1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to the Department of Highway Safety
3	and Motor Vehicles; amending s. 20.23, F.S.; creating
4	motor carrier weight inspection as an area of program
5	responsibility within the Department of
6	Transportation, which replaces motor carrier
7	compliance; amending s. 20.24, F.S.; revising the
8	divisions within the Department of Highway Safety and
9	Motor Vehicles; creating the Office of Motor Carrier
10	Compliance of the Division of the Florida Highway
11	Patrol within the Department of Highway Safety and
12	Motor Vehicles; amending ss. 110.205, 311.115,
13	316.302, 316.3025, 316.3026, 316.516, 316.545,
14	316.640, 320.18, and 321.05, F.S.; conforming
15	provisions to changes made by the act; amending s.
16	288.816, F.S.; requiring the department rather than
17	the Division of Motor Vehicles to issue special motor
18	vehicle license plates; amending s. 311.121, F.S.;
19	providing for a representative of the department
20	rather than the Division of Driver Licenses to be
21	appointed to the Seaport Security Officer
22	Qualification, Training, and Standards Coordinating
23	Council; amending s. 316.066, F.S.; revising
24	circumstances under which a law enforcement officer is
25	required to submit to the department a Florida Traffic
26	Crash Report, Long Form; providing for the use of
27	driver exchange-of-information forms under certain
28	circumstances; eliminating provisions authorizing
29	counties to establish certified central traffic

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30	records centers, including provisions authorizing the
31	funding of such centers; deleting restrictions on the
32	commercial use of crash reports; amending s. 316.1957,
33	F.S.; requiring that motor vehicle records be
34	maintained by the department; amending s. 316.613,
35	F.S.; requiring the department rather than the
36	Division of Motor Vehicles to provide notice of the
37	requirements for child restraint devices; amending s.
38	318.15, F.S.; providing for the department rather than
39	the Division of Driver Licenses to administer certain
40	provisions governing the suspension of a person's
41	driver's license and privilege to drive; amending s.
42	320.05, F.S.; providing for a Division of Motorist
43	Services Procedures Manual; clarifying that the
44	creation and maintenance of records by the division is
45	not a law enforcement function; amending s. 320.275,
46	F.S.; providing for a representative of the department
47	rather than the Division of Motor Vehicles to be
48	appointed to the Automobile Dealers Industry Advisory
49	Board; amending s. 321.23, F.S.; specifying the fee to
50	be charged for a copy of a uniform traffic citation;
51	providing for a portion of the fees for crash reports
52	to be distributed to the investigating agency under
53	certain circumstances; authorizing the Department of
54	Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to scan the records
55	of crash reports, which shall be considered original
56	copies; amending s. 322.02, F.S.; providing for the
57	Division of Motorist Services to administer ch. 322,
58	F.S., relating to driver's licenses; amending s.

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59 322.135, F.S.; providing duties of the tax collectors 60 with respect to driver's license services; directing 61 the tax collectors who are constitutional officers to 62 assume all driver's license issuance services by a 63 certain date and according to a specified schedule; 64 deleting obsolete provisions; authorizing the 65 department to create exceptions by rule for tax collectors in counties having small populations; 66 amending s. 322.20, F.S.; providing for the department 67 and the Division of Motorist Services to maintain 68 69 certain records; amending s. 322.202, F.S.; clarifying 70 that the Division of Motorist Services is not a law 71 enforcement agency and is not an adjunct of any law 72 enforcement agency; amending s. 322.21, F.S.; 73 requiring that, beginning on a specified date, certain 74 fees be retained by the tax collectors who issue 75 driver's licenses following the transition of the 76 driver's license issuance services; providing for the 77 Division of Motorist Services to collect fees and 78 issue driver's licenses and identification cards and account for all license funds in the administration of 79 80 ch. 322, F.S.; amending s. 322.56, F.S.; authorizing 81 the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to 82 contract with third-party providers to conduct online examinations for applicants of learner's driver's 83 licenses; providing for requirements for the online 84 85 testing program; prohibiting a third-party provider 86 from providing testing services on behalf of the 87 department for a certain period if the provider fails

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88	to comply with certain requirements; authorizing the
89	department to adopt rules; repealing s. 334.044(32),
90	F.S., relating to the authorization of the Office of
91	Motor Carrier Compliance within the Department of
92	Transportation to employ sworn law enforcement
93	officers to enforce traffic and criminal laws in this
94	state; amending s. 413.012, F.S., relating to certain
95	confidential records; conforming a reference to
96	changes made by the act; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.;
97	conforming a cross-reference; creating the Law
98	Enforcement Consolidation Task Force; providing for
99	membership; requiring the Department of Highway Safety
100	and Motor Vehicles to provide administrative
101	assistance to the task force; requiring the agency
102	that is represented by a member of the task force to
103	bear the travel expenses incurred by the member;
104	requiring the task force to evaluate the duplication
105	of law enforcement functions and to identify possible
106	consolidation; requiring the task force to evaluate
107	administrative functions; requiring the task force to
108	make recommendations and submit a report to the
109	Legislature by a certain date; providing for future
110	expiration; transferring the Office of Motor Carrier
111	Compliance of the Department of Transportation to the
112	Division of the Florida Highway Patrol of the
113	Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles;
114	authorizing the Executive Office of the Governor to
115	transfer funds and positions between agencies;
116	providing an effective date.
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118	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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120	Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section
121	20.23, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
122	20.23 Department of TransportationThere is created a
123	Department of Transportation which shall be a decentralized
124	agency.
125	(4)
126	(b) The secretary may appoint positions at the level of
127	deputy assistant secretary or director which the secretary deems
128	necessary to accomplish the mission and goals of the department,
129	including, but not limited to, the areas of program
130	responsibility provided in this paragraph, each of whom shall be
131	appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the secretary. The
132	secretary may combine, separate, or delete offices as needed in
133	consultation with the Executive Office of the Governor. The
134	department's areas of program responsibility include, but are
135	not limited to:
136	1. Administration;
137	2. Planning;
138	3. Public transportation;
139	4. Design;
140	5. Highway operations;
141	6. Right-of-way;
142	7. Toll operations;
143	8. Information systems;
144	9. Motor carrier weight inspection compliance;
145	10. Management and budget;

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146	11. Comptroller;
147	12. Construction;
148	13. Maintenance; and
149	14. Materials.
150	Section 2. Subsection (2) of section 20.24, Florida
151	Statutes, is amended, and subsection (3) is added to that
152	section, to read:
153	20.24 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
154	There is created a Department of Highway Safety and Motor
155	Vehicles.
156	(2) The following divisions, and bureaus within the
157	divisions, of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor
158	Vehicles are established:
159	(a) Division of the Florida Highway Patrol.
160	(b) Division of Motorist Services.
161	(b) Division of Driver Licenses.
162	(c) Division of Motor Vehicles.
163	(3) The Office of Motor Carrier Compliance is established
164	within the Division of the Florida Highway Patrol.
165	Section 3. Paragraph (m) of subsection (2) of section
166	110.205, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
167	110.205 Career service; exemptions
168	(2) EXEMPT POSITIONSThe exempt positions that are not
169	covered by this part include the following:
170	(m) All assistant division director, deputy division
171	director, and bureau chief positions in any department, and
172	those positions determined by the department to have managerial
173	responsibilities comparable to such positions, which <del>positions</del>
174	include, but are not limited to:

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175 1. Positions in the Department of Health and the Department 176 of Children and Family Services that are assigned primary duties 177 of serving as the superintendent or assistant superintendent of 178 an institution.

2. Positions in the Department of Corrections that are assigned primary duties of serving as the warden, assistant warden, colonel, or major of an institution or that are assigned primary duties of serving as the circuit administrator or deputy circuit administrator.

184 3. Positions in the Department of Transportation that are 185 assigned primary duties of serving as regional toll managers and 186 managers of offices, as defined in s. 20.23(4)(b) and (5)(c); 187 and captains and majors of the Office of Motor Carrier 188 Compliance.

4. Positions in the Department of Environmental Protection
that are assigned the duty of an Environmental Administrator or
program administrator.

192 5. Positions in the Department of Health that are assigned 193 the duties of Environmental Administrator, Assistant County 194 Health Department Director, and County Health Department 195 Financial Administrator.

197 Unless otherwise fixed by law, the department shall set the 198 salary and benefits of the positions listed in this paragraph in 199 accordance with the rules established for the Selected Exempt 200 Service.

