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By the Committee on Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; and Senator Fasano

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; terminating the DUI Programs Coordination Trust Fund within the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; transferring the current balances in and revenues of the trust fund to the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund within the department; requiring that the department pay any outstanding debts and obligations of the fund; requiring that the Chief Financial Officer close out and remove the trust fund from the state accounting systems; amending ss. 17.61 and 215.20, F.S.; deleting references to the DUI Programs Coordination Trust Fund within the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; amending s. 316.066, F.S.; increasing the fee for a copy of a crash report provided by a certified traffic records center; amending s. 316.605, F.S.; deleting a reference to registration decal to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 318.15, F.S.; increasing the service charge relating to the suspension of a driver's license; amending s. 319.23, F.S.; increasing the fee relating to an application for a certificate of title; amending s. 319.32, F.S.; requiring an additional fee for each subsequent inspection of a vehicle that receives a physical examination; providing that the proceeds from such fees be deposited into the General Revenue Fund and the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund; amending ss. 319.323 and 319.324, F.S.; increasing the fee

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relating to expedited service on title transfers, title issuances, duplicate titles, recordation of liens, and certificates of repossession; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 319.33, F.S.; deleting references to decals for the identification of a motor vehicle; ss. 319.34 and 320.02, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 320.023, F.S.; requiring that any voluntary contribution on a motor vehicle registration application be deposited into and distributed from the Motor Vehicle License Clearing Trust Fund; s. 320.025, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 320.03, F.S.; increasing a fee on license registrations to cover the costs of the Florida Real Time Vehicle Information System; amending s. 320.031, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 320.04, F.S.; revising provisions relating to service charges for the issuance of registration certificates for a vehicle, vessel, or mobile home to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 320.05, F.S.; revising provisions relating to fees for providing lists of motor vehicle or vessel records; amending s. 320.055, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to driver's license registration periods and renewal periods; amending ss. 320.06 and 320.0607, F.S.; extending the period for which registration license plates are issued and replaced; increasing fees for the replacement of such plates; amending ss. 320.061, 320.07, and 320.071, F.S.;

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conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 320.08, F.S.; increasing the annual license taxes imposed for the operation of motor vehicles, mopeds, motorized bicycles, and mobile homes; providing that a certain portion of each tax be deposited into the General Revenue Fund; revising provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 320.08035, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 320.08046, F.S.; increasing the surcharge levied on each license tax; increasing the percentage of the proceeds of such surcharge for deposit into the General Revenue Fund; amending s. 320.0805, F.S.; increasing the processing fee for personalized prestige license plates; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; increasing the processing fee for specialty license plates; amending s. 320.0807, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 320.081, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the distribution of annual license taxes imposed on mobile homes, park trailers, travel trailers, and fifth-wheel trailers exceeding 35 feet in body length; requiring that such distribution be made by payment by warrant drawn by the Chief Financial Officer upon the treasury on a monthly basis from the License Tax Collection Trust Fund; amending s. 320.084, F.S.; revising provisions relating to license plates for certain disabled veterans to conform to changes made by the act; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 320.086, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s.

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320.0894, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to Gold Star license plates to conform to changes made by the act; amending ss. 320.10, 320.26, and 320.261, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 320.822, F.S.; deleting the definition of the term "seal" or "label"; repealing s. 320.824, F.S.; deleting provisions authorizing the department to adopt rules relating to the uniform mobile home standards; deleting provisions authorizing the department or its agent to enter a place or establishment where mobile homes are manufactured, sold, or offered for sale; amending s. 320.8245, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 320.8249, F.S.; conforming a crossreference; repealing s. 320.8255, F.S.; relating to mobile home inspections; amending ss. 320.827 and 320.834, F.S.; deleting provisions to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 321.23, F.S.; increasing the cost of receiving a copy of a crash report from the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; amending s. 322.051, F.S.; revising provisions relating to a fee for obtaining a duplicate identification card; amending s. 322.081, F.S.; requiring that any voluntary contribution on a driver's license application be deposited into and distributed from the Motor Vehicle License Clearing Trust Fund; amending s. 322.12, F.S.; increasing the examination fees for subsequent knowledge and skills tests for a driver's license if an applicant failed

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117 the initial tests; amending s. 322.20, F.S.; 118 increasing the fee for obtaining records from the 119 Division of Drivers Licenses; amending s. 322.201, 120 F.S.; revising provisions relating to the certification of certain records as evidence; amending 121 s. 322.21, F.S.; increasing licensing fees; creating 122 123 s. 322.2715, F.S.; requiring that an installer of a 124 ignition interlock device collect and remit an 125 installation fee to the department to be deposited 126 into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund for the 127 operation of the Ignition Interlock Device Program; 128 amending ss. 322.29 and 322.293, F.S.; conforming 129 provisions to changes made by the act; providing 130 effective dates.

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

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- Section 1. (1) The DUI Programs Coordination Trust Fund within the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, FLAIR number 76-2-172, is terminated.
- (2) All current balances remaining in, and all revenues of, the trust fund shall be transferred to the Highway Safety

  Operating Trust Fund within the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, FLAIR number 76-2-009.
- (3) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
  shall pay any outstanding debts and obligations of the
  terminated trust fund, as soon as practicable. The Chief
  Financial Officer shall close out and remove the terminated fund
  from the various state accounting systems using generally

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146 accepted accounting principles concerning warrants outstanding,
147 assets, and liabilities.

Section 2. Paragraph (c) of subsection (3) of section 17.61, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

17.61 Chief Financial Officer; powers and duties in the investment of certain funds.—

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- (c) Except as provided in this paragraph and except for moneys described in paragraph (d), the following agencies shall not invest trust fund moneys as provided in this section, but shall retain such moneys in their respective trust funds for investment, with interest appropriated to the General Revenue Fund, pursuant to s. 17.57:
- 1. The Agency for Health Care Administration, except for the Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund.
  - 2. The Agency for Persons with Disabilities, except for:
  - a. The Federal Grants Trust Fund.
  - b. The Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund.
- 3. The Department of Children and Family Services, except for:
  - a. The Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health Trust Fund.
  - b. The Social Services Block Grant Trust Fund.
  - c. The Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund.
  - d. The Working Capital Trust Fund.
- 4. The Department of Community Affairs, only for the Operating Trust Fund.
  - 5. The Department of Corrections.
    - 6. The Department of Elderly Affairs, except for:
  - a. The Federal Grants Trust Fund.

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606-04020A-09 20091778c1 b. The Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund. 7. The Department of Health, except for: a. The Federal Grants Trust Fund. b. The Grants and Donations Trust Fund. c. The Maternal and Child Health Block Grant Trust Fund. d. The Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund. 8. The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, only for÷ a. The DUI Programs Coordination Trust Fund. b. the Security Deposits Trust Fund. 9. The Department of Juvenile Justice. 10. The Department of Law Enforcement. 11. The Department of Legal Affairs. 12. The Department of State, only for: a. The Grants and Donations Trust Fund. b. The Records Management Trust Fund. 13. The Executive Office of the Governor, only for: a. The Economic Development Transportation Trust Fund. b. The Economic Development Trust Fund. 14. The Florida Public Service Commission, only for the Florida Public Service Regulatory Trust Fund. 15. The Justice Administrative Commission. 16. The state courts system. Section 3. Paragraphs (m) through (x) of subsection (4) of section 215.20, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 215.20 Certain income and certain trust funds to contribute to the General Revenue Fund.-

following described trust funds, by whatever name designated, is

(4) The income of a revenue nature deposited in the

606-04020A-09 20091778c1 204 that from which the appropriations authorized by subsection (3) 205 shall be made: 206 (m) Within the Department of Highway Safety and Motor 207 Vehicles, the DUI Programs Coordination Trust Fund. 208 (m) (n) Within the Department of Legal Affairs, the Crimes 209 Compensation Trust Fund. 210 (n) (o) Within the Department of Management Services: 211 1. The Administrative Trust Fund. 2. The Architects Incidental Trust Fund. 212 3. The Bureau of Aircraft Trust Fund. 213 214 4. The Florida Facilities Pool Working Capital Trust Fund. 215 5. The Grants and Donations Trust Fund. 216 6. The Police and Firefighters' Premium Tax Trust Fund. 217 7. The Public Employees Relations Commission Trust Fund. 218 8. The State Personnel System Trust Fund. 219 9. The Supervision Trust Fund. 220 10. The Working Capital Trust Fund. 221 (o) (p) Within the Department of Revenue: 222 1. The Additional Court Cost Clearing Trust Fund. 223 2. The Administrative Trust Fund. 224 3. The Certification Program Trust Fund. 225 4. The Fuel Tax Collection Trust Fund. 226 5. The Local Alternative Fuel User Fee Clearing Trust Fund. 227 6. The Local Option Fuel Tax Trust Fund. 228 7. The Motor Vehicle Rental Surcharge Clearing Trust Fund. 229 8. The Motor Vehicle Warranty Trust Fund. 230 9. The Oil and Gas Tax Trust Fund. 231 10. The Operations Trust Fund.

11. The Severance Tax Solid Mineral Trust Fund.

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- 233 12. The State Alternative Fuel User Fee Clearing Trust Fund.
  - 13. All taxes levied on motor fuels other than gasoline levied pursuant to  $\frac{1}{100}$  to  $\frac{1}{100}$  s. 206.87(1)(a).
    - (p) (q) Within the Department of State:
    - 1. The Records Management Trust Fund.
  - 2. The trust funds administered by the Division of Historical Resources.
  - $\underline{(q)}$  (r) Within the Department of Transportation, all income derived from outdoor advertising and overweight violations which is deposited in the State Transportation Trust Fund.
    - (r) (s) Within the Department of Veterans' Affairs:
    - 1. The Grants and Donations Trust Fund.
    - 2. The Operations and Maintenance Trust Fund.
    - 3. The State Homes for Veterans Trust Fund.
  - (s) (t) Within the Division of Administrative Hearings, the Administrative Trust Fund.
  - $\underline{\text{(t)}}$  (u) Within the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission:
  - 1. The Conservation and Recreation Lands Program Trust Fund.
    - 2. The Florida Panther Research and Management Trust Fund.
    - 3. The Land Acquisition Trust Fund.
  - 4. The Marine Resources Conservation Trust Fund, with the exception of those fees collected for recreational saltwater fishing licenses as provided in s. 379.354.
  - (u) (v) Within the Florida Public Service Commission, the Florida Public Service Regulatory Trust Fund.
    - (v) (w) Within the Justice Administrative Commission, the

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262 Indigent Criminal Defense Trust Fund.

