By the Committees on Transportation and Transportation

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; reenacting and amending s. 20.24, F.S., relating to the establishment of the department; eliminating an obsolete reference to the Bureau of Motor Vehicle Inspection; providing for implementation of a litigation settlement; providing eligibility and procedures to collect the credit provided pursuant to such settlement; providing for expiration of the provision; providing an effective date.

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

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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:

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

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

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

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

(a) Division of the Florida Highway Patrol.

(b) Division of Driver Licenses.

(c) Division of Motor Vehicles.1. Bureau of Motor Vehicle Inspection.

Section 2. $\underline{\text{Implementation of litigation settlement}}$

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provisions of Collier v. Dickinson.-

- (1) Any person who held a driver's license, identification card, or motor vehicle registration that was valid between June 1, 2000, and September 30, 2004, is eligible to receive a single \$1 credit on a new or renewed motor vehicle registration between July 1, 2009, and June 30, 2010.
- (2) The revenue generated by s. 320.08046, Florida

 Statutes, and deposited into the General Revenue Fund shall fund the \$1 credit.
 - (3) This section expires July 1, 2011.
 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.