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The Committee on Transportation (Harrell) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 316.126, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsection (6) of that section is reenacted, to read:

316.126 Operation of vehicles and actions of pedestrians on approach of an authorized emergency, sanitation, or utility service vehicle.-

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- (b) If an authorized emergency vehicle displaying any visual signals is parked on the roadside, a sanitation vehicle is performing a task related to the provision of sanitation services on the roadside, a utility service vehicle is performing a task related to the provision of utility services on the roadside, or a wrecker displaying amber rotating or flashing lights is performing a recovery or loading on the roadside, or a road and bridge maintenance or construction vehicle displaying warning lights is on the roadside without advance signs and channelizing devices, the driver of every other vehicle, as soon as it is safe:
- 1. Shall vacate the lane closest to the emergency vehicle, sanitation vehicle, utility service vehicle, or wrecker, or road and bridge maintenance or construction vehicle when driving on an interstate highway or other highway with two or more lanes traveling in the direction of the emergency vehicle, sanitation vehicle, utility service vehicle, or wrecker, or road and bridge maintenance or construction vehicle except when otherwise directed by a law enforcement officer. If such movement cannot be safely accomplished, the driver shall reduce speed as provided in subparagraph 2.
- 2. Shall slow to a speed that is 20 miles per hour less than the posted speed limit when the posted speed limit is 25 miles per hour or greater; or travel at 5 miles per hour when the posted speed limit is 20 miles per hour or less, when driving on a two-lane road, except when otherwise directed by a law enforcement officer.
 - (6) A violation of this section is a noncriminal traffic

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infraction, punishable pursuant to chapter 318 as either a moving violation for infractions of subsection (1) or subsection (3), or as a pedestrian violation for infractions of subsection (2).

Section 2. Section 316.3045, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

316.3045 Operation of radios or other mechanical soundmaking devices or instruments in vehicles; exemptions.-

- (1) A It is unlawful for any person who operates or occupies operating or occupying a motor vehicle on a street or highway may not to operate or amplify the sound produced by a radio, tape player, or other mechanical soundmaking device or instrument from within the motor vehicle so that the sound is:
- (a) plainly audible at a distance of 25 feet or more from the motor vehicle; or
- (b) Louder than necessary for the convenient hearing by persons inside the vehicle in areas adjoining churches, schools, or hospitals.
- (2) The provisions of This section does shall not apply to any law enforcement motor vehicle equipped with any communication device necessary in the performance of law enforcement duties or to any emergency vehicle equipped with any communication device necessary in the performance of any emergency procedures.
- (3) This section does The provisions of this section do not apply to motor vehicles used for business or political purposes, which in the normal course of conducting such business use soundmaking devices. The provisions of this subsection shall not be deemed to prevent local authorities, with respect to streets

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and highways under their jurisdiction and within the reasonable exercise of the police power, from regulating the time, place, and manner in which a device or an instrument described in subsection (1) such business may be operated.

- (4) The provisions of This section does do not apply to the noise made by a horn or other warning device required or permitted by s. 316.271. The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall adopt promulgate rules defining "plainly audible" and shall establish standards regarding how sound should be measured by law enforcement personnel who enforce the provisions of this section.
- (5) A violation of this section is a noncriminal traffic infraction, punishable as a nonmoving violation as provided in chapter 318.

Section 3. Subsection (5) of section 316.305, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

316.305 Wireless communications devices; prohibition.-

(5) When a law enforcement officer issues a citation for a violation of this section, the law enforcement officer must record the race and ethnicity of the violator. All law enforcement agencies must maintain such information and report the information to the department in a form and manner determined by the department. Beginning February 1, 2020, The department shall annually report the data collected under this subsection to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The data collected must be reported at least by statewide totals for local law enforcement agencies, state law enforcement agencies, and state university law enforcement agencies. The statewide total for

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local law enforcement agencies shall combine the data for the county sheriffs and the municipal law enforcement agencies.

Section 4. Section 316.70, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

316.70 Nonpublic sector buses; safety rules.-

- (1) All owners and drivers of nonpublic sector buses operated on the public highways of this state are subject to the rules and regulations The Department of Transportation shall establish and revise standards to ensure the safe operation of nonpublic sector buses, which standards shall be those contained in 49 C.F.R. parts 382, 385, and 390-397 to ensure and which shall be directed toward ensuring that:
- (a) Nonpublic sector buses are safely maintained, equipped, and operated.
- (b) Nonpublic sector buses are carrying the insurance required by law and carrying liability insurance on the checked baggage of passengers not to exceed the standard adopted by the United States Department of Transportation.
- (c) Florida license tags are purchased for nonpublic sector buses pursuant to s. 320.38.
- (d) The driving records of drivers of nonpublic sector buses are checked by their employers at least once each year to ascertain whether the driver has a suspended or revoked driver license.
- (2) Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles Transportation personnel may conduct compliance reviews for the purpose of determining compliance with this section. A civil penalty not to exceed \$5,000 in the aggregate may be assessed against any person who violates any provision of this section or

