By the Committees on Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Transportation; Transportation

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A bill to be entitled 1 2 An act relating to a review of the Department of 3 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles under the Florida 4 Government Accountability Act; reenacting and amending 5 s. 20.24, F.S., relating to the establishment of the 6 department; eliminating an obsolete reference to the 7 Bureau of Motor Vehicle Inspection; creating s. 8 318.195, F.S.; providing that a person who is convicted 9 of a moving violation that causes or contributes to 10 causing serious injury to or the death of a person 11 riding a motorcycle commits a misdemeanor offense; 12 requiring that the offender pay a specified fine, serve 13 a minimum of period of incarceration, and attend a 14 driver improvement course; requiring the court to 15 revoke the person's driver's license for a specified period; providing criminal penalties; providing that 16 17 the act does not prohibit the offender from being charged with, convicted of, or punished for any other 18 19 violation of law; amending ss. 320.08056 and 320.08058, 20 F.S.; directing the department to develop a Horse 2.1 Country license plate; providing an annual use fee for 22 the license plate; providing for the distribution of 23 funds received from the sale of the Horse Country 24 license plate; amending s. 322.01, F.S.; defining the 25 term "convenience service"; amending s. 322.02, F.S.; 26 requiring the department to collect and report to the 27 Legislature information concerning customer service at 28 driver's license offices; amending s. 322.03, F.S.; 29 deleting provisions exempting certain persons from the

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requirement to surrender a license issued by another jurisdiction; providing certain exceptions for parttime residents; amending ss. 322.051 and 322.08, F.S.; requiring that an applicant for an identification card or driver's license provide additional information; authorizing use of additional documents to prove identity; revising the fee requirements; revising provisions providing for the expiration of an identification card issued by the department; deleting provisions authorizing a voluntary contribution; amending s. 322.135, F.S.; increasing the amount of the service fee that may be charged by driver's license agents; amending s. 322.14, F.S.; requiring that an applicant for a driver's license provide a residence address; amending s. 322.17, F.S.; revising the requirements for obtaining a replacement license or permit; deleting provisions authorizing the department to issue address stickers; amending s. 322.18, F.S.; revising provisions providing for the expiration of driver's licenses; providing for the renewal of certain licenses every 8 years and for the renewal of licenses for persons older than a specified age every 6 years; providing for the renewal of licenses using a convenience service; requiring the department to issue new licenses rather than extension stickers; conforming cross-references; repealing s. 322.181(4), F.S.; relating to the Florida At-Risk Driver Council; amending s. 322.19, F.S.; deleting provisions authorizing the use of a change-of-address sticker on a

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driver's license; conforming cross-references; amending s. 322.21, F.S.; increasing the fees charged for obtaining a new or renewal driver's license or identification card; specifying that a portion of the fees be deposited for use by the department; repealing s. 322.60, F.S., relating to a prohibition against possessing more than one driver's license under certain circumstances; amending s. 316.003, F.S.; defining the term "traffic infraction detector"; creating s. 316.0083, F.S.; preempting to the state the use of cameras to enforce traffic laws; authorizing the use of traffic infraction detectors and traffic infraction detector enforcement officers by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, the Department of Transportation, counties, and municipalities; providing requirements for notifying a driver of the issuance of a citation; providing that the owner of the motor vehicle involved in a violation is responsible and liable for payment of the fine assessed; providing exceptions; establishing admissibility of evidence as a rebuttable presumption of a violation; providing that submission of a false affidavit constitutes a seconddegree misdemeanor; requiring the Department of Transportation to adopt and publish specifications relating to the operation and implementation of traffic infraction detectors; requiring that the specifications conform to certain minimum requirements; requiring the certification of a location by a traffic engineer before a detector is installed; authorizing the

Department of Transportation to direct the removal of a detector that fails to meet the required specifications; authorizing the department to allow the installation of a detector that does not conform to the required specification upon a showing of good cause; exempting certain existing traffic infraction detectors from the requirements for meeting the department's specifications for a specified period; requiring the qualification of vendors by the Department of Transportation; amending s. 316.640, F.S.; directing the Department of Transportation to develop training and qualifications for traffic infraction detector enforcement officers; amending s. 318.18, F.S.; providing for penalties and distribution of fines for failing to stop at a traffic signal when such violation is enforced by a traffic infraction detector enforcement officer; amending s. 322.27, F.S.; prohibiting the imposition of points against a violator's driver's license for infractions enforced by a traffic infraction detector enforcement officer; directing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and the Department of Transportation to jointly report the efficacy of traffic infraction detectors on or before a specified date; providing an effective date.

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WHEREAS, ss. 11.901-11.920, Florida Statutes, the Florida Government Accountability Act, subjects the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and its respective advisory

committees to a sunset review process in order to determine whether the agency should be retained, modified, or abolished, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles produced a report providing specific information, as enumerated in s. 11.906, Florida Statutes, and

WHEREAS, upon receipt of the report, the Joint Legislative Sunset Committee and committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives assigned to act as sunset review committees reviewed the report and requested studies by the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability, and

WHEREAS, based on the department's report, studies of the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability, and public input, the Joint Legislative Sunset Committee and legislative sunset review committees made recommendations on the abolition, continuation, or reorganization of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and its advisory committees; on the need for the functions performed by the agency and its advisory committees; and on the consolidation, transfer, or reorganization of programs within the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, and

WHEREAS, this Legislature wishes to retain the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and continue the Florida Highway Patrol Advisory Council, the Automobile Dealer Advisory Board, the DUI Programs Review Board, and the Medical Advisory Board, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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Section 1. Section 20.24, Florida Statutes, is reenacted and amended to read:

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20.24 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.—There is created a Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

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(1) The head of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles is the Governor and Cabinet.

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(2) The following divisions, and bureaus within the divisions, of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles are established:

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(a) Division of the Florida Highway Patrol.

