

By Representative Meadows

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to high-occupancy vehicle
3 lanes; amending s. 316.0741, F.S.; allowing
4 certain energy-saving vehicles to travel in
5 such lanes, regardless of occupancy; providing
6 an effective date,

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

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10 Section 1. Subsection (4) is added to section
11 316.0741, Florida Statutes, to read:

12 316.0741 High occupancy vehicle lanes.--

13 (4) Notwithstanding provisions of this section to the
14 contrary, a vehicle powered by natural gas, electricity, a
15 gas-electric hybrid power system, or any other vehicle
16 classified as energy-conserving by the Department of Highway
17 Safety and Motor Vehicles may be driven in an HOV lane at any
18 time, regardless of its occupancy. The department shall issue
19 a decal to be placed on such vehicles authorizing such use.

20 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001.

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23 SENATE SUMMARY

24 Allows certain energy-conserving vehicles to travel in
25 high-occupancy vehicle lanes regardless of occupancy.

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