 $\underline{\text{(w)}}$  Within the Office of Financial Regulation of the Financial Services Commission:

- 1. The Administrative Trust Fund.
- 2. The Anti-Fraud Trust Fund.
- 3. The Financial Institutions' Regulatory Trust Fund.
- 4. The Regulatory Trust Fund.

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The enumeration of the foregoing moneys or trust funds shall not prohibit the applicability of s. 215.24 should the Governor determine that for the reasons mentioned in s. 215.24 the money or trust funds should be exempt herefrom, as it is the purpose of this law to exempt income from its force and effect when, by the operation of this law, federal matching funds or contributions or private grants to any trust fund would be lost to the state.

Section 4. Subsection (4) of section 316.066, Florida
Statutes, is amended to read:

316.066 Written reports of crashes.

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(4) (a) One or more counties may enter into an agreement with the appropriate state agency to be certified by the agency to have a traffic records center for the purpose of tabulating and analyzing countywide traffic crash reports. The agreement must include: certification by the agency that the center has adequate auditing and monitoring mechanisms in place to ensure the quality and accuracy of the data; the time period in which the traffic records center must report crash data to the agency; and the medium in which the traffic records must be submitted to the agency.

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(b) In the case of a county or multicounty area that has a certified central traffic records center, a law enforcement agency or driver must submit to the center within the time limit prescribed in this section a written report of the crash. A driver who is required to file a crash report must be notified of the proper place to submit the completed report.

(c) Fees for copies of public records provided by a certified traffic records center shall be charged and collected as follows:

The fees collected for copies of the public records provided by a certified traffic records center shall be used to fund the center or otherwise as designated by the county or counties participating in the center.

Section 5. Subsection (1) of section 316.605, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

316.605 Licensing of vehicles.-

(1) Every vehicle, at all times while driven, stopped, or parked upon any highways, roads, or streets of this state, shall be licensed in the name of the owner thereof in accordance with the laws of this state unless such vehicle is not required by the laws of this state to be licensed in this state and shall, except as otherwise provided in s. 320.0706 for front-end

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military vehicles, display the license plate or both of the license plates assigned to it by the state, one on the rear and, if two, the other on the front of the vehicle, each to be securely fastened to the vehicle outside the main body of the vehicle not higher than 60 inches and not lower than 12 inches from the ground and no more than 24 inches to the left or right of the centerline of the vehicle, and in such manner as to prevent the plates from swinging, and all letters, numerals, printing, writing, and other identification marks upon the plates regarding the word "Florida," the registration decal, and the alphanumeric designation shall be clear and distinct and free from defacement, mutilation, grease, and other obscuring matter, so that they will be plainly visible and legible at all times 100 feet from the rear or front. Vehicle license plates shall be affixed and displayed in such a manner that the letters and numerals shall be read from left to right parallel to the ground. No vehicle license plate may be displayed in an inverted or reversed position or in such a manner that the letters and numbers and their proper sequence are not readily identifiable. Nothing shall be placed upon the face of a Florida plate except as permitted by law or by rule or regulation of a governmental agency. No license plates other than those furnished by the state shall be used. However, if the vehicle is not required to be licensed in this state, the license plates on such vehicle issued by another state, by a territory, possession, or district of the United States, or by a foreign country, substantially complying with the provisions hereof, shall be considered as complying with this chapter. A violation of this subsection is a noncriminal traffic infraction, punishable as a nonmoving

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349 violation as provided in chapter 318.

Section 6. Subsection (2) of section 318.15, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

318.15 Failure to comply with civil penalty or to appear; penalty.—

(2) After suspension of the driver's license and privilege to drive of a person under subsection (1), the license and privilege may not be reinstated until the person complies with all obligations and penalties imposed on him or her under s. 318.18 and presents to a driver license office a certificate of compliance issued by the court, together with a nonrefundable service charge of up to \$60 \$47.50 imposed under s. 322.29, or presents a certificate of compliance and pays the aforementioned service charge of up to \$47.50 to the clerk of the court or a driver licensing agent authorized in s. 322.135 clearing such suspension. Of the charge collected by the clerk of the court or driver licensing agent, \$22.50 \$10 shall be remitted to the Department of Revenue to be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund. Such person shall also be in compliance with requirements of chapter 322 prior to reinstatement.

Section 7. Subsection (6) of section 319.23, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

319.23 Application for, and issuance of, certificate of title.—

(6) In the case of the sale of a motor vehicle or mobile home by a licensed dealer to a general purchaser, the certificate of title shall be obtained in the name of the purchaser by the dealer upon application signed by the purchaser, and in each other case such certificate shall be

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obtained by the purchaser. In each case of transfer of a motor vehicle or mobile home, the application for certificate of title, or corrected certificate, or assignment or reassignment, shall be filed within 30 days from the delivery of such motor vehicle or mobile home to the purchaser. An applicant shall be required to pay a fee of \$15 \\$10, in addition to all other fees and penalties required by law, for failing to file such application within the specified time. When a licensed dealer acquires a motor vehicle or mobile home as a trade-in, the dealer must file with the department, within 30 days, a notice of sale signed by the seller. The department shall update its database for that title record to indicate "sold." A licensed dealer need not apply for a certificate of title for any motor vehicle or mobile home in stock acquired for stock purposes except as provided in s. 319.225.

Section 8. Section 319.32, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

319.32 Fees; service charges; disposition.-

(1) The department shall charge a fee of \$40 \$24 for each original certificate of title except for a certificate of title for a motor vehicle for hire registered under s. 320.08(6), for which the title fee shall be \$19 \$3, \$40 \$24 for each duplicate copy of a certificate of title except for a certificate of title for a motor vehicle for hire registered under s. 320.08(6), for which the title fee shall be \$19 \$3, \$2 for each salvage certificate of title, and \$3 for each assignment by a lienholder. It shall also charge a fee of \$2 for noting a lien on a title certificate, which fee shall include the services for the subsequent issuance of a corrected certificate or

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cancellation of lien when that lien is satisfied. If an application for a certificate of title is for a vehicle that is required to have a physical examination as provided in s. 319.14(1)(b) for a rebuilt vehicle, the department shall charge an additional fee of \$40 for each initial inspection and \$20 for each subsequent inspection. The initial inspection fee shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund and the subsequent inspection fee shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund. A physical examination of a vehicle must include, but need not be limited to, verification of the vehicle identification number and verification of the bills of sale or title for major components conducting a physical examination of the vehicle to assure its identity. In addition to all other fees charged, a sum of \$1 shall be paid for the issuance of an original or duplicate certificate of title to cover the cost of materials used for security purposes.

Section 9. Section 319.323, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

319.323 Expedited service; applications; fees.—The department shall establish a separate title office which may be utilized by private citizens and licensed motor vehicle dealers to receive expedited service on title transfers, title issuances, duplicate titles, and recordation of liens, and certificates of repossession. A fee of \$10 \$7 shall be charged for this service, which fee is in addition to the fees imposed by s. 319.32. Application for such expedited service may be made by mail or in person. The department shall issue each title applied for pursuant to this section within 5 working days after receipt of the application except for an application for a

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duplicate title certificate covered by s. 319.23(4), in which case the title must be issued within 5 working days after compliance with the department's verification requirements.

Section 10. Subsection (1) of section 319.324, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

319.324 Odometer fraud prevention and detection; funding.-

- (1) Moneys received by the department pursuant to s. 319.32(1) in the amount of \$1 for each original certificate of title, each duplicate copy of a certificate of title, and each assignment by a lienholder shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund. There shall also be deposited into the fund moneys received by the department pursuant to s. 319.323 in the amount of \$5 \$2 for each expedited service performed by the department for which a fee is assessed.
- Section 11. Subsection (5) of section 319.33, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 319.33 Offenses involving vehicle identification numbers, applications, certificates, papers; penalty.—
- (5) It is unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to knowingly possess, manufacture, sell or exchange, offer to sell or exchange, supply in blank, or give away any counterfeit manufacturer's or state-assigned identification number plates or serial plates or any decal used for the purpose of identification of any motor vehicle; or for any officer, agent, or employee of any person, firm, or corporation, or any person who shall authorize, direct, aid in exchange, or give away such counterfeit manufacturer's or state-assigned identification number plates or serial plates or any decal; or conspire to do any of the foregoing. However, nothing in this subsection shall

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be applicable to any approved replacement manufacturer's or state-assigned identification number plates or serial plates or any decal issued by the department or any state.

Section 12. Section 319.34, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

319.34 Transfer without delivery of certificate; operation or use without certificate; failure to surrender; other violations.-Whoever, except as otherwise provided for in this chapter, purports to sell or transfer a motor vehicle or mobile home without delivering to the purchaser or transferee thereof a certificate of title thereto duly assigned to such purchaser as provided in this chapter or operates or uses in this state a motor vehicle or mobile home for which a certificate of title is required without such certificate having been obtained in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, or upon which the certificate of title has been canceled; whoever fails to surrender any certificate of title, certificate of registration, or license plate, or sticker upon cancellation of the same by the department and notice thereof as prescribed in this chapter; whoever fails to surrender the certificate of title to the department as provided in this chapter in case of the destruction or dismantling or change of a motor vehicle or mobile home in such respect that it is not the motor vehicle or mobile home described in the certificate of title; or whoever violates any of the other provisions of this chapter, or any lawful rule adopted pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, shall be fined not more than \$500 or imprisoned for not more than 6 months, or both, for each offense.

Section 13. Paragraph (b) of subsection (16) of section

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320.02, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.02 Registration required; application for registration; forms.—

- (16) The department is authorized to withhold registration or re-registration of a motor vehicle if the name of the owner or of a coowner appears on a list submitted to the department by a licensed motor vehicle dealer for a previous registration of that vehicle. The motor vehicle dealer must maintain signed evidence that the owner or coowner acknowledged the dealer's authority to submit the list to the department if he or she failed to pay and must note the amount for which the owner or coowner would be responsible for the vehicle registration. The dealer must maintain the necessary documentation required in this subsection or face penalties as provided in s. 320.27. This subsection does not affect the issuance of a title to a motor vehicle.
- (b) If the registered owner's dispute complies with paragraph (a), the department shall immediately remove the motor vehicle owner or coowner's name from the list, thereby allowing the issuance of a license plate or revalidation sticker.

Section 14. Paragraph (c) of subsection (5) of section 320.023, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 320.023 Requests to establish voluntary checkoff on motor vehicle registration application.—
- (5) A voluntary contribution collected and distributed under this chapter, or any interest earned from those contributions, may not be used for commercial or for-profit activities nor for general or administrative expenses, except as authorized by law.

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(c) Any voluntary contributions authorized by law <u>must be</u> deposited into and distributed from the Motor Vehicle License Clearing Trust Fund to the recipients specified in chapter 320 shall only be distributed to an organization under an appropriation by the Legislature.