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(b) Division of Driver Licenses.(c) Division of Motor Vehicles.

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Section 2. Section 318.195, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

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318.195 Enhanced penalties for moving violations causing injury or death to motorcyclists.--

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(1) A person who is convicted of a moving violation that causes serious bodily injury, as defined in s. 316.1933, to a person riding on a motorcycle commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083, and shall pay a fine of not less than \$500, serve a minimum of 30 days of incarceration, and attend a driver improvement course. The court shall also revoke the person's driver's license for not

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a motorcycle commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083, and shall pay a fine of not less than \$1,000, serve a minimum of 90 days of incarceration, and, in lieu of the requirements of s. 322.0261, attend an advanced driver improvement course. The court shall also revoke the person's driver's license for not less than 1 year.

- (3) This section does not prohibit a person from being charged with, convicted of, or punished for any other violation of law.
- Section 3. Paragraph (mmm) is added to subsection (4) of section 320.08056, Florida Statutes, to read:
 - 320.08056 Specialty license plates.--
- (4) The following license plate annual use fees shall be collected for the appropriate specialty license plates:
 - (mmm) Horse Country license plate, \$25.
- Section 4. Subsection (65) is added to section 320.08058, Florida Statutes, to read:
 - 320.08058 Specialty license plates. --
 - (65) HORSE COUNTRY LICENSE PLATES.--
- (a) The department shall develop a Horse Country license plate as provided in this subsection. However, the requirements of s. 320.08053 must be met prior to the issuance of the plate. Horse Country license plates must bear the colors and design approved by the department. The word "Florida" must appear at the top of the plate, and the words "Horse Country" must appear at the bottom of the plate.
- (b) The license plate annual use fees shall be distributed to PCMI Properties, Inc., to fund its activities, programs, and

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projects within the state. Funds must be used in this state. PCMI Properties, Inc., may retain all revenue from the annual use fees until up to \$60,000 of its documented startup costs for developing and establishing the plate have been recovered.

Thereafter, revenue from the annual use fees shall be used as follows:

- 1. Up to 25 percent of the annual use fee revenue may be used for promotion and marketing of the plate.
- 2. Funds may be used as necessary for annual audit or compliance affidavit costs.
- 3. The remaining revenue shall be used for programs involved in the rehabilitation of at-risk youth as directed by the Board of Trustees of PCMI Properties, Inc. Such funds may be used to provide educational materials, athletic equipment, transportation, food, medical services, counseling, scholarships, and other direct administrative and program expenses. The funds may also be used as grants for expanding youth rehabilitation programs in the state. Special consideration shall be given to programs using horses and other livestock in efforts to redirect at-risk youth.
- Section 5. Present subsections (10) through (54) of section 322.01, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (11) through (45), respectively, and a new subsection (10) is added to that section, to read:
 - 322.01 Definitions. -- As used in this chapter:
- (10) "Convenience service" means any means whereby an individual conducts a transaction with the department other than in person.
 - Section 6. Present subsections (6) of section 322.02,

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Florida Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (7), and a new subsection (6) is added to that section, to read:

322.02 Legislative intent; administration.--

(6) The department shall collect and annually report to the legislative transportation committees information collected at each driver's license examination office relating to customer service, including, but not limited to, the average time customers must wait for services at each location.

Section 7. Subsection (1) of section 322.03, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.03 Drivers must be licensed; penalties.--

- (1) Except as otherwise authorized in this chapter, a person may not drive any motor vehicle upon a highway in this state unless such person has a valid driver's license under the provisions of this chapter.
- (a) A person who drives a commercial motor vehicle shall not receive a driver's license unless and until he or she surrenders to the department all driver's licenses in his or her possession issued to him or her by any other jurisdiction or makes an affidavit that he or she does not possess a driver's license. Any such person who fails to surrender such licenses or who makes a false affidavit concerning such licenses is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.
- (b) A person who does not drive a commercial motor vehicle is not required to surrender a license issued by another jurisdiction, upon a showing to the department that such license is necessary because of employment or part-time residence. Any person who retains a driver's license because of employment or

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part-time residence shall, upon qualifying for a license in this state, be issued a driver's license which shall be valid within this state only. All surrendered licenses may be returned by the department to the issuing jurisdiction together with information that the licensee is now licensed in a new jurisdiction or may be destroyed by the department, which shall notify the issuing jurisdiction of such destruction. A person may not have more than one valid Florida driver's license at any time.

- (c) A part-time resident issued a license pursuant to paragraph (b) may continue to hold such license until the next regularly scheduled renewal. Licenses that are identified as "Valid in Florida only" may not be issued or renewed effective July 1, 2009. This paragraph expires June 30, 2017.
- Section 8. Subsections (1) and (2) of section 322.051, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
 - 322.051 Identification cards.--
- (1) Any person who is 5 years of age or older, or any person who has a disability, regardless of age, who applies for a disabled parking permit under s. 320.0848, may be issued an identification card by the department upon completion of an application and payment of an application fee.
- (a) Each such application shall include the following information regarding the applicant:
- 1. Full name (first, middle or maiden, and last), gender, proof of social security card number satisfactory to the department, county of residence, and mailing address, proof of residential address satisfactory to the department, country of birth, and a brief description.
 - 2. Proof of birth date satisfactory to the department.

