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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to autonomous vehicle technology;
3 defining the term "autonomous technology"; directing
4 the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to
5 prepare a report on the safe operation of vehicles
6 equipped with autonomous technology on public roads;
7 requiring submission of the report to the Legislature;
8 providing an effective date.

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

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12 Section 1. Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
13 report on vehicles equipped with autonomous technology.-

14 (1) As used in this section, the term "autonomous
15 technology" means technology installed on a vehicle enabling it
16 to operate without the active control and continuous monitoring
17 of a human operator. The term does not include individual safety
18 systems or driver assistance systems such as electronic blind
19 spot assistance, crash avoidance and emergency braking systems,
20 park assist, adaptive cruise control, lane keep assist, lane
21 departure warning, or traffic jam and queuing assistant, unless
22 any such system alone or in combination with other systems
23 enables the vehicle to drive itself without the active control
24 or continuous monitoring of a human operator.

25 (2) (a) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
26 shall prepare a report relating to the safe operation of
27 vehicles equipped with autonomous technology on public roads.

28 (b) No later than February 1, 2014, the department shall
29 submit the report to President of the Senate and the Speaker of

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30 the House of Representatives.

31 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012.