Florida Senate - 2008

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senators Wise and Baker

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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to driving under the influence; providing
3	a short title; amending s. 316.193, F.S.; requiring that
4	ignition interlock devices be used for a specified period
5	after a first conviction of certain offenses; revising
6	provisions relating to the period for which an ignition
7	interlock device may be required for a second conviction
8	of certain offenses; amending s. 322.21, F.S.; requiring a
9	service fee for ignition interlock devices; requiring that
10	the service fee be deposited into the DUI Programs
11	Coordination Trust Fund; amending s. 322.2715, F.S.;
12	requiring that ignition interlock devices be set to
13	prevent the vehicle from starting if the operator's blood-
14	alcohol level exceeds a specified amount; revising the
15	time that ignition interlock devices must be used after a
16	first conviction of certain offenses; providing an
17	effective date.
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19	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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21	Section 1. This act may be cited as the "Grace Redgate
22	Act."
23	Section 2. Subsection (2) and paragraph (c) of subsection
24	(4) of section 316.193, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
25	316.193 Driving under the influence; penalties
26	(2)(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), subsection (3),
27	or subsection (4), any person who is convicted of a violation of
28	subsection (1) shall be punished:
29	1. By a fine of:
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30	a. Not less than \$250 or more than \$500 for a first
31	conviction <u>; or</u> .
32	b. Not less than \$500 or more than \$1,000 for a second
33	conviction; and
34	2. By imprisonment for:
35	a. Not more than 6 months for a first conviction; or \cdot
36	b. Not more than 9 months for a second conviction; and \cdot
37	3. For a second conviction, By mandatory placement for a
38	period of at least 1 year , at the convicted person's sole
39	expense, of an ignition interlock device approved by the
40	department in accordance with s. 316.1938 upon all vehicles that
41	are individually or jointly leased or owned and routinely
42	operated by the convicted person, when the convicted person
43	qualifies for a permanent or restricted license, for:
44	a. At least 6 months for a first conviction if the person
45	had a blood-alcohol level or breath-alcohol level of 0.15 or
46	higher but less than 0.20 at the time of the offense; or
47	b. Up to 1 year for a second conviction. The installation
48	of such device may not occur before July 1, 2003.
49	(b)1. Any person who is convicted of a third violation of
50	this section for an offense that occurs within 10 years after a
51	prior conviction for a violation of this section commits a felony
52	of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s.
53	775.083, or s. 775.084. In addition, the court shall order the
54	mandatory placement for a period of not less than 2 years, at the
55	convicted person's sole expense, of an ignition interlock device
56	approved by the department in accordance with s. 316.1938 upon
57	all vehicles that are individually or jointly leased or owned and
58	routinely operated by the convicted person, when the convicted

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person qualifies for a permanent or restricted license. The
 installation of such device may not occur before July 1, 2003.

2. Any person who is convicted of a third violation of this 61 section for an offense that occurs more than 10 years after the 62 date of a prior conviction for a violation of this section shall 63 64 be punished by a fine of not less than \$1,000 or more than \$2,500 65 and by imprisonment for not more than 12 months. In addition, the 66 court shall order the mandatory placement for a period of at least 2 years, at the convicted person's sole expense, of an 67 68 ignition interlock device approved by the department in 69 accordance with s. 316.1938 upon all vehicles that are 70 individually or jointly leased or owned and routinely operated by 71 the convicted person, when the convicted person qualifies for a 72 permanent or restricted license. The installation of such device 73 may not occur before July 1, 2003.

3. Any person who is convicted of a fourth or subsequent
violation of this section, regardless of when any prior
conviction for a violation of this section occurred, commits a
felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082,
s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. However, the fine imposed for such
fourth or subsequent violation may be not less than \$1,000.

