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11	The Committee on Transportation & Economic Development
12	Appropriations offered the following:
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14	Amendment (with title amendment)
15	Remove from the bill: Everything after the enacting clause
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17	and insert in lieu thereof:
18	Section 1. Paragraph (r) is added to subsection (7) of
19	section 213.053, Florida Statutes, to read:
20	213.053 Confidentiality and information sharing
21	(7) Notwithstanding any other provision of this
22	section, the department may provide:
23	(r) Names, addresses, and federal employer
24	identification numbers, or such similar identifiers, to the
25	Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles for use in the
26	conduct of its official business.
27 28	Disclosure of information under this subsection shall be
28	pursuant to a written agreement between the executive director
30	and the agency. Such agencies, governmental or
31	nongovernmental, shall be bound by the same requirements of
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confidentiality as the Department of Revenue. Breach of confidentiality is a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided by s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 234.02, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

234.02 Safety and health of pupils.--Maximum regard for safety and adequate protection of health are primary requirements that must be observed by school boards in routing buses, appointing drivers, and providing and operating equipment, in accordance with all requirements of law and regulations of the commissioner in providing transportation pursuant to s. 234.01:

- (1) School boards shall use school buses, as defined in s. 234.051, for all regular transportation. Regular transportation or regular use means transportation of students to and from school or school-related activities that are part of a scheduled series or sequence of events to the same location. "Students" means, for the purposes of this section, students enrolled in the public schools in prekindergarten programs through grade 12. School boards may regularly use motor vehicles other than school buses only under the following conditions:
- (a) When the transportation is for physically handicapped or isolated students and the district has elected to provide for the transportation of the student through written or oral contracts or agreements.
- (b) When the transportation is a part of a comprehensive contract for a specialized educational program between a school board and a service provider who provides instruction, transportation, and other services.
 - (c) When the transportation is provided through a

public transit system.

or practical in a motor vehicle owned or operated by a school board other than a school bus, and such transportation must be is provided in designated seating positions in a passenger car not to exceed 8 students or in a multipurpose passenger vehicle any other motor vehicle designed to transport 10 or fewer persons which meets all applicable federal motor vehicle safety standards for passenger cars. Multipurpose passenger vehicles classified as utility vehicles with a wheelbase of 110 inches or less which are required by federal motor vehicle standards to display a rollover warning label may not be used.

When students are transported in motor vehicles, the occupant crash protection system provided by the vehicle manufacturer must be used unless the student's physical condition prohibits such use.

Section 3. Section 316.0775 Florida Statutes is amended to read:

316.0775 Interference with official traffic control devices or railroad signs or signals.—No person shall, without lawful authority, attempt to or in fact alter, deface, injure, knock down or remove any official traffic control device or any railroad sign or signal or any inscription, shield or insignia thereon, or any other part thereof. A violation of this section is a criminal violation, pursuant to s. 318.17 and shall be punishable as set forth in s. 806.13 related to criminal mischief and graffiti, beginning on or after July 1, 2000 noncriminal traffic infraction, punishable as provided in chapter 318.

Section 4. Subsection (6) of section 316.193, Florida

Statutes, is amended to read:

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316.193 Driving under the influence; penalties.--

- (6) With respect to any person convicted of a violation of subsection (1), regardless of any penalty imposed pursuant to subsection (2), subsection (3), or subsection (4):
- (a) For the first conviction, the court shall place 6 7 the defendant on probation for a period not to exceed 1 year and, as a condition of such probation, shall order the 8 9 defendant to participate in public service or a community work 10 project for a minimum of 50 hours; or the court may order 11 instead, that any defendant pay an additional fine of \$10 for 12 each hour of public service or community work otherwise 13 required, if, after consideration of the residence or location 14 of the defendant at the time public service or community work 15 is required, payment of the fine is in the best interests of 16 the state. However, the total period of probation and 17 incarceration may not exceed 1 year. The court must also, as a condition of probation, order the impoundment or 18 immobilization of the vehicle that was operated by or in the 19 20 actual control of the defendant or any one vehicle registered 21 in the defendant's name at the time of impoundment or immobilization, for a period of 10 days or for the unexpired 22 term of any lease or rental agreement that expires within 10 23 24 days. The impoundment or immobilization must not occur 25 concurrently with the incarceration of the defendant. The impoundment or immobilization order may be dismissed in 26 27 accordance with paragraph (e), paragraph (f), or paragraph 28 (g), or paragraph (h). 29
 - (b) For the second conviction for an offense that occurs within a period of 5 years after the date of a prior conviction for violation of this section, the court shall

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order imprisonment for not less than 10 days. The court must also, as a condition of probation, order the impoundment or immobilization of all vehicles owned by the defendant the vehicle that was operated by or in the actual control of the defendant or any one vehicle registered in the defendant's name at the time of impoundment or immobilization, for a period of 30 days or for the unexpired term of any lease or rental agreement that expires within 30 days. The impoundment or immobilization must not occur concurrently with the incarceration of the defendant and must occur concurrently with the driver's license revocation imposed under s.

322.28(2)(a)2. The impoundment or immobilization order may be dismissed in accordance with paragraph (e), paragraph (f), or paragraph (g), or paragraph (h). At least 48 hours of confinement must be consecutive.

(c) For the third or subsequent conviction for an offense that occurs within a period of 10 years after the date of a prior conviction for violation of this section, the court shall order imprisonment for not less than 30 days. The court must also, as a condition of probation, order the impoundment or immobilization of all vehicles owned by the defendant the vehicle that was operated by or in the actual control of the defendant or any one vehicle registered in the defendant's name at the time of impoundment or immobilization, for a period of 90 days or for the unexpired term of any lease or rental agreement that expires within 90 days. The impoundment or immobilization must not occur concurrently with the incarceration of the defendant and must occur concurrently with the driver's license revocation imposed under s. The impoundment or immobilization order may be 322.28(2)(a)3. dismissed in accordance with paragraph (e), paragraph (f), or

paragraph (g), or paragraph (h). At least 48 hours of confinement must be consecutive.

- (d) The court must at the time of sentencing the defendant issue an order for the impoundment or immobilization of a vehicle. Within 7 business days after the date that the court issues the order of impoundment or immobilization, the clerk of the court must send notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the registered owner of each vehicle, if the registered owner is a person other than the defendant, and to each person of record claiming a lien against the vehicle.
- (e) A person who owns but was not operating the vehicle when the offense occurred may submit to the court a police report indicating that the vehicle was stolen at the time of the offense or documentation of having purchased the vehicle after the offense was committed from an entity other than the defendant or the defendant's agent. If the court finds that the vehicle was stolen or that the sale was not made to circumvent the order and allow the defendant continued access to the vehicle, the order must be dismissed and the owner of the vehicle will incur no costs. If the court denies the request to dismiss the order of impoundment or immobilization, the petitioner may request an evidentiary hearing.
- (f) A person who owns but was not operating the vehicle when the offense occurred, and whose vehicle was stolen or who purchased the vehicle after the offense was committed directly from the defendant or the defendant's agent, may request an evidentiary hearing to determine whether the impoundment or immobilization should occur. If the court finds that either the vehicle was stolen or the purchase was made without knowledge of the offense, that the purchaser had

no relationship to the defendant other than through the transaction, and that such purchase would not circumvent the order and allow the defendant continued access to the vehicle, the order must be dismissed and the owner of the vehicle will incur no costs.

