By Senator Gruters

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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 owners and operators of certain property to follow specified rules; prohibiting certain invoices from resembling specified citations; removing a provision prohibiting certain county and municipal regulations; 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. Section 715.075, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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

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(1) The owner or operator of a private property used for motor vehicle parking:

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(a) Must have a physical location in this state.

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(b) 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 such private property.

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(c) Must establish fines and penalties equal to the fines and penalties set for municipal parking.

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(d) Must have posted signage that is clearly visible to persons parking motor vehicles on such private property and includes:

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1. Any rules established under paragraph (b), including any parking charges for violations.

- 2. The fines and penalties established under paragraph (c).
- 3. The name of the owner of the private property.
- 4. A customer service phone number and hours of operation.
- (e) May not report an invoice to a credit bureau.
- (2)(a) 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.
- (b) An invoice issued under this section may not resemble the citations issued by local authorities.
- (2) A county or municipality may not enact an ordinance or a regulation restricting or prohibiting a right of a private property owner or operator established under subsection (1). Any such ordinance or regulation is a violation of this section and is null and void.
 - Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.