

## LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

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The Committee on Transportation (Baker) recommended the following:

## Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Present subsections (12) through (45) of section 322.01, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (13) through (46), respectively, and a new subsection (12) is added to that section, to read:

322.01 Definitions.—As used in this chapter:

(12) "County tax collector" means the tax collector, as defined in s. 192.001, when acting as an authorized agent of the

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Section 2. Subsection (3) of section 322.051, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.051 Identification cards.

(3) If an identification card issued under this section is lost, destroyed, or mutilated or a new name is acquired, the person to whom it was issued may obtain a duplicate upon furnishing satisfactory proof of such fact to the department and upon payment of the applicable fee required by s. 322.21 a fee of \$10 for such duplicate, \$2.50 of which shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund and \$7.50 into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund. The fee shall include payment for the color photograph or digital image of the applicant. Any person who loses an identification card and who, after obtaining a duplicate, finds the original card shall immediately surrender the original card to the department. The same documentary evidence shall be furnished for a duplicate as for an original identification card.

Section 3. Subsection (2) of section 322.058, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.058 Suspension of driving privileges due to support delinquency; reinstatement.-

- (2) The department must reinstate the driving privilege and allow registration of a motor vehicle when the person pays the fees required by s. 322.21(8) and the Title IV-D agency in IV-D cases or the depository or the clerk of the court in non-IV-D cases provides to the department an affidavit stating that:
  - (a) The person has paid the delinquency;
  - (b) The person has reached a written agreement for payment

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with the Title IV-D agency or the obligee in non-IV-D cases;

- (c) A court has entered an order granting relief to the obligor ordering the reinstatement of the license and motor vehicle registration; or
- (d) The person has complied with the subpoena, order to appear, order to show cause, or similar order.

Section 4. Subsections (1), (3), (5), and (8) of section 322.135, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

322.135 Driver's license agents.-

- (1) The department may, upon application, authorize any or all of the tax collectors in the several counties of the state, subject to the requirements of law, in accordance with rules of the department, to serve as its agent for the provision of specified driver's license services.
- (a) These services shall be limited to the issuance of driver's licenses and identification cards as authorized by this chapter.
- (b) Each tax collector who is authorized by the department to provide driver's license services shall bear all costs associated with providing those services.
- (c) A fee of \$5.25 is to be charged, in addition to the fees set forth in this chapter, for any driver's license transaction administered issued or renewed by a tax collector.
- (d) On July 1, 2013, and on July 1 every 5 years thereafter, the fee in paragraph (c) shall be adjusted by the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers since the fee was last adjusted, unless otherwise provided by general law. The driver's license transaction fee shall take effect July 1.

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- (3)(a) Each tax collector shall keep a full and complete record of all materials, records, and other properties received by him or her from the department, or from any other source, and shall make prompt remittance of moneys collected by him or her at such times and in such manner as prescribed by law, in accordance with departmental rules.
- (b) A tax collector may establish one or more branch offices by acquiring title to real property or by lease agreement and may staff and equip such office, subject to budget approval, as defined in s. 195.087(2), to perform the expressed state duties as an agent of the department for his or her county pursuant to s. 320.03 and this chapter.
- (5) The county tax collector at his or her option may apply to the department for approval by the executive director to be the exclusive agent of the department for his or her county to administer driver license services as provided and authorized in this chapter. Tax collectors who are providing driver license services may, by interlocal agreement, provide driver license services in another tax collector's county in order to provide efficient service and minimize the cost of service delivery.
- (a) The application by the county tax collector shall be in writing to the executive director of the department. The application must be submitted by September 1 to be effective for the state's subsequent fiscal year beginning July 1.
- (b) The department shall provide a form for such application, which shall include the following information:
- 1. Locations within the county where offices and branch offices for driver license services are proposed.
  - 2. The designation by the tax collector of the driver

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license functions to be performed by the tax collector in the county.

- 3. Any anticipated capital acquisition or construction costs.
- 4. A projection of equipment available or to be provided by the department.
- 5. All anticipated operating costs, including facilities, equipment, and personnel to administer driver license services.
- (c) The department shall review applications on or before September 1 of each year. The department shall compare the costs included in the information submitted in the application with the related costs incurred by the department to accomplish the same level of services. The department shall approve or deny an application within 60 calendar days after the application is received unless the department and the applicant agree mutually to a specific alternative date.
- (d) The department may provide technical assistance to an applicant upon request.
- (8) The county tax collector, as the exclusive agent of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, shall be paid fees, as provided in this chapter, for driver license services, in addition to the fee provided in paragraph (1)(c).
- Section 5. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 322.17, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
  - 322.17 Replacement licenses and permits.
- (1) (a) In the event that an instruction permit or driver's license issued under the provisions of this chapter is lost, mutilated, or destroyed, the person to whom the same was issued may, upon payment of the appropriate fee pursuant to s. 322.21,

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obtain a replacement upon furnishing proof satisfactory to the department that such permit or license has been lost, mutilated, or destroyed, and further furnishing the full name, date of birth, sex, residence and mailing address, proof of birth satisfactory to the department, and proof of identity satisfactory to the department.