- (g) The court shall also dismiss the order of impoundment or immobilization of the vehicle if the court finds that the family of the owner of the vehicle has no other private or public means of transportation.
- (h) The court may also dismiss the order of impoundment or immobilization of any vehicles that are owned by the defendant but that are operated solely by the employees of the defendant or any business owned by the defendant.
- (i)(h) All costs and fees for the impoundment or immobilization, including the cost of notification, must be paid by the owner of the vehicle or, if the vehicle is leased or rented, by the person leasing or renting the vehicle, unless the impoundment or immobilization order is dismissed. All provisions of s. 713.78 shall apply.
- (j)(i) The person who owns a vehicle that is impounded or immobilized under this paragraph, or a person who has a lien of record against such a vehicle and who has not requested a review of the impoundment pursuant to paragraph (e), paragraph (f), or paragraph (g), may, within 10 days after the date that person has knowledge of the location of the vehicle, file a complaint in the county in which the owner resides to determine whether the vehicle was wrongfully taken or withheld from the owner or lienholder. Upon the filing of a complaint, the owner or lienholder may have the vehicle released by posting with the court a bond or other adequate security equal to the amount of the costs and fees for

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impoundment or immobilization, including towing or storage, to ensure the payment of such costs and fees if the owner or lienholder does not prevail. When the bond is posted and the fee is paid as set forth in s. 28.24, the clerk of the court shall issue a certificate releasing the vehicle. At the time of release, after reasonable inspection, the owner or lienholder must give a receipt to the towing or storage company indicating any loss or damage to the vehicle or to the contents of the vehicle.

(k) (j) A defendant, in the court's discretion, may be required to serve all or any portion of a term of imprisonment to which the defendant has been sentenced pursuant to this section in a residential alcoholism treatment program or a residential drug abuse treatment program. Any time spent in such a program must be credited by the court toward the term of imprisonment.

For the purposes of this section, any conviction for a violation of s. 327.35; a previous conviction for the violation of former s. 316.1931, former s. 860.01, or former s. 316.028; or a previous conviction outside this state for driving under the influence, driving while intoxicated, driving with an unlawful blood-alcohol level, driving with an unlawful breath-alcohol level, or any other similar alcohol-related or drug-related traffic offense, is also considered a previous conviction for violation of this section. However, in satisfaction of the fine imposed pursuant to this section, the court may, upon a finding that the defendant is financially unable to pay either all or part of the fine, order that the defendant participate for a specified additional period of time in public service or a community

work project in lieu of payment of that portion of the fine 2 which the court determines the defendant is unable to pay. In 3 determining such additional sentence, the court shall consider 4 the amount of the unpaid portion of the fine and the reasonable value of the services to be ordered; however, the 5 court may not compute the reasonable value of services at a 6 7 rate less than the federal minimum wage at the time of 8 sentencing. Section 5. Subsection (5) of section 316.1935, Florida 9 10 Statutes, is amended to read: 11 316.1935 Fleeing or attempting to elude a law 12 enforcement officer; aggravated fleeing and eluding .--13 (5)(a) The court may revoke, for a period not to exceed 1 year, the driver's license of any operator of a motor 14 15 vehicle convicted of a violation of subsection (1). (b) The court shall revoke, for a period of not less 16 17 than 1 year and not more than 5 years, the driver's license of 18 any operator of a motor vehicle convicted of a violation of 19 subsection (2) or subsection (3). (c) The court shall revoke, for a period of not less 20 than 5 years and not more than 25 years, the driver's license 21 of any operator of a motor vehicle convicted of a violation of 22 subsection (4). The period of revocation shall begin upon 23 release from imprisonment. 24 25 The court may revoke, for a period not to exceed 1 year, the 26 driver's license of any operator of a motor vehicle convicted 27 of a violation of subsection (1), subsection (2), subsection (3), or subsection (4). 28 29 (6) A person whose driving privilege has been revoked 30 under this section may petition the department for 31 reinstatement of his or her driving privilege on a restricted

basis solely for business or employment purposes as provided 1 2 in s. 322.271(1)(b). 3 Section 6. Subsections (1) and (2) of section 4 316.1936, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 5 316.1936 Possession of open containers of alcoholic 6 beverages in vehicles prohibited; penalties .--7 (1) As used in this section, the term: 8 (a) "Open container" means any container of alcoholic 9 beverage which is immediately capable of being consumed from, 10 or the seal of which has been broken. 11 "Road" means a way open to travel by the public, 12 including, but not limited to, a street, highway, or alley. 13 The term includes associated sidewalks, the roadbed, the 14 right-of-way, and all culverts, drains, sluices, ditches, 15 water storage areas, embankments, slopes, retaining walls, bridges, tunnels, and viaducts necessary for the maintenance 16 17 of travel and all ferries used in connection therewith. 18 (2)(a) It is unlawful and punishable as provided in 19 this section for any person to possess an open container of an alcoholic beverage or consume an alcoholic beverage while 20 operating a vehicle in the state or while a passenger in or on 21 22 a vehicle being operated in the state. (b) It is unlawful and punishable as provided in this 23 24 section for any person to possess an open container of an 25 alcoholic beverage or consume an alcoholic beverage while seated in or on a motor vehicle that is parked or stopped 26 27 within a road as defined in this section. Section 7. Section 316.212, Florida Statutes, is 28 29 amended to read: 30 316.212 Operation of golf carts on certain 31 roadways. -- The operation of a golf cart upon the public roads

or streets of this state is prohibited except as provided herein:

- (1) A golf cart may be operated only upon a county road that has been designated by a county, or a city street that has been designated by a city, for use by golf carts. Prior to making such a designation, the responsible local governmental entity must first determine that golf carts may safely travel on or cross the public road or street, considering factors including the speed, volume, and character of motor vehicle traffic using the road or street. Upon a determination that golf carts may be safely operated on a designated road or street, the responsible governmental entity shall post appropriate signs to indicate that such operation is allowed.
- (2) A golf cart may be operated on a part of the State Highway System only under the following conditions:
- (a) To cross a portion of the State Highway System which intersects a county road or city street that has been designated for use by golf carts if the Department of Transportation has reviewed and approved the location and design of the crossing and any traffic control devices needed for safety purposes.
- (b) To cross, at midblock, a part of the State Highway System where a golf course is constructed on both sides of the highway if the Department of Transportation has reviewed and approved the location and design of the crossing and any traffic control devices needed for safety purposes.
- (c) A golf cart may be operated on a state road that has been designated for transfer to a local government unit pursuant to s. 335.0415 if the Department of Transportation determines that the operation of a golf cart within the

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The road is the only available public road along which golf carts may travel or cross or the road provides the safest travel route among alternative routes available; and

efficient flow of motor vehicular traffic. The department may

right-of-way of the road will not impede the safe and

authorize the operation of golf carts on such a road if:

The speed, volume, and character of motor vehicular traffic using the road is considered in making such a determination.