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who violates any rule or order of the department found during a compliance review as provided in s. 316.3025. A of Transportation. A civil penalty not to exceed \$25,000 in the aggregate may be assessed for violations found in a followup compliance review conducted within a 24-month period. A civil penalty not to exceed \$25,000 in the aggregate may be assessed and the motor carrier may be enjoined from operation pursuant to s. 316.3026 for if violations found during a are found after a second followup compliance review within 12 months after the first followup compliance review. Motor carriers found to be operating without insurance coverage required by s. 627.742 or 49 C.F.R. part 387 may be enjoined as provided in s. 316.3026. (3) For the purpose of enforcing this section, any law enforcement officer of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles or a duly appointed agent of the department who holds a current safety inspector certification from the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance may require the driver of any commercial vehicle operated on the highways of this state to stop and submit to an inspection of the vehicle or the driver's records. If the vehicle is being operated or the driver is operating the vehicle in an unsafe condition, or if any required part or equipment is not present or is not in proper repair or adjustment, and the continued operation would be unduly hazardous, the officer or agent may require the vehicle or the driver to be removed from service pursuant to the North American Standard Out-of-Service Criteria until all safety concerns are corrected. However, if continuous operation would not be unduly hazardous, the officer or agent may give written notice

requiring correction of the condition within 15 days after the



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- (4) School buses subject to the provisions of chapter 1006 or s. 316.615 are exempt from the provisions of this section.
- Section 5. Section 319.1414, Florida Statutes, is created to read:
- 319.1414 Investigations; examinations; subpoenas; hearings; witnesses.-
- (1) The department may conduct investigations and examinations of department-authorized private rebuilt inspection providers as it deems necessary to determine whether a person has violated or is about to violate this chapter or a contract entered into pursuant to this chapter or to assist with the enforcement of this chapter.
- (2) For purposes of any investigation or examination conducted pursuant to this section, the department may exercise the power of subpoena and the powers to administer oaths or affirmations, to examine witnesses, to require affidavits, to take depositions, and to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of books, papers, documents, records, and other evidence. A designated agent of the department may serve a subpoena relating to an investigation or examination.
- (3) If a person refuses to testify; produce books, papers, documents, or records; or otherwise obey a subpoena or subpoena duces tecum issued under subsection (2), the department may petition a court of competent jurisdiction in the county where the person's residence or principal place of business is located, upon which the court must issue an order requiring such person to obey the subpoena or show cause for failing to obey the subpoena. Unless the person shows sufficient cause for

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- (4) For the purpose of any investigation, examination, or proceeding initiated by the department under this chapter, the department is authorized to designate agents to serve subpoenas and other process and to administer oaths or affirmations.
- (5) Witnesses subpoenaed under this section are entitled to witness fees at the same rate established by s. 92.142 for witnesses in a civil case, except that witness fees are not payable for appearance at the witness's place of business during regular business hours or at the witness's residence.
- (6) The department may adopt rules to administer this section.

Section 6. Section 319.25, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 319.25 Cancellation of certificates; investigations; subpoenas and other process; oaths; rules.-
- (1) If it appears that a certificate of title has been improperly issued, the department shall cancel the certificate. Upon cancellation of any certificate of title, the department shall notify the person to whom the certificate of title was issued, as well as any lienholders appearing thereon, of the cancellation and shall demand the surrender of the certificate of title, but the cancellation shall not affect the validity of any lien noted thereon. The holder of the certificate of title shall return it to the department forthwith. If a certificate of registration has been issued to the holder of a certificate of title so canceled, the department shall immediately cancel the

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certificate of registration and demand the return of such certificate of registration and license plate or mobile home sticker; and the holder of such certificate of registration and license plate or sticker shall return them to the department forthwith.

