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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Transportation (Brandes) recommended the following:

1           **Senate Amendment to Amendment (905658) (with directory and**  
2 **title amendments)**

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4           Delete lines 167 - 175  
5 and insert:

6           (3) (a) Registration license plates must be made of metal  
7 specially treated with a retroreflection material, as specified  
8 by the department. The registration license plate is designed to  
9 increase nighttime visibility and legibility and must be at  
10 least 6 inches wide and not less than 12 inches in length,



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11 unless a plate with reduced dimensions is deemed necessary by  
12 the department to accommodate motorcycles, mopeds, or similar  
13 smaller vehicles. Validation stickers must also be treated with  
14 a retroreflection material, must be of such size as specified by  
15 the department, and must adhere to the license plate. The  
16 registration license plate must be imprinted with a combination  
17 of bold letters and numerals or numerals, not to exceed seven  
18 digits, to identify the registration license plate number. The  
19 license plate must be imprinted with the word "Florida" at the  
20 top and the name of the county in which it is sold, the state  
21 motto, or the words "Sunshine State" at the bottom. Apportioned  
22 license plates must have the word "Apportioned" at the bottom  
23 and license plates issued for vehicles taxed under s.  
24 320.08(3)(d), (4)(m) or (n), (5)(b) or (c), or (14) must have  
25 the word "Restricted" at the bottom. License plates issued for  
26 vehicles taxed under s. 320.08(12) must be imprinted with the  
27 word "Florida" at the top and the word "Dealer" at the bottom  
28 unless the license plate is a specialty license plate as  
29 authorized in s. 320.08056. Manufacturer license plates issued  
30 for vehicles taxed under s. 320.08(12) must be imprinted with  
31 the word "Florida" at the top and the word "Manufacturer" at the  
32 bottom. License plates issued for vehicles taxed under s.  
33 320.08(5)(d) or (e) must be imprinted with the word "Wrecker" at  
34 the bottom. Any county may, upon majority vote of the county  
35 commission, elect to have the county name removed from the  
36 license plates sold in that county. The state motto or the words  
37 "Sunshine State" shall be printed in lieu thereof. A license  
38 plate issued for a vehicle taxed under s. 320.08(6) may not be  
39 assigned a registration license number, or be issued with any



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40 other distinctive character or designation, that distinguishes  
41 the motor vehicle as a for-hire motor vehicle.

42 Section 4. Subsection (5) of section 320.0607, Florida  
43 Statutes, is amended to read:

44 320.0607 Replacement license plates, validation decal, or  
45 mobile home sticker.—

46 (5) Upon the issuance of an original license plate, the  
47 applicant shall pay a fee of \$28 to be deposited in the Highway  
48 Safety Operating Trust Fund. Beginning October 1, 2019, this  
49 subsection does not apply to a vehicle registered under the  
50 International Registration Plan.

51 Section 5. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section  
52 320.0657, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

53 320.0657 Permanent registration; fleet license plates.—

54 (2)

55 (b) The plates, which shall be of a distinctive color,  
56 shall have the word "Fleet" appearing at the bottom and the word  
57 "Florida" appearing at the top unless the license plate is a  
58 specialty license plate as authorized in s. 320.08056. The  
59 plates shall conform in all respects to the provisions of this  
60 chapter, except as specified herein. For additional fees as set  
61 forth in s. 320.08056, fleet companies may purchase specialty  
62 license plates in lieu of the standard fleet license plates.  
63 Fleet companies shall be responsible for all costs associated  
64 with the specialty license plate, including all annual use fees,  
65 processing fees, fees associated with switching license plate  
66 types, and any other applicable fees.

67 Section 6. Subsection (12) of section 320.08, Florida  
68 Statutes, is amended to read:



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69           320.08 License taxes.—Except as otherwise provided herein,  
70 there are hereby levied and imposed annual license taxes for the  
71 operation of motor vehicles, mopeds, motorized bicycles as  
72 defined in s. 316.003(3), tri-vehicles as defined in s. 316.003,  
73 and mobile homes as defined in s. 320.01, which shall be paid to  
74 and collected by the department or its agent upon the  
75 registration or renewal of registration of the following:

76           (12) DEALER AND MANUFACTURER LICENSE PLATES.—A franchised  
77 motor vehicle dealer, independent motor vehicle dealer, marine  
78 boat trailer dealer, or mobile home dealer and manufacturer  
79 license plate: \$17 flat, of which \$4.50 shall be deposited into  
80 the General Revenue Fund. For additional fees as set forth in s.  
81 320.08056, dealers may purchase specialty license plates in lieu  
82 of the standard graphic dealer license plates. Dealers shall be  
83 responsible for all costs associated with the specialty license  
84 plate, including all annual use fees, processing fees, fees  
85 associated with switching license plate types, and any other  
86 applicable fees.

87           Section 7. Subsection (2) of section 320.08056, Florida  
88 Statutes, is amended to read:

89           320.08056 Specialty license plates.—

90           (2) (a) The department shall issue a specialty license plate  
91 to the owner or lessee of any motor vehicle, except a vehicle  
92 registered under the International Registration Plan, a  
93 commercial truck required to display two license plates pursuant  
94 to s. 320.0706, or a truck tractor, upon request and payment of  
95 the appropriate license tax and fees.

96           (b) The department may authorize dealer and fleet specialty  
97 license plates. With the permission of the sponsoring specialty



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98 license plate organization, a dealer or fleet company may  
99 purchase specialty license plates to be used on dealer and fleet  
100 vehicles.

101 (c) Notwithstanding s. 320.08058, a dealer or fleet  
102 specialty license plate must include the letters "DLR" or "FLT"  
103 on the right side of the license plate. Dealer and fleet  
104 specialty license plates must be ordered directly through the  
105 department.

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107 ===== D I R E C T O R Y C L A U S E A M E N D M E N T =====

108 And the directory clause is amended as follows:

109 Delete lines 116 - 117

110 and insert:

111 Section 3. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) and paragraph  
112 (a) of subsection (3) of section 320.06, Florida Statutes, are  
113 amended to read:

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115 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

116 And the title is amended as follows:

117 Delete lines 238 - 241

118 and insert:

119 certain circumstances; providing an exception to the  
120 design of dealer license plates for specialty license  
121 plates; amending s. 320.0607, F.S.; providing an  
122 exemption, beginning on a specified date, from a  
123 certain fee for vehicles registered under the  
124 International Registration Plan; amending s. 320.0657,  
125 F.S.; providing an exception to the design of fleet  
126 license plates for specialty license plates;



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127 authorizing fleet companies to purchase specialty  
128 license plates in lieu of the standard fleet license  
129 plates for additional specified fees; requiring fleet  
130 companies to be responsible for all costs associated  
131 with the specialty license plate; amending s. 320.08,  
132 F.S.; authorizing dealers to purchase specialty  
133 license plates in lieu of the standard graphic dealer  
134 license plates for additional specified fees;  
135 requiring dealers to be responsible for all costs  
136 associated with the specialty license plate; amending  
137 s. 320.08056, F.S.; allowing the Department of Highway  
138 Safety and Motor Vehicles to authorize dealer and  
139 fleet specialty license plates; authorizing a dealer  
140 or fleet company to purchase specialty license plates  
141 to be used on dealer and fleet vehicles with the  
142 permission of the sponsoring specialty license plate  
143 organization; requiring a dealer or fleet specialty  
144 license plate to include specified letters on the  
145 right side of the license plate; requiring dealer and  
146 fleet specialty license plates to be ordered directly  
147 through the department; amending s. 812.014,