

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2       An act relating to delivery vehicles; amending s.  
 3       316.2126, F.S.; defining the term "seasonal delivery  
 4       personnel"; authorizing the use of golf carts, modified  
 5       carts, low-speed vehicles, and utility vehicles by  
 6       seasonal delivery personnel during a certain timeframe;  
 7       defining the term "golf cart"; providing an effective  
 8       date.

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

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 12       Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 316.2126, Florida  
 13       Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (4), and a new subsection  
 14       (3) is added to that section to read:

15           316.2126 Authorized use of golf carts, modified carts,  
 16       low-speed vehicles, and utility vehicles ~~by municipalities and~~  
 17       ~~state employees, state park volunteers, and state park~~  
 18       ~~visitors.--~~

19           (3) (a) As used in this subsection, "seasonal delivery  
 20       personnel" means employees of a licensed commercial delivery  
 21       service when delivering express envelopes and packages, with a  
 22       maximum size of 130 inches for the combined length and girth and  
 23       weighing not more than 150 pounds, for that service during the  
 24       time period specified in paragraph (b).

25           (b) Seasonal delivery personnel are authorized to use golf  
 26       carts, modified carts, low-speed vehicles, and utility vehicles  
 27       as defined in s. 320.01 upon any public road with a speed limit  
 28       of up to 35 miles per hour for the purpose of delivering goods

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29 sent through a delivery service. As used in this subsection, the  
30 term "golf cart" means a motor vehicle as defined in s.  
31 320.01(22), but also includes such vehicles modified with a  
32 cargo platform or bin to transport parcels or with a hitch to  
33 tow a trailer. Such vehicles must be marked in some manner with  
34 the name of the delivery service. A trailer may be pulled by the  
35 vehicle. Vehicles used pursuant to this subsection may be  
36 operated after sunset if, in addition to the safety requirements  
37 in s. 316.212(6), they are equipped with suitable headlamps and  
38 taillamps. This authorization applies to deliveries made from  
39 midnight October 15 until midnight December 31 of each year.

40 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.