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

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

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

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

(2) The Department of Management Services shall charge all persons receiving transportation from the executive aircraft pool a rate not less than the mileage allowance fixed by the Legislature for the use of privately owned vehicles. However, state employees traveling on a space-available basis may not be charged more than the vehicle mileage allowance.

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

maintenance, <u>and aircraft management activities of the department</u> or other costs incurred in accordance with rules adopted pursuant to s. 287.16.

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

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

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- (3) The term "official state business" may not be construed to permit the use of a motor vehicle or aircraft for commuting purposes, unless special assignment of a motor vehicle is authorized as a perquisite by the Department of Management Services, required by an employee after normal duty hours to perform duties of the position to which assigned, or authorized for an employee whose home is the official base of operation. A qualifying employee shall be limited to 30 commuter miles during his or her normal work day. Employees shall reimburse the employing agency 8 cents per mile for daily commuter miles in excess of the 30-mile limit. The agency shall deposit receipts into the fund used to pay vehicle operating, maintenance, and replacement costs. Employees accrue commuting mileage if they drive a state-owned vehicle to a regular worksite or office and they do not patrol assigned areas or work at various sites during the day. The Department of Management Services shall adopt rules to implement the provisions of this subsection, including uniform employee reporting and reimbursement forms. Such rules shall also provide criteria for agency heads to exempt employees from the 30-commuter-mile limitation provided for in this subsection.
- (5) <u>Beginning July 1, 2002, each state agency's</u> inspector general shall conduct an annual review of motor

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

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