Upon its determination that golf carts may be operated on a given road, the department shall post appropriate signs on the road to indicate that such operation is allowed.

- (3) Any other provision of this section to the contrary notwithstanding, a golf cart may be operated for the purpose of crossing a street or highway where a single mobile home park is located on both sides of the street or highway and is divided by that street or highway, provided that the governmental entity having original jurisdiction over such street or highway shall review and approve the location of the crossing and require implementation of any traffic controls needed for safety purposes. This subsection shall apply only to residents or guests of the mobile home park. Any other provision of law to the contrary notwithstanding, if notice is posted at the entrance and exit to any mobile home park that residents of the park utilize golf carts or electric vehicles within the confines of the park it shall not be necessary that the park have a gate or other device at the entrance and exit in order for such golf carts or electric vehicles to be lawfully operated in the park.
 - (4) A golf cart may be operated only during the hours

between sunrise and sunset, unless the responsible governmental entity has determined that a golf cart may be operated during the hours between sunset and sunrise and the golf cart is equipped with headlights, brake lights, turn signals, and a windshield.

- (5) A golf cart must be equipped with efficient brakes, reliable steering apparatus, safe tires, a rearview mirror, and red reflectorized warning devices in both the front and rear.
- (6) A golf cart may not be operated on public roads or streets by any person under the age of 14.

(7)(6) A violation of this section is a noncriminal traffic infraction, punishable pursuant to chapter 318 as either a moving violation for infractions of subsection (1), subsection (2), subsection (3), or subsection (4), or as a nonmoving violation for infractions of subsections subsection (5) and (6).

Section 8. Subsection (1) of section 316.2125, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 316.2125 Operation of golf carts within a retirement community.--
- (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 316.212, the reasonable operation of a golf cart, equipped and operated as provided in s. 316.212(4), (5), and (6)s. 316.212(5), within any self-contained retirement community is permitted unless prohibited under subsection (2).
- Section 9. Subsection (1) of section 316.220, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
 - 316.220 Headlamps on motor vehicles.--
- (1) Every motor vehicle shall be equipped with at least two headlamps with at least one on each side of the

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front of the motor vehicle, which headlamps shall comply with 1 2 the requirements and limitations set forth in this chapter, 3 and shall show a white light. An object, material, or covering 4 that alters the headlamp's light color may not be placed, displayed, installed, affixed, or applied over a headlamp. 5 Section 10. Subsection (1) of section 316.221, Florida 6 7 Statutes, is amended to read: 316.221 Taillamps.--8 (1) Every motor vehicle, trailer, semitrailer, and 10 pole trailer, and any other vehicle which is being drawn at the end of a combination of vehicles, shall be equipped with 11 12 at least two taillamps mounted on the rear, which, when lighted as required in s. 316.217, shall emit a red light 13 plainly visible from a distance of 1,000 feet to the rear, 14 15 except that passenger cars and pickup trucks manufactured or assembled prior to January 1, 1972, which were originally 16 17 equipped with only one taillamp shall have at least one taillamp. On a combination of vehicles, only the taillamps on 18 the rearmost vehicle need actually be seen from the distance 19 20 specified. On vehicles equipped with more than one taillamp, the lamps shall be mounted on the same level and as widely 21 spaced laterally as practicable. An object, material, or 22 covering that alters the taillamp's visibility from 1,000 feet 23 24 may not be placed, displayed, installed, affixed, or applied 25 over a taillamp. 26 Section 11. Section 316.228, Florida Statutes, is 27 amended to read: 316.228 Lamps or flags on projecting load. --28

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load upon any vehicle extends to the rear 4 feet or more beyond the bed or body of such vehicle, there shall be

Except as provided in subsection (2), whenever the

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displayed at the extreme rear end of the load, at the times specified in s. 316.217, two red lamps visible from a distance of at least 500 feet to the rear, two red reflectors visible at night from all distances within 600 feet to 100 feet to the rear when directly in front of lawful lower beams of headlamps and located so as to indicate maximum width, and on each side one red lamp visible from a distance of at least 500 feet to the side and located so as to indicate maximum There shall be displayed at all other times on any vehicle having a load which extends beyond its sides or more than 4 feet beyond its rear, red flags, not less than 12 inches square, marking the extremities of such load, at each point where a lamp would otherwise be required by this section. A violation of this section is a noncriminal traffic infraction punishable as a nonmoving violation as provided in chapter 318.

(2) Any motor vehicle or trailer, except as stated in s. 316.515(7), transporting a load of logs, long pulpwood, poles, or posts which extend more than 4 feet beyond the rear of the body or bed of such vehicle must have securely fixed as close as practical to the end of any such projection one amber strobe-type lamp equipped with a multidirectional type lens so mounted as to be visible from the rear and both sides of the projecting load. The strobe lamp must flash at a rate of at least 60 flashes per minute and must be plainly visible from a distance of at least 500 feet to the rear and sides of the projecting load at any time of the day or night. The lamp must be operating at any time of the day or night when the vehicle is operated on any highway or parked on the shoulder or immediately adjacent to the traveled portion of any public roadway.

