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22-1451-07 1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to motor vehicles; amending s. 316.1951, F.S.; revising provisions relating to 3 parking vehicles on public property for the 4 5 purpose of displaying the vehicles for sale, б hire, or rental; providing exceptions; 7 prohibiting certain acts in the sale of motor 8 vehicles; providing an effective date. 9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 10 11 12 Section 1. Section 316.1951, Florida Statutes, is 13 amended to read: 316.1951 Parking for certain purposes prohibited; sale 14 of motor vehicles; prohibited acts. --15 (1) It is unlawful for any person to park a motor 16 17 vehicle, as defined in s. 320.01, for a continuous period in 18 excess of 24 hours, after written notice, upon a public street or highway, upon a public parking lot, or other public 19 property, or upon private property where the public has the 20 right to travel by motor vehicle, for the principal purpose 21 22 and intent of displaying the motor vehicle thereon for sale, 23 hire, or rental unless the sale, hire, or rental of the motor vehicle is specifically authorized on such property by 2.4 municipal or county regulation and the person is duly licensed 25 as a motor vehicle dealer in accordance with s. 320.27, and 26 27 the person is in compliance with all municipal or county 28 licensing regulations. (2) The provisions of subsection (1) do not prohibit a 29 person from parking his or her own motor vehicle or his or her 30 other personal property on any private real property which the 31 1

1 person owns or leases or on private real property which the 2 person does not own or lease, but for which he or she obtains the permission of the owner, or on the public street 3 immediately adjacent thereto, for the principal purpose and 4 5 intent of sale, hire, or rental. б (3) Subsection (1) does not prohibit a licensed motor 7 vehicle dealer from displaying or offering for sale motor 8 vehicles at locations other than the dealer's licensed location if the dealer has been issued a supplemental license 9 for off-premises sales, as provided in s. 320.27(5), and has 10 complied with the requirements in subsection (1). A vehicle 11 12 displayed for sale by a licensed dealer at any location other 13 than the dealer's licensed location is subject to immediate removal without warning. 14 (4)(3) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor 15 16 Vehicles shall adopt by rule a uniform written notice to be 17 used to enforce this section. Each law enforcement agency in 18 this state shall provide, at each agency's expense, the notice forms necessary to enforce this section. 19 20 (5)(4) A law enforcement officer, compliance officer 21 examiner, license inspector, or supervisor of the department 22 may cause to be removed at the owner's expense any motor 23 vehicle found upon a public street, public parking lot, other 2.4 public property, or private property, where the public has the 25 right to travel by motor vehicle, which is in violation of 26 subsection (1), which has been parked in one location for more 27 than 24 hours after a written notice has been issued. Every 2.8 written notice issued pursuant to this section shall be 29 affixed in a conspicuous place upon a vehicle by a law enforcement officer, compliance officer examiner, license 30 inspector, or supervisor of the department. Any vehicle found 31

in violation of subsection (1) within 30 $\frac{10}{10}$ days after a 1 previous violation and written notice is shall be subject to 2 immediate removal without an additional waiting period. 3 (6) It is unlawful to offer a vehicle for sale if the 4 vehicle identification number has been destroyed, removed, 5 б covered, altered, or defaced, as described in s. 319.33(1)(d). 7 A vehicle found in violation of this subsection is subject to 8 immediate removal without warning. (7) It is unlawful to knowingly attach to any motor 9 vehicle a registration that was not assigned or lawfully 10 transferred to the vehicle pursuant to s. 320.261. A vehicle 11 12 found in violation of this subsection is subject to immediate 13 <u>removal without warning.</u> (8) It is unlawful to display or offer for sale a 14 vehicle that does not have a valid registration as provided in 15 s. 320.02. A vehicle found in violation of this subsection is 16 17 subject to immediate removal without warning. 18 (9) A vehicle is subject to immediate removal without warning if it bears a telephone number that has been displayed 19 20 on three or more vehicles offered for sale within a 12-month 21 period. 22 (10) (5) Any other provision of law to the contrary 23 notwithstanding, a violation of subsection (1) shall subject the owner of such motor vehicle to towing fees reasonably 2.4 necessitated by removal and storage of the motor vehicle. 25 (11)(6) This section does not prohibit the governing 26 27 body of a municipality or county, with respect to streets, 2.8 highways, or other property under its jurisdiction, from 29 regulating the parking of motor vehicles for any purpose. 30 (12)(7) A violation of this section is a noncriminal traffic infraction, punishable as a nonmoving violation as 31

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provided in chapter 318, unless otherwise mandated by general <u>law</u>. Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007. SENATE SUMMARY Revises provisions relating to parking vehicles on public property for the purpose of displaying the vehicle for sale, hire, or rental. Provides exceptions. Prohibits certain acts in the sale of motor vehicles.