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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to traffic safety; creating the "School Crossing Guard Protection Law"; amending s. 316.072, F.S.; providing penalties for willfully failing or refusing to comply with a lawful order or direction of a school crossing guard; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. This act may be cited as the "School Crossing Guard Protection Law."

Section 2. Subsection (3) of section 316.072, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

316.072 Obedience to and effect of traffic laws.--

AND FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS.—It is unlawful and a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083, for any person willfully to fail or refuse to comply with any lawful order or direction of any law enforcement officer, traffic crash investigation officer as described in s. 316.640, traffic infraction enforcement officer as described in s. 316.640, school crossing guard as described in s. 316.75, or member of the fire department at the scene of a fire, rescue operation, or other emergency. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, certified emergency medical technicians or paramedics may respond to the scene of emergencies and may provide emergency medical treatment on the scene and provide transport of patients in the performance of their duties for an

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emergency medical services provider licensed under chapter 401 and in accordance with any local emergency medical response protocols.

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Section 3. This act shall take effect October 1, 2005.