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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to state vehicles; amending s.
3 287.161, F.S.; requiring persons traveling in
4 the executive aircraft pool to pay operating
5 costs; deleting limitations; amending s.
6 287.17, F.S.; limiting certain use of state
7 vehicles; requiring reimbursement to the state
8 for certain excess miles; specifying use of
9 receipts; requiring rules; modifying
10 requirements of state agencies to periodically
11 review motor vehicle utilization; providing
12 purpose of the review; requiring the use of
13 criteria developed by the Department of
14 Management Services; requiring a report;
15 providing an effective date.

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

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19 Section 1. Subsections (2) and (3) of section 287.161,
20 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

21 287.161 Executive aircraft pool; assignment of
22 aircraft; charge for transportation.--

23 (2) The Department of Management Services shall charge
24 all persons receiving transportation from the executive
25 aircraft pool a rate not less than the mileage allowance fixed
26 by the Legislature for the use of privately owned vehicles.

27 ~~However, state employees traveling on a space available basis~~
28 ~~may not be charged more than the vehicle mileage allowance.~~

29 (3) Fees collected for persons traveling by aircraft
30 in the executive aircraft pool shall be deposited into the
31 Bureau of Aircraft Trust Fund and shall be expended for ~~fuel,~~

1 ~~maintenance, or other~~ costs incurred to operate the aircraft
2 management activities of the department in accordance with
3 rules adopted pursuant to s. 287.16.

4 Section 2. Subsections (3) and (5) of section 287.17,
5 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

6 287.17 Limitation on use of motor vehicles and
7 aircraft.--

8 (3) The term "official state business" may not be
9 construed to permit the use of a motor vehicle or aircraft for
10 commuting purposes, unless special assignment of a motor
11 vehicle is authorized as a perquisite by the Department of
12 Management Services, required by an employee after normal duty
13 hours to perform duties of the position to which assigned, or
14 authorized for an employee whose home is the official base of
15 operation. A qualifying employee shall be limited to 30
16 commuter miles during his or her normal work day. Employees
17 shall reimburse the employing agency 8 cents per mile for
18 daily commuter miles in excess of the 30-mile limit. The
19 agency shall deposit receipts into the fund used to pay
20 vehicle operating, maintenance, and replacement costs.
21 Employees accrue commuting mileage if they drive a state-owned
22 vehicle to a regular worksite or office and they do not patrol
23 assigned areas or work at various sites during the day. The
24 Department of Management Services shall provide by rule
25 standard policy guidelines including a reporting and
26 reimbursement form to be used statewide. The rule shall
27 provide agency heads discretion to make exemptions.

28 (5) Beginning July 1, 2002, each state agency's
29 inspector general shall conduct an annual review of motor
30 vehicle utilization. This review shall determine the
31 cost-effectiveness of vehicle assignment and utilization

1 within the agency. The purpose of this review is to determine
2 whether employees with assigned motor vehicles are driving the
3 vehicles a sufficient number of miles to warrant continued
4 vehicle assignment and whether employees are driving personal
5 vehicles extensively on state business. In making this
6 determination, the inspector general shall use the break-even
7 mileage criteria developed by the Department of Management
8 Services. Commuting mileage shall be excluded from calculating
9 vehicle use. The report, including findings and
10 recommendations, shall be presented to the agency head by
11 December 31 each year.~~Each state agency's head shall, by~~
12 ~~December 31, 2000, conduct a review of motor vehicle~~
13 ~~utilization with oversight from the agency's inspector~~
14 ~~general. This review shall consist of two parts. The first~~
15 ~~part of the review shall determine the number of miles that~~
16 ~~each assigned motor vehicle has been driven on official state~~
17 ~~business in the past fiscal year. Commuting mileage shall be~~
18 ~~excluded from calculating vehicle use. The purpose of this~~
19 ~~review is to determine whether employees with assigned motor~~
20 ~~vehicles are driving the vehicles a sufficient number of miles~~
21 ~~to warrant continued vehicle assignment. The second part of~~
22 ~~the review shall identify employees who have driven personal~~
23 ~~vehicles extensively on state business in the past fiscal~~
24 ~~year. The purpose of this review is to determine whether it~~
25 ~~would be cost-effective to provide state motor vehicles to~~
26 ~~such employees. In making this determination, the inspector~~
27 ~~general shall use the break-even mileage criteria developed by~~
28 ~~the Department of Management Services. A copy of the review~~
29 ~~shall be presented to the Office of Program Policy Analysis~~
30 ~~and Government Accountability.~~

31 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2002.

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HOUSE SUMMARY

Revises requirements for persons traveling in the executive aircraft pool to pay certain costs and deletes certain limitations. Limits certain use of state vehicles and requires reimbursement to the state for exceeding the limit. Specifies use of reimbursement receipts. Requires rules for guidelines and forms. Modifies requirements of agencies to review motor vehicle utilization and requires reports. See bill for details.