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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to vehicle registration; amending s.
3 320.06, F.S.; deleting a requirement that a vehicle
4 having an apportioned registration be issued an annual
5 license plate and a certain cab card for each
6 apportioned jurisdiction in which the vehicle is
7 authorized to operate; requiring, beginning on a
8 specified date, a vehicle registered in accordance
9 with the International Registration Plan to be issued
10 a license plate for a specified period, an annual cab
11 card denoting the declared gross vehicle weight, and
12 an annual validation sticker showing the month and
13 year of expiration; requiring the validation sticker
14 to be placed in the center of the license plate;
15 requiring the license plate and validation sticker to
16 be issued based on the applicant's appropriate renewal
17 period; providing a specified fee for initial and
18 renewed validation stickers; requiring the fee to be
19 deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust
20 Fund; authorizing a damaged or worn license plate to
21 be replaced at no charge by applying to the Department
22 of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and surrendering
23 the current license plate; providing an effective
24 date.

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

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28 Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section
29 320.06, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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30 320.06 Registration certificates, license plates, and
31 validation stickers generally.—

32 (1)

33 (b)1. Registration license plates bearing a graphic symbol
34 and the alphanumeric system of identification shall be issued
35 for a 10-year period. At the end of the 10-year period, upon
36 renewal, the plate shall be replaced. The department shall
37 extend the scheduled license plate replacement date from a 6-
38 year period to a 10-year period. The fee for such replacement is
39 \$28, \$2.80 of which shall be paid each year before the plate is
40 replaced, to be credited toward the next \$28 replacement fee.
41 The fees shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating
42 Trust Fund. A credit or refund may not be given for any prior
43 years' payments of the prorated replacement fee if the plate is
44 replaced or surrendered before the end of the 10-year period,
45 except that a credit may be given if a registrant is required by
46 the department to replace a license plate under s.

47 320.08056(8)(a). With each license plate, a validation sticker
48 shall be issued showing the owner's birth month, license plate
49 number, and the year of expiration or the appropriate renewal
50 period if the owner is not a natural person. The validation
51 sticker shall be placed on the upper right corner of the license
52 plate. The license plate and validation sticker shall be issued
53 based on the applicant's appropriate renewal period. The
54 registration period is 12 months, the extended registration
55 period is 24 months, and all expirations occur based on the
56 applicant's appropriate registration period. A vehicle that has
57 an apportioned registration shall be issued an annual license
58 plate and a cab card that denote the declared gross vehicle

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59 ~~weight for each apportioned jurisdiction in which the vehicle is~~
60 ~~authorized to operate.~~

61 2. In order to retain the efficient administration of the
62 taxes and fees imposed by this chapter, the 80-cent fee increase
63 in the replacement fee imposed by chapter 2009-71, Laws of
64 Florida, is negated as provided in s. 320.0804.

65 3. Beginning October 1, 2018, a vehicle registered in
66 accordance with the International Registration Plan shall be
67 issued a license plate for a 5-year period, an annual cab card
68 denoting the declared gross vehicle weight, and an annual
69 validation sticker showing the month and year of expiration. The
70 validation sticker shall be placed in the center of the license
71 plate. The license plate and validation sticker shall be issued
72 based on the applicant's appropriate renewal period. The fee for
73 the initial validation sticker and any renewed validation
74 sticker is \$28. This fee shall be deposited into the Highway
75 Safety Operating Trust Fund. If the license plate is damaged or
76 worn, it may be replaced at no charge by applying to the
77 department and surrendering the current license plate.

78 Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2018.