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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to age and licensure requirements for
3 operation of a golf cart; amending s. 316.212, F.S.;
4 prohibiting a person from operating a golf cart on
5 certain roadways unless he or she possesses a valid
6 learner's driver license or valid driver license that
7 is not suspended or revoked; amending s. 322.04, F.S.;
8 conforming a provision to changes made by the act;
9 providing an effective date.

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11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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13 Section 1. Subsection (7) of section 316.212, Florida
14 Statutes, is amended, and subsection (9) of that section is
15 republished, to read:

16 316.212 Operation of golf carts on certain roadways.—The
17 operation of a golf cart upon the public roads or streets of
18 this state is prohibited except as provided herein:

19 (7) A golf cart may not be operated on public roads or
20 streets by a any person:

21 (a) Who is under 16 years of age unless he or she possesses
22 a valid learner's driver license that is not suspended or
23 revoked.

24 (b) Who is 16 years of age or older unless he or she
25 possesses a valid learner's driver license or valid driver
26 license that is not suspended or revoked ~~the age of 14.~~

27 (9) A violation of this section is a noncriminal traffic
28 infraction, punishable pursuant to chapter 318 as a moving
29 violation for infractions of subsections (1)-(5) or a local

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30 ordinance corresponding thereto and enacted pursuant to
31 subsection (8), or punishable pursuant to chapter 318 as a
32 nonmoving violation for infractions of subsection (6),
33 subsection (7), or a local ordinance corresponding thereto and
34 enacted pursuant to subsection (8).

35 Section 2. Paragraph (e) of subsection (1) of section
36 322.04, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

37 322.04 Persons exempt from obtaining driver license.—

38 (1) The following persons are exempt from obtaining a
39 driver license:

40 ~~(e) Any person operating a golf cart, as defined in s.~~
41 ~~320.01, which is operated in accordance with the provisions of~~
42 ~~s. 316.212.~~

43 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.