1 A bill to be entitled

An act relating to traffic control; amending s. 316.1945, F.S.; prohibiting stopping a vehicle in a school zone to load or unload passengers when the school zone speed limit is in force; providing exceptions; amending s. 316.650, F.S.; providing for a parental notification system to be developed by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; requiring the form to be completed by a traffic enforcement officer upon issuing a traffic citation or a written warning to a person under 18 years of age; requiring the department to provide such notification to the parent, guardian, or other responsible adult who signed the driver's license application; amending s. 322.09, F.S.; requiring a parent, guardian, or other responsible adult signing the driver license application of a minor to provide certain contact information; providing an effective date.

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

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Section 1. Paragraph (d) is added to subsection (1) of section 316.1945, Florida Statutes, to read:

316.1945 Stopping, standing, or parking prohibited in specified places.--

(1) Except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic, or in compliance with law or the directions of a police officer or official traffic control device, no person shall:

d) Stop a vehicle within a school zone, as described in s. 316.1895, of any public or private elementary school to load or unload passengers during such times as the school zone speed limit is in force, except in a designated loading and unloading area. This paragraph shall not be construed to prohibit parking in a school zone.

Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 316.650, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

316.650 Traffic citations; parental notification forms.--

- (1)(a) The department shall prepare, and supply to every traffic enforcement agency in this state, an appropriate form traffic citation containing a notice to appear (which shall be issued in prenumbered books with citations in quintuplicate) and meeting the requirements of this chapter or any laws of this state regulating traffic, which form shall be consistent with the state traffic court rules and the procedures established by the department. Upon all future printings of the traffic citation, the form shall include a special box which is to be checked by the law enforcement officer when the officer believes that the traffic violation or crash was due to aggressive careless driving as defined in s. 316.1923.
- (b) The department shall prepare, and supply to every traffic enforcement agency in the state, an appropriate affidavit-of-compliance form which shall be issued along with the form traffic citation for any violation of s. 316.610 and which shall indicate the specific defect which needs to be corrected. However, such affidavit of compliance shall not be issued in the case of a violation of s. 316.610 by a commercial

motor vehicle as defined in s. 316.003(66). Such affidavit-of-compliance form shall be distributed in the same manner and to the same parties as is the form traffic citation.

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- (c) The department shall develop a notification system that shall be utilized by traffic enforcement officers to assist in the notification of the parent of any driver under 18 years of age when the officer issues a citation or written warning to such driver for a violation of law. The notification shall include the time and date the vehicle was stopped, the reason for the stop, the number of people in the vehicle, the name of the person stopped, and the name of the officer. The notification shall be mailed by the department within 10 days to the address provided by the parent, guardian, or other responsible adult who signed the license application of the driver in compliance with s. 322.09(1). If no address is on file pursuant to s. 322.09(1)(b), the department shall mail the notification to the address on record for the driver. The department has authority to adopt rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to implement the provisions of this paragraph.
- (d)(e) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a), and (b), and (c), a traffic enforcement agency may produce uniform traffic citations by electronic means. Such citations must be consistent with the state traffic court rules and the procedures established by the department; must be appropriately numbered and inventoried; and may have fewer copies than the quintuplicate form. Affidavit-of-compliance forms and parental notification forms may also be produced by electronic means.

(e)(d) The department must distribute to every traffic enforcement agency and to any others who request it, a traffic infraction reference guide describing the class of the traffic infraction, the penalty for the infraction, the points to be assessed on a driver's license, and any other information necessary to describe a violation and the penalties therefor.

Section 3. Subsection (1) of section 322.09, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.09 Application of minors; responsibility for negligence or misconduct of minor.--

- (1)(a) The application of any person under the age of 18 years for a driver's license must be signed and verified before a person authorized to administer oaths by the father, mother, or guardian, or, if there is no parent or guardian, by another responsible adult who is willing to assume the obligation imposed under this chapter upon a person signing the application of a minor. This section does not apply to a person under the age of 18 years who is emancipated by marriage.
- (b) The parent, guardian, or other responsible adult signing the application of a minor pursuant to this section must furnish an address with the application for the purpose of being contacted in the event that the minor applicant is issued a written warning or a citation for a violation of law.
- (c)(b) There shall be submitted with each application a certified copy of a United States birth certificate, a valid United States passport, an alien registration receipt card (green card), an employment authorization card issued by the United States Department of Justice, or proof of nonimmigrant

classification provided by the United States Department of
Justice, for an original license.

Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004.