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A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; amending s. 316.192, F.S.; providing for an additional fine to be imposed for the offense of reckless driving; providing for the distribution of the fines collected; amending s. 316.193, F.S.; providing for an additional fine to be assessed against a driver who refuses to submit to a blood-alcohol level test when asked to do so by a law enforcement officer; providing for the distribution of the fines collected; amending s. 320.072, F.S.; decreasing a fee imposed on the initial registration application for certain vehicles; revising disposition of the proceeds from the fees; amending s. 320.08, F.S.; decreasing the annual license taxes for the operation of certain vehicles; revising the disposition of those taxes; amending s. 322.21, F.S.; decreasing and revising the disposition of certain driver's license fees; removing fees for persons requesting a review or a hearing; decreasing certain application fees for reinstatement of a suspended or revoked driver's license or reinstatement of a commercial driver's license following disqualification of the person's privilege to operate a commercial motor vehicle; creating s. 322.2701, F.S.; creating the "Florida's Driver's Responsibility Act"; creating

Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to assess annually a

surcharge on each person who has accumulated 7 or more

s. 322.27021, F.S.; requiring the Department of

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points against his or her driver's license during the preceding 36-month period; specifying the surcharge for the accumulated points; requiring the department to notify the holder of a driver's license that a 4th point has been assessed against his or her license; creating s. 322.27022, F.S.; requiring the department to assess a surcharge against a person who has been convicted of driving under the influence; specifying the amount of the surcharge to be applied to the number of convictions during a specified period; creating s. 322.27023, F.S.; requiring the department to assess a surcharge against a person who has been convicted of driving without a valid license or without financial responsibility; specifying the amount of the surcharge to be applied to the number of convictions during a specified period; creating s. 322.2704, F.S.; requiring the department to notify each person holding a driver's license of any surcharge assessed against the person's license; requiring that notice be sent by first-class mail to the person's most recent address as shown on the records of the department; requiring the notice to specify the date by which the surcharge must be paid and to state the consequences of failing to pay the surcharge; providing that a person's drivers license will automatically be suspended if the person fails to pay the full amount of the surcharge or fails to enter into an installment payment agreement with the department; providing that a driver's license once

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suspended remains suspended until the person pays the full amount of the surcharge or the required installment payment and any related costs; creating s. 322.2705, F.S.; requiring the department to adopt a rule governing methods of payment of the surcharge; authorizing the department to adopt a rule permitting a driver to pay the surcharge by using a credit card; creating s. 322.2706, F.S.; requiring the department to contract with a private vendor to collect the surcharge receivables; creating s. 322.2707, F.S.; requiring the department to establish a surcharge reduction program to extend the payment period for a surcharge or to waive or reduce a surcharge assessed; creating s. 322.2709, F.S.; providing for the distribution of surcharges collected by the department; amending s. 318.121, F.S.; providing that surcharges collected may be added to civil traffic penalties; providing an effective date.

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Section 1. Present subsection (5) of section 316.192, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (6), and a new subsection (5) is added to that section, to read:

316.192 Reckless driving.-

(5) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, an additional charge in the amount of \$300 shall be added to any fine imposed pursuant to this section. One hundred fifty dollars from each such charge shall be remitted to the Department of

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Fund and \$150 shall be remitted to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the Education Enhancement Trust Fund.

Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section 316.193, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

316.193 Driving under the influence; penalties.—

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- (b) 1. Any person who is convicted of a third violation of this section for an offense that occurs within 10 years after a prior conviction for a violation of this section commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. In addition, the court shall order the mandatory placement for a period of not less than 2 years, at the convicted person's sole expense, of an ignition interlock device approved by the department in accordance with s. 316.1938 upon all vehicles that are individually or jointly leased or owned and routinely operated by the convicted person, when the convicted person qualifies for a permanent or restricted license. The installation of such device may not occur before July 1, 2003.
- 2. Any person who is convicted of a third violation of this section for an offense that occurs more than 10 years after the date of a prior conviction for a violation of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$2,000 or more than \$5,000 and by imprisonment for not more than 12 months. In addition, the court shall order the mandatory placement for a period of at least 2 years, at the convicted person's sole expense, of an ignition interlock device approved by the department in accordance with s. 316.1938 upon all vehicles that

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are individually or jointly leased or owned and routinely operated by the convicted person, when the convicted person qualifies for a permanent or restricted license. The installation of such device may not occur before July 1, 2003.

