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1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to fees; amending s. 320.08001, F.S.; 3 creating an additional fee for electric vehicles; creating a license tax and an additional fee for 4 5 hybrid vehicles; providing for the distribution of 6 proceeds from the additional fees; requiring, on 7 specified dates, the Department of Highway Safety and 8 Motor Vehicles to increase the additional fees, 9 subject to certain requirements; providing that 10 certain vehicles are exempt from specified fees; providing for the future expiration and reversion of 11 12 specified statutory text; providing a contingent effective date. 13 14 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 15 16 17 Section 1. Section 320.08001, Florida Statutes, is amended 18 to read: 19 320.08001 Low-speed, electric, and hybrid vehicles; 20 license tax.-21 The license tax for a an electric vehicle or low-speed vehicle is the same as that prescribed in s. 320.08 for a 22 23 vehicle that is not electrically powered. 24 The license tax for an electric vehicle weighing

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less than 8,000 pounds is the same as that prescribed in s.

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320.08 for a vehicle that is not electrically powered, plus an additional \$135 flat fee. Beginning on January 1, 2025, the license tax for an electric vehicle weighing less than 8,000 pounds is the same as that prescribed in s. 320.08 for a vehicle that is not electrically powered, plus an additional \$150 flat fee.

- (b) The license tax for an electric vehicle weighing 8,000 pounds or more is the same as that prescribed in s. 320.08 for a vehicle that is not electrically powered, plus an additional \$235 flat fee. Beginning on January 1, 2025, the license tax for an electric vehicle weighing 8,000 pounds or more is the same as that prescribed in s. 320.08 for a vehicle that is not electrically powered, plus an additional \$250 flat fee.
- (c) Fifty percent of the proceeds of the additional flat fee must be deposited into the State Transportation Trust Fund, and 50 percent must be deposited into the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Grant Program created under s. 339.286.
- (3) The license tax for a hybrid vehicle as defined in s. 316.0741 is the same as that prescribed in s. 320.08 for a vehicle that is not partially powered by a rechargeable energy-storage system, plus an additional \$35 flat fee. Beginning on January 1, 2025, the license tax for a hybrid vehicle as defined in s. 316.0741 is the same as that prescribed in s. 320.08 for a vehicle that is not partially powered by a rechargeable energy-storage system, plus an additional \$50 flat fee. The proceeds of

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the additional flat fee must be deposited into the State Transportation Trust Fund.

- (4) On January 1, 2024, and every 5 years thereafter, the department shall increase the additional flat fees imposed under subsections (2) and (3) to ensure that the additional fees reflect any upward adjustment in the South Region Consumer Price Index compiled by the United States Department of Labor. The fee increase must be equal to the average percentage change in the South Region Consumer Price Index for the prior 5 years.
- (5) A low-speed, electric, or hybrid vehicle that uses a battery storage system of up to 5 kilowatt hours is exempt from any fee imposed under this section.

Section 2. The amendments made by this act to s.

320.08001, Florida Statutes, expire on July 1, 2030, and the

text of that section shall revert to that in existence on June

30, 2020, except that any amendments to such text enacted other

than by this act must be preserved and continue to operate to

the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the

portions of text which expire pursuant to this section.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020, but only if HB 1219 or similar legislation takes effect, if such legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension thereof and becomes a law.