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3. Proof of identity satisfactory to the department. Such proof must include one of the following documents issued to the applicant:

- a. A driver's license record or identification card record from another jurisdiction that required the applicant to submit a document for identification which is substantially similar to a document required under sub-subparagraph b., sub-subparagraph c., sub-subparagraph d., sub-subparagraph e., sub-subparagraph f., or sub-subparagraph h.;
 - b. A certified copy of a United States birth certificate;
 - c. A valid, unexpired United States passport;
- d. A naturalization certificate issued by the United States
 Department of Homeland Security;
- e. <u>A valid, unexpired</u> An alien registration receipt card (green card);
- <u>f. Consular Report of Birth Abroad provided by the United</u>
 States Department of State;
- g.f. An unexpired employment authorization card issued by the United States Department of Homeland Security; or
- <u>h.g.</u> Proof of nonimmigrant classification provided by the United States Department of Homeland Security, for an original identification card. In order to prove such nonimmigrant classification, applicants may produce but are not limited to the following documents:
- (I) A notice of hearing from an immigration court scheduling a hearing on any proceeding.
- (II) A notice from the Board of Immigration Appeals acknowledging pendency of an appeal.
 - (III) Notice of the approval of an application for

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adjustment of status issued by the United States Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services.

- (IV) Any official documentation confirming the filing of a petition for asylum or refugee status or any other relief issued by the United States Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services.
- (V) Notice of action transferring any pending matter from another jurisdiction to Florida, issued by the United States Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services.
- (VI) Order of an immigration judge or immigration officer granting any relief that authorizes the alien to live and work in the United States including, but not limited to asylum.
- (VII) Evidence that an application is pending for adjustment of status to that of an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States or conditional permanent resident status in the United States, if a visa number is available having a current priority date for processing by the United States Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services.
- (VIII) On or after January 1, 2010, an unexpired foreign passport with an unexpired United States Visa affixed, accompanied by an approved I-94, documenting the most recent admittance into the United States.

Presentation of any of the documents described in subsubparagraph g. f. or sub-subparagraph h. g. entitles the applicant to an identification card for a period not to exceed the expiration date of the document presented or 1 year, whichever first occurs.

(b) An application for an identification card must be

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signed and verified by the applicant in a format designated by the department before a person authorized to administer oaths and payment of the applicable fee pursuant to s. 322.21. The fee for an identification card is \$3, including payment for the color photograph or digital image of the applicant.

- (c) Each such applicant may include fingerprints and any other unique biometric means of identity.
 - (2) (a) Every identification card:
- 1. Issued to a person 5 years of age to 14 years of age shall expire, unless canceled earlier, on the fourth birthday of the applicant following the date of original issue.
- 2. Issued to a person 15 years of age and older shall expire, unless canceled earlier, on the eighth birthday of the applicant following the date of original issue.

Renewal of an identification card shall be made for the applicable term enumerated in this paragraph. However, if an individual is 60 years of age or older, and has an identification card issued under this section, the card shall not expire unless done so by cancellation by the department or by the death of the cardholder. Renewal of any identification card shall be made for a term which shall expire on the fourth birthday of the applicant following expiration of the identification card renewed, unless surrendered earlier. Any application for renewal received later than 90 days after expiration of the identification card shall be considered the same as an application for an original identification card. The renewal fee for an identification card shall be \$10, of which \$4 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund and \$6 into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.

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The department shall, at the end of 4 years and 6 months after the issuance or renewal of an identification card, destroy any record of the card if it has expired and has not been renewed, unless the cardholder is 60 years of age or older.

- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, if an applicant establishes his or her identity for an identification card using a document authorized under subsubparagraph (1)(a)3.e., the identification card shall expire on the eighth fourth birthday of the applicant following the date of original issue or upon first renewal or duplicate issued after implementation of this section. After an initial showing of such documentation, he or she is exempted from having to renew or obtain a duplicate in person.
- (c) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, if an applicant establishes his or her identity for an identification card using an identification document authorized under sub-subparagraph (1)(a)3.g. (1)(a)3.f. or sub-subparagraph (1)(a)3.h. (1)(a)3.g., the identification card shall expire 1 year 2 years after the date of issuance or upon the expiration date cited on the United States Department of Homeland Security documents, whichever date first occurs, and may not be renewed or obtain a duplicate except in person.
- Section 9. Subsections (1), (2), and (6) of section 322.08, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
 - 322.08 Application for license. --
- (1) Each application for a driver's license shall be made in a format designated by the department and sworn to or affirmed by the applicant as to the truth of the statements made in the application.

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(2) Each such application shall include the following information regarding the applicant:

- (a) Full name (first, middle or maiden, and last), gender, proof of social security card number satisfactory to the department, county of residence, and mailing address, proof of residential address satisfactory to the department, country of birth, and a brief description.
 - (b) Proof of birth date satisfactory to the department.
- (c) Proof of identity satisfactory to the department. Such proof must include one of the following documents issued to the applicant:
- 1. A driver's license record or identification card record from another jurisdiction that required the applicant to submit a document for identification which is substantially similar to a document required under subparagraph 2., subparagraph 3., subparagraph 4., subparagraph 5., subparagraph 6., or subparagraph 7., or subparagraph 8.;
 - 2. A certified copy of a United States birth certificate;
 - 3. A valid, unexpired United States passport;
- 4. A naturalization certificate issued by the United States Department of Homeland Security;
- 5. A valid, unexpired An alien registration receipt card (green card);
- 6. Consular Report of Birth Abroad provided by the United States Department of State;
- 7.6. An <u>unexpired</u> employment authorization card issued by the United States Department of Homeland Security; or
- 8.7. Proof of nonimmigrant classification provided by the United States Department of Homeland Security, for an original

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driver's license. In order to prove nonimmigrant classification, an applicant may produce the following documents, including, but not limited to:

- a. A notice of hearing from an immigration court scheduling a hearing on any proceeding.
- b. A notice from the Board of Immigration Appeals acknowledging pendency of an appeal.
- c. A notice of the approval of an application for adjustment of status issued by the United States Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services.
- d. Any official documentation confirming the filing of a petition for asylum or refugee status or any other relief issued by the United States Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services.
- e. A notice of action transferring any pending matter from another jurisdiction to this state issued by the United States Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services.
- f. An order of an immigration judge or immigration officer granting any relief that authorizes the alien to live and work in the United States, including, but not limited to, asylum.
- g. Evidence that an application is pending for adjustment of status to that of an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States or conditional permanent resident status in the United States, if a visa number is available having a current priority date for processing by the United States Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services.
- h. On or after January 1, 2010, an unexpired foreign passport with an unexpired United State Visa affixed, accompanied by an approved I-94, documenting the most recent admittance into

the United States.

