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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to gasoline stations; amending s. 526.141, F.S.; requiring self-service gasoline pumps to display an additional decal containing specified information; requiring the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to confirm compliance by a specified date; providing for preemption of local laws and regulations pertaining to fueling assistance for certain motor vehicle operators; providing an effective date.

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

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Section 1. Subsection (5) of section 526.141, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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526.141 Self-service gasoline stations; attendants; regulations.—

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(5)(a) Every full-service gasoline station offering self-service at a lesser cost shall require an attendant employed by the station to dispense gasoline from the self-service portion of the station to any motor vehicle properly displaying an exemption parking permit as provided in s. 316.1958 or s. 320.0848 or a license plate issued pursuant to s. 320.084, s. 320.0842, s. 320.0843, or s. 320.0845 when the person to whom such permit has been issued is the operator of the vehicle and

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such service is requested. Such stations shall prominently

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display a decal no larger than 8 square inches on the front of all self-service pumps clearly stating the requirements of this subsection and the penalties applicable to violations of this subsection. The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services shall enforce this requirement.

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- (b) 1. The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, when inspecting a self-service gasoline station, shall confirm that a second and separate decal is affixed to each pump. The decal must be blue, at least 15 square inches, and clearly display the international symbol of accessibility shown in s. 320.0842, the telephone number of the station, and the words "Call for Assistance." The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services shall adopt rules to implement and enforce this paragraph and shall confirm that the decals conform with this paragraph and are in place by July 1, 2016.
- 2. This paragraph preempts and supersedes all local government laws and regulations pertaining to the provision of fueling assistance to the motor vehicle operators described in paragraph (a) by self-service gasoline stations.
- $\underline{\text{(c)}}$ Violation of paragraph (a) is a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.
 - Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.