Section 6. Subsection (1) of section 322.21, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.21 License fees; procedure for handling and collecting fees.-

- (1) Except as otherwise provided herein, the fee for:
- (a) An original or renewal commercial driver's license is \$75 <del>\$67</del>, which shall include the fee for driver education provided by s. 1003.48; however, if an applicant has completed training and is applying for employment or is currently employed in a public or nonpublic school system that requires the commercial license, the fee shall be the same as for a Class E driver's license. A delinquent fee of \$10 \$1 shall be added for a renewal made not more than 12 months after the license expiration date.
- (b) An original Class E driver's license is \$40 \$27, which shall include the fee for driver's education provided by s. 1003.48; however, if an applicant has completed training and is applying for employment or is currently employed in a public or nonpublic school system that requires a commercial driver license, the fee shall be the same as for a Class E license. A tax collector shall retain \$12 of the \$40 fee for issuing an original Class E driver's license.
  - (c) The renewal or extension of a Class E driver's license

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or of a license restricted to motorcycle use only is \$20, except that a delinquent fee of \$1 shall be added for a renewal or extension made not more than 12 months after the license expiration date. The fee provided in this paragraph shall include the fee for driver's education provided by s. 1003.48.

- (d) An original driver's license restricted to motorcycle use only is \$27, which shall include the fee for driver's education provided by s. 1003.48.
- (e) A replacement driver's license issued pursuant to s. 322.17 is \$10. Of this amount \$7 shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund and \$3 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- (f) An original, renewal, or replacement identification card issued pursuant to s. 322.051 is \$10. Funds collected from these fees shall be distributed as follows:
- 1. For an original identification card issued pursuant to s. 322.051 the fee shall be \$10. This amount shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 2. For a renewal identification card issued pursuant to s. 322.051 the fee shall be \$10. Of this amount, \$6 shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund and \$4 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
- 3. For a replacement identification card issued pursuant to s. 322.051 the fee shall be \$10. Of this amount, \$9 shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund and \$1 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.
  - (g) Each endorsement required by s. 322.57 is \$7.
- (h) A hazardous-materials endorsement, as required by s. 322.57(1)(d), shall be set by the department by rule and shall

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reflect the cost of the required criminal history check, including the cost of the state and federal fingerprint check, and the cost to the department of providing and issuing the license. The fee shall not exceed \$100. This fee shall be deposited in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund. The department may adopt rules to administer this section.

Section 7. Subsection (1) of section 322.29, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.29 Surrender and return of license.-

(1) The department, upon suspending or revoking a license, shall require that such license be surrendered to the department. At the end of the period of suspension, such license so surrendered shall be returned, or a duplicate license issued, to the licensee after the applicant has successfully passed the vision, sign, and traffic law examinations and paid the applicable fee pursuant to s. 322.21. In addition, pursuant to s. 322.221, the department may require the licensee to successfully complete a driving examination. The department is prohibited from requiring the surrender of a license except as authorized by this chapter.

Section 8. Subsection (4) of section 322.61, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.61 Disqualification from operating a commercial motor vehicle.-

(4) Any person who is transporting hazardous materials as defined in s. 322.01  $\pm$  322.01(24) shall, upon conviction of an offense specified in subsection (3), be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for a period of 3 years. The penalty provided in this subsection shall be in addition to



any other applicable penalty.

Section 9. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.

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219 And the title is amended as follows:

> Delete everything before the enacting clause and insert:

222 A bill to be entitled

> An act relating to driver's licenses; amending s. 322.01, F.S.; providing a definition; amending s. 322.051, F.S.; revising requirements for obtaining a duplicate identification card; amending s. 322.058, F.S.; providing for reinstatement of a person's driving privilege and motor vehicle registration upon payment of certain fees; amending s. 322.135, F.S.; providing for the periodic adjustment of a service fee for tax collectors; authorizing tax collectors to establish branch offices; amending s. 322.17, F.S.; providing for a replacement license or permit to replace one that is mutilated; amending s. 322.21, F.S.; authorizing county tax collectors to retain certain fees and increasing such fees; amending s. 322.29, F.S.; clarifying provisions governing the payment of fees upon the reinstatement of a license; amending s. 322.61, F.S.; conforming a crossreference; providing an effective date.