ryan C. Seguin Memorial Traffic Safety Act"; amending s. 318.14, 517 518 F.S.; authorizing the court to withhold adjudication of 519 certain violations related to driving without a valid 520 license if the person cited meets certain conditions; 521 providing that the withholding of adjudication is not a 522 conviction under certain circumstances; amending s. 523 322.03, F.S.; requiring a written judgment signed by the 524 judge and recorded by the clerk for cases involving a 525 violation of requirements to possess a valid driver 526 license; amending s. 322.251, F.S.; requiring impoundment and immobilization information to be included with notice 527 528 to a person whose driver license or driving privilege is 529 being canceled, suspended, revoked, or disqualified; 530 requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to make driver license status information 531 532 available to the public through the Internet and a 533 telephone hotline; amending s. 322.34, F.S.; providing for 534 application of certain penalty provisions to a person who 535 does not have a valid driver license or whose driver 536 license or driving privilege has been disgualified; 537 revising penalties for driving without a valid license or 538 knowingly driving while driver license or driving 539 privilege is canceled, suspended, revoked, or disqualified

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540 for specified alcohol-related or drug-related convictions or refusal to submit to certain testing; revising 541 542 provisions for satisfaction of the element of knowledge; 543 requiring a cancellation, suspension, revocation, or 544 disqualification by the department or a uniform traffic 545 citation to contain notice that the person's driver 546 license or driving privilege has been canceled, suspended, 547 revoked, or disqualified; requiring impoundment and immobilization information to be included with notice to a 548 549 person whose driver license or driving privilege has been 550 canceled, suspended, revoked, or disqualified; revising 551 penalty provisions for a habitual offender driving while 552 his or her license is revoked; providing that a person who 553 causes the death of or serious bodily injury to another 554 person by careless or negligent operation of a motor 555 vehicle while his or her license or driving privilege is 556 canceled, suspended, revoked, or disqualified commits a 557 felony of the third degree; requiring a written judgment 558 signed by the judge and recorded by the clerk for cases involving a violation of requirements to possess a valid 559 560 driver license; amending s. 322.34, F.S.; requiring a law enforcement officer who determines that a motor vehicle is 561 562 being driven by or is under the actual physical control of 563 a person whose driver license or driving privilege is 564 canceled, suspended, revoked, or disqualified to impound or immobilize the motor vehicle; providing for notice to 565 566 the driver; providing for impoundment and immobilization 567 of the motor vehicle by the department; providing for

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568 notice to registered owners of the motor vehicle and 569 lienholders; providing for the department to commence 570 impoundment or immobilization at the scene where the motor 571 vehicle was immobilized; providing procedures; providing 572 for release of the motor vehicle; requiring department 573 records to contain impoundment and immobilization 574 information; providing for payment of costs; providing for 575 certain fees and distribution of moneys collected; 576 requiring the department to authorize release of the motor 577 vehicle under certain circumstances; prohibiting operation 578 of an immobilized motor vehicle; providing for an 579 immobilized motor vehicle that is found being operated 580 upon any street or highway in this state before release 581 from immobilization to be seized and subject to forfeit; 582 authorizing the department to contract with vendors; 583 directing the department to inform the person whose driver 584 license or driving privilege has been canceled, suspended, revoked, or disqualified that any motor vehicle driven by 585 586 or under the actual physical control of that person is subject to impoundment and immobilization; requiring the 587 588 department to make driver license status information 589 available to the public through the Internet and a 590 telephone hotline; authorizing the department to adopt 591 rules; creating s. 322.3402, F.S.; authorizing the state 592 attorney to establish a Drive Legal program for certain persons accused of a misdemeanor offense of driving while 593 594 license suspended to divert the person from prosecution or 595 offer a negotiated disposition; providing for exceptions

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596 to be made by the state attorney; providing for criteria 597 for admission to the program; providing for program 598 administration policies; requiring county courts and 599 clerks of court to cooperate with the state attorney to 600 consolidate an applicant's pending traffic matters and to 601 assist indigent applicants obtain a valid Florida driver's 602 license by disposing of outstanding monetary obligations 603 by ordering public works or community service; amending s. 604 322.341, F.S.; revising penalty provisions for a person 605 who drives a motor vehicle when his or her driver license 606 has been permanently revoked; directing the department to 607 inform drivers whose license or driving privilege has been 608 canceled, suspended, revoked, or disqualified and the 609 motoring public of the provisions for impoundment and immobilization of motor vehicles under this act; providing 610 effective dates. 611

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