A bill to be entitled 1 2 An act relating to highway safety and motor vehicles; 3 amending s. 207.008, F.S.; revising requirements for motor carriers to retain certain records as required by the 4 5 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles for tax purposes; amending s. 207.021, F.S.; authorizing the 6 7 department to adopt rules establishing informal 8 conferences to resolve disputes with motor carriers 9 arising from the assessment of taxes, penalties, or interest or the denial of refunds; specifying certain 10 rights of the motor carrier; providing for closing 11 agreements to settle or compromise the taxpayer's 12 liability; providing conditions for settlement or 13 compromise; authorizing installment payment to settle 14 liability; amending s. 316.003, F.S.; revising the 15 16 definitions of "motor vehicle," "motorcycle," and "motorized scooter"; defining "miniature motorcycle" and 17 "full mount"; revising the definition of "saddle mount" to 18 19 provide for a full mount; amending s. 316.211, F.S.; 20 requiring motorcycles registered to certain persons to display a license plate that is unique in design and 21 color; providing penalties; creating s. 316.2123, F.S.; 22 providing for all-terrain vehicle operation under certain 23 24 conditions; requiring the operator to provide proof of 25 ownership to a law enforcement officer; creating s. 26 316.2128, F.S.; prohibiting use of motorized scooters and miniature motorcycles on public roads and sidewalks; 27 requiring the operator to possess proof of ownership; 28

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prohibiting causing or allowing a child or ward to operate a motorized scooter or miniature motorcycle on public roads or sidewalks or without proof of ownership; providing penalties; providing requirements for commercial sale of motorized scooters and miniature motorcycles; providing that a violation of the commercial sales requirements is an unfair and deceptive trade practice; amending s. 316.221, F.S.; providing an exemption from certain taillamp requirements for dump trucks and vehicles with dump bodies; amending s. 316.302, F.S.; updating reference to federal commercial motor vehicle regulations; revising hours-of-service requirements for certain intrastate motor carriers; revising conditions for an exemption from commercial driver license requirements; revising weight requirements for application of certain exceptions to specified federal regulations and to operation of certain commercial motor vehicles by persons of a certain age; amending s. 316.515, F.S.; authorizing certain uses of forestry equipment; providing width and speed limitations; requiring such vehicles to be operated in accordance with specified safety requirements; revising length and mount requirements for automobile towaway and driveaway operations; authorizing saddle mount combinations to include one full mount; amending s. 318.1215, F.S.; increasing the amount of a local option surcharge on traffic penalties; amending s. 318.14, F.S.; providing exceptions to procedures for certain speed limit violations; removing the option for certain offenders to

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attend driver improvement school; amending s. 318.18, F.S.; providing increased penalties for certain speed limit violations and violations of vehicle load requirements; defining "conviction" for specified purposes; amending s. 318.19, F.S.; requiring mandatory hearings for certain speed limit violations; amending s. 319.14, F.S.; revising definition of "police vehicle" for purpose of resale or exchange; amending s. 320.02, F.S.; requiring proof of required endorsement on a driver license as a condition for original registration of a motorcycle, motor-driven cycle, or moped; amending s. 320.0706, F.S.; revising license display requirements for dump trucks; amending s. 320.089, F.S.; providing for Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom license plates for qualified military personnel; amending s. 320.27, F.S.; revising motor vehicle dealer licensing requirements; revising the definition of "motor vehicle" to provide an exception for certain low-speed vehicles; revising conditions for license renewal for certain independent dealers; removing certain training provisions; correcting terminology; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 320.405, F.S.; authorizing the department to enter into certain agreements to schedule payments to settle certain liabilities under the International Registration Plan; amending s. 322.01, F.S.; revising the definition of "driver's license"; defining "identification card, " "temporary driver's license, " and "temporary identification card"; amending s. 322.051, F.S.; revising

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the age requirement for issuance of an identification card; revising criteria for proof of the identity and status of an applicant for an identification card; revising the period of issuance for certain temporary identification cards; amending s. 322.08, F.S.; revising criteria for proof of the identity and status of an applicant for a driver license; revising the period of issuance for certain temporary driver licenses or permits; amending s. 322.12, F.S.; requiring all first-time applicants for licensure to operate a motorcycle to provide proof of completion of a motorcycle safety course; amending s. 322.121, F.S.; revising periodic license examination requirements; providing for such testing of applicants for renewal of a license under provisions requiring an endorsement permitting the applicant to operate a tank vehicle transporting hazardous materials; amending s. 322.142, F.S.; providing authority for driver license digital images and signatures to be reproduced and provided to supervisors of elections for certain purposes; amending s. 322.2615, F.S.; revising provisions for suspension of driver licenses and review of suspension by the department; revising criteria for notice of the suspension; providing that certain materials shall be considered self-authenticating and available to a hearing officer; revising authority of the hearing officer to subpoena and question witnesses; removing provision for the department and the person arrested to subpoena witnesses; providing for appeal by a law enforcement

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agency of a department decision invalidating a suspension; providing that the court review may not be used in a trial for driving under the influence; amending s. 322.27, F.S.; providing for an increase in driver license points assessed for certain speed limit violations and for traffic control signal device violations resulting in a crash; defining "conviction" for specified purposes; providing effective dates.

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

Section 1. Section 207.008, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

207.008 Retention of records by motor carrier.--Each registered motor carrier shall maintain and keep pertinent records and papers as may be required by the department for the reasonable administration of this chapter and shall preserve the records upon which each quarterly tax return is based for 4 years after the due date or filing date of the return, whichever is later such records as long as required by s. 213.35.

Section 2. Section 207.021, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

207.021 <u>Informal conferences;</u> settlement or compromise of <u>taxes</u>, penalties, or interest.--The department may settle or compromise, pursuant to s. 213.21, penalties or interest imposed under this chapter.

(1)(a) The department may adopt rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 for establishing informal conferences to

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resolve disputes arising from the assessment of taxes, penalties, or interest or the denial of refunds.

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- (b) During any proceeding arising under this section, the motor carrier has the right to be represented at and record all proceedings at the motor carrier's expense.
- (2) (a) The executive director of the department or his or her designee is authorized to enter into closing agreements with any taxpayer settling or compromising the taxpayer's liability for any tax, interest, or penalty assessed under this chapter. The agreement shall be in writing and must be in the form of a closing agreement approved by the department and signed by the executive director or his or her designee. The agreement shall be final and conclusive except upon a showing of material fraud or misrepresentation of material fact. No additional assessment may be made by the department against the taxpayer for the tax, interest, or penalty specified in the closing agreement for the time specified in the closing agreement, and the taxpayer shall not be entitled to institute any judicial or administrative proceeding to recover any tax, interest, or penalty paid pursuant to the closing agreement. The executive director or his or her designee is authorized to approve any such closing agreement.
- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a), for the purpose of settling and compromising the liability of any taxpayer for tax or interest on the grounds of doubt as to liability based on the taxpayer's reasonable reliance on a written determination issued by the department, the department may compromise the amount of such tax or interest resulting from

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such reasonable reliance.

