By Senator Brandes

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to nonemergency medical transportation services; amending s. 316.87, F.S.; authorizing, at the request of an eligible plan, a licensed basic or advanced life support ambulance service to provide nonemergency medical transportation in permitted ambulances in any county, notwithstanding any ordinance relating to certificates of public convenience and necessity or a specified provision relating to licensure; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 316.87, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

al6.87 Nonemergency medical transportation services.—To ensure the availability of nonemergency medical transportation services throughout the state, a provider licensed by the county or operating under a permit issued by the county may not be required to use a vehicle that is larger than needed to transport the number of persons being transported or that is inconsistent with the medical condition of the individuals receiving the nonemergency medical transportation services. At the request of an eligible plan defined in s. 409.962, a licensed basic or advanced life support ambulance service may provide nonemergency medical transportation in permitted ambulances in any county, notwithstanding any ordinance relating to certificates of public convenience and necessity or s. 401.25. This section does not apply to the procurement,

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30 contracting, or provision of paratransit transportation

31 services, directly or indirectly, by a county or an authority,

32 pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as

33 amended.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.