- (2) The department is authorized, upon application of any person and payment of the proper fees, to prepare and furnish lists containing title information in such form as the department may authorize, to search the records of the department and make reports thereof, and to make photographic copies of the department records and attestations thereof, except as provided in chapter 119.
- (3) The department may conduct investigations and examinations of any person suspected of violating or of having violated this chapter or any rule adopted or order issued under this chapter.
- (4) For purposes of any investigation or examination conducted pursuant to this section, the department may exercise the power of subpoena and the powers to administer oaths or affirmations, to examine witnesses, to require affidavits, to take depositions, and to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of books, papers, documents, records, and other evidence. An authorized representative of the department may serve a subpoena relating to an investigation or examination.
- (5) If a person refuses to testify; produce books, papers, documents, or records; or otherwise obey the subpoena or subpoena duces tecum issued under subsection (4), the department may petition a court of competent jurisdiction in the county where the person's residence or principal place of business is

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- (6) For the purpose of any investigation, examination, or proceeding initiated by the department under this chapter, the department is authorized to designate agents to serve subpoenas and other process and to administer oaths or affirmations.
- (7) Witnesses subpoenaed under this section are entitled to witness fees at the same rate established by s. 92.142 for witnesses in a civil case, except that witness fees are not payable for appearance at the witness's place of business during regular business hours or at the witness's residence.
- (8) The department may adopt rules to administer this section.

Section 7. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section 319.30, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

319.30 Definitions; dismantling, destruction, change of identity of motor vehicle or mobile home; salvage.-

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(b) The owner, including persons who are self-insured, of a motor vehicle or mobile home that is considered to be salvage shall, within 72 hours after the motor vehicle or mobile home becomes salvage, forward the title to the motor vehicle or mobile home to the department for processing. However, an insurance company that pays money as compensation for the total loss of a motor vehicle or mobile home shall obtain the

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certificate of title for the motor vehicle or mobile home, make the required notification to the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System, and, within 72 hours after receiving such certificate of title, forward such title by the United States Postal Service, by another commercial delivery service, or by electronic means, when such means are made available by the department, to the department for processing. The owner or insurance company, as applicable, may not dispose of a vehicle or mobile home that is a total loss before it obtains a salvage certificate of title or certificate of destruction from the department. Effective January 1, 2020:

- 1. Thirty days after payment of a claim for compensation pursuant to this paragraph, the insurance company may receive a salvage certificate of title or certificate of destruction from the department if the insurance company is unable to obtain a properly assigned certificate of title from the owner or lienholder of the motor vehicle or mobile home, if the motor vehicle or mobile home does not carry an electronic lien on the title and the insurance company:
- a. Has obtained the release of all liens on the motor vehicle or mobile home;
- b. Has attested on a form provided by the department that provided proof of payment of the total loss claim has been distributed; and
- c. Has attested on a form provided by the department and provided an affidavit on letterhead signed by the insurance company or its authorized agent stating the attempts that have been made to obtain the title from the owner or lienholder and further stating that all attempts are to no avail. The form

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affidavit must include a request that the salvage certificate of title or certificate of destruction be issued in the insurance company's name due to payment of a total loss claim to the owner or lienholder. The attempts to contact the owner may be by written request delivered in person or by first-class mail with a certificate of mailing to the owner's or lienholder's last known address.

- 2. If the owner or lienholder is notified of the request for title in person, the insurance company must provide an affidavit attesting to the in-person request for a certificate of title.
- 3. The request to the owner or lienholder for the certificate of title must include a complete description of the motor vehicle or mobile home and the statement that a total loss claim has been paid on the motor vehicle or mobile home.
- Section 8. Subsection (3) and paragraph (a) of subsection (10) of section 320.27, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 320.27 Motor vehicle dealers.
- (3) APPLICATION AND FEE.—The application for the license shall be in such form as may be prescribed by the department and shall be subject to such rules with respect thereto as may be so prescribed by it. Such application shall be verified by oath or affirmation and shall contain a full statement of the name and birth date of the person or persons applying therefor; the name of the firm or copartnership, with the names and places of residence of all members thereof, if such applicant is a firm or copartnership; the names and places of residence of the principal officers, if the applicant is a body corporate or other artificial body; the name of the state under whose laws

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the corporation is organized; the present and former place or places of residence of the applicant; and prior business in which the applicant has been engaged and the location thereof. Such application shall describe the exact location of the place of business and shall state whether the place of business is owned by the applicant and when acquired, or, if leased, a true copy of the lease shall be attached to the application. The applicant shall certify that the location provides an adequately equipped office and is not a residence; that the location affords sufficient unoccupied space upon and within which adequately to store all motor vehicles offered and displayed for sale; and that the location is a suitable place where the applicant can in good faith carry on such business and keep and maintain books, records, and files necessary to conduct such business, which shall be available at all reasonable hours to inspection by the department or any of its inspectors or other employees. The applicant shall certify that the business of a motor vehicle dealer is the principal business which shall be conducted at that location. The application shall contain a statement that the applicant is either franchised by a manufacturer of motor vehicles, in which case the name of each motor vehicle that the applicant is franchised to sell shall be included, or an independent (nonfranchised) motor vehicle dealer. The application shall contain other relevant information as may be required by the department, including evidence that the applicant is insured under a garage liability insurance policy or a general liability insurance policy coupled with a business automobile policy, which shall include, at a minimum, \$25,000 combined single-limit liability coverage including