- (3) A taxpayer's liability for any tax or interest specified in this chapter may be compromised by the department upon the grounds of doubt as to liability for or the ability to collect such tax or interest. Doubt as to the liability of a taxpayer for tax and interest exists if the taxpayer demonstrates that he or she reasonably relied on a written determination of the department.
- (4) A taxpayer's liability for any tax or interest under this chapter shall be settled or compromised in whole or in part whenever or to the extent allowable under the International Fuel Tax Agreement Articles of Agreement.
- (5) A taxpayer's liability for penalties under this chapter may be settled or compromised if it is determined by the department that the noncompliance is due to reasonable cause and not to willful negligence, willful neglect, or fraud.
- (6) The department is authorized to enter into agreements for scheduling payments of taxes, penalties, and interest due to the department as a result of audit assessments issued under this chapter.
- Section 3. Subsections (21), (22), (43), and (82) of section 316.003, Florida Statutes, are amended, and subsection (86) is added to that section, to read:
- 316.003 Definitions.--The following words and phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them in this section, except where the context otherwise requires:

(21) MOTOR VEHICLE.--Any self-propelled vehicle not operated upon rails or guideway, but not including any bicycle, motorized scooter, electric personal assistive mobility device, or moped.

- (22) MOTORCYCLE.--Any motor vehicle having a seat or saddle for the use of the rider and designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground, but excluding a tractor, a miniature motorcycle, or a moped.
- (43) SADDLE MOUNT; FULL MOUNT.--An arrangement whereby the front wheels of one vehicle rest in a secured position upon another vehicle. All of the wheels of the towing vehicle are upon the ground and only the rear wheels of the towed vehicle rest upon the ground. Such combinations may include one full mount, whereby a smaller transport vehicle is placed completely on the last towed vehicle.
- (82) MOTORIZED SCOOTER.--Any vehicle not having a seat or saddle for the use of the rider, designed to travel on not more than three wheels, and not capable of propelling the vehicle at a speed greater than 30 miles per hour on level ground and that, because of its small size, its design or lack of required safety equipment, or other noncompliance with federal regulations, is not eligible for a manufacturer's certificate of origin and for registration pursuant to chapter 320.
- (86) MINIATURE MOTORCYCLE.--Any vehicle having a seat or saddle for the use of the rider and designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground and that, because of its small size, its design or lack of required safety equipment, or other noncompliance with federal regulations, is

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224 not eliqible for a manufacturer's certificate of origin and for 225 registration as a motorcycle pursuant to chapter 320. The term does not include off-highway vehicles as defined in chapter 317. 226 227 Section 4. Effective January 1, 2007, subsection (6) of 228 section 316.211, Florida Statutes, is renumbered as subsection 229 (7), and a new subsection (6) is added to that section, to read: 230 316.211 Equipment for motorcycle and moped riders.--231 (6) Motorcycles registered to persons who have not 232 attained 21 years of age shall display a license plate that is 233 unique in design and color. 234 (7) (6) A violation of this section is a noncriminal traffic infraction, punishable as a nonmoving violation as 235 236 provided in chapter 318. 237 Section 5. Section 316.2123, Florida Statutes, is created to read: 238 239 316.2123 Operation of an ATV on certain roadways. -- The 240 operation of an ATV as defined in s. 317.0003 upon the public 241 roads or streets of this state is prohibited, except that an ATV 242 may be operated during the daytime on an unpaved roadway where 243 the posted speed limit is less than 35 miles per hour by a 244 licensed driver or by a minor under the supervision of a 245 licensed driver. The operator must provide proof of ownership pursuant to chapter 317 upon request by a law enforcement 246 247 officer. Section 6. Section 316.2128, Florida Statutes, is created 248 to read: 249 316.2128 Operation of motorized scooters and miniature 250

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motorcycles; requirements for sales. --

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(1) The operation of motorized scooters and miniature motorcycles, as defined in s. 316.003, on the public roads or streets of this state or on the sidewalks of this state is prohibited, and such vehicles may not be registered pursuant to chapter 320. Except when operating the vehicle on the operator's own private property, the operator of such a vehicle must keep proof of ownership in the form of a receipt, sales invoice, bill of sale, or other written documentation in his or her possession at all times.

- (2) (a) No person shall cause or knowingly permit his or her child or ward who has not attained 16 years of age to drive a motorized scooter or miniature motorcycle in violation of subsection (1).
- (b) No person shall cause or knowingly permit his or her child or ward who is between 16 to 18 years of age and who is not a licensed driver to drive a motorized scooter or miniature motorcycle in violation of subsection (1).
- (3) A violation of subsection (1) or subsection (2) is a noncriminal traffic infraction, punishable as a moving violation as provided in chapter 318. A minor in violation of any provision of this section is also subject to the additional sanctions of s. 318.143.
- (4) A person who engages in the business of, serves in the capacity of, or acts as a commercial seller of motorized scooters or miniature motorcycles in this state must comply with this subsection. Each such person shall prominently display at his or her place of business a notice that such vehicles are not legal to operate on public roads or sidewalks and may not be

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registered as motor vehicles. The required notice must also appear in all forms of advertising offering motorized scooters or miniature motorcycles for sale. The notice and a copy of this section must also be provided to a consumer prior to the consumer's purchasing or becoming obligated to purchase a motorized scooter or a miniature motorcycle. Any person selling or offering a motorized scooter or a miniature motorcycle for sale in violation of this subsection commits an unfair and deceptive trade practice as defined in part II of chapter 501.

Section 7. Subsection (2) of section 316.221, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

316.221 Taillamps.--

(2) Either a taillamp or a separate lamp shall be so constructed and placed as to illuminate with a white light the rear registration plate and render it clearly legible from a distance of 50 feet to the rear. Any taillamp or taillamps, together with any separate lamp or lamps for illuminating the rear registration plate, shall be so wired as to be lighted whenever the headlamps or auxiliary driving lamps are lighted. Dump trucks and vehicles with dump bodies are exempt from the requirements of this subsection.

Section 8. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1), paragraphs (b), (c), (d), (f), and (i) of subsection (2), and subsection (3) of section 316.302, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 316.302 Commercial motor vehicles; safety regulations;

transporters and shippers of hazardous materials; enforcement. --

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(b) Except as otherwise provided in this section, all owners or drivers of commercial motor vehicles that are engaged in intrastate commerce are subject to the rules and regulations contained in 49 C.F.R. parts 382, 385, and 390-397, with the exception of 49 C.F.R. s. 390.5 as it relates to the definition of bus, as such rules and regulations existed on October 1, 2005 2004.