201 Section 4. Paragraph (e) of subsection (2) of section 202 288.816, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 203 288.816 Intergovernmental relations.-

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204 (2) The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development 205 shall be responsible for all consular relations between the 206 state and all foreign governments doing business in Florida. The 207 office shall monitor United States laws and directives to ensure 208 that all federal treaties regarding foreign privileges and 209 immunities are properly observed. The office shall promulgate 210 rules which shall: 211 (e) Verify entitlement to issuance of special motor vehicle license plates by the Division of Motor Vehicles of the 212 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to honorary 213 214 consuls or such other officials representing foreign governments 215 who are not entitled to issuance of special Consul Corps license 216 plates by the United States Government. 217 Section 5. Paragraph (f) of subsection (1) of section 311.115, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 218 219 311.115 Seaport Security Standards Advisory Council.-The 220 Seaport Security Standards Advisory Council is created under the 221 Office of Drug Control. The council shall serve as an advisory 222 council as provided in s. 20.03(7). 223 (1) The members of the council shall be appointed by the 224 Governor and consist of the following: 225 (f) One member from the Office of Motor Carrier Compliance 226 of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles 227 Transportation. 228 Section 6. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 229 311.121, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 230 311.121 Qualifications, training, and certification of 231 licensed security officers at Florida seaports.-232 (3) The Seaport Security Officer Qualification, Training,

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233	and Standards Coordinating Council is created under the
234	Department of Law Enforcement.
235	(a) The executive director of the Department of Law
236	Enforcement shall appoint 11 members to the council, to include:
237	1. The seaport administrator of the Department of Law
238	Enforcement.
239	2. The Commissioner of Education or his or her designee.
240	3. The director of the Division of Licensing of the
241	Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.
242	4. The administrator of the Florida Seaport Transportation
243	and Economic Development Council.
244	5. Two seaport security directors from seaports designated
245	under s. 311.09.
246	6. One director of a state law enforcement academy.
247	7. One representative of a local law enforcement agency.
248	8. Two representatives of contract security services.
249	9. One representative of <del>the Division of Driver Licenses of</del>
250	the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.
251	Section 7. Subsections (1), (2), (4), and (5) of section
252	316.066, Florida Statutes, are amended, and present subsections
253	(3), (4), (5), and (6) of that section are renumbered as
254	subsections (2), (3), (4), and (5), respectively, to read:
255	316.066 Written reports of crashes
256	(1)(a) A Florida Traffic Crash Report, Long Form is
257	required to be completed and submitted to the department within
258	10 days after completing an investigation by every law
259	enforcement officer who in the regular course of duty
260	investigates a motor vehicle crash <u>that</u> :
261	1. <del>That</del> Resulted in death or personal injury.

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262	2. <del>That</del> Involved a violation of s. 316.061(1) or s.
263	316.193.
264	3. In which a vehicle was rendered inoperative to a degree
265	that required a wrecker to remove it from traffic, if such
266	action is appropriate, in the officer's discretion.
267	(b) In every crash for which a Florida Traffic Crash
268	Report, Long Form is not required by this section, the law
269	enforcement officer may complete a short-form crash report or
270	provide a <u>driver exchange-of-information form</u> <del>short-form crash</del>
271	<del>report</del> to be completed by each party involved in the crash. The
272	short-form report must include:
273	1. The date, time, and location of the crash.
274	2. A description of the vehicles involved.
275	3. The names and addresses of the parties involved <u>,</u>
276	including all drivers and passengers.
277	4. The names and addresses of witnesses.
278	5. The name, badge number, and law enforcement agency of
279	the officer investigating the crash.
280	6. The names of the insurance companies for the respective
281	parties involved in the crash.
282	(c) Each party to the crash <u>must</u> <del>shall</del> provide the law
283	enforcement officer with proof of insurance, which must be
284	documented to be included in the crash report. If a law
285	enforcement officer submits a report on the <u>crash</u> accident,
286	proof of insurance must be provided to the officer by each party
287	involved in the crash. Any party who fails to provide the
288	required information commits a noncriminal traffic infraction,
289	punishable as a nonmoving violation as provided in chapter 318,
290	unless the officer determines that due to injuries or other
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291 special circumstances such insurance information cannot be 292 provided immediately. If the person provides the law enforcement 293 agency, within 24 hours after the crash, proof of insurance that 294 was valid at the time of the crash, the law enforcement agency 295 may void the citation.

296 (d) The driver of a vehicle that was in any manner involved 297 in a crash resulting in damage to any vehicle or other property in an amount of \$500 or more, which  $\frac{1}{2}$  which  $\frac{1}{2}$ 298 299 by a law enforcement agency, shall, within 10 days after the crash, submit a written report of the crash to the department or 300 301 traffic records center. The entity receiving the report may 302 require witnesses of the crash crashes to render reports and may 303 require any driver of a vehicle involved in a crash of which a 304 written report must be made as provided in this section to file 305 supplemental written reports if whenever the original report is 306 deemed insufficient by the receiving entity.

307 (e) Short-form crash reports prepared by law enforcement308 shall be maintained by the law enforcement officer's agency.

309 (2) (a) One or more counties may enter into an agreement 310 with the appropriate state agency to be certified by the agency 311 to have a traffic records center for the purpose of tabulating 312 and analyzing countywide traffic crash reports. The agreement 313 must include: certification by the agency that the center has 314 adequate auditing and monitoring mechanisms in place to ensure 315 the quality and accuracy of the data; the time period in which 316 the traffic records center must report crash data to the agency; 317 and the medium in which the traffic records must be submitted to 318 the agency.

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(b) In the case of a county or multicounty area that has a

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320	certified central traffic records center, a law enforcement
321	agency or driver must submit to the center within the time limit
322	prescribed in this section a written report of the crash. A
323	driver who is required to file a crash report must be notified
324	of the proper place to submit the completed report.
325	(c) Fees for copies of public records provided by a
326	certified traffic records center shall be charged and collected
327	as follows:
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329	For a crash report\$10 per copy.
330	For a homicide report
331	For a uniform traffic citation\$0.50 per copy.
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333	The fees collected for copies of the public records provided by
334	a certified traffic records center shall be used to fund the
335	center or otherwise as designated by the county or counties
336	participating in the center.
337	(3) (4) (a) Any driver failing to file the written report
338	required under subsection (1) <del>or subsection (2)</del> commits a
339	noncriminal traffic infraction, punishable as a nonmoving
340	violation as provided in chapter 318.
341	(b) Any employee of a state or local agency in possession
342	of information made confidential and exempt by this section who
343	knowingly discloses such confidential and exempt information to
344	a person not entitled to access such information under this
345	section <u>commits</u> <del>is guilty of</del> a felony of the third degree,
346	punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
347	(c) Any person, knowing that he or she is not entitled to

348 obtain information made confidential and exempt by this section,

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349 who obtains or attempts to obtain such information commits a 350 felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 351 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

(d) Any person who knowingly uses confidential and exempt information in violation of a filed written sworn statement or contractual agreement required by this section commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

357 (4) (5) Except as specified in this subsection, each crash 358 report made by a person involved in a crash and any statement 359 made by such person to a law enforcement officer for the purpose 360 of completing a crash report required by this section shall be 361 without prejudice to the individual so reporting. No Such report 362 or statement may not shall be used as evidence in any trial, 363 civil or criminal. However, subject to the applicable rules of 364 evidence, a law enforcement officer at a criminal trial may 365 testify as to any statement made to the officer by the person 366 involved in the crash if that person's privilege against self-367 incrimination is not violated. The results of breath, urine, and 368 blood tests administered as provided in s. 316.1932 or s. 369 316.1933 are not confidential and are shall be admissible into 370 evidence in accordance with the provisions of s. 316.1934(2). 371 Crash reports made by persons involved in crashes shall not be 372 used for commercial solicitation purposes; however, the use of a 373 crash report for purposes of publication in a newspaper or other 374 news periodical or a radio or television broadcast shall not be 375 construed as "commercial purpose."

376 Section 8. Section 316.1957, Florida Statutes, is amended 377 to read:

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378 316.1957 Parking violations; designated parking spaces for 379 persons who have disabilities.-When evidence is presented in any 380 court of the fact that any motor vehicle was parked in a 381 properly designated parking space for persons who have 382 disabilities in violation of s. 316.1955, it is prima facie 383 evidence that the vehicle was parked and left in the space by 384 the person, firm, or corporation in whose name the vehicle is 385 registered and licensed according to the records of the 386 department Division of Motor Vehicles.

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 Section 9. Subsections (4), (5), (6), (7), and (8) of

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 section 316.302, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

389 316.302 Commercial motor vehicles; safety regulations;
 390 transporters and shippers of hazardous materials; enforcement.-

391 (4) (a) Except as provided in this subsection, all commercial motor vehicles transporting any hazardous material on 392 393 any road, street, or highway open to the public, whether engaged 394 in interstate or intrastate commerce, and any person who offers 395 hazardous materials for such transportation, are subject to the 396 regulations contained in 49 C.F.R. part 107, subpart G, and 49 397 C.F.R. parts 171, 172, 173, 177, 178, and 180. Effective July 1, 398 1997, the exceptions for intrastate motor carriers provided in 399 49 C.F.R. 173.5 and 173.8 are hereby adopted.

