

By Representative Wishner

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to motor vehicle lease
3 disclosure; amending s. 521.004, F.S.;
4 requiring retail lessors to disclose charges
5 assessed for wear and tear in the lease
6 agreement; amending s. 521.006, F.S.; directing
7 the Department of Agriculture and Consumer
8 Services to provide, by rule, for a definition
9 of "wear and tear of a leased vehicle";
10 providing a penalty; providing an effective
11 date.

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

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15 Section 1. Subsection (3) is added to section 521.004,
16 Florida Statutes, to read:

17 521.004 Disclosures.--A retail lessor must:

18 (3) Include disclosure in the lease agreement of the
19 charges assessed to the lessee with respect to wear and tear
20 of the leased vehicle. The Department of Agriculture and
21 Consumer Services shall provide, by rule, for a uniform
22 definition of "wear and tear of a leased vehicle," to be
23 utilized in lease agreements. Such a rule shall be adopted by
24 July 1, 2002.

25 Section 2. Section 521.006, Florida Statutes, reads:

26 521.006 Civil remedies.--

27 (1) A retail lessor who fails to comply with the
28 requirements of this act shall be liable to the retail lessee
29 for actual damages sustained, a civil penalty of up to \$1,000
30 per lease transaction, and reasonable attorney fees and costs.

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