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- (b) Except as provided in 49 C.F.R. s. 395.1(k), a person who operates a commercial motor vehicle solely in intrastate commerce not transporting any hazardous material in amounts that require placarding pursuant to 49 C.F.R. part 172 may not drive:
- 1. More than 12 hours following 10 consecutive hours off duty; or
- 2. For any period after the end of the 16th hour after coming on duty following 10 consecutive hours off duty is exempt from 49 C.F.R. s. 395.3(a) and (b) and may, after 8 hours' rest, and following the required initial motor vehicle inspection, be permitted to drive any part of the first 15 on-duty hours in any 24 hour period, but may not be permitted to operate a commercial motor vehicle after that until the requirement of another 8 hours' rest has been fulfilled.

The provisions of this paragraph do not apply to drivers of utility service vehicles as defined in 49 C.F.R. s. 395.2 public utility vehicles or authorized emergency vehicles during periods of severe weather or other emergencies.

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Except as provided in 49 C.F.R. s. 395.1(k), a person who operates a commercial motor vehicle solely in intrastate commerce not transporting any hazardous material in amounts that require placarding pursuant to 49 C.F.R. part 172 may not drive after having been on duty more than 70 hours in any period of 7 consecutive days or more than 80 hours in any period of 8 consecutive days if the motor carrier operates every day of the week. Twenty-four be on duty more than 72 hours in any period of 7 consecutive days, but carriers operating every day in a week may permit drivers to remain on duty for a total of not more than 84 hours in any period of 8 consecutive days; however, 24 consecutive hours off duty shall constitute the end of any such period of 7 or 8 consecutive days. This weekly limit does not apply to a person who operates a commercial motor vehicle solely within this state while transporting, during harvest periods, any unprocessed agricultural products or unprocessed food or fiber that is are subject to seasonal harvesting from place of harvest to the first place of processing or storage or from place of harvest directly to market or while transporting livestock, livestock feed, or farm supplies directly related to growing or harvesting agricultural products. Upon request of the Department of Transportation, motor carriers shall furnish time records or other written verification to that department so that the Department of Transportation can determine compliance with this subsection. These time records must be furnished to the Department of Transportation within 10 days after receipt of that department's request. Falsification of such information is subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$100. The provisions of

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this paragraph do not apply to drivers of public utility <u>service</u> vehicles <u>as defined in 49 C.F.R. s. 395.2</u> or <u>authorized</u> emergency vehicles during periods of severe weather or other emergencies.

- (d) A person who operates a commercial motor vehicle solely in intrastate commerce not transporting any hazardous material in amounts that require placarding pursuant to 49 C.F.R. part 172 within a 150 200 air-mile radius of the location where the vehicle is based need not comply with 49 C.F.R. s. 395.8, except that time records shall be maintained as prescribed in 49 C.F.R. s. 395.1(e)(5).
- (f) A person who operates a commercial motor vehicle having a declared gross vehicle weight of less than 26,001 26,000 pounds solely in intrastate commerce and who is not transporting hazardous materials in amounts that require placarding pursuant to 49 C.F.R. part 172, or who is transporting petroleum products as defined in s. 376.301, is exempt from subsection (1). However, such person must comply with 49 C.F.R. parts 382, 392, and 393, and with 49 C.F.R. ss. 396.3(a)(1) and 396.9.
- (i) A person who was a regularly employed driver of a commercial motor vehicle on July 4, 1987, and whose driving record shows no traffic convictions, pursuant to s. 322.61, during the 2-year period immediately preceding the application for the commercial driver's license, and who is otherwise qualified as a driver under 49 C.F.R. part 391, and who operates a commercial vehicle in intrastate commerce only, shall be exempt from the requirements of 49 C.F.R. part 391, subpart E,

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s. 391.41(b)(10). However, such operators are still subject to the requirements of ss. 322.12 and 322.121. As proof of eligibility, such driver shall have in his or her possession a physical examination form dated within the past 24 months.

- years of age may not operate a commercial motor vehicle, except that a person who has not attained under the age of 18 years of age may operate a commercial motor vehicle which has a gross vehicle weight of less than 26,001 26,000 pounds while transporting agricultural products, including horticultural or forestry products, from farm or harvest place to storage or market.
- Section 9. Subsections (5) and (10) of section 316.515, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
 - 316.515 Maximum width, height, length.--
- (5) IMPLEMENTS OF HUSBANDRY, AGRICULTURAL TRAILERS, FORESTRY EQUIPMENT; SAFETY REQUIREMENTS.--
- (a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, straight trucks, agricultural tractors, and cotton module movers, not exceeding 50 feet in length, or any combination of up to and including three implements of husbandry including the towing power unit, and any single agricultural trailer with a load thereon or any agricultural implements attached to a towing power unit not exceeding 130 inches in width, or a self-propelled agricultural implement or an agricultural tractor not exceeding 130 inches in width, is authorized for the purpose of transporting peanuts, grains, soybeans, cotton, hay, straw, or other perishable farm products from their point of production to

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the first point of change of custody or of long-term storage, and for the purpose of returning to such point of production, or for the purpose of moving such tractors, movers, and implements from one point of agricultural production to another, by a person engaged in the production of any such product or custom hauler, if such vehicle or combination of vehicles otherwise complies with this section. Such vehicles shall be operated in accordance with all safety requirements prescribed by law and Department of Transportation rules. The Department of Transportation may issue overlength permits for cotton module movers greater than 50 feet but not more than 55 feet in overall length.

- (b) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, equipment not exceeding 136 inches in width and not capable of speeds exceeding 20 miles per hour that is used exclusively for the purpose of harvesting forestry products is authorized for the purpose of transporting the equipment from one point of harvest to another point of harvest, not to exceed 10 miles, by a person engaged in the harvesting of forestry products. Such vehicles shall be operated in accordance with all safety requirements prescribed by s. 316.2295(5) and (6).
- (10) AUTOMOBILE TOWAWAY AND DRIVEAWAY OPERATIONS.--An automobile towaway or driveaway operation transporting new or used trucks may use what is known to the trade as "saddle mounts," if the overall length does not exceed 97 75 feet and no more than three saddle mounts are towed. Such combinations may include one full mount. Saddle mount combinations must also

comply with the applicable safety regulations in 49 C.F.R. s. 393.71.

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Section 10. Section 318.1215, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

318.1215 Dori Slosberg Driver Education Safety Act. -- Effective October 1, 2002, Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 318.121, a board of county commissioners may require, by ordinance, that the clerk of the court collect an additional \$5 \$3 with each civil traffic penalty, which shall be used to fund driver education programs in public and nonpublic schools. The ordinance shall provide for the board of county commissioners to administer the funds, which shall be used for enhancement, and not replacement, of driver education program funds. The funds shall be used for direct educational expenses and shall not be used for administration. Each driver education program receiving funds pursuant to this section shall require that a minimum of 30 percent of a student's time in the program be behind-thewheel training. This section may be cited as the "Dori Slosberg Driver Education Safety Act."