(b) In addition to the penalties provided in s.
316.3025(3)(b), (c), (d), and (e), any motor carrier or any of
its officers, drivers, agents, representatives, employees, or
shippers of hazardous materials that do not comply with this
subsection or any rule adopted by a state agency that is
consistent with the federal rules and regulations regarding
hazardous materials commits a misdemeanor of the first degree,

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407 punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. To ensure 408 compliance with this subsection, enforcement officers of the 409 Motor Carrier Compliance Office within the Department of 410 Transportation and state highway patrol officers may inspect 411 shipping documents and cargo of any vehicle known or suspected 412 to be a transporter of hazardous materials.

413 (5) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles 414 Transportation may adopt and revise rules to assure the safe 415 operation of commercial motor vehicles. The Department of 416 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles Transportation may enter into 417 cooperative agreements as provided in 49 C.F.R. part 388. 418 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles Transportation 419 personnel may conduct motor carrier and shipper compliance 420 reviews for the purpose of determining compliance with this section and s. 627.7415. 421

(6) The state Department of <u>Highway Safety and Motor</u>
<u>Vehicles</u> Transportation shall perform the duties that are
assigned to the Field Administrator, Federal Motor Carrier
Safety Administration under the federal rules, and an agent of
that department, as described in s. 316.545(9), may enforce
those rules.

(7) A person who operates a commercial motor vehicle solely
in intrastate commerce shall direct to the state Department of
<u>Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles</u> Transportation any
communication that the federal rules require persons subject to
the jurisdiction of the United States Department of
Transportation to direct to that department.

434 (8) For the purpose of enforcing this section, any law
435 enforcement officer of the Department of <u>Highway Safety and</u>

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436 Motor Vehicles Transportation or duly appointed agent who holds 437 a current safety inspector certification from the Commercial 438 Vehicle Safety Alliance may require the driver of any commercial 439 vehicle operated on the highways of this state to stop and 440 submit to an inspection of the vehicle or the driver's records. 441 If the vehicle or driver is found to be operating in an unsafe 442 condition, or if any required part or equipment is not present 443 or is not in proper repair or adjustment, and the continued 444 operation would present an unduly hazardous operating condition, the officer may require the vehicle or the driver to be removed 445 446 from service pursuant to the North American Standard Out-of-447 Service Criteria, until corrected. However, if continuous 448 operation would not present an unduly hazardous operating 449 condition, the officer may give written notice requiring 450 correction of the condition within 14 days.

(a) Any member of the Florida Highway Patrol or any law
enforcement officer employed by a sheriff's office or municipal
police department authorized to enforce the traffic laws of this
state pursuant to s. 316.640 who has reason to believe that a
vehicle or driver is operating in an unsafe condition may, as
provided in subsection (10), enforce the provisions of this
section.

(b) Any person who fails to comply with an officer's request to submit to an inspection under this subsection commits a violation of s. 843.02 if the person resists the officer without violence or a violation of s. 843.01 if the person resists the officer with violence.

463 Section 10. Paragraph (a) of subsection (6) of section 464 316.3025, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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316.3025 Penalties.-

(6) (a) Only an officer or agent of the Department of
Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles Transportation is authorized
to collect the penalty provided by this section. Such officer or
agent shall cooperate with the owner or driver of the motor
vehicle so as not to unduly delay the vehicle.

471 Section 11. Subsections (1), (2), and (3) of section 472 316.3026, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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316.3026 Unlawful operation of motor carriers.-

474 (1) The Office of Motor Carrier Compliance of the 475 Department of Transportation may issue out-of-service orders to 476 motor carriers, as defined in s. 320.01(33), who, have after 477 proper notice, have failed to pay any penalty or fine assessed by the department, or its agent, against any owner or motor 478 479 carrier for violations of state law, refused to submit to a 480 compliance review and provide records pursuant to s. 316.302(5) 481 or s. 316.70, or violated safety regulations pursuant to s. 482 316.302 or insurance requirements found in s. 627.7415. Such 483 out-of-service orders shall have the effect of prohibiting the 484 operations of any motor vehicles owned, leased, or otherwise 485 operated by the motor carrier upon the roadways of this state, 486 until such time as the violations have been corrected or 487 penalties have been paid. Out-of-service orders issued under 488 this section must be approved by the director of the Division of 489 the Florida Highway Patrol Secretary of Transportation or his or 490 her designee. An administrative hearing pursuant to s. 120.569 491 shall be afforded to motor carriers subject to such orders.

492 (2) Any motor carrier enjoined or prohibited from operating493 by an out-of-service order by this state, any other state, or

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494 the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration may not operate 495 on the roadways of this state until the motor carrier has been 496 authorized to resume operations by the originating enforcement 497 jurisdiction. Commercial motor vehicles owned or operated by any 498 motor carrier prohibited from operation found on the roadways of 499 this state shall be placed out of service by law enforcement 500 officers of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles 501 Transportation, and the motor carrier assessed a \$10,000 civil 502 penalty pursuant to 49 C.F.R. s. 383.53, in addition to any 503 other penalties imposed on the driver or other responsible 504 person. Any person who knowingly drives, operates, or causes to 505 be operated any commercial motor vehicle in violation of an out-506 of-service order issued by the department in accordance with 507 this section commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as 508 provided in s. 775.082(3)(d). Any costs associated with the 509 impoundment or storage of such vehicles are the responsibility 510 of the motor carrier. Vehicle out-of-service orders may be 511 rescinded when the department receives proof of authorization 512 for the motor carrier to resume operation.

(3) In addition to the sanctions found in subsections (1) and (2), the Department of <u>Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles</u> <del>Transportation</del> may petition the circuit courts of this state to enjoin any motor carrier from operating when it fails to comply with out-of-service orders issued by a competent authority within or outside this state.

519 Section 12. Subsection (1) of section 316.516, Florida 520 Statutes, is amended to read:

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- 316.516 Width, height, and length; inspection; penalties.-(1) Any law enforcement officer, as prescribed in s.

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523 316.640, or any weight inspector and safety officer of the 524 Department of Transportation, as prescribed in s. 316.545(1), 525 who has reason to believe that the width, height, or length of a 526 vehicle or combination of vehicles and the load thereon is not 527 in conformance with s. 316.515 is authorized to require the 528 driver to stop and submit such vehicle and load to measurement 529 of its width, height, or length. 530 Section 13. Subsection (1), paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (2), paragraph (b) of subsection (4), and subsections 531 (5), (9), and (10) of section 316.545, Florida Statutes, are 532 533 amended to read: 534 316.545 Weight and load unlawful; special fuel and motor 535 fuel tax enforcement; inspection; penalty; review.-(1) Any officer of the Florida Highway Patrol weight and 536 537 safety officer of the Department of Transportation having reason 538 to believe that the weight of a vehicle and load is unlawful is 539 authorized to require the driver to stop and submit to a 540 weighing of the same by means of either portable or fixed scales 541 and may require that such vehicle be driven to the nearest weigh 542 station or public scales, provided such a facility is within 5 543 highway miles. Upon a request by the vehicle driver, the officer 544 shall weigh the vehicle at fixed scales rather than by portable 545 scales if such a facility is available within 5 highway miles. 546 Anyone who refuses to submit to such weighing obstructs an 547 officer pursuant to s. 843.02 and is quilty of a misdemeanor of 548 the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 549 775.083. Anyone who knowingly and willfully resists, obstructs, 550 or opposes a weight and safety officer while refusing to submit to such weighing by resisting the officer with violence to the 551

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officer's person pursuant to s. 843.01 is guilty of a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

555 (2)(a) Whenever an officer of the Florida Highway Patrol or 556 a weight inspector of the Department of Transportation, upon 557 weighing a vehicle or combination of vehicles with load, 558 determines that the axle weight or gross weight is unlawful, the 559 officer may require the driver to stop the vehicle in a suitable 560 place and remain standing until a determination can be made as 561 to the amount of weight thereon and, if overloaded, the amount 562 of penalty to be assessed as provided herein. However, any gross 563 weight over and beyond 6,000 pounds beyond the maximum herein 564 set shall be unloaded and all material so unloaded shall be 565 cared for by the owner or operator of the vehicle at the risk of 566 such owner or operator. Except as otherwise provided in this 567 chapter, to facilitate compliance with and enforcement of the 568 weight limits established in s. 316.535, weight tables published 569 pursuant to s. 316.535(7) shall include a 10-percent scale 570 tolerance and shall thereby reflect the maximum scaled weights 571 allowed any vehicle or combination of vehicles. As used in this 572 section, scale tolerance means the allowable deviation from 573 legal weights established in s. 316.535. Notwithstanding any 574 other provision of the weight law, if a vehicle or combination 575 of vehicles does not exceed the gross, external bridge, or 576 internal bridge weight limits imposed in s. 316.535 and the 577 driver of such vehicle or combination of vehicles can comply 578 with the requirements of this chapter by shifting or equalizing 579 the load on all wheels or axles and does so when requested by the proper authority, the driver shall not be held to be 580