Presentation of any of the documents in subparagraph 7.6.0 or subparagraph 8.7.0 entitles the applicant to a driver's license or temporary permit for a period not to exceed the expiration date of the document presented or 1 year, whichever occurs first.

- (d) Whether the applicant has previously been licensed to drive, and, if so, when and by what state, and whether any such license or driving privilege has ever been disqualified, revoked, or suspended, or whether an application has ever been refused, and, if so, the date of and reason for such disqualification, suspension, revocation, or refusal.
- (e) Each such application may include fingerprints and other unique biometric means of identity.
- (6) The application form for a driver's license or duplicate thereof shall include language permitting the following:
- (a) A voluntary contribution of \$5 per applicant, which contribution shall be transferred into the Election Campaign Financing Trust Fund.
- (a) (b) A voluntary contribution of \$1 per applicant, which contribution shall be deposited into the Florida Organ and Tissue Donor Education and Procurement Trust Fund for organ and tissue donor education and for maintaining the organ and tissue donor registry.
- (b)(c) A voluntary contribution of \$1 per applicant, which contribution shall be distributed to the Florida Council of the Blind.
 - (c) (d) A voluntary contribution of \$2 per applicant, which

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shall be distributed to the Hearing Research Institute,
Incorporated.

- (d) (e) A voluntary contribution of \$1 per applicant, which shall be distributed to the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation International.
- (e) (f) A voluntary contribution of \$1 per applicant, which shall be distributed to the Children's Hearing Help Fund.

A statement providing an explanation of the purpose of the trust funds shall also be included. For the purpose of applying the service charge provided in s. 215.20, contributions received under paragraphs (b), (c), (d), and (e) $\frac{\text{(c)}, \text{(d)}, \text{(e)}, \text{ and (f)}}{\text{(most)}}$ and under s. 322.18(9)(a) are not income of a revenue nature.

Section 10. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 322.135, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.135 Driver's license agents.--

- (1) The department may, upon application, authorize any or all of the tax collectors in the several counties of the state, subject to the requirements of law, in accordance with rules of the department, to serve as its agent for the provision of specified driver's license services.
- (c) A fee of \underline{up} to \$10.50 may \$5.25 is to be charged, in addition to the fees set forth in this chapter, for any driver's license issued or renewed by a tax collector.

Section 11. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 322.14, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 322.14 Licenses issued to drivers.--
- (1)(a) The department shall, upon successful completion of all required examinations and payment of the required fee, issue

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to every applicant qualifying therefor, a driver's license as applied for, which license shall bear thereon a color photograph or digital image of the licensee; the name of the state; a distinguishing number assigned to the licensee; and the licensee's full name, date of birth, and residence mailing address; a brief description of the licensee, including, but not limited to, the licensee's gender and height; and the dates of issuance and expiration of the license. A space shall be provided upon which the licensee shall affix his or her usual signature. No license shall be valid until it has been so signed by the licensee except that the signature of said licensee shall not be required if it appears thereon in facsimile or if the licensee is not present within the state at the time of issuance. Applicants qualifying to receive a Class A, Class B, or Class C driver's license must appear in person within the state for issuance of a color photographic or digital imaged driver's license pursuant to s. 322.142.

Section 12. Section 322.17, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.17 <u>Replacement licenses and permits</u> Duplicate and replacement certificates.--

(1) (a) In the event that an instruction permit or driver's license issued under the provisions of this chapter is lost or destroyed, the person to whom the same was issued may, upon payment of the appropriate fee pursuant to s. 322.21 \$10, obtain a replacement duplicate, or substitute thereof, upon furnishing proof satisfactory to the department that such permit or license has been lost or destroyed, and further furnishing the full name, date of birth, sex, residence and mailing address, proof of birth

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satisfactory to the department, and proof of identity satisfactory to the department. Five dollars of the fee levied in this paragraph shall go to the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund of the department.

- (b) In the event that an instruction permit or driver's license issued under the provisions of this chapter is stolen, the person to whom the same was issued may, at no charge, obtain a replacement duplicate, or substitute thereof, upon furnishing proof satisfactory to the department that such permit or license was stolen and further furnishing the full name, date of birth, sex, residence and mailing address, proof of birth satisfactory to the department, and proof of identity satisfactory to the department.
- (2) Upon the surrender of the original license and the payment of the appropriate fees pursuant to s. 322.21 a \$10 replacement fee, the department shall issue a replacement license to make a change in name, address, or restrictions. Upon written request by the licensee and notification of a change in address, and the payment of a \$10 fee, the department shall issue an address sticker which shall be affixed to the back of the license by the licensee. Nine dollars of the fee levied in this subsection shall go to the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund of the department.
- (3) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, if a licensee establishes his or her identity for a driver's license using an identification document authorized under \underline{s} . 322.08(2)(c)7. or 8. \underline{s} . 322.08(2)(c)6. or 7., the licensee may not obtain a duplicate or replacement instruction permit or driver's license except in person and upon submission of an

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identification document authorized under s. 322.08(2)(c)7. or 8. $\frac{322.08(2)(c)6.}{582}$ or $\frac{322.08(2)(c)6.}{582}$

