

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to financial responsibility for motor
 3 vehicles; amending s. 324.021, F.S.; providing that a
 4 member of the United States Armed Forces called to or on
 5 active duty outside the state or the United States is
 6 exempt from providing required proof of financial
 7 responsibility as the owner, registrant, or operator of a
 8 motor vehicle under specified conditions; providing for
 9 eligibility; providing limitations; providing an effective
 10 date.

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

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 14 Section 1. Subsection (8) of section 324.021, Florida
 15 Statutes, is amended to read:

16 324.021 Definitions; minimum insurance required.--The
 17 following words and phrases when used in this chapter shall, for
 18 the purpose of this chapter, have the meanings respectively
 19 ascribed to them in this section, except in those instances
 20 where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

21 (8) MOTOR VEHICLE LIABILITY POLICY.--Any owner's or
 22 operator's policy of liability insurance furnished as proof of
 23 financial responsibility pursuant to s. 324.031, insuring such
 24 owner or operator against loss from liability for bodily injury,
 25 death, and property damage arising out of the ownership,
 26 maintenance, or use of a motor vehicle in not less than the
 27 limits described in subsection (7) and conforming to the
 28 requirements of s. 324.151, issued by any insurance company

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29 | authorized to do business in this state. The owner, registrant,
30 | or operator of a motor vehicle is exempt from providing such
31 | proof of financial responsibility if he or she is a member of
32 | the United States Armed Forces and is called to or on active
33 | duty outside this state or the United States, or if the owner of
34 | the vehicle is the dependent spouse of such active duty member
35 | and is also residing with the active duty member at the place of
36 | posting of such member, and the vehicle is primarily maintained
37 | at such place of posting. The exemption provided by this
38 | subsection applies only as long as the member of the armed
39 | forces is on such active duty outside this state or the United
40 | States and applies only while the vehicle covered by the
41 | security required by this section and s. 324.022 is not operated
42 | by any person within this state and complies with the security
43 | requirements of the state of posting of the active duty member
44 | if such posting is within the United States or any possession or
45 | territory of the United States.

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