- 3. Any person who is convicted of a fourth or subsequent violation of this section, regardless of when any prior conviction for a violation of this section occurred, commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. However, the fine imposed for such fourth or subsequent violation may be not less than \$2,000.
- 4. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a fine in the amount of \$300 shall be assessed against each driver who refuses to submit to a blood-alcohol level test when asked to do so by a law enforcement officer. One hundred fifty dollars from each such fine shall be remitted to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund and \$150 shall be remitted to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the Education Enhancement Trust Fund.

Section 3. Subsections (1) and (4) of section 320.072, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

320.072 Additional fee imposed on certain motor vehicle registration transactions.—

- (1) A fee of \$100 \$225 is imposed upon the initial application for registration pursuant to s. 320.06 of every motor vehicle classified in s. 320.08(2), (3), and (9)(c) and (d).
- (4) A tax collector or other authorized agent of the department shall promptly remit 44.5 percent of all moneys

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collected pursuant to this section, less any refunds granted pursuant to subsection (3), to the department to be deposited into the State Transportation Trust Fund. The remaining 55.5 percent shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

Section 4. Paragraphs (a), (b), and (d) of subsection (1), subsections (2) through (9), and subsections (12) through (15) of section 320.08, Florida Statutes, 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: \$10 \$13.50 flat, of which \$3.50 \$ shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (b) Any moped: \$5 \$6.75 flat, of which \$1.75 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (d) An ancient or antique motorcycle: $\frac{$10}{$13.50}$ flat, of which \$3.50 shall be 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: \$7.50 \$10.25 flat, of which \$2.75 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (b) Net weight of less than 2,500 pounds: $\frac{$14.50}{$19.50}$ flat, of which \$5 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

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(c) Net weight of 2,500 pounds or more, but less than 3,500 pounds: \$22.50 \$30.50 flat, of which \$8 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

- (d) Net weight of 3,500 pounds or more: \$32.50 \$44 flat, of which \$11.50 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
 - (3) TRUCKS.—

- (a) Net weight of less than 2,000 pounds: $\frac{$14.50}{$19.50}$ flat, of which \$5 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (b) Net weight of 2,000 pounds or more, but not more than 3,000 pounds: \$22.50 \$30.50 flat, of which \$8 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (c) Net weight more than 3,000 pounds, but not more than 5,000 pounds: $\frac{$32.50}{$44}$ flat, of which \$11.50 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (d) A truck defined as a "goat," or any other vehicle if 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: \$7.50 \$10.25 flat, of which \$2.75 shall be 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: $\frac{\$7.50}{\$10.25}$ flat, of which \$2.75 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

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(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{$45}{$60.75}$ flat, of which \$15.75 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (b) Gross vehicle weight of 6,000 pounds or more, but less than 8,000 pounds: $\frac{$65}{$87.75}$ flat, of which \$22.75 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (c) Gross vehicle weight of 8,000 pounds or more, but less than 10,000 pounds: $\frac{$76}{$103}$ flat, of which \$27 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (d) Gross vehicle weight of 10,000 pounds or more, but less than 15,000 pounds: \$87 \$118 flat, of which \$31 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (e) Gross vehicle weight of 15,000 pounds or more, but less than 20,000 pounds: $\frac{$131}{$177}$ flat, of which \$46 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (f) Gross vehicle weight of 20,000 pounds or more, but less than 26,001 pounds: $\frac{$186}{$}$ \$251 flat, of which \$65 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (g) Gross vehicle weight of 26,001 pounds or more, but less than 35,000: $\frac{$240}{}$ \$324 flat, of which \$84 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (h) Gross vehicle weight of 35,000 pounds or more, but less than 44,000 pounds: $\frac{$300}{$405}$ flat, of which \$105 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (i) Gross vehicle weight of 44,000 pounds or more, but less than 55,000 pounds: $\frac{$572}{$773}$ flat, of which \$201 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

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(j) Gross vehicle weight of 55,000 pounds or more, but less than 62,000 pounds: \$678 \$916 flat, of which \$238 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

- (k) Gross vehicle weight of 62,000 pounds or more, but less than 72,000 pounds: $\frac{$800}{$1,080}$ flat, of which \$280 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (1) Gross vehicle weight of 72,000 pounds or more: \$979 \$1,322 flat, of which \$343 shall be 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 is eligible for a license plate for a fee of \$240 \$324 \$flat if:
- 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.