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582 (b) The officer or inspector shall inspect the license plate or registration certificate of the commercial vehicle, as 583 defined in s. 316.003(66), to determine if its gross weight is 584 585 in compliance with the declared gross vehicle weight. If its 586 gross weight exceeds the declared weight, the penalty shall be 5 587 cents per pound on the difference between such weights. In those 588 cases when the commercial vehicle, as defined in s. 316.003(66), 589 is being operated over the highways of the state with an expired 590 registration or with no registration from this or any other 591 jurisdiction or is not registered under the applicable 592 provisions of chapter 320, the penalty herein shall apply on the 593 basis of 5 cents per pound on that scaled weight which exceeds 594 35,000 pounds on laden truck tractor-semitrailer combinations or 595 tandem trailer truck combinations, 10,000 pounds on laden 596 straight trucks or straight truck-trailer combinations, or 597 10,000 pounds on any unladen commercial motor vehicle. If the 598 license plate or registration has not been expired for more than 599 90 days, the penalty imposed under this paragraph may not exceed 600 \$1,000. In the case of special mobile equipment as defined in s. 601 316.003(48), which qualifies for the license tax provided for in 602 s. 320.08(5)(b), being operated on the highways of the state 603 with an expired registration or otherwise not properly 604 registered under the applicable provisions of chapter 320, a 605 penalty of \$75 shall apply in addition to any other penalty 606 which may apply in accordance with this chapter. A vehicle found 607 in violation of this section may be detained until the owner or 608 operator produces evidence that the vehicle has been properly registered. Any costs incurred by the retention of the vehicle 609

operating in violation of said weight limits.

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610 shall be the sole responsibility of the owner. A person who has 611 been assessed a penalty pursuant to this paragraph for failure 612 to have a valid vehicle registration certificate pursuant to the 613 provisions of chapter 320 is not subject to the delinquent fee 614 authorized in s. 320.07 if such person obtains a valid 615 registration certificate within 10 working days after such 616 penalty was assessed.

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(b) In addition to the penalty provided for in paragraph 618 (a), the vehicle may be detained until the owner or operator of 619 620 the vehicle furnishes evidence that the vehicle has been 621 properly registered pursuant to s. 207.004. Any officer of the 622 Florida Highway Patrol or agent of the Department of 623 Transportation may issue a temporary fuel use permit and collect 624 the appropriate fee as provided for in s. 207.004(4). 625 Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (6), all permit 626 fees collected pursuant to this paragraph shall be transferred 627 to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to be 628 allocated pursuant to s. 207.026.

629 (5) Whenever any person violates the provisions of this 630 chapter and becomes indebted to the state because of such 631 violation in the amounts aforesaid and refuses to pay said 632 penalty, in addition to the provisions of s. 316.3026, such 633 penalty shall become a lien upon the motor vehicle, and the same 634 may be foreclosed by the state in a court of equity. It shall be 635 presumed that the owner of the motor vehicle is liable for the 636 sum. Any person, firm, or corporation claiming an interest in 637 the seized motor vehicle may, at any time after the lien of the state attaches to the motor vehicle, obtain possession of the 638

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639 seized vehicle by filing a good and sufficient forthcoming bond 640 with the officer having possession of the vehicle, payable to 641 the Governor of the state in twice the amount of the state's 642 lien, with a corporate surety duly authorized to transact 643 business in this state as surety, conditioned to have the motor 644 vehicle or combination of vehicles forthcoming to abide the 645 result of any suit for the foreclosure of such lien. It shall be 646 presumed that the owner of the motor vehicle is liable for the 647 penalty imposed under this section. Upon the posting of such bond with the officer making the seizure, the vehicle shall be 648 649 released and the bond shall be forwarded to the Department of 650 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles Transportation for 651 safekeeping. The lien of the state against the motor vehicle 652 aforesaid shall be foreclosed in equity, and the ordinary rules of court relative to proceedings in equity shall control. If it 653 654 appears that the seized vehicle has been released to the 655 defendant upon his or her forthcoming bond, the state shall take 656 judgment of foreclosure against the property itself, and 657 judgment against the defendant and the sureties on the bond for 658 the amount of the lien, including cost of proceedings. After the 659 rendition of the decree, the state may, at its option, proceed 660 to sue out execution against the defendant and his or her 661 sureties for the amount recovered as aforesaid or direct the sale of the vehicle under foreclosure. 662

663 (9) Any agent of the Department of Transportation who is
664 employed for the purpose of being a weight and safety officer
665 and who meets the qualifications established by law for law
666 enforcement officers shall have the same arrest powers as are
667 granted any law enforcement officer for the purpose of enforcing

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# 668 the provisions of weight, load, safety, commercial motor vehicle 669 registration, and fuel tax compliance laws.

670 (9) (10) The Department of Transportation may employ weight 671 inspectors to operate its fixed-scale facilities. Weight 672 inspectors on duty at a fixed-scale facility are authorized to 673 enforce the laws governing commercial motor vehicle weight, 674 registration, size, and load and to assess and collect civil 675 penalties for violations of said laws. A weight inspector may 676 detain a commercial motor vehicle that has an obvious safety 677 defect critical to the continued safe operation of the vehicle 678 or that is operating in violation of an out-of-service order as 679 reported on the federal Safety and Fitness Electronic Records 680 database. The weight inspector may immediately summon a law 681 enforcement officer of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles Transportation, or other law enforcement officer 682 683 authorized by s. 316.640 to enforce the traffic laws of this 684 state, to take appropriate enforcement action. The vehicle shall 685 be released if the defect is repaired prior to the arrival of a 686 law enforcement officer. Weight inspectors shall not be 687 classified as law enforcement officers subject to certification 688 requirements of chapter 943, and are not authorized to carry 689 weapons or make arrests. Any person who obstructs, opposes, or 690 resists a weight inspector in the performance of the duties 691 herein prescribed shall be guilty of an offense as described in 692 subsection (1) for obstructing, opposing, or resisting a law enforcement officer. 693

694 Section 14. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section
695 316.613, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
696 316.613 Child restraint requirements.-

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697 (1)698 (b) The department Division of Motor Vehicles shall provide notice of the requirement for child restraint devices, which 699 700 notice shall accompany the delivery of each motor vehicle 701 license taq. 702 Section 15. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 703 316.640, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 704 316.640 Enforcement.-The enforcement of the traffic laws of 705 this state is vested as follows: 706 (1) STATE. -707 (a)1.a. The Division of Florida Highway Patrol of the 708 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; the Division of 709 Law Enforcement of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation 710 Commission; the Division of Law Enforcement of the Department of 711 Environmental Protection; law enforcement officers of the 712 Department of Transportation; and the agents, inspectors, and 713 officers of the Department of Law Enforcement each have 714 authority to enforce all of the traffic laws of this state on 715 all the streets and highways thereof and elsewhere throughout 716 the state wherever the public has a right to travel by motor 717 vehicle. b. University police officers shall have authority to 718 719 enforce all of the traffic laws of this state when violations 720 occur on or within 1,000 feet of any property or facilities that 721 are under the quidance, supervision, regulation, or control of a 722 state university, a direct-support organization of such state 723 university, or any other organization controlled by the state 724 university or a direct-support organization of the state 725 university, or when such violations occur within a specified

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jurisdictional area as agreed upon in a mutual aid agreement entered into with a law enforcement agency pursuant to s. 23.1225(1). Traffic laws may also be enforced off-campus when hot pursuit originates on or within 1,000 feet of any such property or facilities, or as agreed upon in accordance with the mutual aid agreement.

732 c. Community college police officers shall have the 733 authority to enforce all the traffic laws of this state only 734 when such violations occur on any property or facilities that 735 are under the guidance, supervision, regulation, or control of 736 the community college system.

d. Police officers employed by an airport authority shall
have the authority to enforce all of the traffic laws of this
state only when such violations occur on any property or
facilities that are owned or operated by an airport authority.

741 (I) An airport authority may employ as a parking 742 enforcement specialist any individual who successfully completes 743 a training program established and approved by the Criminal 744 Justice Standards and Training Commission for parking 745 enforcement specialists but who does not otherwise meet the 746 uniform minimum standards established by the commission for law 747 enforcement officers or auxiliary or part-time officers under s. 748 943.12. Nothing in this sub-sub-subparagraph shall be construed 749 to permit the carrying of firearms or other weapons, nor shall 750 such parking enforcement specialist have arrest authority.

(II) A parking enforcement specialist employed by an airport authority is authorized to enforce all state, county, and municipal laws and ordinances governing parking only when such violations are on property or facilities owned or operated

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by the airport authority employing the specialist, by 756 appropriate state, county, or municipal traffic citation.

757 e. The Office of Agricultural Law Enforcement of the 758 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services shall have the 759 authority to enforce traffic laws of this state.

760 f. School safety officers shall have the authority to 761 enforce all of the traffic laws of this state when such 762 violations occur on or about any property or facilities which 763 are under the guidance, supervision, regulation, or control of 764 the district school board.