Section 11. Subsection (9) of section 318.14, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 318.14 Noncriminal traffic infractions; exception; procedures.--
- (9) Any person who does not hold a commercial driver's license and who is cited for an infraction under this section other than a violation of $\underline{s.\ 316.183(2)}$, $\underline{s.\ 316.187}$, or $\underline{s.\ 316.189}$, when the driver exceeds the posted limit by 30 miles per hour or more, or $\underline{s.\ 320.0605}$, $\underline{s.\ 320.07(3)(a)}$ or $\underline{(b)}$, $\underline{s.\ 320.07(3)(a)}$

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322.065, s. 322.15(1), s. 322.61, or s. 322.62 may, in lieu of a court appearance, elect to attend in the location of his or her choice within this state a basic driver improvement course approved by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles. In such a case, adjudication must be withheld; points, as provided by s. 322.27, may not be assessed; and the civil penalty that is imposed by s. 318.18(3) must be reduced by 18 percent; however, a person may not make an election under this subsection if the person has made an election under this subsection in the preceding 12 months. A person may make no more than five elections under this subsection. The requirement for community service under s. 318.18(8) is not waived by a plea of nolo contendere or by the withholding of adjudication of guilt by a court.

Section 12. Paragraph (g) is added to subsection (3) of section 318.18, Florida Statutes, and subsection (12) of that section is amended, to read:

318.18 Amount of civil penalties.--The penalties required for a noncriminal disposition pursuant to s. 318.14 are as follows:

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 (g) A person cited for a second or subsequent violation of exceeding the speed limit by 30 miles per hour and above within a 12-month period shall pay a fine double the amount listed in paragraph (b). For purposes of this paragraph, the term "conviction" means a finding of guilt, with or without adjudication of guilt, as a result of a jury verdict, nonjury

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trial, or entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, notwithstanding s. 318.14(11).

- Section 13. Section 318.19, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 318.19 Infractions requiring a mandatory hearing.--Any person cited for the infractions listed in this section shall not have the provisions of s. 318.14(2), (4), and (9) available to him or her but must appear before the designated official at the time and location of the scheduled hearing:
- (1) Any infraction which results in a crash that causes the death of another;
- (2) Any infraction which results in a crash that causes "serious bodily injury" of another as defined in s. 316.1933(1);
 - (3) Any infraction of s. 316.172(1)(b); or
 - (4) Any infraction of s. 316.520(1) or (2); or
- 522 (5) Any infraction of s. 316.183(2), s. 316.187, or s. 316.189 of exceeding the speed limit by 30 miles per hour or more.
- Section 14. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 319.14, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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319.14 Sale of motor vehicles registered or used as taxicabs, police vehicles, lease vehicles, or rebuilt vehicles and nonconforming vehicles.--

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- (c) As used in this section:
- 1. "Police vehicle" means a motor vehicle owned or leased by the state or a county or municipality, marked and outfitted as a pursuit vehicle, and used in law enforcement.
- 2.a. "Short-term-lease vehicle" means a motor vehicle leased without a driver and under a written agreement to one or more persons from time to time for a period of less than 12 months.
- b. "Long-term-lease vehicle" means a motor vehicle leased without a driver and under a written agreement to one person for a period of 12 months or longer.
- c. "Lease vehicle" includes both short-term-lease vehicles and long-term-lease vehicles.
- 3. "Rebuilt vehicle" means a motor vehicle or mobile home built from salvage or junk, as defined in s. 319.30(1).
- 4. "Assembled from parts" means a motor vehicle or mobile home assembled from parts or combined from parts of motor vehicles or mobile homes, new or used. "Assembled from parts" does not mean a motor vehicle defined as a "rebuilt vehicle" in subparagraph 3., which has been declared a total loss pursuant to s. 319.30.
- 5. "Kit car" means a motor vehicle assembled with a kit supplied by a manufacturer to rebuild a wrecked or outdated motor vehicle with a new body kit.

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6. "Glider kit" means a vehicle assembled with a kit supplied by a manufacturer to rebuild a wrecked or outdated truck or truck tractor.

7. "Replica" means a complete new motor vehicle manufactured to look like an old vehicle.

- 8. "Flood vehicle" means a motor vehicle or mobile home that has been declared to be a total loss pursuant to s. 319.30(3)(a) resulting from damage caused by water.
- 9. "Nonconforming vehicle" means a motor vehicle which has been purchased by a manufacturer pursuant to a settlement, determination, or decision under chapter 681.
- 10. "Settlement" means an agreement entered into between a manufacturer and a consumer that occurs after a dispute is submitted to a program, or an informal dispute settlement procedure established by a manufacturer or is approved for arbitration before the New Motor Vehicle Arbitration Board as defined in s. 681.102.
- Section 15. Effective January 1, 2007, subsection (1) of section 320.02, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 320.02 Registration required; application for registration; forms.--
- (1) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, every owner or person in charge of a motor vehicle which is operated or driven on the roads of this state shall register the vehicle in this state. The owner or person in charge shall apply to the department or to its authorized agent for registration of each such vehicle on a form prescribed by the department. Prior to an original registration of any motorcycle, motor-driven cycle, or

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moped, the owner shall present proof that he or she has obtained the necessary endorsement as required in s. 322.57. No registration is required for any motor vehicle which is not operated on the roads of this state during the registration period.

Section 16. Section 320.0706, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.0706 Display of license plates on trucks.--The owner of any commercial truck of gross vehicle weight of 26,001 pounds or more shall display the registration license plate on both the front and rear of the truck in conformance with all the requirements of s. 316.605 that do not conflict with this section. To allow for better visibility, the owner of a dump truck may place the rear license plate on the gate so that the distance from the ground to the top of the license plate is no more than 60 inches. However, the owner of a truck tractor shall be required to display the registration license plate only on the front of such vehicle.

Section 17. Subsection (4) is added to section 320.089, Florida Statutes, to read:

320.089 Members of National Guard and active United States Armed Forces reservists; former prisoners of war; survivors of Pearl Harbor; Purple Heart medal recipients; Operation Iraqi
Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom veterans; special license plates; fee.--

(4) Each owner or lessee of an automobile or truck for private use, truck weighing not more than 7,999 pounds, or recreational vehicle as specified in s. 320.08(9)(c) or (d),

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which automobile, truck, or recreational vehicle is not used for hire or commercial use, who is a resident of the state and a current or former member of the United States military who was deployed and served in Iraq during Operation Iraqi Freedom or in Afghanistan during Operation Enduring Freedom shall, upon application to the department, accompanied by proof of active membership or former active duty status during one of these operations, and upon payment of the license tax for the vehicle as provided in s. 320.08, be issued a license plate as provided by s. 320.06 upon which, in lieu of the registration license number prescribed by s. 320.06, shall be stamped the words "Operation Iraqi Freedom" or "Operation Enduring Freedom," as appropriate, followed by the registration license number of the plate.

