

Amendment No. (for drafter's use only)

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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1 Representative(s) Rivera offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 Between lines 2365 and 2366, insert:

5 Section 47. Subsection (1) of section 318.32, Florida
6 Statutes, is amended to read:

7 318.32 Jurisdiction; limitations.--

8 (1) Hearing officers shall be empowered to accept pleas
9 from and decide the guilt or innocence of any person, adult or
10 juvenile, charged with any civil traffic infraction and shall be
11 empowered to adjudicate or withhold adjudication of guilt in the
12 same manner as a county court judge under the statutes, rules,
13 and procedures presently existing or as subsequently amended,
14 except that hearing officers shall not:

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15 (a) Have the power to hold a defendant in contempt of
16 court, but shall be permitted to file a motion for order of
17 contempt with the appropriate state trial court judge;

18 (b) Hear a case involving a crash resulting in injury or
19 death; ~~or~~

20 (c) Hear a criminal traffic offense case or a case
21 involving a civil traffic infraction issued in conjunction with
22 a criminal traffic offense; or

23 (d) Have the power to suspend a defendant's drivers
24 license pursuant to s. 316.655(2).

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27 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

28 Remove line 250 and insert:
29 traffic infraction hearing officer; amending s. 328.32, F.S.;
30 providing additional limitation on a hearing officer's
31 authority; amending s. 318.325,