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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to golf carts; amending s.
316.212, F.S.; prohibiting a person under a
specified age from operating a golf cart on a
public road or bike path unless that person is
accompanied by an adult who is a licensed
operator; providing penalties; providing an
effective date.

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

Section 1. Present subsection (6) of section 316.212,
Florida Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (7) and amended,
and a new subsection (6) is added to that section, to read:

316.212 Operation of golf carts on certain
roadways.--The operation of a golf cart upon the public roads
or streets of this state is prohibited except as provided
herein:

(6) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a
person under the age of 16 years may not operate a golf cart
on a public road or street or bike path in this state unless
that person is accompanied on the golf cart by a person 18
years of age or older, who possesses a valid driver's license.

(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
subsection (6) or as a nonmoving violation for infractions of
subsection (5).

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2000.

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SENATE SUMMARY

Prohibits a person under the age of 16 years from operating a golf cart on a public road or bike path unless that person is accompanied on the golf cart by a person at least 18 years of age who possesses a valid driver's license. Makes violation punishable as a moving noncriminal traffic infraction.