Section 18. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1), paragraph (a) of subsection (4), and paragraph (b) of subsection (9) of section 320.27, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

320.27 Motor vehicle dealers.--

- (1) DEFINITIONS.--The following words, terms, and phrases when used in this section have the meanings respectively ascribed to them in this subsection, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:
- (b) "Motor vehicle" means any motor vehicle of the type and kind required to be registered and titled under chapter 319 and this chapter, except a recreational vehicle, moped, motorcycle powered by a motor with a displacement of 50 cubic centimeters or less, low-speed vehicle as defined in s. 320.01, or mobile home.

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(4) LICENSE CERTIFICATE. --

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A license certificate shall be issued by the department in accordance with such application when the application is regular in form and in compliance with the provisions of this section. The license certificate may be in the form of a document or a computerized card as determined by the department. The actual cost of each original, additional, or replacement computerized card shall be borne by the licensee and is in addition to the fee for licensure. Such license, when so issued, entitles the licensee to carry on and conduct the business of a motor vehicle dealer. Each license issued to a franchise motor vehicle dealer expires annually on December 31 unless revoked or suspended prior to that date. Each license issued to an independent or wholesale dealer or auction expires annually on April 30 unless revoked or suspended prior to that date. Not less than 60 days prior to the license expiration date, the department shall deliver or mail to each licensee the necessary renewal forms. Each independent dealer who has been in business for less than 5 years shall certify that the dealer principal (owner, partner, officer of the corporation, or director) has completed 8 hours of continuing education prior to filing the renewal forms with the department. Such certification shall be filed once every 2 years commencing with the 2006 renewal period. The continuing education shall include at least 2 hours of legal or legislative issues, 1 hour of department issues, and 5 hours of relevant motor vehicle industry topics. Continuing education shall be provided by dealer schools licensed under paragraph (b) either in a classroom setting or by

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correspondence. Such schools shall provide certificates of completion to the department and the customer which shall be filed with the license renewal form, and such schools may charge a fee for providing continuing education. Any licensee who does not file his or her application and fees and any other requisite documents, as required by law, with the department at least 30 days prior to the license expiration date shall cease to engage in business as a motor vehicle dealer on the license expiration date. A renewal filed with the department within 45 days after the expiration date shall be accompanied by a delinquent fee of \$100. Thereafter, a new application is required, accompanied by the initial license fee. A license certificate duly issued by the department may be modified by endorsement to show a change in the name of the licensee, provided, as shown by affidavit of the licensee, the majority ownership interest of the licensee has not changed or the name of the person appearing as franchisee on the sales and service agreement has not changed. Modification of a license certificate to show any name change as herein provided shall not require initial licensure or reissuance of dealer tags; however, any dealer obtaining a name change shall transact all business in and be properly identified by that name. All documents relative to licensure shall reflect the new name. In the case of a franchise dealer, the name change shall be approved by the manufacturer, distributor, or importer. A licensee applying for a name change endorsement shall pay a fee of \$25 which fee shall apply to the change in the name of a main location and all additional locations licensed under the provisions of subsection (5). Each initial license application

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received by the department shall be accompanied by verification that, within the preceding 6 months, the applicant, or one or more of his or her designated employees, has attended a training and information seminar conducted by a licensed motor vehicle dealer training school. Such seminar shall include, but is not limited to, statutory dealer requirements, which requirements include required bookkeeping and recordkeeping procedures, requirements for the collection of sales and use taxes, and such other information that in the opinion of the department will promote good business practices. No seminar may exceed 8 hours in length.

(9) DENIAL, SUSPENSION, OR REVOCATION. --

- (b) The department may deny, suspend, or revoke any license issued hereunder or under the provisions of s. 320.77 or s. 320.771 upon proof that a licensee has committed, with sufficient frequency so as to establish a pattern of wrongdoing on the part of a licensee, violations of one or more of the following activities:
- 1. Representation that a demonstrator is a new motor vehicle, or the attempt to sell or the sale of a demonstrator as a new motor vehicle without written notice to the purchaser that the vehicle is a demonstrator. For the purposes of this section, a "demonstrator," a "new motor vehicle," and a "used motor vehicle" shall be defined as under s. 320.60.
- 2. Unjustifiable refusal to comply with a licensee's responsibility under the terms of the new motor vehicle warranty issued by its respective manufacturer, distributor, or importer. However, if such refusal is at the direction of the

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manufacturer, distributor, or importer, such refusal shall not be a ground under this section.

- 3. Misrepresentation or false, deceptive, or misleading statements with regard to the sale or financing of motor vehicles which any motor vehicle dealer has, or causes to have, advertised, printed, displayed, published, distributed, broadcast, televised, or made in any manner with regard to the sale or financing of motor vehicles.
- 4. Failure by any motor vehicle dealer to provide a customer or purchaser with an odometer disclosure statement and a copy of any bona fide written, executed sales contract or agreement of purchase connected with the purchase of the motor vehicle purchased by the customer or purchaser.
- 5. Failure of any motor vehicle dealer to comply with the terms of any bona fide written, executed agreement, pursuant to the sale of a motor vehicle.
- 6. Failure to apply for transfer of a title as prescribed in s. 319.23(6).
- 7. Use of the dealer license identification number by any person other than the licensed dealer or his or her designee.
- 8. Failure to continually meet the requirements of the licensure law.
- 9. Representation to a customer or any advertisement to the public representing or suggesting that a motor vehicle is a new motor vehicle if such vehicle lawfully cannot be titled in the name of the customer or other member of the public by the seller using a manufacturer's statement of origin as permitted in s. 319.23(1).

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10. Requirement by any motor vehicle dealer that a customer or purchaser accept equipment on his or her motor vehicle which was not ordered by the customer or purchaser.

- 11. Requirement by any motor vehicle dealer that any customer or purchaser finance a motor vehicle with a specific financial institution or company.
- 12. Requirement by any motor vehicle dealer that the purchaser of a motor vehicle contract with the dealer for physical damage insurance.
- 13. Perpetration of a fraud upon any person as a result of dealing in motor vehicles, including, without limitation, the misrepresentation to any person by the licensee of the licensee's relationship to any manufacturer, importer, or distributor.
- 14. Violation of any of the provisions of s. 319.35 by any motor vehicle dealer.
- 15. Sale by a motor vehicle dealer of a vehicle offered in trade by a customer prior to consummation of the sale, exchange, or transfer of a newly acquired vehicle to the customer, unless the customer provides written authorization for the sale of the trade-in vehicle prior to delivery of the newly acquired vehicle.
- 16. Willful failure to comply with any administrative rule adopted by the department or the provisions of s. 320.131(8).
- 17. Violation of chapter 319, this chapter, or ss. 559.901-559.9221, which has to do with dealing in or repairing motor vehicles or mobile homes. Additionally, in the case of used motor vehicles, the willful violation of the federal law

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and rule in 15 U.S.C. s. 2304, 16 C.F.R. part 455, pertaining to the consumer sales window form.

