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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

House

The Committee on Transportation (Evers) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment to Amendment (880028) (with title amendment)

Delete lines 42 - 90

and insert:

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320.08052 Corporate license plate pilot program.-

(1) The department may create a Corporate License Plate

8 <u>Pilot Program in Orange, Pasco, or Pinellas Counties. The</u>
9 department may enter into agreements with any business entity,

10 advertising firm, or for-profit business that provides the

11 department with the required legal documentation to use

12 <u>corporate logos on license plates issued in this state.</u>

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13 (2) The design for a corporate license plate must be approved by the department and have the word "Florida" at the 14 top. The department may reject any license plate design deemed 15 by it to be objectionable, including, but not limited to, any 16 design that displays or relates to pornography, alcohol, or 17 18 tobacco. A corporate license plate may be personalized as provided in s. 320.0805 but must be approved by the corporate 19 20 sponsor and the department before issuance.

21 (3) A vehicle owner may apply for a corporate license plate for any motor vehicle registered in the owner's name which 22 23 weighs 7,999 pounds or less, except for a motorcycle or moped, 24 and which is also registered as a vehicle for private use. Each 25 application must be accompanied by an application fee that is 50 26 percent less than the current registration fee. The application by any vehicle owner for a corporate license plate must, upon 27 acceptance, authorize the department to provide the applicant's 28 29 name and address to the corporate sponsor in compliance with s. 119.0712(2). Upon approval of the application, the corporate 30 31 sponsor shall immediately remit to the department a fee of no 32 less than \$75. The department shall issue the appropriate 33 corporate plate to the vehicle owner, along with a registration and decal, and the registration is valid for one registration 34 35 period, which may not exceed 15 months. All applicable registration fees authorized by this chapter shall be paid and 36 37 distributed as provided in this chapter from the proceeds of the 38 fees paid pursuant to this subsection. Of the proceeds remaining 39 after distribution of the registration fees, \$2 shall be distributed pro rata to the sponsors of all other specialty 40 license plates issued under this chapter based on the 41

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42	proportional amount of each specialty plate's sales relative to
43	the total sales of specialty plates. All remaining proceeds from
44	sales of the corporate license plates and amounts collected
45	under the agreements authorized in subsection (1) shall be
46	deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund to fund
47	the general operations of the department.
48	(4) A corporate sponsor may participate in the Corporate
49	License Plate Pilot Program by submitting an initial application
50	fee to the department of at least \$5,000 for the purchase of
51	initial inventory. To be eligible to participate in the program,
52	a corporate sponsor must provide evidence of the ability to pay
53	\$75 per vehicle owner for a minimum of 5,000 vehicle owners.
54	(5) The department shall adopt rules to administer this
55	section.
56	(6) The Corporate License Plate Pilot Program shall begin
57	on October 1, 2011, and end on October 1, 2013. The department
58	shall issue a report to the Speaker of the House of
59	Representatives and the President of the Senate by October 1,
60	2012, outlining the number of corporate license plates sold and
61	the number of corporations participating in the pilot program.
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64	And the title is amended as follows:
65	Delete lines 102 - 115
66	and insert:
67	Safety and Motor Vehicles to establish a pilot program
68	to create corporate license plates; authorizing the
69	department to enter into agreements with certain
70	entities that provide the department with the required

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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71 legal documentation to use corporate logos; providing 72 requirements for designs used on the corporate license 73 plates; providing for the procedure, including 74 requirements and fees, for vehicle owners who apply 75 for corporate license plates; providing for the 76 distribution of the proceeds from the registration 77 fees and from sales of the corporate license plates 78 and amounts collected under the agreements; authorizing corporate sponsors to participate in the 79 pilot program; providing for the future termination of 80 81 the program; requiring a report to the Legislature; 82 providing eligibility