80 (4) Any person who is convicted of a violation of 81 subsection (1) and who has a blood-alcohol level or breath-82 alcohol level of 0.20 or higher, or any person who is convicted 83 of a violation of subsection (1) and who at the time of the 84 offense was accompanied in the vehicle by a person under the age 85 of 18 years, shall be punished:

86 (c) In addition to the penalties in paragraphs (a) and (b),87 the court shall order the mandatory placement, at the convicted

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98 322.21 License fees; procedure for handling and collecting 99 fees.--

100 Any person who applies for reinstatement following the (8) 101 suspension or revocation of the person's driver's license shall 102 pay a service fee of \$35 following a suspension, and \$60 103 following a revocation, which is in addition to the fee for a 104 license. Any such applicant required to have an ignition 105 interlock device installed under this chapter or chapter 316 106 shall also pay a service fee of \$15. Any person who applies for 107 reinstatement of a commercial driver's license following the 108 disqualification of the person's privilege to operate a 109 commercial motor vehicle shall pay a service fee of \$60, which is 110 in addition to the fee for a license. The department shall 111 collect all of these fees at the time of reinstatement. The 112 department shall issue proper receipts for such fees and shall 113 promptly transmit all funds received by it as follows:

(a) Of the \$35 fee received from a licensee for
reinstatement following a suspension, the department shall
deposit \$15 in the General Revenue Fund and \$20 in the Highway

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117 Safety Operating Trust Fund.

(b) Of the \$60 fee received from a licensee for reinstatement following a revocation or disqualification, the department shall deposit \$35 in the General Revenue Fund and \$25 in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.

122 (c) The entire \$15 fee received from a licensee required to
 123 have an interlock device installed shall be deposited by the
 124 department into the DUI Programs Coordination Trust Fund.

126 If the revocation or suspension of the driver's license was for a 127 violation of s. 316.193, or for refusal to submit to a lawful 128 breath, blood, or urine test, an additional fee of \$115 must be 129 charged. However, only one \$115 fee may be collected from one 130 person convicted of violations arising out of the same incident. 131 The department shall collect the \$115 fee and deposit the fee 132 into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund at the time of 133 reinstatement of the person's driver's license, but the fee may 134 not be collected if the suspension or revocation is overturned. 135 If the revocation or suspension of the driver's license was for a 136 conviction for a violation of s. 817.234(8) or (9) or s. 817.505, 137 an additional fee of \$180 is imposed for each offense. The 138 department shall collect and deposit the additional fee into the 139 Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund at the time of reinstatement 140 of the person's driver's license.

Section 4. Subsection (1) and paragraph (a) of subsection
(3) of section 322.2715, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
322.2715 Ignition interlock device.--

144 (1) Before issuing a permanent or restricted driver's145 license under this chapter, the department shall require the

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146 placement of a department-approved ignition interlock device, 147 installed in such a manner that the vehicle will not start if the 148 operator's blood-alcohol level is in excess of the level provided 149 in s. 316.1937(1), for any person convicted of committing an 150 offense of driving under the influence as specified in subsection 151 (3), except that consideration may be given to those individuals 152 having a documented medical condition that would prohibit the 153 device from functioning normally. An interlock device shall be 154 placed on all vehicles that are individually or jointly leased or 155 owned and routinely operated by the convicted person.

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(3) If the person is convicted of:

157 A first offense of driving under the influence under s. (a) 158 316.193 and has an unlawful blood-alcohol level or breath-alcohol 159 level as specified in s. 316.193(4), or if a person is convicted 160 of a violation of s. 316.193 and was at the time of the offense 161 accompanied in the vehicle by a person younger than 18 years of 162 age, the person shall have the ignition interlock device 163 installed for up to 1 year 6 months for the first offense and for 164 at least 2 years for a second offense. The ignition interlock 165 device shall be installed for at least 6 months for a first 166 conviction if the person had a blood-alcohol level or breath-167 alcohol level of 0.15 or higher but less than 0.20 at the time of 168 the offense and up to 1 year for a second conviction as specified 169 in s. 316.193(2). If the court fails or neglects to order the 170 ignition interlock device to be installed pursuant to this 171 section, the department shall require the installation of the 172 device.

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Section 5. This act shall take effect October 1, 2008.