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Section 12. Subsections (1) and (2) of section 316.234, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

316.234 Signal lamps and signal devices.--

- (1) Any vehicle may be equipped and, when required under this chapter, shall be equipped with a stop lamp or lamps on the rear of the vehicle which shall display a red or amber light, visible from a distance of not less than 300 feet to the rear in normal sunlight, and which shall be actuated upon application of the service (foot) brake, and which may but need not be incorporated with one or more other rear lamps. An object, material, or covering that alters the stop lamp's visibility from 300 feet to the rear in normal sunlight may not be placed, displayed, installed, affixed, or applied over a stop lamp.
- Any vehicle may be equipped and, when required under s. 316.222(2), shall be equipped with electric turn signals which shall indicate an intention to turn by flashing lights showing to the front and rear of a vehicle or on a combination of vehicles on the side of the vehicle or combination toward which the turn is to be made. The lamps showing to the front shall be mounted on the same level and as widely spaced laterally as practicable and, when signaling, shall emit white or amber light. The lamps showing to the rear shall be mounted on the same level and as widely spaced laterally as practicable, and, when signaling, shall emit a red or amber light. Turn signal lamps on vehicles 80 inches or more in overall width shall be visible from a distance of not less than 500 feet to the front and rear in normal sunlight, and an object, material, or covering that alters the lamp's visibility from a distance of 500 feet to the front or rear in normal sunlight may not be placed, displayed,

installed, affixed, or applied over a turn signal lamp. Turn signal lamps on vehicles less than 80 inches wide shall be visible at a distance of not less than 300 feet to the front and rear in normal sunlight, and an object, material, or covering that alters the lamp's visibility from a distance of 300 feet to the front or rear in normal sunlight may not be placed, displayed, installed, affixed, or applied over a turn signal lamp. Turn signal lamps may, but need not be, incorporated in other lamps on the vehicle.

Section 13. Subsection (1) of section 316.237, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

316.237 Multiple-beam road-lighting equipment.--

- (1) Except as hereinafter provided, the headlamps or the auxiliary driving lamp or the auxiliary passing lamp or combination thereof on motor vehicles shall be so arranged that the driver may select at will between distributions of light projected to different elevations and such lamps may, in addition, be so arranged that such selection can be made automatically, subject to the following limitations:
- (a) There shall be an uppermost distribution of light, or composite beam, so aimed and of such intensity as to reveal persons and vehicles at a distance of at least 450 feet ahead for all conditions of loading.
- (b) There shall be a lowermost distribution of light, or composite beam, so aimed and of sufficient intensity to reveal persons and vehicles at a distance of at least 150 feet ahead; and on a straight level road under any condition of loading none of the high intensity portion of the beam shall be directed to strike the eyes of an approaching driver.

An object, material, or covering that alters the headlamp's

visibility from at least 450 feet for an uppermost 1 2 distribution of light or at least 150 feet for a lowermost 3 distribution of light may not be placed, displayed, installed, 4 affixed, or applied over a headlamp. 5 Section 14. Section 316.29545, Florida Statutes, is 6 amended to read: 7 316.29545 Window sunscreening exclusions; medical 8 exemption; certain law enforcement vehicles exempt. --(1) The department shall issue medical exemption 9 10 certificates to persons who are afflicted with Lupus or similar medical conditions which require a limited exposure to 11 12 light, which certificates shall entitle the person to whom the 13 certificate is issued to have sunscreening material on the windshield, side windows, and windows behind the driver which 14 15 is in violation of the requirements of ss.316.2951-316.2957. The department shall provide, by rule, 16 17 for the form of the medical certificate authorized by this section. At a minimum, the medical exemption certificate 18 shall include a vehicle description with the make, model, 19 year, vehicle identification number, medical exemption decal 20 number issued for the vehicle, and the name of the person or 21 persons who are the registered owners of the vehicle. 22 medical exemption certificate shall be nontransferable and 23 24 shall become null and void upon the sale or transfer of the 25 vehicle identified on the certificate. The department shall exempt all law enforcement 26 27 vehicles used in undercover or canine operations from the window sunscreening requirements of ss. 316.2951-316.2957. 28 29 The department may charge a fee in an amount 30 sufficient to defray the expenses of issuing a medical exemption certificate as described in subsection (1). 31

Section 15. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 1 2 316.515, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 3 316.515 Maximum width, height, length.--4 (3) LENGTH LIMITATION. -- Except as otherwise provided 5 in this section, length limitations apply solely to a semitrailer or trailer, and not to a truck tractor or to the 6 7 overall length of a combination of vehicles. No combination 8 of commercial motor vehicles coupled together and operating on the public roads may consist of more than one truck tractor 9 10 and two trailing units. Unless otherwise specifically provided for in this section, a combination of vehicles not qualifying 11 12 as commercial motor vehicles may consist of no more than two 13 units coupled together; such nonqualifying combination of vehicles may not exceed a total length of 65 feet, inclusive 14 15 of the load carried thereon, but exclusive of safety and energy conservation devices approved by the department for use 16 17 on vehicles using public roads. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a truck tractor-semitrailer 18 combination engaged in the transportation of automobiles or 19 20 boats may transport motor vehicles or boats on part of the power unit; and, except as may otherwise be mandated under 21 federal law, an automobile or boat transporter semitrailer may 22 not exceed 50 feet in length, exclusive of the load; however, 23 24 the load may extend up to an additional 6 feet beyond the rear 25 of the trailer. The 50-feet length limitation does not apply to non-stinger-steered automobile or boat transporters that 26 27 are 65 feet or less in overall length, exclusive of the load carried thereon, or to stinger-steered automobile or boat 28 29 transporters that are 75 feet or less in overall length,

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is an automobile or boat transporter configured as a semitrailer combination wherein the fifth wheel is located on a drop frame located behind and below the rearmost axle of the power unit. Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) and (b), any straight truck or truck tractor-semitrailer combination engaged in the transportation of horticultural trees may allow the load to extend up to an additional 10 feet beyond the rear of the vehicle, provided said trees are resting against a retaining bar mounted above the truck bed so that the root balls of the trees rest on the floor and to the front of the truck bed and the tops of the trees extend up over and to the rear of the truck bed, and provided the overhanging portion of the load is covered with protective fabric.

(a) Straight trucks.--No straight truck may exceed a length of 40 feet in extreme overall dimension, exclusive of safety and energy conservation devices approved by the department for use on vehicles using public roads. A straight truck may tow no more than one trailer, and such trailer may not exceed a length of 28 feet. However, such trailer limitation does not apply if the overall length of the truck-trailer combination is 65 feet or less, including the load thereon. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section, a truck-trailer combination engaged in the transportation of boats, or boat trailers whose design dictates a front-to-rear stacking method shall not exceed the length limitations of this paragraph exclusive of the load; however, the load may extend up to an additional 6 feet beyond the rear of the trailer.

Section 16. Subsection (2) of section 316.530, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

316.530 Towing requirements.--

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When a vehicle is towing a trailer or semitrailer on a public road or highway by means of a trailer hitch to the rear of the vehicle, there shall be attached in addition thereto safety chains, cables, or other safety devices that comply with 49 C.F.R. sub f 393.71(g)(2)(1) and 393.71(h)(10) from the trailer or semitrailer to the vehicle. These safety chains, cables, or other safety devices shall be of sufficient strength to maintain connection of the trailer or semitrailer to the pulling vehicle under all conditions while the trailer or semitrailer is being towed by the vehicle. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to trailers or semitrailers using a hitch known as a fifth wheel nor to farm equipment traveling less than 20 miles per hour. Section 17. Subsection (4) of section 316.613, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 316.613 Child restraint requirements.--(4)(a) It is the legislative intent that all state, county, and local law enforcement agencies, and safety councils, in recognition of the problems with child death and injury from unrestrained occupancy in motor vehicles, conduct a continuing safety and public awareness campaign as to the magnitude of the problem.

