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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development (Thurston) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 355 - 359

and insert:

(5) Notwithstanding s. 324.021 or any other provision of law, the owner of an autonomous vehicle is fully liable for damages caused by the autonomous vehicle while operating in autonomous mode if the automated driving system failed to perform like a reasonably prudent human operator would under similar circumstances. Nothing in this chapter may be construed



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11 to limit or diminish any right to recover damages caused by
12 autonomous vehicles under Florida statutory or common law.

13 Section 12. Section 322.015, Florida Statutes, is created
14 to read:

15 322.015 Exemption.—This chapter does not apply when a fully
16 autonomous vehicle is operated with the automated driving system
17 engaged and without a human operator.

18 Section 13. Section 324.033, Florida Statutes, is created
19 to read:

20 324.033 Manner of proving financial responsibility;
21 autonomous vehicles.—

22 (1) All fully autonomous vehicles must have uninsured and
23 underinsured motorist coverage as required by s. 627.727,
24 personal injury protection coverage as required by s. 627.736,
25 and liability coverage insuring the owner of the vehicle in the
26 amount of at least \$500,000 for combined bodily injury liability
27 and property damage liability or:

28 (a) At least \$100,000 for bodily injury to or the death of
29 one person in any one accident;

30 (b) Subject to such limits for one person, at least
31 \$300,000 for bodily injury to or the death of two or more
32 persons in any one accident; and

33 (c) At least \$50,000 for damage to or destruction of the
34 property of others in any one accident.

35 (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), the owner or operator
36 of an autonomous vehicle used commercially for the pickup or
37 delivery of passengers or goods or for providing other services
38 for compensation, except as provided in s. 627.749, must be
39 insured by a motor vehicle liability policy that provides all of



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40 the following:

41 (a) Primary liability coverage that insures the owner in
42 the amount of at least \$2 million for combined bodily injury
43 liability and property damage liability.

44 (b) Personal injury protection benefits that meet the
45 minimum coverage amounts required under ss. 627.730-627.7405.

46 (c) Uninsured and underinsured motorist coverage as
47 required by s. 627.727.

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50 And the title is amended as follows:

51 Delete lines 51 - 52

52 and insert:

53 this state; providing construction; creating s.
54 322.015, F.S.; providing applicability; creating s.
55 324.033, F.S.; providing insurance requirements for
56 fully autonomous vehicles; providing insurance
57 requirements for a certain owner or operator of an
58 autonomous vehicle used commercially for the pickup or
59 delivery of passengers or goods or for providing other
60 services for compensation; amending ss. 339.175,
61 339.64, 339.83,