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11	Representative(s) Bloom offered the following:
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13	Amendment (with title amendment)
14	On page 7, line 23,
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16	insert:
17	Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 125.0103, Florida
18	Statutes, 1998 Supplement, is amended to read:
19	125.0103 Ordinances and rules imposing price controls;
20	findings required; procedures
21	(1)(a) Except as hereinafter provided, no county,
22	municipality, or other entity of local government shall adopt
23	or maintain in effect an ordinance or a rule which has the
24	effect of imposing price controls upon a lawful business
25	activity which is not franchised by, owned by, or under
26	contract with, the governmental agency, unless specifically
27	provided by general law.
28	(b) The provisions of this section shall not prevent
29	the enactment by local governments of public service rates
30	otherwise authorized by law, including water, sewer, solid
31	waste, public transportation, taxicab, or port rates, rates

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for towing of vehicles from or immobilization of vehicles on private property, or rates for removal and storage of wrecked or disabled vehicles from an accident scene or the removal and storage of vehicles if the owner or operator is incapacitated, unavailable, leaves the procurement of wrecker service to the law enforcement officer at the scene, or otherwise does not consent to the removal of the vehicle.

(c) Counties must establish maximum rates fees which may be charged on the towing of vehicles from or immobilization of vehicles on private property, removal and storage of wrecked or disabled vehicles from an accident scene or for the removal and storage of vehicles, in the event the owner or operator is incapacitated, unavailable, leaves the procurement of wrecker service to the law enforcement officer at the scene, or otherwise does not consent to the removal of the vehicle. However, if a municipality enacts an ordinance establishing the maximum fees for the towing or immobilization of vehicles as provided in paragraph (b), the county's ordinance does not apply within that municipality.

Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 166.043, Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, is amended to read:

166.043 Ordinances and rules imposing price controls; findings required; procedures.--

- (1)(a) Except as hereinafter provided, no county, municipality, or other entity of local government shall adopt or maintain in effect an ordinance or a rule which has the effect of imposing price controls upon a lawful business activity which is not franchised by, owned by, or under contract with, the governmental agency, unless specifically provided by general law.
 - (b) The provisions of this section shall not prevent

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the enactment by local governments of public service rates otherwise authorized by law, including water, sewer, solid waste, public transportation, taxicab, or port rates, rates for towing of vehicles from or immobilization of vehicles on private property, or rates for removal and storage of wrecked or disabled vehicles from an accident scene or the removal and storage of vehicles if the owner or operator is incapacitated, unavailable, leaves the procurement of wrecker service to the law enforcement officer at the scene, or otherwise does not consent to the removal of the vehicle.

(c) Counties must establish maximum <u>rates</u> fees which may be charged on the towing of vehicles from or immobilization of vehicles on private property, removal and storage of wrecked or disabled vehicles from an accident scene or for the removal and storage of vehicles, in the event the owner or operator is incapacitated, unavailable, leaves the procurement of wrecker service to the law enforcement officer at the scene, or otherwise does not consent to the removal of the vehicle. However, if a municipality enacts an ordinance establishing the maximum fees for the towing or immobilization of vehicles as provided in paragraph (b), the county's ordinance established under s. 125.0103 does not apply within that municipality.

Section 3. The provisions of this act are declared to be severable. If any provision of s. 125.0103 or s. 166.043, Florida Statutes, as amended by this act is determined to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections of this act, which sections express the primary intent of the Legislature in enacting this act.

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    And the title is amended as follows:
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           On page 1, line 3,
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    after "safety;" insert:
           amending ss. 125.0103 and 166.043, F.S.;
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           providing for local governments to adopt rates
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           for the towing, removal, and storage of certain
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           vehicles; providing severability;
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