765 2. An agency of the state as described in subparagraph 1. 766 is prohibited from establishing a traffic citation quota. A 767 violation of this subparagraph is not subject to the penalties 768 provided in chapter 318.

769 3. Any disciplinary action taken or performance evaluation 770 conducted by an agency of the state as described in subparagraph 771 1. of a law enforcement officer's traffic enforcement activity 772 must be in accordance with written work-performance standards. 773 Such standards must be approved by the agency and any collective 774 bargaining unit representing such law enforcement officer. A 775 violation of this subparagraph is not subject to the penalties 776 provided in chapter 318.

777 4. The Division of the Florida Highway Patrol may employ as 778 a traffic accident investigation officer any individual who 779 successfully completes instruction in traffic accident 780 investigation and court presentation through the Selective 781 Traffic Enforcement Program as approved by the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission and funded through the 782 National Highway Traffic Safety Administration or a similar 783

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784 program approved by the commission, but who does not necessarily 785 meet the uniform minimum standards established by the commission 786 for law enforcement officers or auxiliary law enforcement 787 officers under chapter 943. Any such traffic accident 788 investigation officer who makes an investigation at the scene of 789 a traffic accident may issue traffic citations, based upon 790 personal investigation, when he or she has reasonable and 791 probable grounds to believe that a person who was involved in 792 the accident committed an offense under this chapter, chapter 319, chapter 320, or chapter 322 in connection with the 793 794 accident. This subparagraph does not permit the officer to carry 795 firearms or other weapons, and such an officer does not have 796 authority to make arrests.

797 Section 16. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section798 318.15, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

799 318.15 Failure to comply with civil penalty or to appear; 800 penalty.-

801 (1) (a) If a person fails to comply with the civil penalties 802 provided in s. 318.18 within the time period specified in s. 803 318.14(4), fails to enter into or comply with the terms of a 804 penalty payment plan with the clerk of the court in accordance 805 with ss. 318.14 and 28.246, fails to attend driver improvement 806 school, or fails to appear at a scheduled hearing, the clerk of the court shall notify the Division of Driver Licenses of the 807 808 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles of such failure 809 within 10 days after such failure. Upon receipt of such notice, 810 the department shall immediately issue an order suspending the 811 driver's license and privilege to drive of such person effective 20 days after the date the order of suspension is mailed in 812

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813	accordance with s. 322.251(1), (2), and (6). Any such suspension
814	of the driving privilege which has not been reinstated,
815	including a similar suspension imposed outside Florida, shall
816	remain on the records of the department for a period of 7 years
817	from the date imposed and shall be removed from the records
818	after the expiration of 7 years from the date it is imposed.
819	Section 17. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) and subsection
820	(5) of section 320.05, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
821	320.05 Records of the department; inspection procedure;
822	lists and searches; fees
823	(3)
824	(b) Fees therefor shall be charged and collected as
825	follows:
826	1. For providing lists of motor vehicle or vessel records
827	for the entire state, or any part or parts thereof, divided
828	according to counties, a sum computed at a rate of not less than
829	1 cent nor more than 5 cents per item.
830	2. For providing noncertified photographic copies of motor
831	vehicle or vessel documents, \$1 per page.
832	3. For providing noncertified photographic copies of
833	micrographic records, \$1 per page.
834	4. For providing certified copies of motor vehicle or
835	vessel records, \$3 per record.
836	5. For providing noncertified computer-generated printouts
837	of motor vehicle or vessel records, 50 cents per record.
838	6. For providing certified computer-generated printouts of
839	motor vehicle or vessel records, \$3 per record.
840	7. For providing electronic access to motor vehicle,
841	vessel, and mobile home registration data requested by tag,

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842 vehicle identification number, title number, or decal number, 50 843 cents per item. 844 8. For providing electronic access to driver's license 845 status report by name, sex, and date of birth or by driver 846 license number, 50 cents per item. 847 9. For providing lists of licensed mobile home dealers and 848 manufacturers and recreational vehicle dealers and manufacturers, \$15 per list. 849 850 10. For providing lists of licensed motor vehicle dealers, 851 \$25 per list. 852 11. For each copy of a videotape record, \$15 per tape. 853 12. For each copy of the Division of Motorist Services 854 Motor Vehicles Procedures Manual, \$25. 855 (5) The creation and maintenance of records by the 856 department and the Division of Motorist Services Motor Vehicles 857 pursuant to this chapter shall not be regarded as law 858 enforcement functions of agency recordkeeping. 859 Section 18. Subsection (1) of section 320.18, Florida 860 Statutes, is amended to read: 861 320.18 Withholding registration.-862 (1) The department may withhold the registration of any 863 motor vehicle or mobile home the owner of which has failed to register it under the provisions of law for any previous period 864 865 or periods for which it appears registration should have been 866 made in this state, until the tax for such period or periods is 867 paid. The department may cancel any vehicle or vessel 868 registration, driver's license, identification card, or fuel-use 869 tax decal if the owner pays for the vehicle or vessel registration, driver's license, identification card, or fuel-use 870

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871 tax decal; pays any administrative, delinguency, or 872 reinstatement fee; or pays any tax liability, penalty, or 873 interest specified in chapter 207 by a dishonored check, or if 874 the vehicle owner or motor carrier has failed to pay a penalty 875 for a weight or safety violation issued by the Department of 876 Transportation or the Department of Highway Safety and Motor 877 Vehicles Motor Carrier Compliance Office. The Department of 878 Transportation and the Department of Highway Safety and Motor 879 Vehicles may impound any commercial motor vehicle that has a 880 canceled license plate or fuel-use tax decal until the tax 881 liability, penalty, and interest specified in chapter 207, the 882 license tax, or the fuel-use decal fee, and applicable administrative fees have been paid for by certified funds. 883 884 Section 19. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (2) of section 320.275, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 885 886 320.275 Automobile Dealers Industry Advisory Board.-887 (2) MEMBERSHIP, TERMS, MEETINGS.-888 (a) The board shall be composed of 12 members. The 889 executive director of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor

890 Vehicles shall appoint the members from names submitted by the 891 entities for the designated categories the member will 892 represent. The executive director shall appoint one 893 representative of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor 894 Vehicles, who must represent the Division of Motor Vehicles; two 895 representatives of the independent motor vehicle industry as 896 recommended by the Florida Independent Automobile Dealers 897 Association; two representatives of the franchise motor vehicle 898 industry as recommended by the Florida Automobile Dealers 899 Association; one representative of the auction motor vehicle

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900 industry who is from an auction chain and is recommended by a 901 group affiliated with the National Auto Auction Association; one 902 representative of the auction motor vehicle industry who is from 903 an independent auction and is recommended by a group affiliated 904 with the National Auto Auction Association; one representative 905 from the Department of Revenue; a Florida tax collector 906 representative recommended by the Florida Tax Collectors 907 Association; one representative from the Better Business Bureau; 908 one representative from the Department of Agriculture and 909 Consumer Services, who must represent the Division of Consumer 910 Services; and one representative of the insurance industry who 911 writes motor vehicle dealer surety bonds.

912 (b)1. The executive director shall appoint the following 913 initial members to 1-year terms: one representative from the 914 motor vehicle auction industry who represents an auction chain, 915 one representative from the independent motor vehicle industry, 916 one representative from the franchise motor vehicle industry, 917 one representative from the Department of Revenue, one Florida 918 tax collector, and one representative from the Better Business 919 Bureau.

920 2. The executive director shall appoint the following 921 initial members to 2-year terms: one representative from the 922 motor vehicle auction industry who represents an independent 923 auction, one representative from the independent motor vehicle 924 industry, one representative from the franchise motor vehicle 92.5 industry, one representative from the Division of Consumer 926 Services, one representative from the insurance industry, and 927 one representative from the department Division of Motor Vehicles. 928

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929 3. As the initial terms expire, the executive director 930 shall appoint successors from the same designated category for 931 terms of 2 years. If renominated, a member may succeed himself 932 or herself.

933 4. The board shall appoint a chair and vice chair at its934 initial meeting and every 2 years thereafter.