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bodily injury and property damage protection and \$10,000 personal injury protection. However, a salvage motor vehicle dealer as defined in subparagraph (1)(c)5. is exempt from the requirements for garage liability insurance and personal injury protection insurance on those vehicles that cannot be legally operated on roads, highways, or streets in this state. Franchise dealers must submit a garage liability insurance policy, and all other dealers must submit a garage liability insurance policy or a general liability insurance policy coupled with a business automobile policy. Such policy shall be for the license period, and evidence of a new or continued policy shall be delivered to the department at the beginning of each license period. A licensee shall deliver to the department, in the manner prescribed by the department, within 10 calendar days after any renewal or continuation of or change in such policy or within 10 calendar days after any issuance of a new policy, a copy of the renewed, continued, changed, or new policy. Upon making initial application, the applicant shall pay to the department a fee of \$300 in addition to any other fees required by law. Applicants may choose to extend the licensure period for 1 additional year for a total of 2 years. An initial applicant shall pay to the department a fee of \$300 for the first year and \$75 for the second year, in addition to any other fees required by law. An applicant for renewal shall pay to the department \$75 for a 1year renewal or \$150 for a 2-year renewal, in addition to any other fees required by law. Upon making an application for a change of location, the person shall pay a fee of \$50 in addition to any other fees now required by law. The department shall, in the case of every application for initial licensure,

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verify whether certain facts set forth in the application are true. Each applicant, general partner in the case of a partnership, or corporate officer and director in the case of a corporate applicant, must file a set of fingerprints with the department for the purpose of determining any prior criminal record or any outstanding warrants. The department shall submit the fingerprints to the Department of Law Enforcement for state processing and forwarding to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for federal processing. The actual cost of state and federal processing shall be borne by the applicant and is in addition to the fee for licensure. The department may issue a license to an applicant pending the results of the fingerprint investigation, which license is fully revocable if the department subsequently determines that any facts set forth in the application are not true or correctly represented.

- (10) SURETY BOND OR IRREVOCABLE LETTER OF CREDIT REQUIRED.-
- (a) Annually, before any license shall be issued to a motor vehicle dealer, the applicant-dealer of new or used motor vehicles shall deliver to the department a good and sufficient surety bond or irrevocable letter of credit, executed by the applicant-dealer as principal, in the sum of \$25,000. A licensee shall deliver to the department, in the manner prescribed by the department, within 10 calendar days after any renewal or continuation of or change in such surety bond or irrevocable letter of credit or within 10 calendar days after any issuance of a new surety bond or irrevocable letter of credit, a copy of such renewed, continued, changed, or new surety bond or irrevocable letter of credit. Section 9. Paragraph (a) of subsection (16) of section



417 320.77, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 320.77 License required of mobile home dealers.-418 419 (16) SURETY BOND, CASH BOND, OR IRREVOCABLE LETTER OF 420 CREDIT REQUIRED.-421 (a) Before any license shall be issued or renewed, the 422 applicant or licensee shall deliver to the department a good and 423 sufficient surety bond, cash bond, or irrevocable letter of 424 credit, executed by the applicant or licensee as principal. The 425 licensee shall deliver to the department, in the manner 426 prescribed by the department, within 10 calendar days after any 427 renewal or continuation of or change in such surety bond, cash 428 bond, or irrevocable letter of credit or within 10 calendar days 429 after any issuance of a new surety bond, cash bond, or 430 irrevocable letter of credit, a copy of such renewed, continued, 431 changed, or new surety bond, cash bond, or irrevocable letter of 432 credit. The bond or irrevocable letter of credit shall be in a 433 form to be approved by the department and shall be conditioned 434 upon the dealer's complying with the conditions of any written 435 contract made by the dealer in connection with the sale, 436 exchange, or improvement of any mobile home and his or her not 437 violating any of the provisions of chapter 319 or this chapter 438 in the conduct of the business for which the dealer is licensed. 439 The bond or irrevocable letter of credit shall be to the department and in favor of any retail customer who shall suffer 440 441 any loss as a result of any violation of the conditions 442 contained in this section. The bond or irrevocable letter of 443 credit shall be for the license period, and a new bond or 444 irrevocable letter of credit or a proper continuation certificate shall be delivered to the department at the 445



beginning of each license period. However, the aggregate liability of the surety in any one license year shall in no event exceed the sum of such bond, or, in the case of a letter of credit, the aggregate liability of the issuing bank shall not exceed the sum of the credit. The amount of the bond required shall be as follows:

- 1. A single dealer who buys, sells, or deals in mobile homes and who has four or fewer supplemental licenses shall provide a surety bond, cash bond, or irrevocable letter of credit executed by the dealer applicant or licensee in the amount of \$25,000.
- 2. A single dealer who buys, sells, or deals in mobile homes and who has more than four supplemental licenses shall provide a surety bond, cash bond, or irrevocable letter of credit executed by the dealer applicant or licensee in the amount of \$50,000.

