

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to law enforcement vehicles; creating s.
 3 316.21265, F.S.; authorizing law enforcement agencies to
 4 use specific off-road vehicles on the streets, roads, and
 5 highways of this state; providing requirements for such
 6 vehicles; providing an effective date.

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

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 10 Section 1. Section 316.21265, Florida Statutes, is created
 11 to read:

12 316.21265 Use of all-terrain vehicles, golf carts, low-
 13 speed vehicles, or utility vehicles by law enforcement
 14 agencies.--

15 (1) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary,
 16 any law enforcement agency in this state may operate all-terrain
 17 vehicles as defined in s. 316.2074, golf carts as defined in s.
 18 320.01(22), low-speed vehicles as defined in s. 320.01(42), or
 19 utility vehicles as defined in s. 320.01(43) on any street,
 20 road, or highway in this state while carrying out its official
 21 duties.

22 (2) Such vehicles must be clearly marked as vehicles of a
 23 law enforcement agency and may be equipped with special warning
 24 lights, signaling devices, or other equipment approved or
 25 authorized for use on law enforcement vehicles.

26 (3) The vehicle operator and passengers must wear safety
 27 gear, such as helmets, which is ordinarily required or
 28 recommended for use by operators or passengers on such vehicles.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007.