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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Community Affairs (Altman) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

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Delete lines 82 - 141
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and insert:

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(4) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall adopt by rule a uniform written notice to be used to enforce this section. Each law enforcement agency in this state shall provide, at each agency's expense, the notice forms necessary to enforce this section.

10 <u>(4) (5)</u> A law enforcement officer, compliance officer, code 11 <u>enforcement officer from any local government agency</u>, or 12 supervisor of the department may cause to be removed at the

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13 owner's expense any motor vehicle found in violation of subsections subsection (1), (5), (6), (7) and (8) or will be 14 assessed a penalty as prescribed in s. 318.18(21), by the 15 16 governing authority ordering the vehicle's removal. Before the 17 vehicle can be released from an impound or tow facility, a 18 release form, prescribed by the Department of Highway Safety and 19 Motor Vehicles, must be completed signifying that the fine has 20 been paid to the governing authority that ordered the vehicle's 21 removal. The towing and storage entity may collect towing or 22 storage fees prior to the payment of the fine or before the 23 release form has been completed which has been parked in one 24 location for more than 24 hours after a written notice has been 25 issued. Every written notice issued pursuant to this section 26 shall be affixed in a conspicuous place upon a vehicle by a law 27 enforcement officer, compliance officer, or supervisor of the department. Any vehicle found in violation of subsection (1) 28 29 within 30 days after a previous violation and written notice is 30 subject to immediate removal without an additional waiting 31 period.

32 <u>(5)(6)</u> It is unlawful to offer a vehicle for sale if the 33 vehicle identification number has been destroyed, removed, 34 covered, altered, or defaced, as described in s. 319.33(1)(d). A 35 vehicle found in violation of this subsection is subject to 36 immediate removal without warning.

37 <u>(6)(7)</u> It is unlawful to knowingly attach to any motor 38 vehicle a registration that was not assigned or lawfully 39 transferred to the vehicle pursuant to s. 320.261. A vehicle 40 found in violation of this subsection is subject to immediate 41 removal without warning.

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42 <u>(7)(8)</u> It is unlawful to display or offer for sale a 43 vehicle that does not have a valid registration as provided in 44 s. 320.02. A vehicle found in violation of this subsection is 45 subject to immediate removal without warning. This subsection 46 does not apply to vehicles and recreational vehicles being 47 offered for sale through motor vehicle auctions as defined in s. 48 320.27(1)(c)4.

49 <u>(8)(9)</u> A vehicle is subject to immediate removal without 50 warning if it bears a telephone number that has been displayed 51 on three or more vehicles offered for sale within a 12-month 52 period.

53 <u>(9) (10)</u> Any other provision of law to the contrary 54 notwithstanding, a violation of subsection (1) shall subject the 55 owner of such motor vehicle to towing fees reasonably 56 necessitated by removal and storage of the motor vehicle <u>and a</u> 57 <u>fine as required by s. 318.18.</u>

58 (10) (11) This section does not prohibit the governing body 59 of a municipality or county, with respect to streets, highways, 60 or other property under its jurisdiction, from regulating the 61 parking of motor vehicles for any purpose.

62 (11) (12) A violation of this section is a noncriminal
63 traffic infraction, punishable as a nonmoving violation as
64 provided in chapter 318, unless otherwise mandated by general
65 law.

66 Section 2. Subsection (21) is added to section 318.18,67 Florida Statutes, to read:

68 318.18 Amount of penalties.—The penalties required for a 69 noncriminal disposition pursuant to s. 318.14 or a criminal 70 offense listed in s. 318.17 are as follows:

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71	(21) One hundred dollars for a violation of s. 316.1951 for		
72	a vehicle that is unlawfully displayed for sale, hire, or		
73	rental. This fine shall be retained by the governing authority		
74	authorizing the vehicle to be towed. Fines collected by the		
75	Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall be		
76	deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.		
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79	And the title is amended as follows:		
80	Delete lines 3 - 18		
81	and insert:		
82	amending s. 316.1951, F.S.; removing a requirement		
83	that the Department of Highway Safety and Motor		
84	Vehicles adopt a uniform written notice to be used to		
85	enforce provisions that prohibit parking a motor		
86	vehicle on certain property for the purpose of		
87	displaying the motor vehicle as being for sale, hire,		
88	or rental; removing a requirement that each law		
89	enforcement agency provide its own notice for such		
90	enforcement; authorizing a code enforcement officer		
91	from any local government agency to enforce such		
92	provisions; providing that the owner of a vehicle		
93	parked in violation of such provisions is subject to a		
94	fine in addition to towing and storage fees; providing		
95	procedures for the release of an impounded vehicle;		
96	amending s. 318.18, F.S.; specifying a fine for a		
97	vehicle that is displayed for sale, hire, or rental in		
98	violation of such provisions; providing for the		
99	disposition of such fines; amending s. 319.225, F.S.;		

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