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For the purposes of this paragraph, any person who buys, sells, or deals in both mobile homes and recreational vehicles shall provide the same surety bond required of dealers who buy, sell, or deal in mobile homes only.

Section 10. Paragraph (j) of subsection (3) and paragraph (a) of subsection (16) of section 320.771, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

- 320.771 License required of recreational vehicle dealers.-
- (3) APPLICATION.—The application for such license shall be in the form prescribed by the department and subject to such rules as may be prescribed by it. The application shall be verified by oath or affirmation and shall contain:



(j) Evidence A statement that the applicant is insured under a garage liability insurance policy, which shall include, at a minimum, \$25,000 combined single-limit liability coverage, including bodily injury and property damage protection, and \$10,000 personal injury protection, if the applicant is to be licensed as a dealer in, or intends to sell, recreational vehicles. Such policy must be for the license period and delivered to the department in the manner prescribed by the department. The licensee shall deliver to the department, in the manner prescribed by the department, within 10 calendar days after any renewal or continuation of or change in such policy or within 10 calendar days after any issuance of a new policy, a copy of such renewed, continued, changed, or new policy. However, a garage liability policy is not required for the licensure of a mobile home dealer who sells only park trailers.

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The department shall, if it deems necessary, cause an investigation to be made to ascertain if the facts set forth in the application are true and shall not issue a license to the applicant until it is satisfied that the facts set forth in the application are true.

(16) BOND.-

(a) Before any license shall be issued or renewed, the applicant shall deliver to the department, in the manner prescribed by the department, a good and sufficient surety bond, executed by the applicant as principal and by a surety company qualified to do business in the state as surety. The licensee shall deliver to the department, in the manner prescribed by the department, within 10 calendar days after any renewal or

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- 1. A single dealer who buys, sells, or deals in recreational vehicles and has four or fewer supplemental licenses shall provide a surety bond in the amount of \$10,000.
- 2. A single dealer who buys, sells, or deals in recreational vehicles and who has more than four supplemental licenses shall provide a surety bond in the amount of \$20,000.

For the purposes of this paragraph, any person who buys, sells, or deals in both mobile homes and recreational vehicles shall provide the same surety bond required of dealers who buy, sell, or deal in mobile homes only.

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Section 11. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (5) of section 320.8225, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

320.8225 Mobile home and recreational vehicle manufacturer, distributor, and importer license.-

- (5) REQUIREMENT OF ASSURANCE.-
- (a) Annually, prior to the receipt of a license to manufacture mobile homes, the applicant or licensee shall submit, in the manner prescribed by the department, a surety bond, cash bond, or letter of credit from a financial institution, or a proper continuation certificate, sufficient to assure satisfaction of claims against the licensee for failure to comply with appropriate code standards, failure to provide warranty service, or violation of any provisions of this section. The amount of the surety bond, cash bond, or letter of credit must be \$50,000. Only one surety bond, cash bond, or letter of credit shall be required for each manufacturer, regardless of the number of factory locations. The surety bond, cash bond, or letter of credit must be to the department, in favor of any retail customer who suffers a loss arising out of noncompliance with code standards or failure to honor or provide warranty service. The department may disapprove any bond or letter of credit that does not provide assurance as provided in this section. A licensee shall deliver to the department, in the manner prescribed by the department, within 10 calendar days after any renewal or continuation of or change in such surety bond, cash bond, or letter of credit or within 10 calendar days after any issuance of a new surety bond, cash bond, or letter of credit, a copy of such renewed, continued, changed, or new surety bond, cash bond, or letter of credit.