Section 13. Section 322.18, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 322.18 Original applications, licenses, and renewals; expiration of licenses; delinquent licenses.--
- (1)(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), the department may issue an original driver's license only after the applicant successfully passes the required examinations and presents the application to the department.
- (b) The department may waive the driver's license examination requirement if the applicant is otherwise qualified and surrenders a valid license issued by another state, a province of Canada, or the United States Armed Forces which is of an equal or lesser classification as provided in s. 322.12.
- (2) Each applicant who is entitled to the issuance of a driver's license, as provided in this section, shall be issued a driver's license, as follows:
- applying for an original issuance shall be issued a driver's license that which expires at midnight on the licensee's birthday which next occurs on or after the eighth sixth anniversary of the date of issue. An applicant who is at least 80 years of age applying for an original issuance shall be issued a driver's license that expires at midnight on the licensee's birthday that next occurs on or after the sixth anniversary of the date of issue.
- (b) An applicant who has not attained 80 years of age applying for a renewal issuance or renewal extension shall be

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issued a driver's license that or renewal extension sticker which expires at midnight on the licensee's birthday that which next occurs 8 4 years after the month of expiration of the license being renewed, except that a driver whose driving record reflects no convictions for the preceding 3 years shall be issued a driver's license or renewal extension sticker which expires at midnight on the licensee's birthday which next occurs 6 years after the month of expiration of the license being renewed. An applicant who is at least 80 years of age applying for a renewal issuance shall be issued a driver's license that expires at midnight on the licensee's birthday that next occurs 6 years after the month of expiration of the license being renewed.

- (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, if an applicant establishes his or her identity for a driver's license using a document authorized under s. 322.08(2)(c)5., the driver's license shall expire in accordance with paragraph (b). After an initial showing of such documentation, he or she is exempted from having to renew or obtain a duplicate in person.
- (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, if an applicant establishes his or her identity for a driver's license using a document authorized in s. 322.08(2)(c)7. or 8. s. 322.08(2)(c)6. or 7., the driver's license shall expire 1 year 2 years after the date of issuance or upon the expiration date cited on the United States Department of Homeland Security documents, whichever date first occurs.
- (e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, an applicant applying for an original or renewal issuance of a commercial driver's license as defined in s. 322.01(7), with a hazardous-materials endorsement, pursuant to s. 322.57(1)(e),

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shall be issued a driver's license that expires at midnight on the licensee's birthday that next occurs 4 years after the month of expiration of the license being issued or renewed.

- (3) If a license expires on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, it shall be valid until midnight of the next regular working day and may be renewed on that day without payment of a delinquent fee.
- (4) (a) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, all licenses shall be renewable every <u>8</u> 4 years or <u>6 years</u>, depending upon the terms of issuance and shall be issued or renewed extended upon application, payment of the fees required by s. 322.21, and successful passage of any required examination, unless the department has reason to believe that the licensee is no longer qualified to receive a license.
- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, if an applicant establishes his or her identity for a driver's license using a document authorized under s. 322.08(2)(c)5., the license, upon an initial showing of such documentation, is exempted from having to renew or obtain a duplicate in person, unless the renewal or duplication coincides with the periodic reexamination of a driver as required pursuant to s. 322.121.
- (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, if a licensee establishes his or her identity for a driver's license using an identification document authorized under \underline{s} . $\underline{322.08(2)(c)7. \text{ or } 8. \text{ s. } \underline{322.08(2)(c)6. \text{ or } 7.}$, the licensee may not renew the driver's license except in person and upon submission of an identification document authorized under \underline{s} . $\underline{322.08(2)(c)7. \text{ or } 8. \text{ s. } \underline{322.08(2)(c)6. \text{ or } 7.}$ A driver's license renewed under this paragraph expires 1 year $\underline{4 \text{ years}}$ after the

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date of issuance or upon the expiration date cited on the United States Department of Homeland Security documents, whichever date first occurs.

- (5) All renewal driver's licenses may be issued after the applicant licensee has been determined to be eligible by the department.
- (a) A licensee who is otherwise eligible for renewal and who is at least 80 over 79 years of age:
- 1. Must submit to and pass a vision test administered at any driver's license office; or
- 2. If the licensee applies for a renewal using a convenience service an extension by mail as provided in subsection (8), he or she must submit to a vision test administered by a physician licensed under chapter 458 or chapter 459, or an optometrist licensed under chapter 463, must send the results of that test to the department on a form obtained from the department and signed by such health care practitioner, and must meet vision standards that are equivalent to the standards for passing the departmental vision test. The physician or optometrist may submit the results of a vision test by a department-approved electronic means.
- (b) A licensee who is <u>at least 80</u> over 79 years of age may not submit an application for <u>renewal</u> extension under subsection (8) by <u>a convenience service</u> electronic or telephonic means, unless the results of a vision test have been electronically submitted in advance by the physician or optometrist.
- (6) If the licensee does not receive a renewal notice, the licensee or applicant may apply to the department, under oath, at any driver's license examining office. Such application shall be

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on a form prepared and furnished by the department. The department shall make such forms available to the various examining offices throughout the state. Upon receipt of such application, the department shall issue a license or temporary permit to the applicant or shall advise the applicant that no license or temporary permit will be issued and advise the applicant of the reason for his or her ineligibility.

- (7) An expired Florida driver's license may be renewed any time within 12 months after the expiration date, with reexamination, if required, upon payment of the required delinquent fee or taking and passing the written examination. If the final date upon which a license may be renewed under this section falls upon a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the renewal period shall be extended to midnight of the next regular working day. The department may refuse to issue any license if:
- (a) It has reason to believe the licensee is no longer qualified to receive a license.
- (b) Its records reflect that the applicant's driving privilege is under suspension or revocation.
- (8) The department shall issue <u>8-year renewals using a convenience service</u> 4-year and 6-year license extensions by mail, electronic, or telephonic means without reexamination to drivers who have not attained 80 years of age. The department shall issue 6-year renewals using a convenience service when the applicant has satisfied the requirements of subsection (5).
- (a) If the department determines from its records that the holder of a license about to expire is eligible for renewal, the department shall mail a renewal notice to the licensee at his or her last known address, not less than 30 days prior to the

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licensee's birthday. The renewal notice shall direct the licensee to appear at a driver license office for in-person renewal or to transmit the completed renewal notice and the fees required by s. 322.21 to the department using a convenience service by mail, electronically, or telephonically within the 30 days preceding the licensee's birthday for a license extension. License extensions shall not be available to drivers directed to appear for in-person renewal.