Section 15. Subsection (1) of section 320.025, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.025 Registration certificate and license plate or decal issued under fictitious name; application.—

(1) A confidential registration certificate and registration license plate or decal shall be issued under a fictitious name only for a motor vehicle or vessel owned or operated by a law enforcement agency of state, county, municipal, or federal government, the Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, or any state public defender's office. The requesting agency shall file a written application with the department on forms furnished by the department, which includes a statement that the license plate or decal will be used for the Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit or law enforcement or any state public defender's office activities requiring concealment of publicly leased or owned motor vehicles or vessels and a statement of the position classifications of the individuals who are authorized to use the license plate or decal. The department may modify its records to reflect the fictitious identity of the owner or lessee until such time as the license plate or decal and registration certificate are surrendered to it.

Section 16. Subsections (1), (2), (3), (5), and (8) of section 320.03, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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320.03 Registration; duties of tax collectors; International Registration Plan.—

- (1) The tax collectors in the several counties of the state, as authorized agents of the department, shall issue registration certificates, registration license plates, validation stickers, and mobile home decals stickers to applicants, subject to the requirements of law, in accordance with rules of the department. Any person, firm, or corporation representing itself, through advertising or naming of the business, to be an authorized agent of the department shall be deemed guilty of an unfair and deceptive trade practice as defined in part II of chapter 501. No such person, firm, or corporation shall use either the state or county name as a part of their business name when such use can reasonably be interpreted as an official state or county office.
- (2) The department may require each tax collector to give a bond, payable to the department, conditioned that the tax collector faithfully and truly perform the duties imposed upon him or her according to the requirements of law and the rules and regulations of the department and that the tax collector pay over and account for all validation stickers, records, and other property and money that comes into his or her possession or control by reason of such service. The amount of the bond is to be determined by the department based on an amount not more than 10 percent above the average of the daily deposits of each tax collector.
- (3) Each tax collector shall keep a full and complete record and account of all validation stickers, mobile home decals stickers, or other properties received by him or her from

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the department, or from any other source. Notwithstanding chapter 116, every county officer within this state authorized to collect funds provided for in this chapter shall pay all sums officially received by the officer into the State Treasury no later than 5 working days after the close of the business day in which the officer received the funds. Payment by county officers to the state shall be made by means of electronic funds transfer.

(5) A fee of \$1 <del>50 cents</del> shall be charged, in addition to the fees required under s. 320.08, on every license registration sold to cover the costs of the Florida Real Time Vehicle Information System. The fees collected hereunder shall be distributed as follows: 50 25 cents into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund shall be used to fund the Florida Real Time Vehicle Information System and may be used to fund the general operations of the department and 50  $\frac{25}{25}$  cents into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund to be used exclusively to fund the Florida Real Time Vehicle Information System. The only use of this latter portion of the fee shall be to fund the Florida Real Time Vehicle Information System equipment, software, personnel associated with the maintenance and programming of the system, and networks used in the offices of the county tax collectors as agents of the department and the ancillary technology necessary to integrate the Florida Real Time Vehicle Information System with other tax collection systems. The department shall administer this program upon consultation with the Florida Tax Collectors, Inc., to ensure that each county tax collector's office will be technologically equipped and functional for the operation of the Florida Real Time Vehicle Information System.

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Any of the designated revenue collected to support functions of the county tax collectors and not used in a given year will remain exclusively in the trust fund as a carryover to the following year.

(8) If the applicant's name appears on the list referred to in s. 316.1001(4), s. 316.1967(6), or s. 713.78(13), a license plate or revalidation sticker may not be issued until that person's name no longer appears on the list or until the person presents a receipt from the clerk showing that the fines outstanding have been paid. This subsection does not apply to the owner of a leased vehicle if the vehicle is registered in the name of the lessee of the vehicle. The tax collector and the clerk of the court are each entitled to receive monthly, as costs for implementing and administering this subsection, 10 percent of the civil penalties and fines recovered from such persons. As used in this subsection, the term "civil penalties and fines" does not include a wrecker operator's lien as described in s. 713.78(13). If the tax collector has private tag agents, such tag agents are entitled to receive a pro rata share of the amount paid to the tax collector, based upon the percentage of license plates and revalidation stickers issued by the tag agent compared to the total issued within the county. The authority of any private agent to issue license plates shall be revoked, after notice and a hearing as provided in chapter 120, if he or she issues any license plate or revalidation sticker contrary to the provisions of this subsection. This section applies only to the annual renewal in the owner's birth month of a motor vehicle registration and does not apply to the transfer of a registration of a motor vehicle sold by a motor

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vehicle dealer licensed under this chapter, except for the transfer of registrations which is inclusive of the annual renewals. This section does not affect the issuance of the title to a motor vehicle, notwithstanding s. 319.23(7)(b).

Section 17. Section 320.031, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.031 Mailing of registration certificates <u>and</u>, license plates, and validation stickers.—

- (1) The department and the tax collectors of the several counties of the state may at the request of the applicant use United States mail service to deliver registration certificates and renewals thereof, license plates, and mobile home decals stickers, and validation stickers to applicants.
- (2) A mail service charge may be collected for each registration certificate, license plate, and mobile home decal sticker, and validation sticker mailed by the department or any tax collector. Each registration certificate, license plate, and mobile home decal sticker, and validation sticker shall be mailed by first-class mail unless otherwise requested by the applicant. The amount of the mail service charge shall be the actual postage required, rounded to the nearest 5 cents, plus a 25-cent handling charge. The mail service charge is in addition to the service charge provided by s. 320.04. All charges collected by the department under this section shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.

Section 18. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 320.04, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 320.04 Registration service charge.
- (1) (a) There shall be a service charge of \$2.50 for each

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application that which is handled in connection with original issuance, duplicate issuance, or transfer of any license plate or, mobile home decal sticker, or validation sticker or with transfer or duplicate issuance of any registration certificate. There shall may also be a service charge of \$3, \$2 of which shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund and \$1 deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund, up to \$1 for the issuance of each vehicle, vessel, or mobile home registration receipt license plate validation sticker, vessel decal, and mobile home sticker issued from an automated vending facility or printer dispenser machine which shall be payable to and retained by the department to provide for automated vending facilities or printer dispenser machines used to dispense such stickers and decals by each tax collector's or license tag agent's employee.

Section 19. Paragraphs (b) and (e) of subsection (3) of section 320.05, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

320.05 Records of the department; inspection procedure; lists and searches; fees.—

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- (b) Fees therefor shall be charged and collected as
  follows:
- 1. For providing lists of motor vehicle or vessel records for the entire state, or any part or parts thereof, divided according to counties, a sum computed at a rate of not less than 1 cent nor more than 5 cents per item.
- 2. For providing noncertified photographic copies of motor vehicle or vessel documents, \$1 per page.
  - 3. For providing noncertified photographic copies of

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697 micrographic records, \$1 per page.

- 4. For providing certified copies of motor vehicle or vessel records, \$3 per record.
- 5. For providing noncertified computer-generated printouts of motor vehicle or vessel records, 50 cents per record.
- 6. For providing certified computer-generated printouts of motor vehicle or vessel records, \$3 per record.
- 7. For providing electronic access to motor vehicle, vessel, and mobile home registration data requested by tag, vehicle identification number, title number, or vessel or mobile home decal number, 50 cents per item.
- 8. For providing electronic access to driver's license status report by name, sex, and date of birth or by driver license number, 50 cents per item.
- 9. For providing lists of licensed mobile home dealers and manufacturers and recreational vehicle dealers and manufacturers, \$15 per list.
- 10. For providing lists of licensed motor vehicle dealers, \$25 per list.
  - 11. For each copy of a videotape record, \$15 per tape.
- 12. For each copy of the Division of Motor Vehicles Procedures Manual, \$25.
- (e) When motor vehicle, vessel, or mobile home registration data is provided by electronic access through a tax collector's office, the applicable fee as provided in paragraph (b) must be collected and deposited pursuant to paragraph (c) a fee for the electronic access is not required to be assessed. However, at the tax collector's discretion, a fee equal to or less than the fee charged by the department for such information may be

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assessed by the tax collector for the electronic access.

Notwithstanding paragraph (c), any funds collected by the tax

collector as a result of providing such access shall be retained

by the tax collector.

Section 20. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 320.055, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.055 Registration periods; renewal periods.—The following registration periods and renewal periods are established:

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(c) Notwithstanding the requirements of paragraph (a), the owner of a motor vehicle subject to paragraph (a) who has had his or her driver's license suspended pursuant to a violation of s. 316.193 or pursuant to s. 322.26(2) for driving under the influence must obtain a 6-month registration as a condition of reinstating the license, subject to renewal during the 3-year period that financial responsibility requirements apply. The registration period begins the first day of the birth month of the owner and ends the last day of the fifth month immediately following the owner's birth month. For such vehicles, the department shall issue a vehicle registration certificate that is valid for 6 months and shall issue a validation sticker that displays an expiration date of 6 months after the date of issuance. The license tax required by s. 320.08 and all other applicable license taxes shall be one-half of the amount otherwise required, except the service charge required by s. 320.04 shall be paid in full for each 6-month registration. A vehicle required to be registered under this paragraph is not eligible for the extended registration period under paragraph

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755 (b).

Section 21. Section 320.06, Florida Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 2009-14, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

320.06 Registration certificates  $\underline{\text{and}}_{\tau}$  license plates, and validation stickers generally.

- (1) (a) Upon the receipt of an initial application for registration and payment of the appropriate license tax and other fees required by law, the department shall assign to the motor vehicle a registration license number consisting of letters and numerals or numerals and issue to the owner or lessee a certificate of registration and one registration license plate, unless two plates are required for display by s. 320.0706, for each vehicle so registered.
- (b) Registration license plates bearing a graphic symbol and the alphanumeric system of identification shall be issued for a 10-year 6-year period. At the end of that 10-year 6-year period, upon renewal, the plate shall be replaced. The department shall extend the scheduled license plate replacement date to the 10-year period. The department shall stagger the implementation of the 6-year license plate replacement cycle. The fee for such replacement is \$25 \$12, \$2.50 \$2 of which shall be paid each year before the plate is replaced, to be credited towards the next \$25 \$12 replacement fee. The fees shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund. A credit or refund may shall not be given for any prior years' payments of such prorated replacement fee if the plate is replaced or surrendered before the end of the 10-year 6-year period, except that a credit may be given when a registrant is required by the

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606-04020A-09 20091778c1 department to replace a license plate under s. 320.08056(8)(a). With each license plate, there shall be issued a validation sticker showing the owner's birth month, license plate number, and the year of expiration or the appropriate renewal period if the owner is not a natural person. The validation sticker shall be placed on the upper right corner of the license plate. Such license plate and validation sticker shall be issued based on the applicant's appropriate renewal period. The registration period is a period of 12 months, the extended registration period is a period of 24 months, and all expirations shall occur based on the applicant's appropriate registration period. A vehicle with an apportioned registration shall be issued an annual license plate and a cab card that denote the declared gross vehicle weight for each apportioned jurisdiction in which the vehicle is authorized to operate.