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(b) Annually, before prior to the receipt of a license to manufacture, distribute, or import recreational vehicles, the applicant or licensee shall submit, in the manner prescribed by the department, a surety bond, or a proper continuation certificate, sufficient to assure satisfaction of claims against the licensee for failure to comply with appropriate code standards, failure to provide warranty service, or violation of any provisions of this section. The amount of the surety bond must be \$10,000 per year. The surety bond must be to the department, in favor of any retail customer who suffers loss arising out of noncompliance with code standards or failure to honor or provide warranty service. The department may disapprove any bond that does not provide assurance as provided in this section. The licensee shall deliver to the department, in the manner prescribed by the department, within 10 calendar days after any renewal or continuation of or change in such surety bond or within 10 calendar days after any issuance of a new surety bond, a copy of such renewed, continued, changed, or new surety bond.

Section 12. Section 320.861, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 320.861 Investigations; subpoenas and other process; oaths; rules Inspection of records; production of evidence; subpoena power.-
- (1) The department may conduct investigations and examinations of any person suspected of violating or of having violated this chapter or any rule adopted or order issued thereunder inspect the pertinent books, records, letters, and contracts of any licensee, whether dealer or manufacturer,

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- (2) For purposes of any investigation or examination conducted pursuant to this section, the department may is granted and authorized to exercise the power of subpoena and the powers to administer oaths or affirmations, to examine witnesses, to require affidavits, to take depositions, and to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of books, papers, documents, records, and other evidence. A designated agent of the department may serve a subpoena relating to an investigation or examination for the attendance of witnesses and the production of any documentary evidence necessary to the disposition by it of any written complaint against any licensee, whether dealer or manufacturer.
- (3) If a person refuses to testify; to produce books, papers, documents, or records; or to otherwise obey the subpoena or subpoena duces tecum issued under subsection (2), the department may petition a court of competent jurisdiction in the county where the person's residence or principal place of business is located, upon which the court must issue an order requiring such person to obey the subpoena or show cause for failing to obey the subpoena. Unless the person shows sufficient cause for failing to obey the subpoena, the court must direct the person to obey the subpoena. Failure to comply with such order constitutes contempt of court.
- (4) For the purpose of any investigation, examination, or proceeding initiated by the department under this chapter, the department may designate agents to serve subpoenas and other process and to administer oaths or affirmations. The department

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shall exercise this power on its own initiative in accordance with ss. 320.615 and 320.71. (5) Witnesses subpoenaed under this section are entitled to

- witness fees at the same rate established by s. 92.142 for witnesses in a civil case, except that witness fees are not payable for appearance at the witness's place of business during regular business hours or at the witness's residence.
- (6) The department may adopt rules to administer this section.
- Section 13. Section 322.71, Florida Statutes, is created to read:
- 322.71 Investigations; subpoenas and other process; oaths; rules.-
- (1) The department may conduct investigations and examinations of any person suspected of violating or of having violated any provision of this chapter or any rule adopted or order issued under this chapter.
- (2) For purposes of any investigation or examination conducted pursuant to this section, the department may exercise the power of subpoena and the powers to administer oaths or affirmations, to examine witnesses, to require affidavits, to take depositions, and to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of books, papers, documents, records, and other evidence. Such subpoenas may be served by an authorized representative of the department.
- (3) If a person refuses to testify; to produce books, papers, documents, or records; or to otherwise obey the subpoena or subpoena duces tecum issued under subsection (2), the department may petition a court of competent jurisdiction in the

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- (4) For the purpose of any investigation, examination, or proceeding initiated by the department under this chapter, the department may designate agents to serve subpoenas and other process and to administer oaths or affirmations.
- (5) Witnesses subpoenaed under this section are entitled to witness fees at the same rate established by s. 92.142 for witnesses in a civil case, except that witness fees are not payable for appearance at the witness's place of business during regular business hours or at the witness's residence.
- (6) The department may adopt rules to administer this section.

Section 14. Subsection (7) of section 337.14, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 337.14 Application for qualification; certificate of qualification; restrictions; request for hearing.-
- (7) A "contractor" as defined in s. 337.165(1)(d) or his or her "affiliate" as defined in s. 337.165(1)(a) qualified with the department under this section may not also qualify under s. 287.055 or s. 337.105 to provide testing services, construction, engineering, and inspection services to the department. This limitation does not apply to any design-build prequalification under s. 337.11(7) and does not apply when the department

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otherwise determines by written order entered at least 30 days before advertisement that the limitation is not in the best interests of the public with respect to a particular contract for testing services, construction, engineering, and inspection services. This subsection does not authorize a contractor to provide testing services, or provide construction, engineering, and inspection services, to the department in connection with a construction contract under which the contractor is performing any work. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, for a project that is wholly or partially funded by the department and administered by a local governmental entity, except for a seaport listed in s. 311.09 or an airport as defined in s. 332.004, the entity performing design and construction engineering and inspection services may not be the same entity.