935 Section 20. Subsection (1) of section 321.05, Florida 936 Statutes, is amended to read:

937 321.05 Duties, functions, and powers of patrol officers.-938 The members of the Florida Highway Patrol are hereby declared to 939 be conservators of the peace and law enforcement officers of the 940 state, with the common-law right to arrest a person who, in the 941 presence of the arresting officer, commits a felony or commits 942 an affray or breach of the peace constituting a misdemeanor, 943 with full power to bear arms; and they shall apprehend, without 944 warrant, any person in the unlawful commission of any of the 945 acts over which the members of the Florida Highway Patrol are 946 given jurisdiction as hereinafter set out and deliver him or her 947 to the sheriff of the county that further proceedings may be had 948 against him or her according to law. In the performance of any 949 of the powers, duties, and functions authorized by law, members 950 of the Florida Highway Patrol have the same protections and 951 immunities afforded other peace officers, which shall be 952 recognized by all courts having jurisdiction over offenses 953 against the laws of this state, and have authority to apply for, 954 serve, and execute search warrants, arrest warrants, capias, and 955 other process of the court. The patrol officers under the 956 direction and supervision of the Department of Highway Safety 957 and Motor Vehicles shall perform and exercise throughout the

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state the following duties, functions, and powers:

959 (1) To patrol the state highways and regulate, control, and 960 direct the movement of traffic thereon; to maintain the public 961 peace by preventing violence on highways; to apprehend fugitives 962 from justice; to enforce all laws now in effect regulating and 963 governing traffic, travel, and public safety upon the public 964 highways and providing for the protection of the public highways 965 and public property thereon, including the security and safety 966 of this state's transportation infrastructure; to make arrests 967 without warrant for the violation of any state law committed in 968 their presence in accordance with the laws of this state law; 969 providing that no search may shall be made unless it is incident 970 to a lawful arrest, to regulate and direct traffic 971 concentrations and congestions; to enforce laws governing the 972 operation, licensing, and taxing and limiting the size, weight, 973 width, length, and speed of vehicles and licensing and 974 controlling the operations of drivers and operators of vehicles, 975 including the safety, size, and weight of commercial motor vehicles; to cooperate with officials designated by law to 976 977 collect all state fees and revenues levied as an incident to the 978 use or right to use the highways for any purpose, including the 979 taxing and registration of commercial motor vehicles; to require 980 the drivers of vehicles to stop and exhibit their driver's 981 licenses, registration cards, or documents required by law to be 982 carried by such vehicles; to investigate traffic accidents, 983 secure testimony of witnesses and of persons involved, and make 984 report thereof with copy, if when requested in writing, to any 985 person in interest or his or her attorney; to investigate reported thefts of vehicles; and to seize contraband or stolen 986

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987	property on or being transported on the highways. Each patrol
988	officer of the Florida Highway Patrol is subject to and has the
989	same arrest and other authority provided for law enforcement
990	officers generally in chapter 901 and has statewide
991	jurisdiction. Each officer also has arrest authority as provided
992	for state law enforcement officers in s. 901.15. This section
993	does shall not be construed as being in conflict with, but is
994	supplemental to, chapter 933.
995	Section 21. Subsections (2), (3), (4), and (5) of section
996	321.23, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
997	321.23 Public records; fees for copies; destruction of
998	obsolete records; photographing records; effect as evidence
999	(2) Fees for copies of public records shall be charged and
1000	collected as follows:
1001	(a) For a crash report, a copy\$10
1002	(b) For a homicide report, a copy\$25
1003	(c) For a uniform traffic citation, a copy\$0.50
1004	<u>(d)</u> Photographs (accidents, etc.):
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1006	Enlargement Color Black &
1007	Proof White
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1009	1. 5" x 7" \$1.00 \$0.75
1010	2. 8" x 10" \$1.50 \$1.00
1011	3. 11" x 14" Not Available \$1.75
1012	4. 16" x 20" Not Available \$2.75
1013	5. 20" x 24" Not Available \$3.75
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1015	<del>(d)</del> The department shall furnish such information without charge
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1016 to any local, state, or federal law enforcement agency upon 1017 proof satisfactory to the department as to the purpose of the 1018 investigation.

(3) Fees collected under this section shall be deposited in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund, unless the department provides the crash report online, in which case the department may distribute up to \$5 of the amount collected per copy to the investigating agency.

(4) The department <u>may</u> is authorized to destroy reports, records, documents, papers, and correspondence which are considered obsolete.

1027 (5) The department may scan, is authorized to photograph, 1028 microphotograph, or reproduce on film such documents, records, 1029 and reports as it may select. The photographs or 1030 microphotographs in the form of film or print of any records 1031 made in compliance with the provisions of this section shall 1032 have the same force and effect as the originals thereof would 1033 have and shall be treated as originals for the purpose of their 1034 admissibility in evidence. Duly certified or authenticated 1035 reproductions of such photographs or microphotographs shall be 1036 admitted in evidence equally with the original photographs or 1037 microphotographs.

1038 Section 22. Subsection (3) of section 322.02, Florida 1039 Statutes, is amended to read:

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322.02 Legislative intent; administration.-

1041 (3) The department shall employ a director, who is charged 1042 with the duty of serving as the executive officer of the 1043 Division of <u>Motorist Services</u> <del>Driver Licenses</del> of the department 1044 insofar as the administration of this chapter is concerned. He

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1045 or she shall be subject to the supervision and direction of the 1046 department, and his or her official actions and decisions as 1047 executive officer shall be conclusive unless the same are 1048 superseded or reversed by the department or by a court of 1049 competent jurisdiction.

Section 23. Subsections (1) and (5) of section 322.135, Florida Statutes, are amended, and subsection (7) is added to that section, to read:

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322.135 Driver's license agents.-

(1) The department shall, upon application, authorize <u>by</u> interagency agreement any or all of the tax collectors <u>who are</u> constitutional officers under s. 1(d), Art. VIII of the State Constitution 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.

1061 (a) These services shall be limited to the issuance of 1062 driver's licenses and identification cards as authorized by this 1063 chapter.

1064 (b) Each tax collector who is authorized by the department 1065 to provide driver's license services shall bear all costs 1066 associated with providing those services.

1067 (c) A service fee of \$6.25 shall be charged, in addition to
1068 the fees set forth in this chapter, for providing all services
1069 pursuant to this chapter. The service fee may not be charged:

1070 1. More than once per customer during a single visit to a 1071 tax collector's office.

1072 2. For a reexamination requested by the Medical Advisory1073 Board or required pursuant to s. 322.221.

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3. For a voter registration transaction.

4. In violation of any federal or state law.

(5) All driver's license issuance services shall be assumed 1077 by the tax collectors who are constitutional officers under s. 1078 1(d), Art. VIII of the State Constitution by June 30, 2015. The 1079 implementation shall follow the schedule outlined in the 1080 transition report of February 1, 2011, which was required pursuant to chapter 2010-163, Laws of Florida. The department, 1081 1082 in conjunction with the Florida Tax Collectors Association and the Florida Association of Counties, shall develop a plan to 1083 transition all driver's license issuance services to the county 1084 1085 tax collectors who are constitutional officers under s. 1(d), 1086 Art. VIII of the State Constitution. The transition plan must be 1087 submitted to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the 1088 House of Representatives on or before February 1, 2011. The 1089 transition plan must include a timeline to complete the full transition of all driver's license issuance services no later 1090 than June 30, 2015, and may include, but is not limited to, 1091 1092 recommendations on the use of regional service centers, 1093 interlocal agreements, and equipment.

(7) The department may create exceptions by rule for tax collectors who cannot provide full driver's license services due to the small population in the tax collectors' county.

Section 24. Subsections (9), (10), (13), (14), and (16) of 1098 section 322.20, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 1099 322.20 Records of the department; fees; destruction of 1100 records.-

(9) The department may, upon application, furnish to any 1101 person, from its the records of the Division of Driver Licenses, 1102

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1103 a list of the names, addresses, and birth dates of the licensed 1104 drivers of the entire state or any portion thereof by age group. 1105 In addition, the department may furnish to the courts, for the purpose of establishing jury selection lists, the names, 1106 1107 addresses, and birth dates of the persons of the entire state or 1108 any portion thereof by age group having identification cards 1109 issued by the department. Each person who requests such 1110 information shall pay a fee, set by the department, of 1 cent 1111 per name listed, except that the department shall furnish such 1112 information without charge to the courts for the purpose of jury 1113 selection or to any state agency or to any state attorney, 1114 sheriff, or chief of police. Such court, state agency, state 1115 attorney, or law enforcement agency may not sell, give away, or 1116 allow the copying of such information. Noncompliance with this 1117 prohibition shall authorize the department to charge the 1118 noncomplying court, state agency, state attorney, or law 1119 enforcement agency the appropriate fee for any subsequent lists 1120 requested. The department may adopt rules necessary to implement 1121 this subsection.

(10) The <u>department</u> Division of Driver Licenses is authorized, upon application of any person and payment of the proper fees, to search and to assist such person in the search of the records of the department and make reports thereof and to make photographic copies of the departmental records and attestations thereof.

(13) The <u>department</u> Division of Driver Licenses shall implement a system that allows either parent of a minor, or a guardian, or other responsible adult who signed a minor's application for a driver's license to have Internet access

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1132 through a secure website to inspect the minor's driver history 1133 record. Internet access to driver history records granted to a 1134 minor's parents, guardian, or other responsible adult shall be 1135 furnished by the department at no fee and shall terminate when 1136 the minor attains 18 years of age.

(14) The department is authorized in accordance with chapter 257 to destroy reports, records, documents, papers, and correspondence in the Division of Driver Licenses which are considered obsolete.