Of the fee imposed by this paragraph, \$84 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

- (n) $\underline{1}$. A truck tractor or heavy truck, not operated as a for-hire vehicle, which is engaged exclusively in transporting raw, unprocessed, and nonmanufactured agricultural or horticultural products within a 150-mile radius of its home address, is eligible for a restricted license plate for a fee \underline{as} follows \underline{of} :
- $\underline{a.1.}$ If such vehicle's declared gross vehicle weight is less than 44,000 pounds, $\frac{$65}{}$ \$87.75 flat, of which \$22.75 shall

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be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

<u>b.2.</u> If such vehicle's declared gross vehicle weight is 44,000 pounds or more and such vehicle only transports from the point of production to the point of primary manufacture; to the point of assembling the same; or to a shipping point of a rail, water, or motor transportation company, \$240 \$324 flat, of which \$84 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

- 2. 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 delivered direct to the growers. The department may require any 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: $\frac{$10}{$13.50}$ flat per registration year or any part thereof, of which \$3.50 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 2. A semitrailer drawn by a GVW truck tractor by means of a fifth-wheel arrangement: $\frac{$50}{$68}$ flat per permanent registration, of which \$18 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
 - (b) A motor vehicle equipped with machinery and designed

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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: \$32.50 \$44 flat, of which \$11.50 shall be 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: \$30 \$41 flat, of which \$11 shall be 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 defined in s. 320.01(39): \$30 \$41 flat, of which \$11 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (e) A wrecker that is used to tow any motor vehicle, regardless of whether such motor vehicle is a disabled motor vehicle, a replacement motor vehicle, a vessel, or any other cargo, as follows:
- 1. Gross vehicle weight of 10,000 pounds or more, but less than 15,000 pounds: $\frac{$87}{$118}$ flat, of which \$31 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 2. Gross vehicle weight of 15,000 pounds or more, but less than 20,000 pounds: \$131 \$177 flat, of which \$46 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 3. Gross vehicle weight of 20,000 pounds or more, but less than 26,000 pounds: $\frac{$186}{$251}$ flat, of which \$65 shall be deposited into the Ceneral Revenue Fund.
 - 4. Gross vehicle weight of 26,000 pounds or more, but less

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than 35,000 pounds: \$240 \$324 flat, of which \$84 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

- 5. Gross vehicle weight of 35,000 pounds or more, but less than 44,000 pounds: $\frac{$300}{$405}$ flat, of which \$105 shall be deposited into the Ceneral Revenue Fund.
- 6. Gross vehicle weight of 44,000 pounds or more, but less than 55,000 pounds: $\frac{$572}{$772}$ flat, of which \$200 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 7. Gross vehicle weight of 55,000 pounds or more, but less than 62,000 pounds: $\frac{$678}{$915}$ flat, of which \$237 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 8. Gross vehicle weight of 62,000 pounds or more, but less than 72,000 pounds: \$800 \$1,080 flat, of which \$280 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 9. Gross vehicle weight of 72,000 pounds or more: \$979 \$1,322 flat, of which \$343 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (f) A hearse or ambulance: $\frac{$30}{$40.50}$ flat, of which \$10.50 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
 - (6) MOTOR VEHICLES FOR HIRE.-
- (a) Under nine passengers: $\frac{$12.50}{$17}$ flat, of which \$4.50 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund; plus $\frac{$1}{$1.50}$ per cwt, of which 50 cents shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (b) Nine passengers and over: $\frac{$12.50}{$17}$ flat, of which $\frac{$4.50}{$1.50}$ shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund; plus $\frac{$1.50}{$2}$ per cwt, of which 50 cents shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
 - (7) TRAILERS FOR PRIVATE USE.—

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(a) Any trailer weighing 500 pounds or less: $\frac{$5}{$6.75}$ flat per year or any part thereof, of which \$1.75 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

- (b) Net weight over 500 pounds: \$2.50 \$3.50 flat, of which \$1 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund; plus 75 cents \$1 per cwt, of which 25 cents shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
 - (8) TRAILERS FOR HIRE.-
- (a) Net weight under 2,000 pounds: \$2.50 \$3.50 flat, of which \$1 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund; plus \$1 \$1.50 per cwt, of which 50 cents shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (b) Net weight 2,000 pounds or more: $\frac{$10}{$13.50}$ flat, of which \$3.50 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund; plus $\frac{$1}{$1.50}$ per cwt, of which 50 cents shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
 - (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{$20}{$7}$ flat, of which \$7 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (b) A camping trailer, as defined by s. 320.01(1)(b)2.: \$10 \$13.50 flat, of which \$3.50 shall be 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: \$20 \$27 flat, of which \$7 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 2. Net weight of 4,500 pounds or more: \$35 \$47.25 flat, of which \$12.25 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

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(d) A truck camper as defined by s. 320.01(1)(b)3.:

- 1. Net weight of less than 4,500 pounds: \$20 \$27 flat, of which \$7 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 2. Net weight of 4,500 pounds or more: \$35 \$47.25 flat, of which \$12.25 shall be 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: \$20 \$27 flat, of which \$7 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 2. Net weight of 4,500 pounds or more: \$35 \$47.25 flat, of which \$12.25 shall be 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: \$12.50 \$17 flat, of which \$4.50 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (13) EXEMPT OR OFFICIAL LICENSE PLATES.—Any exempt or official license plate: \$3 \$4 flat, of which \$1 shall be 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: \$12.50 \$17 flat, of which \$4.50 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund; plus \$1.50 \$2 per cwtof which 50 cents shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (15) TRANSPORTER.—Any transporter license plate issued to a transporter pursuant to s. 320.133: $\frac{$75}{$101.25}$ flat, of which $\frac{$26.25}{$101.25}$ shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- Section 5. Subsections (1), (8), and (9) of section 322.21, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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- (1) Except as otherwise provided herein, the fee for:
- (a) An original or renewal commercial driver's license is $\frac{$67}{$75}$, 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 is the same as for a Class E driver's license. A delinquent fee of $\frac{$1}{$15}$ shall be added for a renewal within 12 months after the license expiration date.
- (b) An original Class E driver's license is \$27 \$48, which includes 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 is 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{$20}{48}$, except that a delinquent fee of $\frac{$1}{40}$ shall be added for a renewal or extension made within 12 months after the license expiration date. The fee provided in this paragraph includes the fee for driver's education provided by s. 1003.48.
- (d) An original driver's license restricted to motorcycle use only is $\frac{$27}{48}$, which includes 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{$10}{$25}$. Of this amount \$7 shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund and $\frac{$3}{$18}$ shall be

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- (f) An original, renewal, or replacement identification card issued pursuant to s. 322.051 is $\frac{$10}{$25}$. Funds collected from these fees shall be distributed as follows:
- 1. For an original identification card issued pursuant to s. 322.051 the fee is $\frac{$10}{$25}$. This amount shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 2. For a renewal identification card issued pursuant to s. 322.051 the fee is $\frac{$10}{$25}$. Of this amount, \$6 shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund and $\frac{$4}{$19}$ shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 3. For a replacement identification card issued pursuant to s. 322.051 the fee is $\frac{$10}{$25}$. Of this amount, \$9 shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund and $\frac{$1}{$16}$ 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 must 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.
- (8) (a) Any person who applies for reinstatement following the suspension or revocation of the person's driver's license must pay a service fee of $\frac{$35}{45}$ following a suspension, and $\frac{$60}{100}$ \$75 following a revocation, which is in addition to the fee for a license. Any person who applies for reinstatement of a

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commercial driver's license following the disqualification of the person's privilege to operate a commercial motor vehicle shall pay a service fee of \$60 \$75, 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:

- 1.(a) Of the \$35 \$45 fee received from a licensee for reinstatement following a suspension, the department shall deposit \$15 in the General Revenue Fund and \$20 \$30 in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.
- 2.(b) Of the \$60 \$75 fee received from a licensee for reinstatement following a revocation or disqualification, the department shall deposit \$35 in the General Revenue Fund and \$25 \$40 in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.
 - (9) An applicant:
- (a) 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 to be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.
- (b) Petitioning the department for a hearing authorized in s. 322.271 must pay a filing fee of \$12 to be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.
- (b) 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 \$115 \$130 must be charged. However, only one \$115 \$130 fee may be collected from one person convicted of violations arising out of the same incident. The department shall collect the \$115 \$130

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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 6. Section 322.2701, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

322.2701 Short title.—Sections 322.2701-322.2709 may be cited as the "Driver's Responsibility Act."

Section 7. Section 322.27021, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

322.27021 Surcharge for points.-

- (1) The department shall assess annually a surcharge on each person who has accumulated 7 or more points under s. 322.27 against his or her driver's license during the preceding 36-month period.
- (3) The department shall notify the holder of a driver's license of the assignment of a 4th point on that person's license. Notice shall be sent by first-class mail to the person's most recent address as shown on the records of the department.

