

## LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

Comm: RCS 03/29/2013

Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development (Brandes) recommended the following:

## Senate Amendment to Amendment (421682) (with title amendment)

Delete lines 5 - 9

and insert:

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Section 49. Present section 323.002, Florida Statutes, is amended and a new subsection (3) is added to that section, to read:

323.002 County and municipal wrecker operator systems; penalties for operation outside of system.-

- (1) As used in this section, the term:
- (a) "Authorized wrecker operator" means any wrecker

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operator who has been designated as part of the wrecker operator system established by the governmental unit having jurisdiction over the scene of a wrecked or disabled vehicle.

- (b) "Unauthorized wrecker operator" means any wrecker operator who has not been designated as part of the wrecker operator system established by the governmental unit having jurisdiction over the scene of a wrecked or disabled vehicle.
- (c) "Wrecker operator system" means a system for the towing or removal of wrecked, disabled, or abandoned vehicles, similar to the Florida Highway Patrol wrecker operator system described in s. 321.051(2), under which a county or municipality contracts with one or more wrecker operators for the towing or removal of wrecked, disabled, or abandoned vehicles from accident scenes, streets, or highways. A wrecker operator system must include a requirement that authorized wrecker operators must maintain liability insurance of at least \$300,000, and on-hook cargo insurance of at least \$50,000. A wrecker operator system must shall include using a method for apportioning the towing assignments among the eligible wrecker operators through the creation of geographic zones, a rotation schedule, or a combination of these methods.

======= T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========= And the title is amended as follows:

Delete line 115

and insert:

323.002, F.S.; revising the definition of a wrecker operator system; providing that an authorized wrecker,