(b) The department may authorize the expenditure of funds for the purchase of promotional items as part of the public information and education campaigns provided for in this subsection, s. 316.614, s. 322.025, and s. 403.7145.

Section 18. Subsection (1) of section 318.1451, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

318.1451 Driver improvement schools.--

(1) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor
Vehicles shall approve the courses of all driver improvement

schools, as the courses relate to ss. 318.14(9), 322.0261, 1 2 322.095, and 322.291. The chief judge of the applicable judicial circuit may establish requirements regarding the 3 4 location of schools within the judicial circuit. A person may 5 engage in the business of operating a driver improvement school that offers department-approved courses related to ss. 6 7 318.14(9), 322.0261, 322.095, and 322.291. 8 Section 19. Subsection (3) of section 319.17, Florida 9 Statutes, is amended to read: 10 319.17 Rules; forms; indexes and records.--(3) The department shall maintain indexes of motor 11 12 vehicles and mobile homes by name of owner, by title number, 13 and by manufacturer's motor number or vehicle identification 14 number. The department shall keep an electronic a permanent 15 record of notices of liens and satisfactions thereof. Such indexes and records shall be open to the inspection of the 16 17 public at all reasonable times, except as provided in chapter 119. 18 Subsections (8), (9), and (10) of section 19 Section 20. 319.24, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 20 319.24 Issuance in duplicate; delivery; liens and 21 22 encumbrances. --23 (8) The department shall not be required to retain on 24 file any bill of sale or duplicate thereof, notice of 25 satisfaction of lien covering any motor vehicle or mobile home

for a period longer than 7 years after the date of the filing

(8) (9) Notwithstanding any requirements in this

section or in s. 319.27 indicating that a lien on a motor

vehicle or mobile home shall be noted on the face of the

thereof; and thereafter the same may be destroyed.

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or encumbrances on the motor vehicle or mobile home, the department may electronically transmit the lien to the first lienholder and notify the first lienholder of any additional liens. Subsequent lien satisfactions may be electronically transmitted to the department and shall include the name and address of the person or entity satisfying the lien. electronic transmission of liens and lien satisfactions are used, the issuance of a certificate of title may be waived until the last lien is satisfied and a clear certificate of title is issued to the owner of the vehicle. In subsequent transfer of ownership of the motor vehicle it shall be presumed that the motor vehicle title is subject to a lien as set forth in s. 319.225(6)(a) until the title to be issued pursuant to this subsection is received by the person or entity satisfying the lien. (9)(10) The department shall in the sending of any notice only be required to use the last known address as shown by its records. Section 21. 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 .--(3) (b) The owner of any motor vehicle or mobile home which

(b) The owner of any motor vehicle or mobile home which 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 which pay money as compensation for total loss of a motor vehicle or mobile home shall obtain the certificate of title for the motor vehicle or mobile home and, within 72 hours after receiving

such certificate of title, shall forward such title to the 1 2 department for processing. The owner or insurance company, as 3 the case may be, may not dispose of a vehicle or mobile home 4 that is a total loss before it has obtained a salvage 5 certificate of title or certificate of destruction from the department. When applying for a salvage certificate of title 6 7 or certificate of destruction, the owner or insurance company must provide the department with an estimate of the costs of 8 repairing the physical and mechanical damage suffered by the 9 10 vehicle for which a salvage certificate of title or 11 certificate of destruction is sought. If the estimated costs 12 of repairing the physical and mechanical damage to the vehicle 13 is equal to 80 percent or more of the current retail cost of the vehicle, as established in any official used car or used 14 15 mobile home guide, the department shall declare the vehicle unrebuildable and print a certificate of destruction, which 16 17 authorizes the dismantling or destruction of the motor vehicle 18 or mobile home described therein. This certificate of destruction shall be reassignable a maximum of two times 19 before dismantling or destruction of the vehicle shall be 20 required, and shall accompany the motor vehicle or mobile home 21 for which it is issued, when such motor vehicle or mobile home 22 is sold for such purposes, in lieu of a certificate of title 23 24 notice on the salvage certificate of title that the vehicle is 25 unrebuildable; and, thereafter, the department shall refuse issuance of any certificate of title for that 26 27 vehicle. Nothing in this subsection shall be applicable when a vehicle is worth less than \$1,500 retail in undamaged 28 condition in any official used motor vehicle guide or used 29 30 mobile home guide or when a stolen motor vehicle or mobile home is recovered in substantially intact condition and is

readily resalable without extensive repairs to or replacement of the frame or engine. Any person who willfully and deliberately violates this paragraph or falsifies any document to avoid the requirements of this paragraph commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

Section 22. Subsection (2) of section 320.031, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.031 Mailing of registration certificates, license plates, and validation stickers.--

registration certificate, license plate, mobile home sticker, and validation sticker mailed by the department or any tax collector. Each registration certificate, license plate, mobile home sticker, and validation sticker shall be mailed by first-class mail unless otherwise requested by the applicant. The amount of the mail service charge shall be the actual postage required, rounded to the nearest 5 cents, plus a 25-cent handling charge. The mail service charge is in addition to the service charge provided by s. 320.04. All charges collected by the department under this section shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.

Section 23. Subsection (2) of section 320.04, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsection (3) is added to said section to read:

320.04 Registration service charge.--

(2) The service charges shall be collected by the department on all applications handled directly from its office; and the proceeds thereof, together with any fees returned to it by the tax collector, shall be paid into the Highway Safety Operating Trust General Revenue Fund. No tax

collector, deputy tax collector, or employee of the state or any county shall charge, collect, or receive any fee or compensation for services performed as notary public in connection with or incidental to the issuance of license plates or titles. The provisions of this subsection and of s. 116.38(2) prohibiting the charging, collecting, or receiving of notary public fees do not apply to any privately owned license plate agency appointed by the county manager of a charter county which has an appointed tax collector.

(3) The department may absorb all or any portion of any interchange, assessment, charge back, authorization or settlement or equivalent fees charged by financial institutions relating to a credit or debit card transaction. The department may request approval to establish additional budget authority to pay additional fees related to credit and debit card transactions pursuant to s. 216.177.