- 18. Failure to maintain evidence of notification to the owner or coowner of a vehicle regarding registration or titling fees owed owned as required in s. 320.02(17) 320.02(19).
- Section 19. Subsection (5) is added to section 320.405, Florida Statutes, to read:
- 320.405 International Registration Plan; inspection of records; hearings.--
- (5) The department is authorized to enter into agreements for scheduling payments of taxes and penalties due to the department as a result of audit assessments issued under this section.
- Section 20. Subsection (16) of section 322.01, Florida Statutes, is amended, subsections (24)-(40) are renumbered as subsections (25)-(41), respectively, subsections (41) and (42) are renumbered as subsections (44) and (45), respectively, and new subsections (24), (42), and (43) are added to that section, to read:
 - 322.01 Definitions.--As used in this chapter:
- (16) "Driver's license" means a certificate that which, subject to all other requirements of law, authorizes an individual to drive a motor vehicle and that denotes an operator's license as defined in 49 U.S.C. s. 30301.
- (24) "Identification card" means a personal identification card issued by the department that conforms to the definition in 18 U.S.C. s. 1028(D).

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issued by the department that, subject to all other requirements of law, authorizes an individual to drive a motor vehicle, denotes an operator's license as defined in 49 U.S.C. s. 30301, and denotes that the holder is not a permanent resident of the United States but is permitted to stay in the United States for a short duration of time specified on the license.

- identification card issued by the department that conforms to the definition in 18 U.S.C. s. 1028(D) and denotes that the holder is not a permanent resident of the United States but is permitted to stay in the United States for a short duration of time specified on the card.
- Section 21. Subsection (1) of section 322.051, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
 - 322.051 Identification cards.--

- (1) Any person who is $\underline{5}$ $\underline{12}$ years of age or older, or any person who has a disability, regardless of age, who applies for a disabled parking permit under s. 320.0848, may be issued an identification card by the department upon completion of an application and payment of an application fee.
- (a) Each such application shall include the following information regarding the applicant:
- 1. Full name (first, middle or maiden, and last), gender, social security card number, county of residence and mailing address, country of birth, and a brief description.
 - 2. Proof of birth date satisfactory to the department.

3. Proof of identity satisfactory to the department. Such proof must include one of the following documents issued to the applicant:

- a. A driver's license record or identification card record from another jurisdiction that required the applicant to submit a document for identification which is substantially similar to a document required under sub-subparagraph b., sub-subparagraph c., sub-subparagraph d., sub-subparagraph e., sub-subparagraph f., or sub-subparagraph g.;
 - b. A certified copy of a United States birth certificate;
 - c. A United States passport;

- d. A naturalization certificate issued by the United States Department of Homeland Security;
 - e. An alien registration receipt card (green card);
- f. An employment authorization card issued by the United States Department of Homeland Security; or
- g. Proof of nonimmigrant classification provided by the United States Department of Homeland Security, for an original identification card. In order to prove such nonimmigrant classification, applicants may produce but are not limited to the following documents:
- (I) A notice of hearing from an immigration court scheduling a hearing on any proceeding.
- (II) A notice from the Board of Immigration Appeals acknowledging pendency of an appeal.
- (III) Notice of the approval of an application for adjustment of status issued by the United States Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services.

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(IV) Any official documentation confirming the filing of a petition for asylum status or any other relief issued by the United States Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services.

- (V) Notice of action transferring any pending matter from another jurisdiction to Florida, issued by the United States Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services.
- (VI) Order of an immigration judge or immigration officer granting any relief that authorizes the alien to live and work in the United States including, but not limited to asylum.
- (VII) Evidence that an application is pending for adjustment of status to that of an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States or conditional permanent resident status in the United States, provided that a visa number is available with a current priority date for processing by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services.

Presentation of any of the documents described in subsubparagraph f. or sub-subparagraph g. entitles the applicant to an identification card for a period not to exceed the expiration date of the document presented or $\frac{1 \text{ year}}{2 \text{ years}}$, whichever first occurs.

(b) An application for an identification card must be signed and verified by the applicant in a format designated by the department before a person authorized to administer oaths. The fee for an identification card is \$3, including payment for the color photograph or digital image of the applicant.

(c) Each such applicant may include fingerprints and any other unique biometric means of identity.

Section 22. Paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section 322.08, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.08 Application for license. --

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- (2) Each such application shall include the following information regarding the applicant:
- (c) Proof of identity satisfactory to the department. Such proof must include one of the following documents issued to the applicant:
- 1. A driver's license record or identification card record from another jurisdiction that required the applicant to submit a document for identification which is substantially similar to a document required under subparagraph 2., subparagraph 3., subparagraph 4., subparagraph 5., subparagraph 6., or subparagraph 7.;
 - 2. A certified copy of a United States birth certificate;
 - 3. A United States passport;
- 4. A naturalization certificate issued by the United States Department of Homeland Security;
 - 5. An alien registration receipt card (green card);
- 6. An employment authorization card issued by the United States Department of Homeland Security; or
- 7. Proof of nonimmigrant classification provided by the United States Department of Homeland Security, for an original driver's license. In order to prove nonimmigrant classification, an applicant may produce the following documents, including, but not limited to:

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a. A notice of hearing from an immigration court scheduling a hearing on any proceeding.

- b. A notice from the Board of Immigration Appeals acknowledging pendency of an appeal.
- c. A notice of the approval of an application for adjustment of status issued by the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service.
- d. Any official documentation confirming the filing of a petition for asylum or refugee status or any other relief issued by the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service.
- e. A notice of action transferring any pending matter from another jurisdiction to this state issued by the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service.
- f. An order of an immigration judge or immigration officer granting any relief that authorizes the alien to live and work in the United States, including, but not limited to, asylum.
- g. Evidence that an application is pending for adjustment of status to that of an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States or conditional permanent resident status in the United States, provided that a visa number is available with a current priority date for processing by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services.

Presentation of any of the documents in subparagraph 6. or subparagraph 7. entitles the applicant to a driver's license or temporary permit for a period not to exceed the expiration date of the document presented or $\frac{1 \text{ year}}{2 \text{ years}}$, whichever occurs first.

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Section 23. Effective July 1, 2008, paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of section 322.12, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.12 Examination of applicants.--

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The department shall formulate a separate examination for applicants for licenses to operate motorcycles. Any applicant for a driver's license who wishes to operate a motorcycle, and who is otherwise qualified, must successfully complete such an examination, which is in addition to the examination administered under subsection (3). The examination must test the applicant's knowledge of the operation of a motorcycle and of any traffic laws specifically relating thereto and must include an actual demonstration of his or her ability to exercise ordinary and reasonable control in the operation of a motorcycle. Any applicant who fails to pass the initial knowledge examination will incur a \$5 fee for each subsequent examination, to be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund. Any applicant who fails to pass the initial skills examination will incur a \$10 fee for each subsequent examination, to be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund. In the formulation of the examination, the department shall consider the use of the Motorcycle Operator Skills Test and the Motorcycle in Traffic Test offered by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation. The department shall indicate on the license of any person who successfully completes the examination that the licensee is authorized to operate a motorcycle. If the applicant wishes to be licensed to operate a motorcycle only, he or she need not take the skill or road test

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required under subsection (3) for the operation of a motor vehicle, and the department shall indicate such a limitation on his or her license as a restriction. Every first-time applicant for licensure to operate a motorcycle who is under 21 years of age must provide proof of completion of a motorcycle safety course, as provided for in s. 322.0255, before the applicant may be licensed to operate a motorcycle.