(16) The creation and maintenance of records by <u>the</u> Division of Motorist Services within the department <del>and the</del> <del>Division of Driver Licenses</del> pursuant to this chapter shall not be regarded as law enforcement functions of agency recordkeeping.

1146 Section 25. Section 322.202, Florida Statutes, is amended 1147 to read:

1148 322.202 Admission of evidence obtained from the Division of 1149 <u>Motorist Services</u> <del>Driver Licenses and the Division of Motor</del> 1150 <del>Vehicles</del>.-

1151 (1) The Legislature finds that the Division of Motorist 1152 Services Driver Licenses and the Division of Motor Vehicles of 1153 the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles is are not a 1154 law enforcement agency agencies. The Legislature also finds that 1155 the division is not an adjunct divisions are not adjuncts of any 1156 law enforcement agency in that employees have no stake in 1157 particular prosecutions. The Legislature further finds that 1158 errors in records maintained by the divisions are not within the 1159 collective knowledge of any law enforcement agency. The 1160 Legislature also finds that the missions of the division of

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1161 Driver Licenses, the Division of Motor Vehicles, and the 1162 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles provide a 1163 sufficient incentive to maintain records in a current and 1164 correct fashion.

(2) The Legislature finds that the purpose of the exclusionary rule is to deter misconduct on the part of law enforcement officers and law enforcement agencies.

(3) The Legislature finds that the application of the exclusionary rule to cases where a law enforcement officer effects an arrest based on objectively reasonable reliance on information obtained from the divisions is repugnant to the purposes of the exclusionary rule and contrary to the decisions of the United States Supreme Court in Arizona v. Evans, 514 U.S. 1174 1 (1995) and United States v. Leon, 468 U.S. 897 (1984).

(4) In any case where a law enforcement officer effects an arrest based on objectively reasonable reliance on information obtained from the divisions, evidence found pursuant to such an arrest shall not be suppressed by application of the exclusionary rule on the grounds that the arrest is subsequently determined to be unlawful due to erroneous information obtained from the divisions.

1182 Section 26. Paragraphs (e) and (f) of subsection (1) and 1183 subsection (2) of section 322.21, Florida Statutes, are amended 1184 to read:

1185 322.21 License fees; procedure for handling and collecting
1186 fees.-

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(1) Except as otherwise provided herein, the fee for:

(e) A replacement driver's license issued pursuant to s.322.17 is \$25. Of this amount \$7 shall be deposited into the

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1190 Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund and \$18 shall be deposited 1191 into the General Revenue Fund. Beginning July 1, 2015, or upon 1192 completion of the transition of driver's license issuance 1193 services, if the replacement driver's license is issued by the 1194 tax collector, the tax collector shall retain the \$7 that would 1195 otherwise be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust 1196 Fund and the remaining revenues shall be deposited into the 1197 General Revenue Fund. (f) An original, renewal, or replacement identification 1198 card issued pursuant to s. 322.051 is \$25. Funds collected from 1199 1200 these fees shall be distributed as follows: 1201 1. For an original identification card issued pursuant to 1202 s. 322.051 the fee is \$25. This amount shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund. 1203 1204 2. For a renewal identification card issued pursuant to s. 1205 322.051 the fee is \$25. Of this amount, \$6 shall be deposited 1206 into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund and \$19 shall be 1207 deposited into the General Revenue Fund. 1208 3. For a replacement identification card issued pursuant to 1209 s. 322.051 the fee is \$25. Of this amount, \$9 shall be deposited 1210 into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund and \$16 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund. Beginning July 1, 2015, 1211 1212 or upon completion of the transition of the driver's license 1213 issuance services, if the replacement identification card is 1214 issued by the tax collector, the tax collector shall retain the 1215 \$9 that would otherwise be deposited into the Highway Safety 1216 Operating Trust Fund and the remaining revenues shall be 1217 deposited into the General Revenue Fund. 1218 (2) It is the duty of the director of the Division of

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1219	Motorist Services <del>Driver Licenses</del> to set up a division in the
1220	department with the necessary personnel to perform the necessary
1221	clerical and routine work for the department in issuing and
1222	recording applications, licenses, and certificates of
1223	eligibility, including the receiving and accounting of all
1224	license funds and their payment into the State Treasury, and
1225	other incidental clerical work connected with the administration
1226	of this chapter. The department may use such electronic,
1227	mechanical, or other devices as necessary to accomplish the
1228	purposes of this chapter.
1229	Section 27. Subsection (8) is added to section 322.56,
1230	Florida Statutes, to read:
1231	322.56 Contracts for administration of driver's license
1232	examination
1233	(8) The department shall contract with providers of
1234	approved online traffic law and substance abuse education
1235	courses to serve as third-party providers to conduct online, on
1236	behalf of the department, examinations required pursuant to ss.
1237	322.12 and 322.1615 to applicants for Class E learner's driver's
1238	licenses.
1239	(a) The online testing program shall:
1240	1. Use personal questions before the examination, which the
1241	applicant is required to answer during the examination, to
1242	strengthen test security to deter fraud;
1243	2. Require, before the start of the examination, the
1244	applicant's parent, guardian, or other responsible adult who
1245	meets the requirements of s. 322.09 to provide the third-party
1246	administrator with his or her driver's license number and to
1247	certify that the parent, guardian, or responsible adult will
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1248 monitor the applicant during the examination; and 1249 3. Require, before issuance by the department of a 1250 learner's driver's license to an applicant who has passed an 1251 online examination, the applicant's parent, guardian, or other 1252 responsible adult who meets the requirements of s. 322.09 to 1253 certify to the department that he or she monitored the applicant 1254 during the online examination. This certification shall be 1255 similar to the certification required by s. 322.05(3). This 1256 subsection does not preclude the department from continuing to 1257 provide written examinations at driver's license facilities. 1258 (b) All data regarding an applicant's completion of the 1259 examinations required in ss. 322.12 and 322.1615 must be 1260 submitted to the department electronically in a format specified 1261 by the department. This shall be the official documentation for 1262 the completion of the examination. A third-party provider that 1263 is found to be in violation of this paragraph is automatically 1264 ineligible to provide online testing on behalf of the department 1265 for a minimum of 1 year. 1266 (c) The department may adopt rules to administer this 1267 subsection. 1268 Section 28. Subsection (32) of section 334.044, Florida 1269 Statutes, is repealed. 1270 Section 29. Subsection (2) of section 413.012, Florida 1271 Statutes, is amended to read: 1272 413.012 Confidential records disclosure prohibited; 1273 exemptions.-1274 (2) It is unlawful for any person to disclose, authorize 1275 the disclosure, solicit, receive, or make use of any list of 1276 names and addresses or any record containing any information set

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1277 forth in subsection (1) and maintained in the division. The 1278 prohibition provided for in this subsection shall not apply to 1279 the use of such information for purposes directly connected with 1280 the administration of the vocational rehabilitation program or 1281 with the monthly dispatch to the Division of Motorist Services 1282 Driver Licenses of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor 1283 Vehicles of the name in full, place and date of birth, sex, 1284 social security number, and resident address of individuals with 1285 central visual acuity 20/200 or less in the better eye with 1286 correcting glasses, or a disqualifying field defect in which the 1287 peripheral field has contracted to such an extent that the 1288 widest diameter or visual field subtends an angular distance no 1289 greater than 20 degrees. When requested in writing by an 1290 applicant or client, or her or his representative, the Division 1291 of Blind Services shall release confidential information to the applicant or client or her or his representative. 1292 1293 Section 30. Paragraph (c) of subsection (3) of section 1294 921.0022, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1295 921.0022 Criminal Punishment Code; offense severity ranking 1296 chart.-1297 (3) OFFENSE SEVERITY RANKING CHART 1298 (c) LEVEL 3 Florida Description Felony Statute Degree 1299 Unlawful use of confidential information 119.10(2)(b) 3rd from police reports. 1300 316.066 3rd Unlawfully obtaining or using

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1 2 0 1	<u>(3) <del>(4)</del> (b) – (d)</u>		confidential crash reports.
1301 1302	316.193(2)(b)	3rd	Felony DUI, 3rd conviction.
1302	316.1935(2)	3rd	Fleeing or attempting to elude law enforcement officer in patrol vehicle with siren and lights activated.
	319.30(4)	3rd	Possession by junkyard of motor vehicle with identification number plate removed.
1304	319.33(1)(a)	3rd	Alter or forge any certificate of title to a motor vehicle or mobile home.
1305	319.33(1)(c)	3rd	Procure or pass title on stolen vehicle.
1306	319.33(4)	3rd	With intent to defraud, possess, sell, etc., a blank, forged, or unlawfully obtained title or registration.
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1308	327.35(2)(b)	3rd	Felony BUI.
1309	328.05(2)	3rd	Possess, sell, or counterfeit fictitious, stolen, or fraudulent titles or bills of sale of vessels.
1309	328.07(4)	3rd	Manufacture, exchange, or possess vessel with counterfeit or wrong ID number.
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1310			
1311	376.302(5)	3rd	Fraud related to reimbursement for cleanup expenses under the Inland Protection Trust Fund.
	379.2431 (1)(e)5.	3rd	Taking, disturbing, mutilating, destroying, causing to be destroyed, transferring, selling, offering to sell, molesting, or harassing marine turtles, marine turtle eggs, or marine turtle nests in violation of the Marine Turtle Protection Act.
1312	379.2431 (1)(e)6.	3rd	Soliciting to commit or conspiring to commit a violation of the Marine Turtle Protection Act.
1313	400.9935(4)	3rd	Operating a clinic without a license or filing false license application or other required information.
	440.1051(3)	3rd	False report of workers' compensation fraud or retaliation for making such a report.
1315 1316	501.001(2)(b)	2nd	Tampers with a consumer product or the container using materially false/misleading information.

