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## LEGISLATIVE ACTION Senate House Comm: RCS 03/22/2017

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

## Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

3 Delete everything after the enacting clause 4 and insert:

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Section 1. Subsection (5) is added to section 323.002, Florida Statutes, to read:

323.002 County and municipal wrecker operator systems; penalties for operation outside of system.-

(5) (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), a county or municipality may not adopt or maintain in effect an ordinance or 11

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rule that imposes a charge, cost, expense, fine, fee, or penalty, other than the reasonable costs of towing and storage incurred by an authorized wrecker operator, on the registered owner or lienholder of a vehicle removed and impounded by an authorized wrecker operator under this chapter.

(b) A county or municipality may impose a reasonable fee or charge for towing and storage expenses, not to exceed the maximum rates approved by ordinance or rule under s. 125.0103 or s. 166.043, on the legal owner of a vehicle if a county or municipal law enforcement officer has caused the owner's vehicle to be towed to and impounded at a facility owned by the county or municipality.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017. ======= T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========== And the title is amended as follows:

Delete everything before the enacting clause and insert:

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to towing and storage fees; amending s. 323.002, F.S.; prohibiting counties and municipalities from imposing additional charges, costs, expenses, fines, fees, or penalties on a registered owner or lienholder of a vehicle; providing an exception; providing an effective date.