- (b) Upon receipt of a properly completed renewal notice, payment of the required fees, and upon determining that the licensee is still eligible for renewal, the department shall send a <u>new</u> license extension sticker to the licensee to affix to the expiring license as evidence that the license term has been extended.
- convenience service license extensions for two consecutive license expirations only. Upon expiration of two consecutive license extension periods, in-person renewal with reexamination as provided in s. 322.121 shall be required. A person who is out of this state when his or her license expires may be issued a 90-day temporary driving permit without reexamination. At the end of the 90-day period, the person must either return to this state or apply for a license where the person is located, except for a member of the Armed Forces as provided in s. 322.121(6).
- (d) In-person renewal at a driver license office shall not be available to drivers whose records indicate they were directed to apply for a license extension.
- (d) (e) Any person who knowingly possesses any forged, stolen, fictitious, counterfeit, or unlawfully issued license

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extension sticker, unless possession by such person has been duly authorized by the department, commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

- $\underline{\text{(e)}}$ The department shall develop a plan for the equitable distribution of license extensions and renewals and the orderly implementation of this section.
- (9) (a) The application form for a renewal issuance or renewal extension shall include language permitting a voluntary contribution of \$1 per applicant, to be quarterly distributed by the department to Prevent Blindness Florida, a not-for-profit organization, to prevent blindness and preserve the sight of the residents of this state. A statement providing an explanation of the purpose of the funds shall be included with the application form.
- (b) Prior to the department distributing the funds collected pursuant to paragraph (a), Prevent Blindness Florida must submit a report to the department that identifies how such funds were used during the preceding year.
- Section 14. <u>Subsection (4) of section 322.181, Florida</u>
 Statutes, is repealed.
- Section 15. Subsections (2) and (4) of section 322.19, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
 - 322.19 Change of address or name. --
- (2) Whenever any person, after applying for or receiving a driver's license, changes the residence or mailing address in the application or license, the person must, within 10 calendar days, either obtain a replacement license that reflects the change or request in writing a change-of-address sticker. \underline{A} The written request to the department must include the old and new addresses

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and the driver's license number.

(4) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, if a licensee established his or her identity for a driver's license using an identification document authorized under \underline{s} . $\underline{322.08(2)(c)7. \text{ or } 8. \frac{s. 322.08(2)(c)6. \text{ or } 7.}{}$, the licensee may not change his or her name or address except in person and upon submission of an identification document authorized under \underline{s} . $\underline{322.08(2)(c)7. \text{ or } 8. \frac{s. 322.08(2)(c)6. \text{ or } 7.}{}$

Section 16. Subsection (1) of section 322.21, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.21 License fees; procedure for handling and collecting fees.--

- (1) Except as otherwise provided herein, the fee for:
- (a) An original or renewal commercial driver's license is \$\frac{\$50}{\$50}\$, which shall include the fee for driver education provided by s. 1003.48; however, if an applicant has completed training and is applying for employment or is currently employed in a public or nonpublic school system that requires the commercial license, the fee shall be the same as for a Class E driver's license. A delinquent fee of \$1 shall be added for a renewal made not more than 12 months after the license expiration date. Of the \$67 fee, \$50 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund. The remaining \$17 shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund for the general operations of the department.
- (b) An original Class E driver's license is \$27 \$20, which shall include the fee for driver's education provided by s.

 1003.48; however, if an applicant has completed training and is applying for employment or is currently employed in a public or

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nonpublic school system that requires a commercial driver license, the fee shall be the same as for a Class E license. Of the \$27 fee, \$20 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund. The remaining \$7 shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund for the general operations of the department.

- or of a license restricted to motorcycle use only is \$20 \$15, except that a delinquent fee of \$1 shall be added for a renewal or extension made not more than 12 months after the license expiration date. The fee provided in this paragraph shall include the fee for driver's education provided by s. 1003.48. Of the \$20 fee, \$15 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund. The remaining \$5 shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund for the general operations of the department.
- (d) An original driver's license restricted to motorcycle use only is \$27 \$20, which shall include the fee for driver's education provided by s. 1003.48. Of the \$27 fee, \$20 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund. The remaining \$7 shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund for the general operations of the department.
- (e) A replacement driver's license, issued pursuant to s. 322.17 is \$10. Of the \$10 fee, \$3 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund. The remaining \$7 shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund for the general operations of the department.
- (f) An original or renewal identification card issued pursuant to s. 322.051 is \$10. Of the \$10 fee, \$4 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund. The remaining \$6 shall

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be deposited in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund for the general operations of the department.

