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Representative Slosberg offered the following:

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Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 5143 and 5144, insert:

Section 62. Yellow dot critical motorist medical information program; yellow dot decal, folder, and information form.—

- (1) The governing body of a county may create a yellow dot critical motorist medical information program to assist emergency medical responders and drivers and passengers who participate in the program by making critical medical information readily available to a responder in the event of a motor vehicle accident or a medical emergency involving a participant's vehicle.
- (2) (a) The governing body of a county may solicit sponsorships from interested business entities and not-for-

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- profit organizations to cover costs of the program, including the cost of the yellow dot decals and folders that shall be provided free of charge to participants. Two or more counties may enter into an interlocal agreement to solicit such sponsorships.
- (b) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles or the Department of Transportation may provide education and training to encourage emergency medical responders to participate in the program and may take reasonable measures to publicize the program.
- (3) (a) Any owner or lessee of a motor vehicle may participate in the program upon submission of an application and documentation, in the form and manner prescribed by the governing body of the county.
- (b) The application form shall include a statement that the information submitted will be disclosed only to authorized personnel of law enforcement and public safety agencies, emergency medical services agencies, and hospitals for the purposes authorized in subsection (5).
- (c) The application form shall describe the confidential nature of the medical information voluntarily provided by the participant and shall state that, by providing the medical information, the participant has authorized the use and disclosure of the medical information to authorized personnel solely for the purposes listed in subsection (5). The application form shall also require the participant's express written consent for such use and disclosure.

- (d) The county may not charge any fee to participate in the yellow dot program.
- (4) A participant shall receive a yellow dot decal, a yellow dot folder, and a form with the participant's information.
- (a) The participant shall affix the decal onto the rear window in the left lower corner of a motor vehicle or in a clearly visible location on a motorcycle.
- (b) A person who rides in a motor vehicle as a passenger may also participate in the program but may not be issued a decal if a decal is issued to the owner or lessee of the motor vehicle in which the person rides.
- (c) The yellow dot folder, which shall be stored in the glove compartment of the motor vehicle or in a compartment attached to a motorcycle, shall contain a form with the following information about the participant:
 - 1. The participant's name.
 - 2. The participant's photograph.
- 3. Emergency contact information of no more than two persons for the participant.
- 4. The participant's medical information, including medical conditions, recent surgeries, allergies, and medications being taken.
 - 5. The participant's hospital preference.
- 6. Contact information for no more than two physicians for the participant.
- (5) (a) If a driver or passenger of a motor vehicle becomes involved in a motor vehicle accident or emergency situation, and

- a yellow dot decal is affixed to the vehicle, an emergency medical responder at the scene is authorized to search the glove compartment of the vehicle for the corresponding yellow dot folder.
- (b) An emergency medical responder at the scene may use the information in the yellow dot folder for the following purposes only:
 - 1. To positively identify the participant.
- 2. To ascertain whether the participant has a medical condition that might impede communications between the participant and the responder.
- 3. To inform the participant's emergency contacts about the location, condition, or death of the participant.
- 4. To learn the nature of any medical information reported by the participant on the form.
- 5. To ensure that the participant's current medications and preexisting medical conditions are considered when emergency medical treatment is administered for any injury to or condition of the participant.
- (6) Except for wanton or willful conduct, an emergency medical responder or the employer of a responder does not incur any liability if a responder is unable to make contact, in good faith, with a participant's emergency contact person, or if a responder disseminates or fails to disseminate any information from the yellow dot folder to any other emergency medical responder, hospital, or healthcare provider who renders emergency medical treatment to the participant.

- (7) The governing body of a participating county shall adopt guidelines and procedures for ensuring that any information that is confidential is not made public through the program.
- (8) This section shall take effect July 1, 2014, or on the same date that legislation which exempts the information required under the yellow dot critical motorist medical information program from s. 119.071(1), Florida Statutes, and s. 24(a), Article I of the State Constitution, takes effect, whichever occurs later, if such legislation is adopted in the 2014 Regular Session of the Legislature or an extension thereof and becomes law.

TITLE AMENDMENT

Remove line 353 and insert:

of destruction; authorizing the governing body of a county to create a yellow dot critical motorist medical information program for certain purposes; authorizing a county to solicit sponsorships for the medical information program and enter into an interlocal agreement with another county to solicit such sponsorships; authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and the Department of Transportation to provide education and training and publicize the program; requiring the program to be free to participants; providing for applications to participate; providing for a yellow dot decal and a

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| Amendment No. yellow dot folder to be issued to participants and a |
| form containing specified information about the |
| participant; providing procedures for use of the |
| decal, folder, and form; providing for limited use of |
| information on the forms by emergency medical |
| responders; limiting liability of emergency medical |
| responders; requiring the governing body of a |
| participating county to adopt guidelines and |
| procedures to ensure that confidential information is |
| not made public; providing for contingent effect; |
| amending ss. 212.08, 261.03, 316.2122, |