Section 24. Subsection (2) of section 320.05, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.05 Records of the department; inspection procedure; lists and searches; fees.--

(2) Upon receipt of an application for the registration of a motor vehicle or mobile home, as herein provided for, the department shall register the motor vehicle or mobile home under the distinctive number assigned to such motor vehicle or mobile home by the department. Electronic, which registration records record shall be open to the inspection of the public during business hours. Information on a motor vehicle registration may not be made available to a person unless the person requesting the information furnishes positive proof of identification. The agency that furnishes a motor vehicle registration record shall record the name and

address of any person other than a representative of a law 1 2 enforcement agency who requests and receives information from 3 a motor vehicle registration record and shall also record the 4 name and address of the person who is the subject of the inquiry or other information identifying the entity about 5 which information is requested. A record of each such inquiry 6 7 must be maintained for a period of 6 months from the date upon which the information was released to the inquirer. Nothing in 8 9 this section shall prohibit any financial institution, 10 insurance company, motor vehicle dealer, licensee under chapter 493, attorney, or other agency which the department 11 12 determines has the right to know from obtaining, for 13 professional or business use only, information in such records from the department through any means of telecommunication 14 15 pursuant to a code developed by the department providing all 16 fees specified in subsection (3) have been paid. The 17 department shall disclose records or information to the child support enforcement agency to assist in the location of 18 individuals who owe or potentially owe child support or to 19 20 whom such an obligation is owed pursuant to Title IV-D of the Social Security Act. 21 22

Section 25. Section 320.0605, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.0605 Certificate of registration; possession required; exception.—The registration certificate or an official copy thereof, a true copy of a rental or lease agreement issued for a motor vehicle or issued for a replacement vehicle in the same registration period, a temporary receipt printed upon self-initiated electronic renewal of a registration via the Internet, or a cab card issued for a vehicle registered under the International

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Registration Plan shall, at all times while the vehicle is being used or operated on the roads of this state, be in the possession of the operator thereof or be carried in the vehicle for which issued and shall be exhibited upon demand of any authorized law enforcement officer or any agent of the department. The provisions of this section do not apply during the first 30 days after purchase of a replacement vehicle. A violation of this section is a noncriminal traffic infraction, punishable as a nonmoving violation as provided in chapter 318.

Section 26. Subsection (29) of section 320.08058, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.08058 Specialty license plates.--

- (29) UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS LICENSE PLATES. --
- (a) The department shall develop a United States Marine Corps license plate as provided in this section. The word "Florida" must appear at the top center of the plate, and the words "Marine Corps" "First to Fight" must appear at the bottom center of the plate. The United States Marine Corps logo, 3 inches in diameter, must appear on the left side centered top to bottom of the plate in proper colors.
- (b) The department shall distribute the United States Marine Corps license plate annual use fees in the following manner:
- 1. The first \$50,000 collected annually shall be deposited in the State Homes for Veterans Trust Fund and must be used solely for the purpose of constructing, operating, and maintaining domiciliary and nursing homes for veterans subject to the requirements of chapter 216.
- 2. Any additional fees collected annually shall be deposited in the Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation, Inc.,

successor to the <u>USMC</u> USMV Tag/Scholarship Fund, Inc., which shall use the fees to fund scholarships and assist Marine Corps Junior ROTC <u>and Young Marine</u> programs of this state. The foundation shall develop a plan to distribute the funds to recipients nominated by residents of the state to receive scholarships, and to the Marine Corps Junior ROTC <u>and Young Marine</u> programs in the state.

Section 27. Section 320.833, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.833 Retention, destruction, and reproduction of records; electronic retention.—Records and documents of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, created in compliance with, and in the implementation of, chapter 319 and this chapter, shall be retained by the department as specified in record retention schedules established under the general provisions of chapter 119. Further, the department is hereby authorized:

- (1) To destroy, or otherwise dispose of, those records and documents, in conformity with the approved retention schedules.
- (2) To photograph, microphotograph, or reproduce on film, as authorized and directed by the approved retention schedules, whereby each page will be exposed in exact conformity with the original records and documents retained in compliance with the provisions of this section. Photographs or microphotographs in the form of film or print of any records, made in compliance with the provisions of this section, shall have the same force and effect as the originals thereof would have and shall be treated as originals for the purpose of their admissibility in evidence. Duly certified or authenticated reproductions of such photographs or

microphotographs shall be admitted in evidence equally with 2 the original photographs or microphotographs. 3 (3) Beginning December 1, 2001, the department may 4 maintain all records required or obtained in compliance with, 5 and in the implementation of, chapter 319 and this chapter 6 exclusively by electronic means. 7 Section 28. Section 320.865, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 8 9 320.865 Maintenance of records by the 10 department.--Beginning December 1, 2001, the department shall maintain electronic uniform records of all complaints filed 11 12 against licensees licensed under the provisions of ss. 320.27, 320.61, 320.77, 320.771, and 320.8225, any other provision of 13 this chapter to the contrary notwithstanding. The records 14 15 shall contain all enforcement actions taken against licensees and against unlicensed persons acting in a capacity which 16 17 would require them to be licensed under those sections. 18 electronic permanent file of each licensee and unlicensed person shall contain a record of any complaints filed against 19 20 him or her and a record of any enforcement actions taken 21 against him or her. All complaints and satisfactions thereof 22 and enforcement actions on each licensee and unlicensed person shall be entered into the central database in such a manner 23 24 that rapid retrieval will be facilitated. The complainant and 25 the referring agency, if there is one, shall be advised of the disposition by the department of the complaint within 10 days 26 27 of such action. Section 29. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 28 29 322.051, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 30 322.051 Identification cards.--

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- (a) Each such application shall include the following information regarding the applicant:
- Full name (first, middle or maiden, and last), gender, social security card number, residence and mailing address, and a brief description.
 - 2. Proof of birth date satisfactory to the department.
- 3. Proof of identity satisfactory to the department.

 Such proof must include one of the following unless a driver's license record or identification card record has already been established, including one of the following: a certified copy of a United States birth certificate, a valid United States passport, an alien registration receipt card (green card), an employment authorization card issued by the United States Department of Justice, or proof of nonimmigrant classification provided by the United States Department of Justice, for an original identification card.