- (g) (e) Each endorsement required by s. 322.57 is \$7 \$5. Of the \$7 fee, \$5 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

 The remaining \$2 shall be deposited into the Highway Safety

 Operating Trust Fund for the general operations of the department.
- (h)(f) A hazardous-materials endorsement, as required by s. 322.57(1)(d), shall be set by the department by rule and shall reflect the cost of the required criminal history check, including the cost of the state and federal fingerprint check, and the cost to the department of providing and issuing the license. The fee shall not exceed \$100. This fee shall be deposited in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund. The department may adopt rules to administer this section.
- Section 17. Section 322.60, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

 Section 18. Subsection (86) is added to section 316.003,

 Florida Statutes, 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:
- (86) TRAFFIC INFRACTION DETECTOR. -- A device using a vehicle sensor or sensors installed to work in conjunction with a traffic control signal and a camera or cameras that are synchronized to automatically record two or more sequenced photographic or electronic images or streaming video of only the rear of a motor vehicle at the time the vehicle fails to stop behind the stop bar or clearly marked stop line when facing a traffic control signal

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Section 19. Section 316.0083, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

316.0083 Regulation and use of cameras for enforcement of provisions of this chapter.--

- (1) The regulation and use of cameras for enforcing the provisions of this chapter are expressly preempted to the state.
- (2) The department, the Department of Transportation, counties, and municipalities may use traffic infraction detectors to enforce s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when a driver fails to stop at a traffic signal.
- (3) (a) For purposes of administering this section, the department, the Department of Transportation, counties, and municipalities may by rule or ordinance authorize a traffic infraction detector enforcement officer to issue a uniform traffic citation for a violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. If the driver of the motor vehicle receives a uniform traffic citation for a violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. issued by a law enforcement officer, then a uniform traffic citation may not be issued by a traffic infraction detector enforcement officer. The term "traffic infraction detector enforcement officer" means the designee of the department, the Department of Transportation, a county, or a municipality who is authorized to enforce s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when a driver fails to stop at a traffic signal. The department, the Department of Transportation, counties, and municipalities may designate traffic infraction detector enforcement officers pursuant to s. 316.640(1).
 - (b) A citation issued under this section shall be issued by

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mailing the citation by first-class mail or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the address of the registered owner of the motor vehicle involved in the violation. Mailing the citation to this address constitutes notification. In the case of joint ownership of a motor vehicle, the traffic citation shall be mailed to the first name appearing on the registration, unless the first name appearing on the registration is a business organization, in which case the second name appearing on the registration may be used. The citation must be mailed to the registered owner of the motor vehicle involved in the violation within 7 days after the date of the violation. Notice of and instructions for accessing a secure website displaying a 10-second video of the violation shall be provided with the citation.

- (c) The owner of the motor vehicle involved in the violation is responsible and liable for paying the citation issued for a violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when the driver failed to stop at a traffic signal, unless the owner can establish that the motor vehicle was, at the time of the violation, in the care, custody, or control of another person. In order to establish such facts, the owner of the motor vehicle shall, within 14 days after the date of issuance of the citation, furnish to the appropriate governmental entity an affidavit setting forth:
- 1. The name, address, date of birth, and, if known, the driver's license number of the person who leased, rented, or otherwise had care, custody, or control of the motor vehicle at the time of the alleged violation;
 - 2. If the vehicle was stolen at the time of the alleged

offense, the police report indicating that the vehicle was stolen; or

3. If a citation for a violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. was issued at the location of the violation by a law enforcement officer, the serial number of the uniform traffic citation.

Upon receipt of an affidavit, the person designated as having care, custody, and control of the motor vehicle at the time of the violation may be issued a citation for a violation of s.

316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when the driver failed to stop at a traffic signal. The affidavit is admissible in a proceeding pursuant to this section for the purpose of providing proof that the person identified in the affidavit was in actual care, custody, or control of the motor vehicle. The owner of a leased vehicle for which a citation is issued for a violation of s.

316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when the driver failed to stop at a traffic signal is not responsible for paying the citation and is not required to submit an affidavit as specified in this subsection if the motor vehicle involved in the violation is registered in the name of the lessee of such motor vehicle.

enforcement officer, along with photographic or electronic images or streaming video evidence that a violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when the driver failed to stop at a traffic signal has occurred, is admissible in any proceeding to enforce this section and raises a rebuttable presumption that the motor vehicle named in the report or shown in the photographic or electronic images or streaming video evidence was used in

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958 violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when the driver
959 failed to stop at a traffic signal.

- (4) The submission of a false affidavit is a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.
- (5) This section supplements the enforcement of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. by law enforcement officers when a driver fails to stop at a traffic signal, and this section does not prohibit a law enforcement officer from issuing a citation for a violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when a driver fails to stop at a traffic signal in accordance with normal traffic-enforcement techniques.
- (6) (a) The Department of Transportation shall, on or before October 1, 2008, adopt and publish minimum specifications for the operation and implementation of traffic infraction detectors on the streets and highways of the state. The minimum specifications shall, insofar as is practicable, conform to the Traffic Engineering Manual of the Department of Transportation and shall be revised from time to time to include changes necessary to conform to any uniform national system or to meet local or state needs. The specifications shall include, but need not be limited to, the size and purpose of stop bars, the duration time of signal phases, signage and other public awareness requirements, the amount of before and after photographic or electronic imaging or streaming video needed, yellow light duration time, and location of the rear tires in relation to the stop bar. The Department of Transportation shall require mandatory reporting of all accidents at the intersections using traffic infraction detectors and shall provide information relating to those

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accidents to the Legislature by March 1, 2010. The Department of Transportation may call upon representatives of local authorities to assist in preparing or revising the uniform specifications of traffic infraction detectors.

- (b) All traffic infraction detectors operated or implemented in this state by any public body or official must conform to the specifications for operation and implementation of traffic infraction detectors published by the Department of Transportation pursuant to this subsection.
- (c) A public body or official may not operate or implement a traffic infraction detector in this state unless it conforms to the specifications published by the Department of Transportation.