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1317	624.401(4)(a)	3rd	Transacting insurance without a certificate of authority.
1017	624.401(4)(b)1.	3rd	Transacting insurance without a certificate of authority; premium collected less than \$20,000.
1318			
	626.902(1)(a) & (b)	3rd	Representing an unauthorized insurer.
1319			
	697.08	3rd	Equity skimming.
1320			
	790.15(3)	3rd	Person directs another to discharge firearm from a vehicle.
1321			
	796.05(1)	3rd	Live on earnings of a prostitute.
1322			
	806.10(1)	3rd	Maliciously injure, destroy, or interfere with vehicles or equipment used in firefighting.
1323			used in interigneing.
1929	806.10(2)	3rd	Interferes with or assaults firefighter in performance of duty.
1 2 2 4			in periormance or ducy.
1324	810.09(2)(c)	3rd	Trespass on property other than structure or conveyance armed with
1325			firearm or dangerous weapon.
1973	812.014(2)(c)2.	3rd	Grand theft; \$5,000 or more but less
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1326			than \$10,000.
1320	812.0145(2)(c)	3rd	Theft from person 65 years of age or older; \$300 or more but less than \$10,000.
1327	815.04(4)(b)	2nd	Computer offense devised to defraud or obtain property.
1328	817.034(4)(a)3.	3rd	Engages in scheme to defraud (Florida Communications Fraud Act), property valued at less than \$20,000.
1329 1330	817.233	3rd	Burning to defraud insurer.
1331	817.234 (8)(b)-(c)	3rd	Unlawful solicitation of persons involved in motor vehicle accidents.
	817.234(11)(a)	3rd	Insurance fraud; property value less than \$20,000.
1332	817.236	3rd	Filing a false motor vehicle insurance application.
1333	817.2361	3rd	Creating, marketing, or presenting a false or fraudulent motor vehicle insurance card.
1334	817.413(2)	3rd	Sale of used goods as new.

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1335			
	817.505(4)	3rd	Patient brokering.
1336	828.12(2)	3rd	Tortures any animal with intent to inflict intense pain, serious physical injury, or death.
1337			
	831.28(2)(a)	3rd	Counterfeiting a payment instrument with intent to defraud or possessing a counterfeit payment instrument.
1338	831.29		Description of instruments for
	831.29	2nd	Possession of instruments for counterfeiting drivers' licenses or identification cards.
1339			
	838.021(3)(b)	3rd	Threatens unlawful harm to public servant.
1340			
	843.19	3rd	Injure, disable, or kill police dog or horse.
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1040	860.15(3)	3rd	Overcharging for repairs and parts.
1342	870.01(2)	3rd	Riot; inciting or encouraging.
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	893.13(1)(a)2.	3rd	<pre>Sell, manufacture, or deliver cannabis (or other s. 893.03(1)(c), (2)(c)1., (2)(c)2., (2)(c)3., (2)(c)5., (2)(c)6., (2)(c)7., (2)(c)8., (2)(c)9., (3), or</pre>
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1344			(4) drugs).
1345	893.13(1)(d)2.	2nd	<pre>Sell, manufacture, or deliver s. 893.03(1)(c), (2)(c)1., (2)(c)2., (2)(c)3., (2)(c)5., (2)(c)6., (2)(c)7., (2)(c)8., (2)(c)9., (3), or (4) drugs within 1,000 feet of university.</pre>
1346	893.13(1)(f)2.	2nd	<pre>Sell, manufacture, or deliver s. 893.03(1)(c), (2)(c)1., (2)(c)2., (2)(c)3., (2)(c)5., (2)(c)6., (2)(c)7., (2)(c)8., (2)(c)9., (3), or (4) drugs within 1,000 feet of public housing facility.</pre>
1347	893.13(6)(a)	3rd	Possession of any controlled substance other than felony possession of cannabis.
	893.13(7)(a)8.	3rd	Withhold information from practitioner regarding previous receipt of or prescription for a controlled substance.
1348	893.13(7)(a)9.	3rd	Obtain or attempt to obtain controlled substance by fraud, forgery, misrepresentation, etc.
1349	893.13(7)(a)10.	3rd	Affix false or forged label to package of controlled substance.

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1351	893.13(7)(a)11.	3rd	Furnish false or fraudulent material information on any document or record required by chapter 893.
1352	893.13(8)(a)1.	3rd	Knowingly assist a patient, other person, or owner of an animal in obtaining a controlled substance through deceptive, untrue, or fraudulent representations in or related to the practitioner's practice.
1353	893.13(8)(a)2.	3rd	Employ a trick or scheme in the practitioner's practice to assist a patient, other person, or owner of an animal in obtaining a controlled substance.
1354	893.13(8)(a)3.	3rd	Knowingly write a prescription for a controlled substance for a fictitious person.
	893.13(8)(a)4.	3rd	Write a prescription for a controlled substance for a patient, other person, or an animal if the sole purpose of writing the prescription is a monetary benefit for the practitioner.
1355	918.13(1)(a)	3rd	Alter, destroy, or conceal investigation Page 52 of 55

			evidence.	
1356				
	944.47	3rd	Introduce contraband to correctional	
	(1) (a)12.		facility.	
1357				
	944.47(1)(c)	2nd	Possess contraband while upon the	
			grounds of a correctional institution.	
1358				
	985.721	3rd	Escapes from a juvenile facility (secure	
			detention or residential commitment	
			facility).	
1359				
1360	Section 31.	Effect	ive July 1, 2011, a Law Enforcement	
1361	Consolidation Task Force is created.			
1362	(1) Members of the task force shall consist of the			
1363	executive director of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor			
1364	Vehicles, the executive director of the Department of Law			
1365	Enforcement, a representative from the Office of the Attorney			
1366	General, a representative from the Department of Agriculture and			
1367	Consumer Services, the Colonel of the Florida Highway Patrol,			
1368	the Colonel of the	ne Divis	sion of Law Enforcement of the Fish and	
1369	Wildlife Conserva	ation Co	ommission, a representative from the	
1370	<u>Florida Sheriffs</u>	Associa	ation, and a representative from the	
1371	<u>Florida Police C</u>	niefs As	ssociation.	
1372	(2) The Depa	artment	of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles	
1373	shall provide ad	ministra	ative assistance to the task force.	
1374	However, this doe	es not :	include travel expenses incurred by	
1375	members of the ta	ask for	ce, which shall be borne by the agency	
1376	that the member :	represe	nts.	
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1377	(3) The task force shall evaluate any duplication of law
1378	enforcement functions throughout state government and identify
1379	any functions that are appropriate for possible consolidation.
1380	The task force shall also evaluate administrative functions,
1381	including, but not limited to, accreditation, training, legal
1382	representation, vehicle fleets, aircraft, civilian-support
1383	staffing, information technology, and geographic regions,
1384	districts, or troops currently in use. The task force shall also
1385	evaluate whether the Florida Highway Patrol should limit its
1386	jurisdiction, except while in fresh pursuit, to the State
1387	Highway System or the Florida Intrastate Highway System. If the
1388	task force concludes that any state law enforcement
1389	consolidation is appropriate, the task force shall make
1390	recommendations and submit a plan to consolidate those state law
1391	enforcement responsibilities. Any plan submitted must include
1392	recommendations on the methodology to be used to achieve any
1393	state law enforcement consolidation recommended by the task
1394	force by June 30, 2013. The task force shall submit to the
1395	President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of
1396	Representatives a report which includes any recommendations and
1397	plan developed by the task force by December 31, 2011. The task
1398	force expires June 30, 2012.
1399	Section 32. (1) The Office of Motor Carrier Compliance of
1400	the Department of Transportation is transferred to the Division
1401	of the Florida Highway Patrol of the Department of Highway
1402	Safety and Motor Vehicles as provided in Senate Bill 2000 of the
1403	General Appropriations Act for the 2011-2012 fiscal year.
1404	(2) Notwithstanding ss. 216.192 and 216.351, Florida
1405	Statutes, upon approval by the Legislative Budget Commission,
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1406	the Executive Office of the Governor may transfer funds and
1407	positions between agencies to implement this section.
1408	Section 33. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.