(c) Registration license plates equipped with validation stickers subject to the registration period are valid for not more than 12 months and expire at midnight on the last day of the registration period. A registration license plate equipped with a validation sticker subject to the extended registration period is valid for not more than 24 months and expires at midnight on the last day of the extended registration period. For each registration period after the one in which the metal registration license plate is issued, and until the license plate is required to be replaced, a validation sticker showing the month and year of expiration shall be issued upon payment of the proper license tax amount and fees and is valid for not more than 12 months. For each extended registration period occurring after the one in which the metal registration license plate is

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issued and until the license plate is required to be replaced, a validation sticker showing the year of expiration shall be issued upon payment of the proper license tax amount and fees and is valid for not more than 24 months. When license plates equipped with validation stickers are issued in any month other than the owner's birth month or the designated registration period for any other motor vehicle, the effective date shall reflect the birth month or month and the year of renewal. However, when a license plate or validation sticker is issued for a period of less than 12 months, the applicant shall pay the appropriate amount of license tax and the applicable fee under s. 320.14 in addition to all other fees. Validation stickers issued for vehicles taxed under s. 320.08(6)(a), for any company that owns 250 vehicles or more, or for semitrailers taxed under the provisions of s. 320.08(5)(a), for any company that owns 50 vehicles or more, may be placed on any vehicle in the fleet so long as the vehicle receiving the validation sticker has the same owner's name and address as the vehicle to which the

(2) The department shall provide the several tax collectors and license plate agents with the necessary number of validation stickers.

validation sticker was originally assigned.

(2) (3) (a) Registration license plates shall be of metal specially treated with a retroreflective material, as specified by the department. The registration license plate is designed to increase nighttime visibility and legibility and shall be at least 6 inches wide and not less than 12 inches in length, unless a plate with reduced dimensions is deemed necessary by the department to accommodate motorcycles, mopeds, or similar

606-04020A-09 20091778c1 842 smaller vehicles. Validation stickers shall be treated with a 843 retroreflective material, shall be of such size as specified by 844 the department, and shall adhere to the license plate. The 845 registration license plate shall be imprinted with a combination 846 of bold letters and numerals or numerals, not to exceed seven 847 digits, to identify the registration license plate number. The 848 license plate shall also be imprinted with the word "Florida" at 849 the top and the name of the county in which it is sold, the 850 state motto, or the words "Sunshine State" at the bottom. 851 Apportioned license plates shall have the word "Apportioned" at 852 the bottom and license plates issued for vehicles taxed under s. 853 320.08(3)(d), (4)(m) or (n), (5)(b) or (c), or (14) shall have 854 the word "Restricted" at the bottom. License plates issued for 855 vehicles taxed under s. 320.08(12) must be imprinted with the 856 word "Florida" at the top and the word "Dealer" at the bottom. Manufacturer license plates issued for vehicles taxed under s. 857 858 320.08(12) must be imprinted with the word "Florida" at the top 859 and the word "Manufacturer" at the bottom. License plates issued for vehicles taxed under s. 320.08(5)(d) or (e) must be 860 861 imprinted with the word "Wrecker" at the bottom. Any county may, 862 upon majority vote of the county commission, elect to have the 863 county name removed from the license plates sold in that county. 864 The state motto or the words "Sunshine State" shall be printed 865 in lieu thereof. A license plate issued for a vehicle taxed 866 under s. 320.08(6) may not be assigned a registration license 867 number, or be issued with any other distinctive character or 868 designation, that distinguishes the motor vehicle as a for-hire 869 motor vehicle.

(b) A materials processing An additional fee of \$2, \$1.50

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of which shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund 50 cents shall be collected and 50 cents shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund, for on each motor vehicle registration or motor vehicle renewal registration issued in this state in order that all license plates and validation stickers be fully treated with retroreflective material.

(3)(4) The corporation organized under chapter 946 may manufacture license plates, validation stickers, and decals, as well as temporary tags, disabled hang tags, vessel decals, and fuel use decals, for the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles as provided in this chapter and chapter 327. The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles is not required to obtain competitive bids in order to contract with the corporation.

Section 22. Section 320.0607, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

320.0607 Replacement license plates, validation decal, or mobile home decal sticker.

- (1) Any law enforcement officer or department license and registration inspector may at any time inspect a license plate or validation decal for proper display and legibility as prescribed by chapter 316. A damaged or defaced plate or decal may be required to be replaced.
- (2) When a license plate  $\underline{\text{or}}_{\tau}$  mobile home  $\underline{\text{decal}}$  sticker, or validation decal has been lost, stolen, or destroyed, the owner of the motor vehicle or mobile home for which the plate  $\underline{\tau}$  sticker, or decal was issued shall make application to the department for a replacement. The application shall contain the

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plate, sticker, or decal number being replaced and a statement that the item was lost, stolen, or destroyed. If the application includes a copy of the police report prepared in response to a report of a stolen plate, sticker, or mobile home decal, such plate, sticker, or mobile home decal must be replaced at no charge.

- (3) Except as provided in subsection (2), in all such cases, upon filing of an application accompanied by a fee of \$25 \$10 plus applicable service charges, the department shall issue a replacement plate, sticker, or mobile home decal as the case may be if it is satisfied that the information reported in the application is true. The replacement fee shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.
- (4) Any license plate, sticker, or decal lost in the mail may be replaced at no charge. Neither the service charge nor the replacement fee shall be applied to this replacement. However, the application for a replacement shall contain a statement of such fact, the audit number of the lost item, and the date issued.
- (5) Upon the issuance of an original license plate, the applicant shall pay a fee of  $\frac{$25}{10}$  to be deposited in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.
- (6) All funds derived from the sale of temporary tags under the provisions of s. 320.131 shall be deposited in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.

Section 23. Section 320.061, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.061 Unlawful to alter motor vehicle registration certificates, license plates, mobile home decals stickers, or

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validation stickers or to obscure license plates; penalty.—No person shall alter the original appearance of any registration license plate, mobile home decal sticker, validation sticker, or vehicle registration certificate issued for and assigned to any motor vehicle or mobile home, whether by mutilation, alteration, defacement, or change of color or in any other manner. No person shall apply or attach any substance, reflective matter, illuminated device, spray, coating, covering, or other material onto or around any license plate that interferes with the legibility, angular visibility, or detectability of any feature or detail on the license plate or interferes with the ability to record any feature or detail on the license plate. Any person who violates this section commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

Section 24. Subsection (3) of section 320.07, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.07 Expiration of registration; renewal required; penalties.—

- (3) The operation of any motor vehicle without having attached thereto a registration license plate and validation stickers, or the use of any mobile home without having attached thereto a mobile home decal sticker, for the current registration period shall subject the owner thereof, if he or she is present, or, if the owner is not present, the operator thereof to the following penalty provisions:
- (a) Any person whose motor vehicle or mobile home registration has been expired for a period of 6 months or less commits a noncriminal traffic infraction, punishable as a nonmoving violation as provided in chapter 318.

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(b) Any person whose motor vehicle or mobile home registration has been expired for more than 6 months, upon a first offense, is subject to the penalty provided in s. 318.14.

- (c) Any person whose motor vehicle or mobile home registration has been expired for more than 6 months, upon a second or subsequent offense, commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.
- (d) However, an operator shall not be charged with a violation of this subsection if the operator can show, pursuant to a valid lease agreement, that the vehicle had been leased for a period of 30 days or less at the time of the offense.
- (e) Any servicemember, as defined in s. 250.01, whose mobile home registration expired while he or she was serving on active duty or state active duty shall not be charged with a violation of this subsection if, at the time of the offense, the servicemember was serving on active duty or state active duty 35 miles or more from the mobile home. The servicemember must present to the department either a copy of the official military orders or a written verification signed by the servicemember's commanding officer to receive a waiver of charges.
- (f) The owner of a leased motor vehicle is not responsible for any penalty specified in this subsection if the motor vehicle is registered in the name of the lessee of the motor vehicle.

Section 25. Subsections (2) and (3) of section 320.071, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

- 320.071 Advance registration renewal; procedures.-
- (2) Upon the filing of the application and payment of the

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appropriate license tax under s. 320.08, service charges required by s. 320.04, and any additional fees required by law, the department or its agent shall issue to the owner of the motor vehicle or mobile home a validation sticker or mobile home decal sticker, as appropriate, which, when affixed to the license plate or mobile home, shall renew the registration for the appropriate registration period.

(3) Any person who uses a mobile home <u>decal</u> sticker or validation sticker without lawful authority or who willfully violates any rule of the department relating to this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

Section 26. Subsections (1) through (9) and subsections (12) through (15) of section 320.08, Florida Statutes, as amended by section 3 of chapter 2009-14, Laws of Florida, are amended to read:

320.08 License taxes.—Except as otherwise provided herein, there are hereby levied and imposed annual license taxes for the operation of motor vehicles, mopeds, motorized bicycles as defined in s. 316.003(2), and mobile homes, as defined in s. 320.01, which shall be paid to and collected by the department or its agent upon the registration or renewal of registration of the following:

- (1) MOTORCYCLES AND MOPEDS.-
- (a) Any motorcycle:  $\frac{$11}{$10}$  flat,  $\frac{$1}{$10}$  of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
  - (b) Any moped:  $\frac{$6}{$}$  \$\frac{\$5}{\$}\$ flat, \$1 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
    - (c) Upon registration of any motorcycle, motor-driven

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cycle, or moped there shall be paid in addition to the license taxes specified in this subsection a nonrefundable motorcycle safety education fee in the amount of \$2.50. The proceeds of such additional fee shall be deposited in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund to fund a motorcycle driver improvement program implemented pursuant to s. 322.025, the Florida Motorcycle Safety Education Program established in s. 322.0255, or the general operations of the department.

