

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to redirection of fees to tax
3 collectors; amending s. 322.12, F.S.; providing for
4 allocation of fees from certain driver license
5 examinations administered by tax collectors; amending
6 s. 322.21, F.S.; providing for allocation of fees from
7 certain driver license reinstatement services
8 performed by tax collectors; providing an effective
9 date.

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

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13 Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 322.12, Florida
14 Statutes, is amended to read:

15 322.12 Examination of applicants.—

16 (1) It is the intent of the Legislature that every
17 applicant for an original driver license in this state be
18 required to pass an examination pursuant to this section.
19 However, the department may waive the knowledge, endorsement,
20 and skills tests for an applicant who is otherwise qualified and
21 who surrenders a valid driver license from another state or a
22 province of Canada, or a valid driver license issued by the
23 United States Armed Forces, if the driver applies for a Florida
24 license of an equal or lesser classification. An ~~Any~~ applicant
25 who fails to pass the initial knowledge test incurs a \$10 fee

26 | for each subsequent test, to be deposited into the Highway
 27 | Safety Operating Trust Fund, except that if a subsequent test is
 28 | administered by the tax collector, the tax collector shall
 29 | retain such \$10 fee, less the general revenue service charge set
 30 | forth in s. 215.20(1). ~~An~~ Any applicant who fails to pass the
 31 | initial skills test incurs a \$20 fee for each subsequent test,
 32 | to be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund,
 33 | except that if a subsequent test is administered by the tax
 34 | collector, the tax collector shall retain such \$20 fee, less the
 35 | general revenue service charge set forth in s. 215.20(1). A
 36 | person who seeks to retain a hazardous-materials endorsement,
 37 | pursuant to s. 322.57(1)(e), must pass the hazardous-materials
 38 | test, upon surrendering his or her commercial driver license, if
 39 | the person has not taken and passed the hazardous-materials test
 40 | within 2 years before applying for a commercial driver license
 41 | in this state.

42 | Section 2. Subsection (8) of section 322.21, Florida
 43 | Statutes, is amended to read:

44 | 322.21 License fees; procedure for handling and collecting
 45 | fees.—

46 | (8) A ~~Any~~ person who applies for reinstatement following
 47 | the suspension or revocation of the person's driver license must
 48 | pay a service fee of \$45 following a suspension, and \$75
 49 | following a revocation, which is in addition to the fee for a
 50 | license. A ~~Any~~ person who applies for reinstatement of a

51 commercial driver license following the disqualification of the
52 person's privilege to operate a commercial motor vehicle shall
53 pay a service fee of \$75, which is in addition to the fee for a
54 license. The department shall collect all of these fees at the
55 time of reinstatement. The department shall issue proper
56 receipts for such fees and shall promptly transmit all funds
57 received by it as follows:

58 (a) Of the \$45 fee received from a licensee for
59 reinstatement following a suspension:

60 1. If the reinstatement is processed by the department,
61 the department shall deposit \$15 in the General Revenue Fund and
62 \$30 in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.

63 2. If the reinstatement is processed by the tax collector,
64 \$15, less the general revenue service charge set forth in s.
65 215.20(1), shall be retained by the tax collector, \$15 shall be
66 deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund, and \$15
67 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

68 (b) Of the \$75 fee received from a licensee for
69 reinstatement following a revocation or disqualification:

70 1. If the reinstatement is processed by the department,
71 the department shall deposit \$35 in the General Revenue Fund and
72 \$40 in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.

73 2. If the reinstatement is processed by the tax collector,
74 \$20, less the general revenue service charge set forth in s.
75 215.20(1), shall be retained by the tax collector, \$20 shall be

76 deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund, and \$35
77 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

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79 If the revocation or suspension of the driver license was for a
80 violation of s. 316.193, or for refusal to submit to a lawful
81 breath, blood, or urine test, an additional fee of \$130 must be
82 charged. However, only one \$130 fee may be collected from one
83 person convicted of violations arising out of the same incident.
84 The department shall collect the \$130 fee and deposit the fee
85 into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund at the time of
86 reinstatement of the person's driver license, but the fee may
87 not be collected if the suspension or revocation is overturned.
88 If the revocation or suspension of the driver license was for a
89 conviction for a violation of s. 817.234(8) or (9) or s.
90 817.505, an additional fee of \$180 is imposed for each offense.
91 The department shall collect and deposit the additional fee into
92 the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund at the time of
93 reinstatement of the person's driver license.

94 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.