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2 An act relating to vehicle permits for the
3 transportation of alcoholic beverages; amending s.
4 561.57, F.S.; authorizing a licensed vendor to
5 transport alcoholic beverages from a distributor's
6 place of business in vehicles owned or leased by any
7 person who has been disclosed on a license application
8 filed by the vendor and approved by the Division of
9 Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of the Department and
10 Business and Professional Regulation; revising permit
11 requirements for such vehicles; providing for
12 cancellation of vehicle permits; authorizing the
13 inspection and search of such vehicles without a
14 search warrant; providing requirements for the use and
15 storage of vehicle permits; amending s. 562.07, F.S.;
16 revising an exception to the illegal transportation of
17 beverages; providing an effective date.

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

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

23 561.57 Deliveries by licensees.—

24 (3) A licensed ~~Any~~ vendor may transport alcoholic beverage
25 purchases from a distributor's place of business to the vendor's
26 licensed premises or off-premises storage, if the ~~provided that~~
27 a vehicle used to transport the alcoholic beverages is owned or
28 leased by the vendor or any person who has been disclosed on a
29 license application filed by the vendor and approved by the

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30 division and a valid vehicle permit has been ~~or decal is issued~~
31 for such attached to the vendor's owned or leased vehicle. A
32 vehicle owned or leased by a person disclosed on a license
33 application filed by the vendor and approved by the division
34 under this subsection must be operated by such person when
35 transporting alcoholic beverage purchases from a distributor's
36 place of business to the vendor's licensed premises or off-
37 premises storage.

38 (4) A vehicle permit ~~The division shall have prepared for~~
39 ~~issuance vehicle permits or decals suitable to be attached to~~
40 ~~such vehicles, with the words, "Beverage Vehicle No.,"~~
41 ~~which~~ may be obtained by a licensed ~~any~~ vendor or any person
42 authorized in subsection (3) upon application and payment of a
43 fee of \$5 per vehicle to the division. The signature of the
44 person authorized in subsection (3) must be included on the
45 vehicle permit application. Such permit remains ~~permits shall be~~
46 valid and does ~~will~~ not expire unless the vendor or any person
47 authorized in subsection (3) disposes of his or her vehicle, or
48 the vendor's alcoholic beverage license is transferred,
49 canceled, not renewed, or is revoked by the division, whichever
50 occurs first. The division shall cancel a vehicle permit issued
51 to a vendor upon request from the vendor. The division shall
52 cancel a vehicle permit issued to any person authorized in
53 subsection (3) upon request from that person or the vendor. By
54 acceptance of a vehicle permit, the vendor or any person
55 authorized in subsection (3) licensee ~~agrees~~ that such vehicle
56 is ~~shall~~ always be subject to inspection and search ~~be inspected~~
57 ~~and searched~~ without a search warrant, for the purpose of
58 ascertaining that all provisions of the alcoholic beverage laws

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59 are complied with, by authorized employees of the division and
60 also by sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, and police officers during
61 business hours or other times that the vehicle is being used to
62 transport or deliver alcoholic beverages. A vehicle permit
63 issued under this subsection and invoices or sales tickets for
64 alcoholic beverages purchased and transported must be carried in
65 the vehicle used by the vendor or any person authorized in
66 subsection (3) when the vendor's alcoholic beverages are being
67 transported or delivered.

68 Section 2. Subsection (2) of section 562.07, Florida
69 Statutes, is amended to read:

70 562.07 Illegal transportation of beverages.—It is unlawful
71 for alcoholic beverages to be transported in quantities of more
72 than 12 bottles except as follows:

73 (2) In the owned or leased vehicles of licensed vendors or
74 any persons authorized in s. 561.57(3) transporting alcoholic
75 beverage purchases from the distributor's place of business to
76 the vendor's licensed place of business or off-premises storage
77 and to which said vehicles are carrying ~~attached~~ a permit and
78 invoices or sales tickets for alcoholic beverages purchased and
79 transported ~~or decal~~ as provided for in the alcoholic beverage
80 law;

81 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.