- (d) An ancient or antique motorcycle: \$11 \$10 flat, \$1 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
  - (2) AUTOMOBILES FOR PRIVATE USE.-
- (a) An ancient or antique automobile, as defined in s. 320.086, or a street rod, as defined in s. 320.0863:  $\frac{\$8.50}{\$7.50}$  flat, \$1 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (b) Net weight of less than 2,500 pounds: \$16 \$14.50 flat, \$1.50 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (c) Net weight of 2,500 pounds or more, but less than 3,500 pounds: \$24.75 \$22.50 flat, \$2.25 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (d) Net weight of 3,500 pounds or more:  $\frac{$35.75}{$32.50}$  flat,  $\frac{$3.25}{$3.25}$  of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
  - (3) TRUCKS.-
- (a) Net weight of less than 2,000 pounds:  $\frac{$16}{$14.50}$  flat, \$1.50 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (b) Net weight of 2,000 pounds or more, but not more than 3,000 pounds:  $\frac{$24.75}{$22.50}$  flat,  $\frac{$2.25}{$22.50}$  of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (c) Net weight more than 3,000 pounds, but not more than 5,000 pounds: \$35.75 \$32.50 flat, \$3.25 of which is deposited

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into the General Revenue Fund.

- (d) A truck defined as a "goat," or any other vehicle when used in the field by a farmer or in the woods for the purpose of harvesting a crop, including naval stores, during such harvesting operations, and which is not principally operated upon the roads of the state: \$8.50 \$7.50 flat, \$1 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund. A "goat" is a motor vehicle designed, constructed, and used principally for the transportation of citrus fruit within citrus groves or for the transportation of crops on farms, and which can also be used for the hauling of associated equipment or supplies, including required sanitary equipment, and the towing of farm trailers.
- (e) An ancient or antique truck, as defined in s. 320.086: \$8.50 \$7.50 flat, \$1 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (4) HEAVY TRUCKS, TRUCK TRACTORS, FEES ACCORDING TO GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT.—
- (a) Gross vehicle weight of 5,001 pounds or more, but less than 6,000 pounds:  $\frac{$49.50}{$45}$  flat,  $\frac{$4.50}{$45}$  of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (b) Gross vehicle weight of 6,000 pounds or more, but less than 8,000 pounds:  $\frac{$71.50}{$65}$  flat,  $\frac{$6.50}{$65}$  of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (c) Gross vehicle weight of 8,000 pounds or more, but less than 10,000 pounds:  $\frac{$84}{76}$  flat,  $\frac{$8}{90}$  of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (d) Gross vehicle weight of 10,000 pounds or more, but less than 15,000 pounds:  $\frac{$96}{$87}$  flat, \$9 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

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(e) Gross vehicle weight of 15,000 pounds or more, but less than 20,000 pounds: \$144 \$131 \$flat, \$13 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

- (f) Gross vehicle weight of 20,000 pounds or more, but less than 26,001 pounds:  $\frac{$205}{$186}$  flat,  $\frac{$19}{$19}$  of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (g) Gross vehicle weight of 26,001 pounds or more, but less than 35,000:  $\frac{$264}{$240}$  flat,  $\frac{$24}{$240}$  of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (h) Gross vehicle weight of 35,000 pounds or more, but less than 44,000 pounds:  $\frac{$330}{$900}$  flat,  $\frac{$30}{$900}$  of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (i) Gross vehicle weight of 44,000 pounds or more, but less than 55,000 pounds:  $\frac{$629}{$572}$  flat,  $\frac{$57}{$57}$  of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (j) Gross vehicle weight of 55,000 pounds or more, but less than 62,000 pounds:  $\frac{$746}{$678}$  flat,  $\frac{$68}{$678}$  of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (k) Gross vehicle weight of 62,000 pounds or more, but less than 72,000 pounds: \$880 \$800 flat, \$80 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (1) Gross vehicle weight of 72,000 pounds or more: \$1,077 \$979 flat, \$98 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (m) Notwithstanding the declared gross vehicle weight, a truck tractor used within a 150-mile radius of its home address shall be eligible for a license plate for a fee of \$264 \$240 flat, \$24 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund if:

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1. The truck tractor is used exclusively for hauling forestry products; or

- 2. The truck tractor is used primarily for the hauling of forestry products, and is also used for the hauling of associated forestry harvesting equipment used by the owner of the truck tractor.
- (n) A truck tractor or heavy truck, not operated as a forhire vehicle, which is engaged exclusively in transporting raw,
  unprocessed, and nonmanufactured agricultural or horticultural
  products within a 150-mile radius of its home address, shall be
  eligible for a restricted license plate for a fee of \$71.50 \$65
  flat, \$6.50 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund,
  if such vehicle's declared gross vehicle weight is less than
  44,000 pounds; or \$264 \$240 flat, \$24 of which is deposited into
  the General Revenue Fund, if such vehicle's declared gross
  vehicle weight is 44,000 pounds or more and such vehicle only
  transports:
- 1. From the point of production to the point of primary manufacture;
- 2. From the point of production to the point of assembling the same; or
- 3. From the point of production to a shipping point of either a rail, water, or motor transportation company.

Such not-for-hire truck tractors and heavy trucks used exclusively in transporting raw, unprocessed, and nonmanufactured agricultural or horticultural products may be incidentally used to haul farm implements and fertilizers when delivered direct to the growers. The department may require any

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such documentation deemed necessary to determine eligibility prior to issuance of this license plate. For the purpose of this paragraph, "not-for-hire" means the owner of the motor vehicle must also be the owner of the raw, unprocessed, and nonmanufactured agricultural or horticultural product, or the user of the farm implements and fertilizer being delivered.

- (5) SEMITRAILERS, FEES ACCORDING TO GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT; SCHOOL BUSES; SPECIAL PURPOSE VEHICLES.—
- (a)1. A semitrailer drawn by a GVW truck tractor by means of a fifth-wheel arrangement: \$11 \$10 flat, \$1 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund per registration year or any part thereof.
- 2. A semitrailer drawn by a GVW truck tractor by means of a fifth-wheel arrangement: \$55 \$50 flat, \$5 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund per permanent registration.
- (b) A motor vehicle equipped with machinery and designed for the exclusive purpose of well drilling, excavation, construction, spraying, or similar activity, and which is not designed or used to transport loads other than the machinery described above over public roads: \$35.75 \$32.50 flat, \$3.25 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (c) A school bus used exclusively to transport pupils to and from school or school or church activities or functions within their own county: \$33 \$30 flat, \$3 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (d) A wrecker, as defined in s. 320.01(40), which is used to tow a vessel as defined in s. 327.02(39), a disabled, abandoned, stolen-recovered, or impounded motor vehicle as defined in s. 320.01(38), or a replacement motor vehicle as

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defined in s. 320.01(39):\$33 \$30 flat, \$3 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

- (e) A wrecker, as defined in s. 320.01(40), which is used to tow any motor vehicle, regardless of whether or not such motor vehicle is a disabled motor vehicle as defined in s. 320.01(38), a replacement motor vehicle as defined in s. 320.01(39), a vessel as defined in s. 327.02(39), or any other cargo, as follows:
- 1. Gross vehicle weight of 10,000 pounds or more, but less than 15,000 pounds: \$96\$ \$87\$ flat, \$9\$ of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 2. Gross vehicle weight of 15,000 pounds or more, but less than 20,000 pounds: \$144 \$131 flat, \$13 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 3. Gross vehicle weight of 20,000 pounds or more, but less than 26,000 pounds:  $\frac{$205}{$186}$  flat,  $\frac{$19}{$19}$  of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 4. Gross vehicle weight of 26,000 pounds or more, but less than 35,000 pounds:  $\frac{$264}{$240}$  flat,  $\frac{$24}{$240}$  of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 5. Gross vehicle weight of 35,000 pounds or more, but less than 44,000 pounds: \$330 \$300 flat, \$30 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 6. Gross vehicle weight of 44,000 pounds or more, but less than 55,000 pounds:  $\frac{$629}{$572}$  flat,  $\frac{$57}{$57}$  of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 7. Gross vehicle weight of 55,000 pounds or more, but less than 62,000 pounds: \$746 \$678 flat, \$68 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

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8. Gross vehicle weight of 62,000 pounds or more, but less than 72,000 pounds: \$880 \$800 flat, \$80 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

- 9. Gross vehicle weight of 72,000 pounds or more: \$1,077 \$979 flat, \$98 of which is deposited in the General Revenue Fund.
- (f) A hearse or ambulance: \$33 \$30 flat, \$3 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
  - (6) MOTOR VEHICLES FOR HIRE.-
- (a) Under nine passengers: \$13.75 \$12.50 flat, \$1.25 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund plus \$1 per cwt.
- (b) Nine passengers and over: \$13.75 \$12.50 flat, \$1.25 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund plus \$1.50 per cwt.
  - (7) TRAILERS FOR PRIVATE USE.—
- (a) Any trailer weighing 500 pounds or less:  $\frac{$6$}{$5$}$  flat,  $\frac{$1$}{$1$}$  of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund per year or any part thereof.
- (b) Net weight over 500 pounds: \$2.75 \$2.50 flat, 25 cents of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund plus 75 cents per cwt.
  - (8) TRAILERS FOR HIRE.-
- (a) Net weight under 2,000 pounds: \$2.75 \$2.50 flat, 25 cents of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund plus \$1 per cwt.
- (b) Net weight 2,000 pounds or more: \$11 \$10 flat, \$1 of

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- (9) RECREATIONAL VEHICLE-TYPE UNITS.-
- (a) A travel trailer or fifth-wheel trailer, as defined by s. 320.01(1) (b), that does not exceed 35 feet in length:  $\frac{$22}{$20}$  flat, \$2 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (b) A camping trailer, as defined by s. 320.01(1) (b) 2.: \$11 \$10 flat, \$1 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
  - (c) A motor home, as defined by s. 320.01(1)(b)4.:
- 1. Net weight of less than 4,500 pounds:  $\frac{$22}{$20}$  flat,  $\frac{$2}{$20}$  of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 2. Net weight of 4,500 pounds or more: \$38.50 \$35 flat, \$3.50 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
  - (d) A truck camper as defined by s. 320.01(1)(b)3.:
- 1. Net weight of less than 4,500 pounds:  $\frac{$22}{$20}$  flat,  $\frac{$2}{$20}$  of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 2. Net weight of 4,500 pounds or more: \$38.50\$ \$35 flat.

  \$3.50 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
  - (e) A private motor coach as defined by s. 320.01(1)(b)5.:
- 1. Net weight of less than 4,500 pounds:  $\frac{$22}{$20}$  flat,  $\frac{$2}{$20}$  of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 2. Net weight of 4,500 pounds or more: \$38.50 \$35 flat, \$3.50 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (12) DEALER AND MANUFACTURER LICENSE PLATES.—A franchised motor vehicle dealer, independent motor vehicle dealer, marine boat trailer dealer, or mobile home dealer and manufacturer license plate: \$14\$ \$12.50 flat, \$1.50 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (13) EXEMPT OR OFFICIAL LICENSE PLATES.—Any exempt or official license plate: \$3.50 \$3 flat, 50 cents of which is

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deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

(14) LOCALLY OPERATED MOTOR VEHICLES FOR HIRE.—A motor vehicle for hire operated wholly within a city or within 25 miles thereof: \$14 \frac{\$12.50}{} flat, \$1.50 of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund, plus \$1.50 per cwt.