Section 24. Subsection (8) of section 322.121, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.121 Periodic reexamination of all drivers.--

(8) In addition to any other examination authorized by this section, an applicant for a renewal of an endorsement issued under s. 322.57(1)(a), (b), (c), (d), er (e), or (f) may be required to complete successfully an examination of his or her knowledge regarding state and federal rules, regulations, and laws, governing the type of vehicle which he or she is seeking an endorsement to operate.

Section 25. Subsection (4) of section 322.142, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.142 Color photographic or digital imaged licenses.--

(4) The department may maintain a film negative or print file. The department shall maintain a record of the digital image and signature of the licensees, together with other data required by the department for identification and retrieval. Reproductions from the file or digital record shall be made and issued only for departmental administrative purposes; for the issuance of duplicate licenses; in response to law enforcement agency requests; to the Department of State and to the

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supervisors of elections pursuant to an interagency agreement to facilitate determinations of eligibility of voter registration applicants and registered voters in accordance with ss. 98.045 and 98.075; to the Department of Revenue pursuant to an interagency agreement for use in establishing paternity and establishing, modifying, or enforcing support obligations in Title IV-D cases; or to the Department of Financial Services pursuant to an interagency agreement to facilitate the location of owners of unclaimed property, the validation of unclaimed property claims, and the identification of fraudulent or false claims, and are exempt from the provisions of s. 119.07(1).

Section 26. Subsections (1) through (5), paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (6), subsections (7) and (8), paragraph (b) of subsection (10), and subsections (13) and (14) of section 322.2615, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

322.2615 Suspension of license; right to review. --

(1) (a) A law enforcement officer or correctional officer shall, on behalf of the department, suspend the driving privilege of a person who is driving or in actual physical control of a motor vehicle with an has been arrested by a law enforcement officer for a violation of s. 316.193, relating to unlawful blood-alcohol level or breath-alcohol level of 0.08 or higher, or of a person who has refused to submit to a breath, urine, or blood test or a test of his or her breath-alcohol or blood-alcohol level authorized by s. 316.1932. The officer shall take the person's driver's license and issue the person a 10-day temporary permit if the person is otherwise eligible for the driving privilege and shall issue the person a notice of

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suspension. If a blood test has been administered, the results of which are not available to the officer or at the time of the arrest, the agency employing the officer shall transmit the such results to the department within 5 days after receipt of the results. If the department then determines that the person was arrested for a violation of s. 316.193 and that the person had a blood-alcohol level or breath-alcohol level of 0.08 or higher, the department shall suspend the person's driver's license pursuant to subsection (3).

- (b) The suspension under paragraph (a) shall be pursuant to, and the notice of suspension shall inform the driver of, the following:
- 1.a. The driver refused to submit to a lawful breath, blood, or urine test and his or her driving privilege is suspended for a period of 1 year for a first refusal or for a period of 18 months if his or her driving privilege has been previously suspended as a result of a refusal to submit to such a test; or
- b. The driver was driving or in actual physical control of a motor vehicle violated s. 316.193 by driving with an unlawful blood-alcohol level or breath-alcohol level of 0.08 or higher as provided in that section and his or her driving privilege is suspended for a period of 6 months for a first offense or for a period of 1 year if his or her driving privilege has been previously suspended under this section for a violation of s. 316.193.
- 2. The suspension period shall commence on the date of arrest or issuance of the notice of suspension, whichever is

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- 3. The driver may request a formal or informal review of the suspension by the department within 10 days after the date of arrest or issuance of the notice of suspension, whichever is later.
- 4. The temporary permit issued at the time of arrest will expire at midnight of the 10th day following the date of arrest or issuance of the notice of suspension, whichever is later.
- 5. The driver may submit to the department any materials relevant to the suspension arrest.
- Except as provided in paragraph (1)(a), the law enforcement officer shall forward to the department, within 5 days after issuing the date of the arrest, a copy of the notice of suspension, the person's driver's license and of the person arrested, and a report of the arrest, including an affidavit stating the officer's grounds for belief that the person was driving or in actual physical control of a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcoholic beverages or chemical or controlled substances arrested was in violation of s. 316.193; the results of any breath or blood test or an affidavit stating that a breath, blood, or urine test was requested by a law enforcement officer or correctional officer and that the person arrested refused to submit; a copy of the citation issued to the person arrested; and the officer's description of the person's field sobriety test, if any; a copy of the crash report, if any; and the notice of suspension. The failure of the officer to submit materials within the 5-day period specified in this subsection and in subsection (1) shall not affect the

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department's ability to consider any evidence submitted at or prior to the hearing. The officer may also submit a copy of a videotape of the field sobriety test or the attempt to administer such test. Materials submitted to the department by a law enforcement agency or correctional agency shall be considered self-authenticating and shall be in the record for consideration by the hearing officer. Notwithstanding s. 316.066(4), the crash report shall be considered by the hearing officer.

- (3) If the department determines that the license of the person arrested should be suspended pursuant to this section and if the notice of suspension has not already been served upon the person by a law enforcement officer or correctional officer as provided in subsection (1), the department shall issue a notice of suspension and, unless the notice is mailed pursuant to s. 322.251, a temporary permit which expires 10 days after the date of issuance if the driver is otherwise eligible.
- (4) If the person whose license is suspended arrested requests an informal review pursuant to subparagraph (1)(b)3., the department shall conduct the informal review by a hearing officer employed by the department. Such informal review hearing shall consist solely of an examination by the department of the materials submitted by a law enforcement officer or correctional officer and by the person whose license is suspended arrested, and the presence of an officer or witness is not required.
- (5) After completion of the informal review, notice of the department's decision sustaining, amending, or invalidating the suspension of the person's driver's license of the person

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arrested must be provided to such person. Such notice must be mailed to the person at the last known address shown on the department's records, or to the address provided in the law enforcement officer's report if such address differs from the address of record, within 21 days after the expiration of the temporary permit issued pursuant to subsection (1) or subsection (3).

