

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.

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 the other provisions of this
14 section, an inherently low-emission vehicle (ILEV) that is
15 certified and labeled in accordance with federal regulations
16 may be driven in an HOV lane at any time, regardless of its
17 occupancy. The department shall issue a decal to be placed on
18 such vehicles authorizing such use.

19 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2002.

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22 LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

23 Authorizes the use of high occupancy vehicle lanes,
24 regardless of vehicle occupancy, by inherently
25 low-emission vehicles (ILEV) that are certified and
26 labeled in accordance with federal regulations. Requires
27 the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to
28 issue a decal to be placed on such vehicles.

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