(15) TRANSPORTER.—Any transporter license plate issued to a transporter pursuant to s. 320.133:  $\frac{$83}{75}$  flat,  $\frac{$8}{75}$  of which is deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

Section 27. Section 320.08035, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.08035 Persons who have disabilities; reduced dimension license plate.—The owner or lessee of a motorcycle, moped, or motorized disability access vehicle who resides in this state and qualifies for a parking permit for a person who has a disability under s. 320.0848, upon application and payment of the appropriate license tax and fees under s. 320.08(1), must be issued a license plate that has reduced dimensions as provided under s. 320.06(2)(a) s. 320.06(3)(a). The plate must be stamped with the international symbol of accessibility after the numeric and alpha serial number of the license plate. The plate entitles the person to all privileges afforded by a disabled parking permit issued under s. 320.0848.

Section 28. Section 320.08046, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.08046 Surcharge on license tax; General Revenue Fund.— There is levied on each license tax imposed under s. 320.08, except those set forth in s. 320.08(11), a surcharge in the amount of \$5 \$1, which shall be collected in the same manner as the license tax. Of the proceeds of the license tax surcharge,

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\$\frac{\\$4.50}{58}\$ percent shall be deposited into the General Revenue

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Section 29. Subsection (2) of section 320.0805, Florida Statutes, as amended by section 4 of chapter 2009-14, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

320.0805 Personalized prestige license plates.-

- (2) Each request for specific numbers or letters or combinations thereof shall be submitted annually to the department on an application form supplied by the department, accompanied by the following tax and fees:
- 1290 (a) The license tax required for the vehicle, as set forth 1291 in s. 320.08.
  - (b) A prestige plate annual use fee of \$10.
  - (c) A processing fee of \$5 \\$2, \$3 of which shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund and \$2 to be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.

Section 30. Subsection (3) of section 320.08056, Florida Statutes, as amended by section 5 of chapter 2009-14, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

320.08056 Specialty license plates.-

- (3) Each request must be made annually to the department, accompanied by the following tax and fees:
- (a) The license tax required for the vehicle as set forth in s. 320.08.
- (b) A processing fee of  $\frac{$5}{$2}$ ,  $\frac{$3}{$3}$  of which shall to be deposited into the General Revenue Fund and \$2 deposited into

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- (c) A license plate fee as required by s. 320.06(1)(b).
- (d) A license plate annual use fee as required in subsection (4).

A request may be made any time during a registration period. If a request is made for a specialty license plate to replace a current valid license plate, the specialty license plate must be issued with appropriate decals attached at no tax for the plate, but all fees and service charges must be paid. When a request is made for a specialty license plate at the beginning of the registration period, the tax, together with all applicable fees and service charges, must be paid.

Section 31. Subsection (4) of section 320.0807, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.0807 Special license plates for Governor and federal and state legislators.—

(4) License plates purchased under subsection (1), subsection (2), or subsection (3) shall be replaced by the department at no cost, other than the fees required by ss. 320.04 and 320.06(2)(b) 320.06(3)(b), when the person to whom such plates have been issued leaves the elective office with respect to which such license plates were issued. Within 30 days after leaving office, the person to whom such license plates have been issued shall make application to the department for a replacement license plate. Such person may return the prestige license plates to the department or may retain such plates as souvenirs. Upon receipt of the replacement license plate, such person shall not continue to display on any vehicle the prestige

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license plate or plates issued with respect to his or her former office.

Section 32. Subsection (5) of section 320.081, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.081 Collection and distribution of annual license tax imposed on the following type units.—

(5) The department shall keep records showing the total number of stickers issued to each type unit governed by this section, the total amount of license taxes collected, and the county or city wherein each such unit is located and shall from month to month certify to the Chief Financial Officer the amount derived from license taxes in each county and each city within the county. Such amount, less the amount of \$1.50 collected on each license and the \$1 license tax surcharge imposed by s. 320.08015, shall be paid to the counties and cities within the counties wherein the unit or units are located as follows: onehalf to the district school board and the remainder either to the board of county commissioners, for units which are located within the unincorporated areas of the county, or to any city within such county, for units which are located within its corporate limits. Payment shall be by warrant drawn by the Chief Financial Officer upon the treasury, on a which amount is hereby appropriated monthly basis out of the License Tax Collection Trust Fund.

Section 33. Subsections (3) and (4) of section 320.084, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

320.084 Free motor vehicle license plate to certain disabled veterans.—

(3) The department shall, as it deems necessary, require

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each person to whom a motor vehicle license plate has been issued pursuant to subsection (1) to apply to the department for reissuance of his or her registration license plate. Upon receipt of the application and proof of the applicant's continued eligibility, the department shall issue a new permanent "DV" numerical motor vehicle license plate which shall be of the colors red, white, and blue similar to the colors of the United States flag. The operation of a motor vehicle displaying a "DV" license plate from a previous issue period or a noncurrent validation sticker after the date specified by the department shall subject the owner if he or she is present, otherwise the operator, to the penalty provided in s. 318.18(2). Such permanent license plate shall be removed upon sale of the vehicle, but may be transferred to another vehicle owned by such veteran in the manner prescribed by law. The license number of each plate issued under this section shall be identified by the letter designation "DV." Upon request of any such veteran, the department is authorized to issue a designation plate containing only the letters "DV," to be displayed on the front of the vehicle.

(4) (a) With the issuance of each new permanent "DV" numerical motor vehicle license plate, the department shall initially issue, without cost to the applicant, a validation sticker reflecting the owner's birth month and a serially numbered validation sticker reflecting the year of expiration. The initial sticker reflecting the year of expiration may not exceed 15 months.

 $\underline{\text{(a)}}$  (b) There shall be a service charge in accordance with the provisions of s. 320.04 for each initial application or

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renewal of registration and an additional sum of 50 cents on each license plate and validation sticker as provided in  $\underline{s}$ .

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(b) (c) Registration under this section shall be renewed annually during the applicable renewal period on forms prescribed by the department, which shall include, in addition to any other information required by the department, a certified statement as to the continued eligibility of the applicant to receive the special "DV" license plate. Any applicant who falsely or fraudulently submits to the department the certified statement required by this paragraph is guilty of a noncriminal violation and is subject to a civil penalty of \$50.

Section 34. Subsection (4) of section 320.086, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.086 Ancient or antique motor vehicles; horseless carriage, antique, or historical license plates; former military vehicles.—

(4) Any person who is the registered owner of a motor vehicle as defined in this section and manufactured in the model year 1974 or earlier may apply to the department for permission to use a historical Florida license plate that clearly represents the model year of the vehicle as a personalized prestige license plate. This plate shall be furnished by such person and shall be presented to the department with a reasonable fee to be determined by the department for approval and for authentication that the historic license plate and any applicable decals were issued by this state in the same year as the model year of the car or truck. The requirements of s. 320.0805(8)(b) do not apply to historical plates authorized

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Section 35. Subsections (3) and (5) of section 320.0894, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

320.0894 Motor vehicle license plates to Gold Star family members.—The department shall develop a special license plate honoring the family members of servicemembers who have been killed while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States. The license plate shall be officially designated as the Gold Star license plate and shall be developed and issued as provided in this section.

- (3) (a) Each owner or lessee of an automobile or truck for private use, truck weighing not more than 7,999 pounds, or recreational vehicle as specified in s. 320.08(9)(c) or (d), which automobile, truck, or vehicle is not used for hire or commercial use, who is a resident of this state, and who meets the qualifications provided in subsection (4) shall, upon application therefor to the department and payment of the license tax and appropriate fees established in this chapter, be issued a Gold Star license plate. Each initial application for a Gold Star license plate must be accompanied by proof that the applicant meets the requirements provided in subsection (4).
- (b) The surviving spouse and a surviving parent meeting the requirements in subsection (4) shall each, upon application therefor, be issued the Gold Star license plate for one vehicle per household free of charge. Renewal decals for the plate issued under this paragraph shall be issued at no cost.
- (5) An eligible family member may request a Gold Star license plate at any time during his or her registration period. If such a license plate is to replace a current valid license

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plate, the license plate shall be issued with appropriate renewal decals attached.

Section 36. Subsection (2) of section 320.10, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.10 Exemptions.

(2) Any such vehicle or mobile home, except one owned or operated exclusively by the Federal Government, shall be furnished a license plate, validation sticker, or mobile home decal sticker upon the proper application to the department and upon the payment of \$3 to cover the cost of same. For any motor vehicle or mobile home which is exempt under paragraph (1)(a), there shall be issued a license plate, validation sticker, or mobile home decal sticker prescribed by s. 320.06; and for any vehicle which is exempt under paragraphs (1)(c)-(h), there shall be issued a license plate under series "X." Vehicles exempt under this provision must be equipped with proper license plates showing such exempt status.

Section 37. Section 320.26, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.26 Counterfeiting license plates, validation stickers, mobile home <u>decals</u> stickers, cab cards, trip permits, or special temporary operational permits prohibited; penalty.—

(1) (a) No person shall counterfeit registration license plates, validation stickers, or mobile home <u>decals</u> stickers, or have in his or her possession any such plates or <u>decals</u> stickers; nor shall any person manufacture, sell, or dispose of registration license plates, validation stickers, or mobile home <u>decals</u> stickers in the state without first having obtained the permission and authority of the department in writing.

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(b) No person shall counterfeit, alter, or manufacture International Registration Plan cab cards, trip permits, special temporary permits, or temporary operational permits; nor shall any person sell or dispose of International Registration Plan cab cards, trip permits, special temporary permits, or temporary operational permits without first having obtained the permission and authority of the department in writing.

- (2) Any person who violates this section is guilty of a felony of the third degree.
- (a) If the violator is a natural person, he or she is punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
- (b) If the violator is an association or corporation, it is punishable as provided in s. 775.083, and the official of the association or corporation under whose direction or with whose knowledge, consent, or acquiescence such violation occurred may be punished as provided in s. 775.082, in addition to the fine which may be imposed upon such association or corporation.