Section 30. Paragraph (c) of subsection (2) is amended, and paragraphs (d) and (e) are added to subsection (6), of section 322.08, Florida Statutes, to read:

322.08 Application for license.--

- (2) Each such application shall include the following information regarding the applicant:
- Such proof must include one of the following unless a driver's license record or identification card record has already been established, including one of the following: a certified copy of a United States birth certificate, a valid United States passport, an alien registration receipt card (green card), an employment authorization card issued by the United States Department of Justice, or proof of nonimmigrant classification provided by the United States Department of Justice, for an

1	original license.
2	(6) The application form for a driver's license or
3	duplicate thereof shall include language permitting the
4	following:
5	(a) A voluntary contribution of \$5 per applicant, which
6	contribution shall be transferred into the Election Campaign
7	Financing Trust Fund.
8	(b) A voluntary contribution of \$1 per applicant, which
9	contribution shall be deposited into the Florida Organ and
10	Tissue Donor Education and Procurement Trust Fund for organ
11	and tissue donor education and for maintaining the organ and
12	tissue donor registry.
13	(c) A voluntary contribution of \$1 per applicant, which
14	contribution shall be distributed to the Florida Council of
15	the Blind.
16	(d) A voluntary contribution of \$2 per applicant, which
17	shall be distributed to the Hearing Research Institute,
18	Incorporated for the purpose of infant hearing screening in
19	Florida.
20	(e) A voluntary contribution of \$1 per applicant, which
21	shall be distributed to the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation
22	<pre>International.</pre>
23	A statement providing an explanation of the purpose of
24	the trust funds shall also be included.
25	Section 31. Subsection (3) of section 322.292, Florida
26	Statutes, is hereby repealed.
27	Section 32. Subsection (10) of section 328.15, Florida
28	Statutes, is repealed.
29	Section 33. Subsections (2) and (3) of section 328.40,
30	Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

titling laws; records. --1 2 The Department of Highway Safety and Motor 3 Vehicles shall keep electronic records and perform such other 4 clerical duties as required pertaining to: 5 (a) Vessel registration and titling. (b) Suspension of the vessel operating privilege under 6 7 ss. 327.35-327.355. 8 (3) All records made or kept by the Department of 9 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles under this law are public 10 records except for confidential reports. 11 Section 34. Subsection (3) of section 328.48, Florida 12 Statutes, is amended to read: 13 (3) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall issue certificates of registration and numbers for city, 14 15 county, and state-owned vessels, charging only the service fees required in s. 328.72(7) and $(8)_{s.} 327.25(7)$ and $(8)_{r.}$ 16 17 provided the vessels are used for purposes other than recreation. 18 Section 35. Paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section 19 20 328.72, Florida Statutes is amended to read: 21 328.72 Classification; registration; fees and charges; 22 surcharge, disposition of fees; fines; marine turtle stickers.--23 24 (2) ANTIQUE VESSEL REGISTRATION FEE. --25 (c) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles may issue a decal identifying the vessel as an antique 26 27 vessel. The decal shall be displayed as provided in s.328.48 ss.327.11 and 327.14. 28 Section 36. Subsection (3) of section 328.73, Florida 29 30 Statutes is amended to read:

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(3) A fee of 50 cents shall be charged in addition to the fees required under s. $328.72 \pm ... 327.25$ on every vessel decal registration sold to cover the cost of the Florida Real Time Vehicle Information System. The fees collected under this section shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund and shall be used to fund that system and may be used to fund the general operations of the department. Section 37. Subsection (2) of section 328.735, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 328.735 Advanced registration renewal; procedures.--(2) Upon the filing of the application and payment of the appropriate vessel registration fee and service charges required by s. 328.72 s. 327.25 and any additional fees required by law, the department or its agents shall issue to the owner of the vessel a decal and registration. When the decal is affixed to the vessel, the registration is renewed for the appropriate registration period. Section 38. (1) TASK FORCE ON THE MOTOR VEHICLE INDUSTRY.--There is hereby created within the Department of

Section 38. (1) TASK FORCE ON THE MOTOR VEHICLE

INDUSTRY.--There is hereby created within the Department of
Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles the Task Force on the Motor

Vehicle Industry. The task force shall be charged with

examining and evaluating the motor vehicle industry in the
state, specifically the licensing of motor vehicle dealers,
the enforcement of motor vehicle dealer regulations, and the
structure and manner in which the Department of Highway Safety
and Motor Vehicles carries out its regulatory purpose.

- (2) MEMBERSHIP; ORGANIZATION; MEETINGS.--
- (a) The task force shall be composed of 15 members, to be appointed by the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, as follows:
 - 1. One representative of the Division of Motor

1	Vehicles of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor
2	Vehicles, to be appointed by the Governor.
3	2. One representative of independent motor vehicle
4	dealers recommended by the Florida Independent Automobile
5	Dealers Association, to be appointed by the Governor.
6	3. One representative of motor vehicle franchise
7	dealers recommended by the Florida Automobile Dealers
8	Association, to be appointed by the Governor.
9	4. One representative from an auto auction chain
10	recommended by a group affiliated with the National Auto
11	Auction Association, to be appointed by the Governor.
12	5. One representative of the Florida Auto Dismantlers
13	and Recyclers Association, to be appointed by the Governor.
14	6. One representative from the Department of Revenue,
15	to be appointed by the President of the Senate.
16	7. One representative of independent motor vehicle
17	dealers recommended by the Florida Independent Automobile
18	Dealers Association, to be appointed by the President of the
19	Senate.
20	8. A Florida tax collector recommended by the Florida
21	Tax Collectors Association, to be appointed by the President
22	of the Senate.
23	9. One representative from a Better Business Bureau
24	within the state, to be appointed by the President of the
25	Senate.
26	10. One representative of motor vehicle franchise
27	dealers recommended by the Tampa Bay Auto Dealers Association
28	to be appointed by the President of the Senate.
29	11. One representative from the Division of Consumer
30	Services of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer

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Services, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of

1	Representatives.
2	12. One representative of independent motor vehicle
3	dealers recommended by the Florida Independent Automobile
4	Dealers Association, to be appointed by the Speaker of the
5	House of Representatives.
6	13. One representative of the motor vehicle auction
7	industry who is affiliated with an independent motor vehicle
8	auction concern and is recommended by a group affiliated with
9	the National Auto Auction Association, to be appointed by the
LO	Speaker of the House of Representatives.
L1	14. One representative of the insurance industry that
L2	writes motor vehicle dealer surety bonds, to be appointed by
L3	the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
L4	15. One representative of motor vehicle franchise
L5	dealers recommended by the South Florida Auto Dealers
L6	Association, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of
L7	Representatives.
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L9	The Division of Motor Vehicles of the Department of Highway
20	Safety and Motor Vehicles, the Division of Consumer Services
21	of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the
22	Department of Revenue, the Florida Independent Automobile
23	Dealers Association, the Florida Tax Collectors Association,
24	and the Florida Automobile Dealers Association, and the
25	Florida Auto Dismantlers and Recyclers Association shall
26	submit to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
27	the names of their recommended representatives for selection
28	as appointees to the task force. A person who desires to be
29	considered for appointment to the task force as a
30	representative of the insurance industry or a Better Business
31	Bureau shall submit his or her name and a statement of the

designated category he or she proposes to represent to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, which shall forward all recommended names to the appointing authority for the designated category. In order to facilitate and coordinate the efforts of the task force, the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall each name a liaison whom the task force may contact for assistance and information during the course of the task force's existence. Members of the task force shall be appointed no later than July 1, 2000.