- (6)(a) If the person whose license is suspended arrested requests a formal review, the department must schedule a hearing to be held within 30 days after such request is received by the department and must notify the person of the date, time, and place of the hearing.
- Such formal review hearing shall be held before a hearing officer employed by the department, and the hearing officer shall be authorized to administer oaths, examine witnesses and take testimony, receive relevant evidence, issue subpoenas for the officers and witnesses identified in documents provided in subsection (2), regulate the course and conduct of the hearing, question witnesses, and make a ruling on the suspension. The department and the person arrested may subpoena witnesses, and the party requesting the presence of a witness shall be responsible for the payment of any witness fees and for notifying in writing the state attorney's office in the appropriate circuit of the issuance of the subpoena. If the person who requests a formal review hearing fails to appear and the hearing officer finds such failure to be without just cause, the right to a formal hearing is waived and the suspension shall be sustained.

(7) In a formal review hearing under subsection (6) or an informal review hearing under subsection (4), the hearing officer shall determine by a preponderance of the evidence whether sufficient cause exists to sustain, amend, or invalidate the suspension. The scope of the review shall be limited to the following issues:

- (a) If the license was suspended for driving with an unlawful blood-alcohol level or breath-alcohol level of 0.08 or higher in violation of s. 316.193:
- 1. Whether the arresting law enforcement officer had probable cause to believe that the person whose license is suspended was driving or in actual physical control of a motor vehicle in this state while under the influence of alcoholic beverages or chemical or controlled substances.
- 2. Whether the person was placed under lawful arrest for a violation of s. 316.193.
- 2.3. Whether the person whose license is suspended had an unlawful blood-alcohol level or breath-alcohol level of 0.08 or higher as provided in s. 316.193.
- (b) If the license was suspended for refusal to submit to a breath, blood, or urine test:
- 1. Whether the arresting law enforcement officer had probable cause to believe that the person whose license is suspended was driving or in actual physical control of a motor vehicle in this state while under the influence of alcoholic beverages or chemical or controlled substances.
- 2. Whether the person was placed under lawful arrest for a violation of s. 316.193.

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2.3. Whether the person whose license is suspended refused to submit to any such test after being requested to do so by a law enforcement officer or correctional officer.

- 3.4. Whether the person whose license is suspended was told that if he or she refused to submit to such test his or her privilege to operate a motor vehicle would be suspended for a period of 1 year or, in the case of a second or subsequent refusal, for a period of 18 months.
- (8) Based on the determination of the hearing officer pursuant to subsection (7) for both informal hearings under subsection (4) and formal hearings under subsection (6), the department shall:
- (a) Sustain the suspension of the person's driving privilege for a period of 1 year for a first refusal, or for a period of 18 months if the driving privilege of such person has been previously suspended as a result of a refusal to submit to such tests, if the arrested person refused to submit to a lawful breath, blood, or urine test. The suspension period commences on the date of the arrest or issuance of the notice of suspension, whichever is later.
- (b) Sustain the suspension of the person's driving privilege for a period of 6 months for a blood-alcohol level or breath-alcohol level of 0.08 or higher violation of s. 316.193, or for a period of 1 year if the driving privilege of such person has been previously suspended under this section as a result of driving with an unlawful blood-alcohol level or breath-alcohol level a violation of s. 316.193. The suspension period commences on the date of the arrest or issuance of the

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(10) A person whose driver's license is suspended under subsection (1) or subsection (3) may apply for issuance of a license for business or employment purposes only if the person is otherwise eligible for the driving privilege pursuant to s. 322.271.

- (b) If the suspension of the person's driver's license of the person arrested for a violation of s. 316.193, relating to an unlawful blood-alcohol level or breath-alcohol level of 0.08 or higher, is sustained, the person is not eliqible to receive a license for business or employment purposes only pursuant to s. 322.271 until 30 days have elapsed after the expiration of the last temporary permit issued. If the driver is not issued a 10day permit pursuant to this section or s. 322.64 because he or she is ineligible for the permit and the suspension for a violation of s. 316.193, relating to an unlawful blood-alcohol level or breath-alcohol level of 0.08 or higher, is not invalidated by the department, the driver is not eligible to receive a business or employment license pursuant to s. 322.271 until 30 days have elapsed from the date of the suspension arrest.
- (13) A person may appeal any decision of the department sustaining a suspension of his or her driver's license by a petition for writ of certiorari to the circuit court in the county wherein such person resides or wherein a formal or informal review was conducted pursuant to s. 322.31. However, an appeal shall not stay the suspension. A law enforcement agency may appeal any decision of the department invalidating a

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suspension by a petition for writ of certiorari to the circuit court in the county where a formal or informal review was conducted. This subsection shall not be construed to provide for a de novo appeal.

- or any circuit court review thereof may not be considered in any trial for a violation of s. 316.193, and a written statement submitted by a person in his or her request for departmental review under this section may not be admitted into evidence against him or her in any such trial.
- (b) The disposition of any related criminal proceedings does not affect a suspension for refusal to submit to a blood, breath, or urine test, authorized by s. 316.1932 or s. 316.1933, imposed under this section.
- Section 27. Paragraph (d) of subsection (3) of section 322.27, Florida Statutes, is amended, and paragraph (j) is added to that subsection, to read:
- 322.27 Authority of department to suspend or revoke license.--
- (3) There is established a point system for evaluation of convictions of violations of motor vehicle laws or ordinances, and violations of applicable provisions of s. 403.413(6)(b) when such violations involve the use of motor vehicles, for the determination of the continuing qualification of any person to operate a motor vehicle. The department is authorized to suspend the license of any person upon showing of its records or other good and sufficient evidence that the licensee has been convicted of violation of motor vehicle laws or ordinances, or

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applicable provisions of s. 403.413(6)(b), amounting to 12 or more points as determined by the point system. The suspension shall be for a period of not more than 1 year.

- (d) The point system shall have as its basic element a graduated scale of points assigning relative values to convictions of the following violations:
 - 1. Reckless driving, willful and wanton--4 points.
- 2. Leaving the scene of a crash resulting in property damage of more than \$50--6 points.
 - 3. Unlawful speed resulting in a crash--6 points.
 - 4. Passing a stopped school bus--4 points.
 - 5. Unlawful speed:

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- a. Not in excess of 15 miles per hour of lawful or posted speed--3 points.
 - b. In excess of 15 miles per hour <u>but not in excess of 30</u> miles per hour of lawful or posted speed--4 points.
 - c. In excess of 30 miles per hour of lawful or posted speed--6 points.
 - 6.a. A violation of a traffic control signal device as provided in s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1.--4 points.
- b. A violation of a traffic control signal device as

 provided in s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. resulting in a

 crash--6 points.
- 7. All other moving violations (including parking on a highway outside the limits of a municipality)--3 points.

 However, no points shall be imposed for a violation of s.

 316.0741 or s. 316.2065(12).

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- 9. Any conviction under s. 403.413(6)(b)--3 points.
- 10. Any conviction under s. 316.0775(2)--4 points.
- (j) For purposes of sub-subparagraph (d)5.c., the term "conviction" means a finding of guilt, with or without adjudication of guilt, as a result of a jury verdict, nonjury trial, or entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, notwithstanding s. 318.14(11).
- Section 28. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act, this act shall take effect October 1, 2006.

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