

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to mobile cranes and accessory support
3 vehicles; amending s. 316.003, F.S.; revising the
4 definition of the term "special mobile equipment";
5 amending s. 316.550, F.S.; authorizing the Department
6 of Transportation to issue a special blanket permit
7 for a mobile crane operating on and off the Interstate
8 Highway System to tow a certain motor vehicle;
9 authorizing the department to issue a special blanket
10 permit for a mobile crane and accessory support
11 vehicle of certain dimensions to travel on and off the
12 Interstate Highway System at all hours, subject to
13 local restrictions; authorizing the department to
14 issue a special blanket permit for a mobile crane and
15 accessory support vehicle exceeding certain weight
16 limits to travel on and off the Interstate Highway
17 System; providing an effective date.

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

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21 **Section 1. Subsection (83) of section 316.003, Florida**
22 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

23 316.003 Definitions.—The following words and phrases, when
24 used in this chapter, shall have the meanings respectively
25 ascribed to them in this section, except where the context

26 otherwise requires:

27 (83) SPECIAL MOBILE EQUIPMENT.—Any vehicle not designed or
 28 used primarily for the transportation of persons or property and
 29 only incidentally operated or moved over a highway, including,
 30 but not limited to, ditchdigging apparatus, well-boring
 31 apparatus, and road construction and maintenance machinery, such
 32 as asphalt spreaders, bituminous mixers, bucket loaders,
 33 tractors other than truck tractors, ditchers, leveling graders,
 34 finishing machines, motor graders, road rollers, scarifiers,
 35 earthmoving carryalls and scrapers, power shovels and draglines,
 36 mobile and self-propelled cranes and accessory support vehicles,
 37 and self-propelled earthmoving equipment. The term does not
 38 include house trailers, dump trucks, truck-mounted transit
 39 mixers, ~~cranes or shovels,~~ or other vehicles designed for the
 40 transportation of persons or property to which machinery has
 41 been attached.

42 **Section 2. Subsection (3) of section 316.550, Florida**
 43 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

44 316.550 Operations not in conformity with law; special
 45 permits.—

46 (3) (a) The Department of Transportation may issue a mobile
 47 crane special blanket permit to authorize a mobile ~~A permit may~~
 48 ~~authorize a self-propelled truck~~ crane operating on and off the
 49 Interstate Highway System to tow a motor vehicle which does not
 50 weigh more than 5,000 pounds if the combined weight of the crane

51 and such motor vehicle does not exceed 95,000 pounds.
52 Notwithstanding s. 320.01(7) or (12), truck cranes that tow
53 another motor vehicle under ~~the provision of~~ this subsection
54 shall be taxed under ~~the provisions of~~ s. 320.08(5) (b).

55 (b) The Department of Transportation may issue a mobile
56 crane special blanket permit to authorize a mobile crane and
57 accessory support vehicle of up to 12 feet wide, 14 feet 6
58 inches high, and 100 feet long to travel on and off the
59 Interstate Highway System at all hours except as restricted
60 under local travel-related curfews.

61 (c) The Department of Transportation may issue a mobile
62 crane special blanket permit to authorize a mobile crane and
63 accessory support vehicle which, due to its design for use,
64 exceeds the weight limits established in s. 316.535 to travel on
65 and off the Interstate Highway System.

66 **Section 3.** This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.