Section 38. Section 320.261, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.261 Attaching registration license plate not assigned unlawful; penalty.—Any person who knowingly attaches to any motor vehicle or mobile home any registration license plate, or who knowingly attaches any validation sticker or mobile home decal sticker to a registration license plate, which plate or decal sticker was not issued and assigned or lawfully transferred to such vehicle, is guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

Section 39. Subsections (13) through (18) of section

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1509 320.822, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

320.822 Definitions; ss. 320.822-320.862.—In construing ss. 320.822-320.862, unless the context otherwise requires, the following words or phrases have the following meanings:

- (13) "Seal" or "label" means a device issued by the department certifying that a mobile home or recreational vehicle meets the appropriate code, which device is to be displayed on the exterior of the mobile home or recreational vehicle.
- (13) (14) "Setup" or "installation" means the operations performed at the occupancy site which render a mobile home or park trailer fit for habitation. Such operations include, but are not limited to, transporting; positioning; blocking; leveling, supporting, installing foundation products, components, and systems; connecting utility systems; making minor adjustments; or assembling multiple or expandable units.
  - (14) (15) "Substantial defect" means:
- (a) Any substantial deficiency or defect in materials or workmanship occurring to a mobile home or recreational vehicle which has been reasonably maintained and cared for in normal use.
- (b) Any structural element, utility system, or component of the mobile home or recreational vehicle, which fails to comply with the code.
- (15)(16) "Supplier" means the original producer of completed components, including refrigerators, stoves, hot water heaters, dishwashers, cabinets, air conditioners, heating units, and similar components, which are furnished to a manufacturer or dealer for installation in the mobile home or recreational vehicle prior to sale to a buyer.

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(16) (17) "Width of a mobile home" means the distance from the exterior of one side wall to the exterior of the opposite side wall where such walls enclose living or other interior space and such distance includes expandable rooms but not bay windows, porches, wall and roof extensions, or other attachments.

- (17) (18) "Body size" of a park trailer, travel trailer, or fifth-wheel trailer means the distance from the exterior side or end to the opposite exterior side or end of the body. Such distance includes expandable rooms, bay windows, wall and roof extensions, or other extrusions in the travel mode. The following exceptions apply:
- (a) Travel trailers shall not exceed 320 square feet. All square footage measurements are of the exterior when in setup mode, including bay windows.
- (b) Park trailers constructed to ANSI A-119.5 shall not exceed 400 square feet. Park trailers constructed to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development standard shall not exceed 500 square feet. All square footage measurements are of the exterior when in setup mode and do not include bay windows.
- (c) Fifth-wheel trailers may not exceed 400 square feet. All square footage measurements are of the exterior when in setup mode, including bay windows.

Section 40. <u>Section 320.824</u>, <u>Florida Statutes</u>, <u>is repealed</u>. Section 41. Section 320.8245, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.8245 Limitation of alteration or modification to mobile homes or recreational vehicles.—

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(1) LIMITATION OF ALTERATIONS OR MODIFICATIONS.—No alteration or modification shall be made to a mobile home or recreational vehicle by a licensed dealer after shipment from the manufacturer's plant unless such alteration or modification is authorized in this section.

- (2) EFFECT ON MOBILE HOME WARRANTY.—Unless an alteration or modification is performed by a qualified person as defined in subsection (3) (4), the warranty responsibility of the manufacturer as to the altered or modified item shall be void.
- (a) An alteration or modification performed by a mobile home or recreational vehicle dealer or his or her agent or employee shall place warranty responsibility for the altered or modified item upon the dealer. If the manufacturer fulfills, or is required to fulfill, the warranty on the altered or modified item, he or she shall be entitled to recover damages in the amount of his or her costs and attorneys' fees from the dealer.
- (b) An alteration or modification performed by a mobile home or recreational vehicle owner or his or her agent shall render the manufacturer's warranty as to that item void. A statement shall be displayed clearly and conspicuously on the face of the warranty that the warranty is void as to the altered or modified item if the alteration or modification is performed by other than a qualified person. Failure to display such statement shall result in warranty responsibility on the manufacturer.
- (3) AUTHORITY OF THE DEPARTMENT.—The department is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations pursuant to chapter 120 which define the alterations or modifications which must be made by qualified personnel. The department may regulate

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only those alterations and modifications which substantially impair the structural integrity or safety of the mobile home.

(3) (4) DESIGNATION AS A QUALIFIED PERSON. -

(a) In order to be designated as a person qualified to alter or modify a mobile home or recreational vehicle, a person must comply with local or county licensing or competency requirements in skills relevant to performing alterations or modifications on mobile homes or recreational vehicles.

(b) When no local or county licensing or competency requirements exist, the department may certify persons to perform mobile home alterations or modifications. The department shall by rule or regulation determine what skills and competency requirements are requisite to the issuance of a certification. A fee sufficient to cover the costs of issuing certifications may be charged by the department. The certification shall be valid for a period which terminates when the county or other local governmental unit enacts relevant competency or licensing requirements. The certification shall be valid only in counties or localities without licensing or competency requirements.

(c) The department shall determine which counties and localities have licensing or competency requirements adequate to eliminate the requirement of certification. This determination shall be based on a review of the relevant county or local standards for adequacy in regulating persons who perform alterations or modifications to mobile homes. The department shall find local or county standards adequate when minimal licensing or competency standards are provided.

Section 42. Subsection (6) of section 320.8249, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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320.8249 Mobile home installers license.-

(6) "Installation," as used herein, is synonymous with "setup" as defined in s.320.822(13) s.320.822(14).

Section 43. <u>Section 320.8255</u>, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

Section 44. Section 320.827, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.827 Label; procedures for issuance; certification; requirements.-No dealer shall sell or offer for sale in this state any new mobile home manufactured after January 1, 1968, unless the mobile home bears a label and the certification by the manufacturer that the mobile home to which the label is attached meets or exceeds the appropriate code. Any mobile home bearing the insignia of approval pursuant to this section shall be deemed to comply with the requirements of all local government ordinances or rules which govern construction, and no mobile home bearing an the department insignia of approval shall be in any way modified except in compliance with this chapter. Labels may be issued by the department when applied for with an affidavit certifying that the dealer or manufacturer applying will not attach a label to any new mobile home that does not meet or exceed the appropriate code. No mobile home may be manufactured in this state unless it bears a label and certification that the mobile home meets or exceeds the code of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. The label for each mobile home shall be displayed in a manner to be prescribed by the department.

Section 45. Section 320.834, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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alicensing an inspection program conducted by the Department of the state and Motor Vehicles. Mobile homes are a primary affordable housing resource of many of the residents of the state and satisfy a large segment of statewide housing needs. It is the further intent of the Legislature that the department, mobile home dealers, and mobile home manufacturers continue to work together to meet the applicable code requirements for mobile homes and that such dealers and manufacturers share the responsibilities of warranting mobile homes in accordance with applicable codes and resolving legitimate consumer complaints in a timely, efficient manner.

Section 46. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 321.23, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

321.23 Public records; fees for copies; destruction of obsolete records; photographing records; effect as evidence.—

- (2) Fees for copies of public records shall be charged and collected as follows:

322.051 Identification cards.-

(3) If an identification card issued under this section is lost, destroyed, or mutilated or a new name is acquired, the person to whom it was issued may obtain a duplicate upon furnishing satisfactory proof of such fact to the department and upon payment of a fee as provided in s. 322.21 of \$10 for such

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duplicate, \$2.50 of which shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund and \$7.50 into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund. The fee shall include payment for the color photograph or digital image of the applicant. Any person who loses an identification card and who, after obtaining a duplicate, finds the original card shall immediately surrender the original card to the department. The same documentary evidence shall be furnished for a duplicate as for an original identification card.

Section 49. Paragraph (c) of subsection (5) of section 322.081, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.081 Requests to establish voluntary check-off on driver's license application.—

- (5) A voluntary contribution collected and distributed under this chapter, or any interest earned from those contributions, may not be used for commercial or for-profit activities nor for general or administrative expenses, except as authorized by law.
- (c) Any voluntary contributions authorized by law <u>must be</u> deposited into and distributed from the Motor Vehicle License Clearing Trust Fund to the recipients specified in chapter 322 shall only be distributed to an organization under an appropriation by the Legislature.

Section 50. Subsection (1) of section 322.12, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.12 Examination of applicants.-

(1) It is the intent of the Legislature that every applicant for an original driver's license in this state be required to pass an examination pursuant to this section.

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However, the department may waive the knowledge, endorsement, and skills tests for an applicant who is otherwise qualified and who surrenders a valid driver's license from another state or a province of Canada, or a valid driver's license issued by the United States Armed Forces, if the driver applies for a Florida license of an equal or lesser classification. Any applicant who fails to pass the initial knowledge test will incur a \$10 \$5 fee for each subsequent test, to be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund. Any applicant who fails to pass the initial skills test will incur a \$20 <del>\$10</del> fee for each subsequent test, to be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund. A person who seeks to retain a hazardous-materials endorsement, pursuant to s. 322.57(1)(d), must pass the hazardous-materials test, upon surrendering his or her commercial driver's license, if the person has not taken and passed the hazardous-materials test within 2 years preceding his or her application for a commercial driver's license in this state.

Section 51. Subsection (9) and paragraph (a) of subsection (11) of section 322.20, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

322.20 Records of the department; fees; destruction of records.—

(9) The department may, upon application, furnish to any person, from the records of the Division of Driver Licenses, a list of the names, addresses, and birth dates of the licensed drivers of the entire state or any portion thereof by age group. In addition, the department may furnish to the courts, for the purpose of establishing jury selection lists, the names, addresses, and birth dates of the persons of the entire state or

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any portion thereof by age group having identification cards issued by the department. Each person who requests such information shall pay a fee, set by the department, of <u>5 cents</u> <del>1 cent</del> per name listed, except that the department shall furnish such information without charge to the courts for the purpose of jury selection or to any state agency or to any state attorney, sheriff, or chief of police. Such court, state agency, state attorney, or law enforcement agency may not sell, give away, or allow the copying of such information. Noncompliance with this prohibition shall authorize the department to charge the noncomplying court, state agency, state attorney, or law enforcement agency the appropriate fee for any subsequent lists requested. The department may adopt rules necessary to implement this subsection.

