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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to private property for motor vehicle parking; amending s. 715.075, F.S.; requiring invoices for parking charges to be sent by certified mail to a specified party; prohibiting the assessment of a late fee before a certain period; authorizing the assessment of a late fee after such period; prohibiting a county or municipality from adopting a certain ordinance or regulation; prohibiting a private property owner or operator from charging specified parties under certain conditions; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 715.075, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

715.075 Vehicles parked on private property; rules and rates authorized.—

(1) (a) The owner or operator of a private property used for motor vehicle parking may establish rules and rates that govern private persons parking motor vehicles on such private property. Such rules and rates may include parking charges for violating the property owner's or operator's rules and must be posted and clearly visible to persons parking motor vehicles on

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26 such private property.

- (b) An invoice for parking charges issued under this section must include the following statement in uppercase type: THIS INVOICE IS PRIVATELY ISSUED, IS NOT ISSUED BY A GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITY, AND IS NOT SUBJECT TO CRIMINAL PENALTIES.
- (c) An invoice for parking charges issued under this section must be sent to the registered owner of the vehicle by certified mail. The owner or operator of a private property used for motor vehicle parking may not assess a late fee for a period of at least 30 days after the postmarked date of the mailing.
- (2) A county or municipality may not enact an ordinance or a regulation restricting in any manner the parking rates charged by or prohibiting a right of a private property owner or operator, including parking charges for violating the rules of the property owner or operator established under subsection (1). Any such ordinance or regulation is a violation of this section and is null and void.
- (3) The owner or operator of a private property used for motor vehicle parking may not charge the registered owner or other legally authorized person in control of the vehicle that enters the private property if the owner or other legally authorized person is on the property for less than 10 minutes and does not park.
  - Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.

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