Section 15. Paragraph (a) of subsection (8) of section 338.221, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

338.221 Definitions.—As used in ss. 338.22-338.241, the following words and terms have the following meanings, unless the context indicates another or different meaning or intent:

- (8) "Economically feasible" means:
- (a) For a proposed turnpike project, that, as determined by the department before the issuance of revenue bonds for the project, the estimated net revenues of the proposed turnpike project, excluding feeder roads and turnpike improvements, will be sufficient to pay at least 50 percent of the average annual debt service on the bonds associated with the project by the end of the 12th year of operation and to pay at least 100 percent of the average annual debt service on the bonds by the end of the



30th year of operation. In implementing this paragraph, up to 50 percent of the adopted work program costs of the project may be funded from turnpike revenues.

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This subsection does not prohibit the pledging of revenues from the entire turnpike system to bonds issued to finance or refinance a turnpike project or group of turnpike projects.

Section 16. Subsection (4) of section 339.0809, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

339.0809 Florida Department of Transportation Financing Corporation. -

(4) The Florida Department of Transportation Financing Corporation may enter into one or more service contracts with the department to provide services to the department in connection with projects approved in the department's work program, which approval specifically provides that the department may enter into a service contract for the project pursuant to this section. The department may enter into one or more such service contracts with the corporation and provide for payments under such contracts, subject to annual appropriation by the Legislature. The proceeds from such service contracts may be used for the corporation's administrative costs and expenses after payments under subsection (5). Each service contract may have a term of up to 35 years. In compliance with s. 287.0641 and other applicable law, the obligations of the department under such service contracts do not constitute a general obligation of the state or a pledge of the full faith and credit or taxing power of the state, and such obligations are not an obligation of the State Board of Administration or entities for

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which it invests funds, other than the department as provided in this section, but are payable solely from amounts available in the State Transportation Trust Fund, subject to annual appropriation. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, funds in the State Transportation Trust Fund must first be available for appropriation for payments under a service contract before any other purpose, except for payments pursuant to s. 215.616, s. 215.617, s. 320.20(3) or (4), or s. 339.0801(1)(a). Annual debt service on the corporation's bonds payable from moneys appropriated for service contract payments may not exceed \$100 million. In compliance with this subsection and s. 287.0582, the service contract must expressly include the following statement: "The State of Florida's performance and obligation to pay under this contract is contingent upon an annual appropriation by the Legislature." Section 17. Part III of chapter 343, Florida Statutes, consisting of sections 343.80, 343.805, 343.81, 343.82, 343.83,

343.835, 343.836, 343.84, 343.85, 343.87, 343.875, 343.88, 343.881, 343.884, and 343.89, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

Section 18. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 348.754, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

348.754 Purposes and powers.-

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(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section to the contrary, to ensure the continued financial feasibility of the portion of the Wekiva Parkway to be constructed by the department, the authority may not, without the prior consultation with consent of the secretary of the department, construct any extensions, additions, or improvements to the

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Section 19. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 316.126, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (d) of subsection (2) of section 318.18, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

318.18 Amount of penalties.—The penalties required for a noncriminal disposition pursuant to s. 318.14 or a criminal offense listed in s. 318.17 are as follows:

- (2) Thirty dollars for all nonmoving traffic violations and:
- (d) For all violations of s. 316.126(1)(b), unless otherwise specified.

Section 20. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 316.70, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (1) of section 316.3026, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

316.3026 Unlawful operation of motor carriers.-

(1) The Office of Commercial Vehicle Enforcement may issue out-of-service orders to motor carriers, as defined in s. 320.01, who, after proper notice, have failed to pay any penalty or fine assessed by the department, or its agent, against any owner or motor carrier for violations of state law, refused to submit to a compliance review and provide records pursuant to s. 316.302(6) or s. 316.70, or violated safety regulations pursuant to s. 316.302 or insurance requirements in s. 627.7415. Such out-of-service orders have the effect of prohibiting the operations of any motor vehicles owned, leased, or otherwise operated by the motor carrier upon the roadways of this state, until the violations have been corrected or penalties have been

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paid. Out-of-service orders must be approved by the director of the Division of the Florida Highway Patrol or his or her designee. An administrative hearing pursuant to s. 120.569 shall be afforded to motor carriers subject to such orders.

Section 21. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 338.221, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, section 338.2276, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

338.2276 Western Beltway turnpike project; financing.-Upon a determination of economic feasibility, as defined in s. 338.221(8), for part C of the Western Beltway turnpike project, which part extends from Florida's Turnpike near Ocoee in Orange County southerly through Orange County and Osceola County to an interchange with I-4 near the Osceola/Polk County line, the Department of Transportation shall include a request for the issuance of turnpike revenue bonds to construct the project as part of its next legislative budget request and tentative work program. If funding is insufficient to construct part C, it is the intent of the Legislature that such project be given priority as a project financed from subsequent issuances of turnpike revenue bonds approved by the Legislature; however, such priority consideration is contingent on the project's meeting all economic feasibility requirements and upon the project's being financed without the use of capitalized interest.