- (b) The Governor shall appoint the chair of the task force. Any vacancy in the task force membership shall be filled in the manner of the original appointment.
- (c) Upon appointment of the members, the task force shall schedule an organizational meeting to be held no later than July 20, 2000. Thereafter, the task force shall meet at least once a month, at the call of the chair, or at the call of a quorum of the task force, at various locations throughout the state to be determined by the task force. A quorum is necessary for the purpose of conducting official business of the task force. Eight members of the task force shall constitute a quorum.
- (d) The task force shall use accepted rules of procedure to conduct its meetings. The department shall keep on file a complete record of each meeting.
- (e) Members of the task force from the private sector shall not be entitled to per diem or travel expenses. Members of the task force who are employees of state agencies shall receive per diem and travel expenses from the budgets of their respective agencies.
 - (f) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor

Vehicles shall provide administrative and staff support services relating to the functions of the task force, and members of the task force may request assistance from the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles as necessary.

(3) PURPOSES; DUTIES.--

- (a) The task force shall conduct an in-depth review of the motor vehicle industry in the state, which shall include, but not be limited to, problems associated with licensing requirements for motor vehicle dealers, unlicensed persons engaging in business as motor vehicle dealers, and enforcement of statutes and rules regulating the motor vehicle industry. The task force shall, in its review, analyze the provisions of chapter 320, Florida Statutes, and any other applicable provisions of state law as they relate to the motor vehicle industry and motor vehicle dealer licensing requirements and enforcement.
 - (b) The task force may, in its discretion:
- 1. Conduct meetings, hearings, and workshops in Tallahassee, and at different locations throughout the state, and take evidence, testimony, and argument at such meetings, hearings, and workshops from state agencies and consumer organizations.
- 2. Examine and evaluate the procedures and methods for approval of an applicant for licensure as a motor vehicle dealer, for establishment of motor vehicle dealer locations, for enforcement actions against unlicensed persons engaging in business as motor vehicle dealers, and for enforcement of existing statutes and rules regulating motor vehicle dealers.
- 3. Assess the roles of the Department of Highway
 Safety and Motor Vehicles and county tax collectors regarding
 the motor vehicle industry.

1	(c) The in-depth review established in this section
2	shall not include the relationship between motor vehicle
3	dealers licensed under s. 320.27(1)(c)1., Florida Statutes,
4	and their respective line-make licensees licensed under s.
5	320.61, Florida Statutes, or the provisions of ss.
6	320.60-320.70, Florida Statutes.
7	(d) Upon completing the review, assessment, and
8	evaluation pursuant to this act, the task force may meet
9	further to consider its accomplishments and to compile its
10	findings into legislative recommendations.
11	(4) INTERIM AND FINAL REPORT; TERMINATION OF TASK
12	FORCEBy January 31, 2001, the task force shall submit its
13	interim findings and recommendations in the form of a written
14	report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the
15	Speaker of the House of Representatives. The task force shall
16	make a final report of its findings and recommendations, which
17	may include proposed legislation, to the Governor, the
18	President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of
19	Representatives by March 1, 2001, at which time the task force
20	shall cease to exist.
21	Section 39. Except as otherwise provided in this act,
22	this act shall take effect October 1, 2000.
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26	And the title is amended as follows:
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28	and insert in lieu thereof:
29	A bill to be entitled
30	An act relating to the operation of vehicles
31	and vessels; amending s. 213.053, F.S.;

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authorizing the exchange of certain information between the Department of Revenue and the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; amending s. 234.02, F.S.; updating the current allowable exception to the use of a school bus; amending s. 316.0775, Florida Statutes; providing increased penalties for defacement, damage or removal of official traffic control devices or railroad signs or signals; amending s. 316.193, F.S.; revising penalties for subsequent convictions of driving under the influence; amending s. 316.1935, F.S.; increasing penalties for fleeing or attempting to elude a law enforcement officer and aggravated fleeing and eluding a law enforcement offficer; providing for the person whose license has been revoked the right to petition for a restricted liense for business or employment purposes; amending s. 316.1936, F.S.; defining the term "road"; revising provisions relating to the possession of open containers of alcoholic beverages in vehicles; providing penalties; amending s. 316.212, F.S.; providing that a person under the age of 14 may not operate a golf cart on public roads; amending s. 316.2125, F.S.; providing restrictions on the operation of golf carts in retirement communities; amending s. 316.220, F.S.; prohibiting the covering of headlamps to alter the color of the lamp; amending s. 316.221, F.S.; prohibiting the covering of

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taillamps; amending s. 316.228, F.S.; providing that any vehicle or trailer transporting logs, pulpwood, poles, or posts extending 4 reet or more from the rear of the vehicle must have an amber strobe light affixed to the projecting load; amending s. 316.234, F.S.; prohibiting the covering of signal lamps and signal devices; amending s. 316.237, F.S.; prohibiting the coverings of certain lamps; amending s. 316.2954, F.S.; revising language with respect to restrictions on sunscreening material on a motor vehicle; providing applicability; providing a penalty; amending s. 316.515, F.S.; providing length limitations on boat trailers; amending s. 316.530, F.S.; authorizing the use of cables and other devices meeting federal safety standards in the towing of certain vehicles; amending s. 316.613, F.S.; authorizing the expenditure of certain funds for safety and public awareness campaigns; amending s. 318.1451, F.S.; eliminating a reference to traffic law and substance abuse education courses; amending s. 319.17, F.S.; providing for the use of electronic records; amending s. 319.24; revising record-retention requirements; amending s. 319.30, F.S.; providing a certificate of destruction to be assigned to a motor vehicle or mobile home; requires the dismantling or destruction of a motor vehicle or mobile home after the second reassignment of the certificate of destruction;

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amending s. 320.031, F.S.; providing for the deposit of certain fees into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund; amending s. 320.04; providing for the deposit of certain funds into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund; providing for fees charged by financial institutions relating to a credit or debit card transation; amending s. 320.05, F.S.; providing for the use of electronic records; amending s. 320.0605, F.S.; providing for the issuance of a temporary receipt for electronic registration renewal via the Internet; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the United States Marine Corp License Plate; amending s. 320.833, F.S.; providing for the electronic retention of records; amending s. 320.865, F.S.; providing for the electronic retention of certain records; amending s. 322.051, F.S.; providing conditions for the issuance of identification cards; amending s. 322.08, F.S.; providing for proof of identity for the issuance of driver's licenses; providing for voluntary contribution on a driver's license application; amending s. 322.292, F.S.; revising DUI program eligibility requirements; amending s. 328.15, F.S.; revising records-retention requirements; amending s. 328.40, F.S.; providing for electronic retention of records; amending ss. 328.48, 328.72, 328.73, and 328.735, F.S.; creating an interim task force committee on

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1	motor vehicles within the Department of Highway
2	Safety and Motor Vehicles; provides for
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5	for interim and final reports; provides for
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