

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Department of Highway
3 Safety and Motor Vehicles; amending s. 322.27,
4 F.S.; requiring law enforcement agencies to
5 notify the department of any traffic fatality
6 or when a law enforcement agency initiates
7 action to obtain a blood test for impairment in
8 a case of death or serious bodily injury;
9 amending s. 322.20, F.S.; requiring the
10 department to maintain certain records of
11 convictions for persons holding a foreign
12 driver's license; providing an effective date.

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

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16 Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 322.27, Florida
17 Statutes, is amended to read:

18 322.27 Authority of department to suspend or revoke
19 license.--

20 (1) Notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary in
21 chapter 120, the department is hereby authorized to suspend
22 the license of any person without preliminary hearing upon a
23 showing of its records or other sufficient evidence that the
24 licensee:

25 (a) Has committed an offense for which mandatory
26 revocation of license is required upon conviction. A law
27 enforcement agency must provide information to the department
28 within 24 hours after any traffic fatality or when the law
29 enforcement agency initiates action pursuant to s. 316.1933;

30 (b) Has been convicted of a violation of any traffic
31 law which resulted in a crash that caused the death or

1 personal injury of another or property damage in excess of
2 \$500;

3 (c) Is incompetent to drive a motor vehicle;

4 (d) Has permitted an unlawful or fraudulent use of
5 such license or has knowingly been a party to the obtaining of
6 a license by fraud or misrepresentation or to display, or
7 represent as one's own, any driver's license not issued him or
8 her. Provided, however, no provision of this section shall be
9 construed to include the provisions of s. 322.32(1);

10 (e) Has committed an offense in another state which if
11 committed in this state would be grounds for suspension or
12 revocation; or

13 (f) Has committed a second or subsequent violation of
14 s. 316.172(1) within a 5-year period of any previous
15 violation.

16 Section 2. Subsection (2) of section 322.20, Florida
17 Statutes, is amended to read:

18 322.20 Records of the department; fees; destruction of
19 records.--

20 (2) The department shall also maintain a record of all
21 crash reports, abstracts of court records of convictions, and
22 notices of revocation or suspension of a person's driver's
23 license or driving privilege. Records of convictions of a
24 person holding a foreign license shall be maintained by the
25 department if the uniform traffic citation indicates an
26 address located in this state.

27 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2003.
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