 A public body may not sell a traffic infraction detector to any nongovernmental entity or person.
- intersection, a Florida municipal, county, or Department of
 Transportation traffic engineer must review and certify that all
 other applicable safety-related engineering measures have been
 considered. Any manufacturer or vendor that operates or
 implements a traffic infraction detector without such
 certification is ineligible to bid or furnish traffic infraction
 detectors to any public body or official for such period of time
 as may be established by the Department of Transportation;
 however, such period of time may not be less than 1 year
 following the date of notification of ineligibility.
- (e) The Department of Transportation may, after a hearing pursuant to 14 days' notice, direct the removal of any traffic infraction detector wherever located which purportedly fails to meet the specifications of this subsection. The public agency

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operating or implementing a traffic infraction detector shall immediately remove the traffic infraction detector upon the direction of the Department of Transportation and may not, for a period of 5 years, install any replacement traffic infraction detector unless written prior approval is received from the Department of Transportation. Any additional violation by a public body or official is cause for withholding state funds for traffic control purposes until such public body or official demonstrates to the Department of Transportation that it is complying with this subsection.

- (f) The Department of Transportation may authorize the installation of traffic infraction detectors that are not in conformity with the published specifications upon a showing of good cause.
- (g) Any traffic infraction detector acquired under a contract entered into by a county or municipality on or before April 1, 2008, is not required to meet the specifications for operation and implementation of traffic infraction detectors published by the Department of Transportation pursuant to this subsection until July 1, 2013.
- (7) Any manufacturer or vendor desiring to bid for the performance of operating or implementing a traffic infraction detector must first be qualified by the Department of Transportation and without such qualification is ineligible to bid or furnish traffic infraction detectors to any public body or official in this state. A manufacturer or vendor may not receive a fee based upon the number of citations issued.
- Section 20. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 316.640, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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

(1) STATE.--

- (b)1. The Department of Transportation has authority to enforce on all the streets and highways of this state all laws applicable within its authority.
- 2.a. The Department of Transportation shall develop training and qualifications standards for toll enforcement officers whose sole authority is to enforce the payment of tolls pursuant to s. 316.1001. Nothing in this subparagraph shall be construed to permit the carrying of firearms or other weapons, nor shall a toll enforcement officer have arrest authority.
- b. For the purpose of enforcing s. 316.1001, governmental entities, as defined in s. 334.03, which own or operate a toll facility may employ independent contractors or designate employees as toll enforcement officers; however, any such toll enforcement officer must successfully meet the training and qualifications standards for toll enforcement officers established by the Department of Transportation.
- 3.a The Department of Transportation shall develop training and qualifications standards for traffic infraction detector enforcement officers whose sole authority is to enforce s.

 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when a driver fails to stop at a traffic signal pursuant to s. 316.0083. This subparagraph does not authorize the carrying of firearms or other weapons by a traffic infraction enforcement officer and does not authorize a traffic infraction detector enforcement officer to make arrests.
- b. For the purpose of enforcing s. 316.0083, the department, the Department of Transportation, counties, and

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municipalities may designate employees as traffic infraction detector enforcement officers; however, any such traffic infraction detector enforcement officer must successfully meet the training and qualifications standards for traffic infraction detector enforcement officers established by the Department of Transportation.

Section 21. Subsection (15) of section 318.18, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 318.18 Amount of penalties.—The penalties required for a noncriminal disposition pursuant to s. 318.14 or a criminal offense listed in s. 318.17 are as follows:
- (15) (a) One hundred twenty-five dollars for a violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when a driver has failed to stop at a traffic signal and when enforced by a law enforcement officer. Sixty dollars shall be distributed as provided in s. 318.21, and the remaining \$65 shall be remitted to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the Administrative Trust Fund of the Department of Health.
- (b) Sixty dollars for each violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when a driver has failed to stop at a traffic signal and when enforced by a traffic infraction detector enforcement officer and, nothwithstanding any other provision of law, all sixty dollars shall be distributed in the same manner as the applicable municipal or county parking ordinance.

Except for s. 318.121 and 318.1215, no other fees may be charged by any entity for a violation of s. 316.074(1) or s.

316.075(1)(c)1. when enforced by a traffic infraction detector enforcement officer.

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Section 22. Paragraph (d) of subsection (3) of section 322.27, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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

- (3) There is established a point system for evaluation of convictions of violations of motor vehicle laws or ordinances, and violations of applicable provisions of s. 403.413(6)(b) when such violations involve the use of motor vehicles, for the determination of the continuing qualification of any person to operate a motor vehicle. The department is authorized to suspend the license of any person upon showing of its records or other good and sufficient evidence that the licensee has been convicted of violation of motor vehicle laws or ordinances, or applicable provisions of s. 403.413(6)(b), amounting to 12 or more points as determined by the point system. The suspension shall be for a period of not more than 1 year.
- (d) The point system shall have as its basic element a graduated scale of points assigning relative values to convictions of the following violations:
 - 1. Reckless driving, willful and wanton--4 points.
- 2. Leaving the scene of a crash resulting in property damage of more than \$50--6 points.
 - 3. Unlawful speed resulting in a crash--6 points.
 - 4. Passing a stopped school bus--4 points.
 - 5. Unlawful speed:
- a. Not in excess of 15 miles per hour of lawful or posted speed-3 points.
- b. In excess of 15 miles per hour of lawful or posted speed--4 points.

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6. A violation of a traffic control signal device as provided in s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1.--4 points.

However, no points shall be imposed for a violation of s.

316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when a driver has failed to stop at a traffic signal and when enforced by a traffic infraction detector enforcement officer.

- 7. All other moving violations (including parking on a highway outside the limits of a municipality) --3 points. However, no points shall be imposed for a violation of s. 316.0741 or s. 316.2065(12).
- 8. Any moving violation covered above, excluding unlawful speed, resulting in a crash--4 points.
 - 9. Any conviction under s. 403.413(6)(b) --3 points.
 - 10. Any conviction under s. 316.0775(2) -- 4 points.

Section 23. The Department of Highway Safety and Motor
Vehicles and the Department of Transportation shall jointly
submit a report on the efficacy of traffic infraction detectors
in enhancing public safety to the Governor, the President of the
Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives on or
before January 1, 2013.

Section 24. This act shall take effect October 1, 2008.