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An act relating to golf cart crossings; amending s. 316.212, F.S.; authorizing operation of a golf cart for the purpose of crossing certain highways under certain conditions; requiring certain counties and municipalities to post certain signs; requiring certain permits; providing penalties; providing an effective date.

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

- Section 1. Subsection (9) of section 316.212, Florida Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (10) and amended, and a new subsection (9) is added to that section to read:
- 316.212 Operation of golf carts on certain roadways.—The operation of a golf cart upon the public roads or streets of this state is prohibited except as provided herein:
- (9) (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a golf cart may be operated for the purpose of crossing a highway of five lanes or more upon a golf cart crossing at a signalized intersection if the Department of Transportation has reviewed and approved the location and design of the crossing and all of the following conditions are met:
- 1. The roadway perpendicular to the crossing must have a speed limit of 35 miles per hour or less, which must be posted

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on either side of the crossing.

- 2. The perpendicular roadway approaches must include at least one exclusive left-turn lane and at least one exclusive right-turn lane or shared through-lane and right-turn lane.
- 3. The angle of the roadway perpendicular to the crossing must be at least 90 degrees but not more than 105 degrees from the roadway on which the crossing is located.
- (b) The county or municipality in which the golf cart crossing is located shall post appropriate signs at the signalized intersection to indicate that operation of a golf cart is allowed at the crossing.
- (c) A person must obtain a permit to operate a golf cart under paragraph (a) from the county or municipality in which the golf cart crossing is located.
- (10) (9) A violation of this section is a noncriminal traffic infraction, punishable pursuant to chapter 318 as a moving violation for infractions of subsections (1)-(5) and (9) or a local ordinance corresponding thereto and enacted pursuant to subsection (8), or punishable pursuant to chapter 318 as a nonmoving violation for infractions of subsection (6), subsection (7), or a local ordinance corresponding thereto and enacted pursuant to subsection (8).
 - Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.