Section 22. Notwithstanding any other law, the Northwest Florida Transportation Corridor Authority is dissolved. The authority shall discharge or make provision for the authority's debts, obligations, and other liabilities; settle and close the



authority's activities and affairs; and provide for distribution of the authority's assets, or the proceeds of such assets, such that each local general-purpose government represented on the authority's board receives a distribution generally in proportion to each entity's contribution to the acquisition of the assets.

Section 23. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.

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Delete everything before the enacting clause and insert:

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> An act relating to transportation; amending s. 316.126, F.S.; requiring drivers to change lanes when approaching a road and bridge maintenance or construction vehicle displaying warning lights on the roadside; amending s. 316.3045, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the operation of radios or other soundmaking devices in vehicles; deleting a standard for determining prohibited sound levels; deleting an exception for vehicles operated for business or political purposes; authorizing local authorities to regulate the place where such soundmaking devices may be operated; amending s. 316.305, F.S.; deleting obsolete language; amending s. 316.70, F.S.; providing that owners and drivers of nonpublic sector buses operated on public highways of this state are subject to specified provisions of law;

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authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to conduct compliance reviews for a specified purpose; revising civil penalties; authorizing certain law enforcement officers and appointed agents to require drivers of commercial vehicles to submit to an inspection of the vehicle and the driver's records; authorizing such officers and agents to require the vehicle and driver to be removed from service under specified conditions; authorizing such officers and agents to give written notice; creating s. 319.1414, F.S.; authorizing the department to conduct investigations and examinations of departmentauthorized private rebuilt inspection providers; authorizing the department to exercise certain powers when conducting such investigations and examinations; authorizing the department to petition a court if a person refuses to testify, produce materials, or obey a subpoena or subpoena duces tecum; requiring the court to issue an order; requiring such person to obey the subpoena or show cause for failing to obey the subpoena; providing a penalty for a person who fails to comply with the court's order; authorizing the department to designate agents for specified purposes; providing that subpoenaed witnesses are entitled to witness fees; providing exceptions; authorizing the department to adopt rules; amending s. 319.25, F.S.; authorizing the department to conduct investigations and examinations relating to violations of provisions relating to title certificates; authorizing the

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certain conditions; amending s. 320.771, F.S.; revising requirements for applications for licenses required of recreational vehicle dealers; requiring recreational vehicle dealer licensees to deliver copies of renewed, continued, changed, or new insurance policies to the department within specified timeframes under certain conditions; requiring such licensees to deliver copies of renewed, continued, changed, or new surety bonds to the department within specified timeframes under certain conditions; amending s. 320.8225, F.S.; requiring mobile home and recreational vehicle manufacturer, distributor, and importer licensees to deliver copies of renewed, continued, changed, or new surety bonds, cash bonds, or letters of credit to the department within specified timeframes under certain conditions; amending s. 320.861, F.S.; authorizing the department to conduct investigations and examinations relating to violations of certain laws, rules, or orders relating to motor vehicle licenses; revising the powers of the department relating to conducting such investigations and examinations; authorizing the department to petition a court if a person refuses to testify, produce materials, or obey a subpoena or subpoena duces tecum; requiring the court to issue an order; requiring such person to obey the subpoena or show cause for failing to obey the subpoena; providing a penalty for a person who fails to comply with the court's order; authorizing the department to designate

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Department of Transportation Financing Corporation's bonds payable from moneys appropriated from service contract payments from exceeding \$100 million; repealing part III of chapter 343, F.S., relating to the creation and operation of the Northwest Florida Transportation Corridor Authority; amending s. 348.754, F.S.; prohibiting the Central Florida Expressway Authority from constructing any extensions, additions, or improvements to the Central Florida Expressway System in Lake County without prior consultation with, rather than consent of, the Secretary of Transportation; reenacting s. 318.18(2)(d), F.S., relating to the amount of penalties, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 316.126, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 316.3026(1), F.S., relating to unlawful operation of motor carriers, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 316.70, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 338.2276, F.S., relating to the Western Beltway turnpike project, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 338.221, F.S., in a reference thereto; dissolving the Northwest Florida Transportation Corridor Authority and requiring the authority to discharge its liabilities, settle and close its activities and affairs, and provide for the distribution of the authority's assets; providing an effective date.