- (11) (a) The department is authorized to charge the following fees for the following services and documents:
- 1. For providing a transcript of any one individual's driver history record or any portion thereof for the past 3 or 7 years or for searching for such record when no record is found to be on file \$10 \$2.10
- 2. For providing a transcript of any one individual's driver history record or any portion thereof for the past 7 years or for searching for such record when no record is found to be on file \$3.10
- 2.3. For providing a certified copy of a transcript of the driver history record or any portion thereof for any one individual \$10 \$3.10
- 3.4. For providing a certified photographic copy of a document, per page \$1.00

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4.5. For providing an exemplified record \$15.00

5.6. For providing photocopies of documents, papers, letters, clearances, or license or insurance status reports, per page \$0.50

6.7. For assisting persons in searching any one individual's driver record at a terminal located at the department's general headquarters in Tallahassee \$2.00 Section 52. Section 322.201, Florida Statutes, is amended

Section 52. Section 322.201, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.201 Records as evidence. - A copy, computer copy, or transcript of all abstracts of crash reports and all abstracts of court records of convictions received by the department and the complete driving record of any individual duly certified by machine imprint of the department or by machine imprint of the clerk of a court shall be received as evidence in all courts of this state without further authentication, provided the same is otherwise admissible in evidence. Further, any court or the office of the clerk of any court of this state which is electronically connected by a terminal device to the computer data center of the department may use as evidence in any case the information obtained by this device from the records of the department without need of such certification; however, if a genuine issue as to the authenticity of such information is raised by a party or by the court, the court in its sound discretion may require that a record certified by the department be submitted for admission into evidence. For such computer copies generated by a terminal device of a court or clerk of court, entry in a driver's record that the notice required by s. 322.251 was given shall constitute sufficient evidence that such 606-04020A-09 20091778c1

1799 notice was given.

Section 53. Section 322.21, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.21 License fees; procedure for handling and collecting fees.—

- (1) Except as otherwise provided herein, the fee for:
- (a) An original or renewal commercial driver's license is  $\frac{\$75}{67}$ , which shall include the fee for driver education provided by s. 1003.48; however, if an applicant has completed training and is applying for employment or is currently employed in a public or nonpublic school system that requires the commercial license, the fee shall be the same as for a Class E driver's license. A delinquent fee of  $\frac{\$10}{10}$  \$1 shall be added for a renewal made not more than 12 months after the license expiration date.
- (b) An original Class E driver's license is  $\frac{$35}{$27}$ , which shall include the fee for driver's education provided by s. 1003.48; however, if an applicant has completed training and is applying for employment or is currently employed in a public or nonpublic school system that requires a commercial driver license, the fee shall be the same as for a Class E license.
- (c) The renewal or extension of a Class E driver's license or of a license restricted to motorcycle use only is  $\frac{$28}{$20}$ , except that a delinquent fee of  $\frac{$10}{$1}$  shall be added for a renewal or extension made not more than 12 months after the license expiration date. The fee provided in this paragraph shall include the fee for driver's education provided by s. 1003.48.
  - (d) An original driver's license restricted to motorcycle

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use only is  $\frac{$35}{$27}$ , which shall include the fee for driver's education provided by s. 1003.48.

- (e) A replacement driver's license issued pursuant to s. 322.17 is  $\frac{$20}{10}$ . Of this amount \$7 shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund and  $\frac{$13}{10}$  \$3 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (f) An original, renewal, or replacement identification card issued pursuant to s. 322.051 is  $\frac{$11}{$10}$ . Funds collected from these fees shall be distributed as follows:
- 1. For an original identification card issued pursuant to s. 322.051 the fee shall be  $\frac{$11}{$10}$ . This amount shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 2. For a renewal identification card issued pursuant to s. 322.051 the fee shall be \$11 \$10. Of this amount, \$6 shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund and \$5 \$4 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 3. For a replacement identification card issued pursuant to s. 322.051 the fee shall be \$11 \$10. Of this amount, \$9 shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund and \$2 \$1 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
  - (g) Each endorsement required by s. 322.57 is \$7.
- (h) A hazardous-materials endorsement, as required by s. 322.57(1)(d), shall be set by the department by rule and shall reflect the cost of the required criminal history check, including the cost of the state and federal fingerprint check, and the cost to the department of providing and issuing the license. The fee shall not exceed \$100. This fee shall be deposited in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund. The department may adopt rules to administer this section.

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(2) It is the duty of the Director of the Division of Driver Licenses to set up a division in the department with the necessary personnel to perform the necessary clerical and routine work for the department in issuing and recording applications, licenses, and certificates of eligibility, including the receiving and accounting of all license funds and their payment into the State Treasury, and other incidental clerical work connected with the administration of this chapter. The department is authorized to use such electronic, mechanical, or other devices as necessary to accomplish the purposes of this chapter.

- (3) The department shall prepare sufficient forms for certificates of eligibility, applications, notices, and license materials to supply all applicants for driver's licenses and all renewal licenses.
- (4) If the department determines from its records or is otherwise satisfied that the holder of a license about to expire is entitled to have it renewed, the department shall mail a renewal notice to him or her at his or her last known address, not less than 30 days prior to the licensee's birthday. The licensee shall be issued a renewal license, after reexamination, if required, during the 30 days immediately preceding his or her birthday upon presenting a renewal notice, his or her current license, and the fee for renewal to the department at any driver's license examining office.
- (5) The department shall collect and transmit all fees received by it under this section to the Chief Financial Officer to be placed in the General Revenue Fund of the state, and sufficient funds for the necessary expenses of the department

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shall be included in the appropriations act. The fees shall be used for the maintenance and operation of the department.

- (6) Any member of the Armed Forces or his or her spouse, daughter, son, stepdaughter, or stepson, who holds a Florida driver's license and who presents an affidavit showing that he or she was out of the state due to service in the Armed Forces of the United States at the time of license expiration is exempt from paying the delinquent fee, if the application for renewal is made within 15 months after the expiration of his or her license and within 90 days after the date of discharge or transfer to a military or naval establishment in this state as shown in the affidavit. However, such a person is not exempt from any reexamination requirement.
- (7) Any veteran honorably discharged from the Armed Forces who has been issued a valid identification card by the Department of Veterans' Affairs in accordance with s. 295.17, or has been determined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or its predecessor to have a 100-percent total and permanent service-connected disability rating for compensation, or has been determined to have a service-connected total and permanent disability rating of 100 percent and is in receipt of disability retirement pay from any branch of the United States Armed Services, and who is qualified to obtain a driver's license under this chapter is exempt from all fees required by this section.
- (8) Any person who applies for reinstatement following the suspension or revocation of the person's driver's license shall pay a service fee of  $\frac{$45}{$35}$  following a suspension, and  $\frac{$75}{$60}$  following a revocation, which is in addition to the fee for a

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license. Any person who applies for reinstatement of a commercial driver's license following the disqualification of the person's privilege to operate a commercial motor vehicle shall pay a service fee of \$75 \$60, which is in addition to the fee for a license. The department shall collect all of these fees at the time of reinstatement. The department shall issue proper receipts for such fees and shall promptly transmit all funds received by it as follows:

- (a) Of the  $\frac{$45}{$35}$  fee received from a licensee for reinstatement following a suspension, the department shall deposit \$15 in the General Revenue Fund and  $\frac{$30}{$20}$  in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.
- (b) Of the  $\frac{$75}{$60}$  fee received from a licensee for reinstatement following a revocation or disqualification, the department shall deposit \$35 in the General Revenue Fund and  $\frac{$40}{$25}$  in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.
- (9) (a) An applicant requesting a review authorized in s. 322.222, s. 322.2615, s. 322.2616, s. 322.27, or s. 322.64 must pay a filing fee of \$25.00 to be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.
- (b) An applicant petitioning the department for a hearing authorized in s. 322.271, must pay a filing fee of \$12.00 to be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.

If the revocation or suspension of the driver's license was for a violation of s. 316.193, or for refusal to submit to a lawful breath, blood, or urine test, an additional fee of \$130 \$15 must be charged. However, only one \$130 \$15 fee may be collected from one person convicted of violations arising out of

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the same incident. The department shall collect the \$130 \$115 fee and deposit the fee into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund at the time of reinstatement of the person's driver's license, but the fee may not be collected if the suspension or revocation is overturned. If the revocation or suspension of the driver's license was for a conviction for a violation of s. 817.234(8) or (9) or s. 817.505, an additional fee of \$180 is imposed for each offense. The department shall collect and deposit the additional fee into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund at the time of reinstatement of the person's driver's license.

Section 54. Subsection (5) is added to section 322.2715, Florida Statutes, to read:

322.2715 Ignition interlock device.-

(5) In addition to any fees authorized by rule for the installation and maintenance of the ignition interlock device, the authorized installer of the device shall collect and remit \$12 for each installation to the department which shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund to be used for the operation of the Ignition Interlock Device Program.

Section 55. Subsection (2) of section 322.29, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.29 Surrender and return of license.-

(2) The provisions of subsection (1) to the contrary notwithstanding, no examination is required for the return of a license suspended under s. 318.15 or s. 322.245 unless an examination is otherwise required by this chapter. Every person applying for the return of a license suspended under s. 318.15 or s. 322.245 shall present to the department certification from

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the court that he or she has complied with all obligations and penalties imposed on him or her pursuant to s. 318.15 or, in the case of a suspension pursuant to s. 322.245, that he or she has complied with all directives of the court and the requirements of s. 322.245 and shall pay to the department a nonrefundable service fee of  $\frac{$60}{47.50}$ , of which \$37.50 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund and  $\frac{$22.50}{10.50}$  shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund. If reinstated by the clerk of the court or tax collector, \$37.50 shall be retained and  $\frac{$22.50}{10.50}$  shall be remitted to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund. However, the service fee is not required if the person is required to pay a  $\frac{$45}{50.50}$  fee or  $\frac{$75}{50.50}$  fee under the provisions of s. 322.21.

Section 56. Effective July 1, 2009, section 322.293, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.293 DUI programs <del>Coordination Trust Fund;</del> assessment; disposition.—

(1) The DUI programs Coordination Trust Fund shall be administered by the department, and the costs of administration shall be borne by the collections of revenue provided in this section the fund. All funds received by the department DUI Programs Coordination Trust Fund shall be used solely for the purposes set forth in this chapter and for the general operations of the department section and s. 322.292. However, if the Legislature passes legislation consolidating existing trust funds assigned to the department, all funds remaining in and deposited to the DUI Programs Coordination Trust Fund shall be transferred to the consolidated trust funds, subject to their

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being earmarked for use solely for the purposes set forth in this section and s. 322.292.

- (2) Each DUI program shall assess \$12 against each person enrolling in a DUI program at the time of enrollment, including persons who transfer to or from a program in another state. In addition, second and third offenders and those offenders under permanent driver's-license revocation who are evaluated for eligibility for license restrictions under s. 322.271(2)(b) and (4) shall be assessed \$12 upon enrollment in the program and upon each subsequent anniversary date while they are in the program, for the duration of the license period.
- (3) All assessments collected under this section shall be deposited in the Highway Safety Operating forwarded to the DUI Programs Coordination Trust Fund within 30 days after the last day of the month in which the assessment was received.

Section 57. This act shall take effect September 1, 2009.

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