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1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the Beverage Law; amending s.
 3 561.57, F.S.; authorizing a licensed vendor to
 4 transport alcoholic beverages from a distributor's
 5 place of business in vehicles owned or leased by the
 6 vendor's authorized employees; revising permit
 7 requirements for such vehicles; revising permit fees;
 8 providing for cancellation of vehicle permits;
 9 authorizing the inspection and search of such vehicles
 10 without a search warrant; providing requirements for
 11 the use and storage of vehicle permits; providing an
 12 effective date.

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

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 16 Section 1. Subsections (3) and (4) of section 561.57,
 17 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

18 561.57 Deliveries by licensees.—

19 (3) A licensed ~~Any~~ vendor may transport alcoholic beverage
 20 purchases from a distributor's place of business to the vendor's
 21 licensed premises or off-premises storage, if the ~~provided that~~
 22 a vehicle used to transport the alcoholic beverages is owned or
 23 leased by the vendor or an authorized employee of the vendor and
 24 a valid vehicle permit has been issued for such ~~or decal is~~
 25 ~~attached to the vendor's owned or leased vehicle.~~

26 (4) A vehicle permit ~~The division shall have prepared for~~
 27 ~~issuance vehicle permits or decals suitable to be attached to~~
 28 ~~such vehicles, with the words, "Beverage Vehicle No.,"~~
 29 ~~which~~ may be obtained by a licensed ~~any~~ vendor or an authorized

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30 employee of the vendor upon application and payment of a fee of
31 \$5 per vehicle to the division. Such permit remains ~~permits~~
32 ~~shall be~~ valid and does will not expire unless the vendor or
33 authorized employee of the vendor disposes of his or her
34 vehicle, or the vendor's alcoholic beverage license is
35 transferred, canceled, not renewed, or is revoked by the
36 division, whichever occurs first. The division shall cancel a
37 vehicle permit issued to a vendor upon request from the vendor.
38 The division shall cancel a vehicle permit issued to an
39 authorized employee of a vendor upon request from the vendor,
40 upon request from the authorized employee, or upon the
41 authorized employee's termination from employment by the vendor.
42 By acceptance of a vehicle permit, the vendor or authorized
43 employee of the vendor licensee agrees that such vehicle is
44 ~~shall~~ always be subject to inspection and search ~~be inspected~~
45 ~~and searched~~ without a search warrant, for the purpose of
46 ascertaining that all provisions of the alcoholic beverage laws
47 are complied with, by authorized employees of the division and
48 also by sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, and police officers during
49 business hours or other times that the vehicle is being used to
50 transport or deliver alcoholic beverages. A vehicle permit
51 issued under this subsection must be carried in the vehicle used
52 by the vendor or authorized employee of the vendor when the
53 vendor's alcoholic beverages are being transported or delivered.
54 For a vehicle permit issued to an authorized employee of a
55 vendor, the vehicle permit must remain on the vendor's licensed
56 premises when not being used for transportation or delivery of
57 the vendor's alcoholic beverages.

58 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.