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An act relating to the Beverage Law; amending s. 561.57, F.S.; authorizing a licensed vendor to transport alcoholic beverages from a distributor's place of business in vehicles owned or leased by the vendor's authorized employees; revising permit requirements for such vehicles; revising permit fees; providing for cancellation of vehicle permits; authorizing the inspection and search of such vehicles without a search warrant; providing requirements for the use and storage of vehicle permits; providing an effective date.

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

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

561.57 Deliveries by licensees.—

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

(4) A vehicle permit The division shall have prepared for issuance vehicle permits or decals suitable to be attached to such vehicles, with the words, "Beverage Vehicle No.,"

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29 which may be obtained by a licensed any vendor or an authorized 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 transferred, canceled, not renewed, or is revoked by the 35 division, whichever occurs first. The division shall cancel a 36 37 vehicle permit issued to a vendor upon request from the vendor. The division shall cancel a vehicle permit issued to an 38 39 authorized employee of a vendor upon request from the vendor, 40 upon request from the authorized employee, or upon the authorized employee's termination from employment by the vendor. 41 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 and searched without a search warrant, for the purpose of 45 ascertaining that all provisions of the alcoholic beverage laws 46 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

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

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