24-01525A-10 20102554 523 (4) This section does not apply to a conviction that 524 becomes final on or before July 1, 2010. 525 Section 8. Section 322.27022, Florida Statutes, is created 526 to read: 527 322.27022 Surcharge for conviction of driving under the 528 influence.-529 (1) The department shall assess annually a surcharge on 530 each person who has a final conviction during the preceding 36-531 month period for a violation of s. 316.193. 532 (2) The amount of the surcharge under this section is: (a) Five hundred dollars per year for a first conviction. 533 534 (b) Seven hundred fifty dollars per year for a second or 535 subsequent conviction within a 36-month period. 536 (c) One thousand dollars per year for a first or subsequent 537 conviction if the blood-alcohol level of the person was 0.20 or 538 higher at the time the analysis was performed. 539 (3) A surcharge under this section may not be assessed for 540 the same conviction for a period longer than 36 months. (4) This section does not apply to a conviction that 541 becomes final on or before July 1, 2010. 542 543 Section 9. Section 322.27023, Florida Statutes, is created 544 to read: 322.27023 Surcharge for conviction of driving without a 545 546 valid license or without financial responsibility.-547 (1) The department shall assess annually a surcharge on 548 each person who has a final conviction during the preceding 36 549 month period for a violation of s. 322.03, s. 322.065, s. 550 324.021, or s. 627.733.

(2) The amount of a surcharge under this section is \$120

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(3) This section does not apply to a conviction that becomes final on or before July 1, 2010.

Section 10. Section 322.2704, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

322.2704 Notice of surcharge.-

- (1) The department shall notify each person who has been assessed a surcharge under ss. 322.2701-322.2709. Notice to the person shall be by first-class mail sent to the person's most recent address as shown on the records of the department. The notice must specify the date by which the surcharge must be paid and state the consequences to the person if he or she fails to pay the surcharge.
- (2) The person shall pay the full amount of the surcharge or enter into an installment payment agreement with the department within 30 days after the date the notification was sent. If the person fails to pay in full or enter into an installment agreement, the person's license is automatically suspended.
- (3) A license suspended under this section remains suspended until the person pays the full amount of the surcharge or the installment payments and any related costs.
- Section 11. Section 322.2705, Florida Statutes, is created to read:
 - 322.2705 Installment payment of surcharges.-
- (1) The department shall adopt a rule allowing a person to pay by installment any surcharge assessed against the person pursuant to ss. 322.2701-322.2709.
 - (2) The rule adopted under this section may not permit a

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610 surcharge or to reduce or waive a surcharge assessed under ss. 322.2701-322.2709.

- (2) The program shall waive a surcharge resulting from the first noncriminal infraction committed by a person within the preceding 48-month period.
- (3) The program shall reduce the surcharge assessed as a result of points assessed under s. 322.27 for a person who completes a driver improvement program prescribed by the department. The department shall establish the amount of the reduction to create an incentive for drivers to enroll in a driver improvement program. The reduction of the surcharge shall be available to a driver once during a 60-month period. The amount of the reduction of the surcharge may not exceed \$100. However, the reduction may not exceed \$75 for a driver who, within the preceding 3-year period, was assessed points for violations relating to a motor vehicle accident or violations identified by the department as most likely to cause accidents resulting in injuries.
- (4) The program shall reduce or extend the payment period for surcharges exceeding \$400 annually which are imposed on persons who are indigent. In determining whether a person is indigent, the department shall use the standards for eligibility for the appointment of a public defender under s. 27.52. The maximum reduction may not exceed 75 percent of a surcharge. The maximum payment period may not be extended by more than 1 year. The rules shall require the department to consider the particular circumstances affecting a person upon whom a surcharge is imposed and to limit the extent to which reductions are available. The department may condition eligibility for a

24-01525A-10 20102554 639 reduction on the completion of a driver improvement program. The 640 department may charge a fee in an amount equal to the 641 department's costs to determine a person's indigent status. 642 Section 14. Section 322.2709, Florida Statutes, is created 643 to read: 644 322.2709 Remittance of surcharges collected.-Moneys 645 collected from a surcharge imposed by the department pursuant to 646 ss. 322.2701-322.2709 shall be distributed as follows: 647 (1) Up to 1 percent shall be used to provide public service 648 announcements to notify the public of the provisions of the 649 Florida Driver's Responsibility Act. 650 (2) Of the remaining moneys: 651 (a) Fifty percent shall be remitted to the Department of 652 Revenue to be deposited into the Department of Highway Safety 653 Operating Trust Fund 654 (b) Fifty percent shall be remitted to the General Revenue 655 Fund. 656 Section 15. Section 318.121, Florida Statutes, is amended 657 to read: 658 318.121 Preemption of additional fees, fines, surcharges, 659 and costs.-Notwithstanding any general or special law, or 660 municipal or county ordinance, additional fees, fines, 661 surcharges, or costs other than the court costs and surcharges 662 assessed under s. 318.18(11), (13), (18), and (19) or ss. 663 322.2701-322.2709, may not be added to the civil traffic 664 penalties assessed in this chapter.

Section 16. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010.