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Proposed Committee Substitute by the Committee on Appropriations
(Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and
Economic Development)

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to vehicle and vessel registration
3 data and functionality; amending s. 319.32, F.S.;
4 requiring the tax collector to determine service
5 charges collected by privately owned license plate
6 agents for motor vehicle titles; requiring a license
7 plate agent to enter into a contract with the tax
8 collector; amending s. 320.03, F.S.; specifying tax
9 collection systems for which certain fees may be used
10 for integration with the Florida Real Time Vehicle
11 Information System; requiring the Department of
12 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to provide tax
13 collectors and their approved vendors with the same
14 data access and interface functionality as is provided
15 to other third parties; specifying authorized uses for
16 such data and functionality; providing construction;
17 requiring tax collectors and their vendors and
18 approved license plate agents to enter into a
19 memorandum of understanding with the department;
20 amending s. 320.04, F.S.; requiring the tax collector
21 to determine service charges collected by privately
22 owned license plate agents for motor vehicle
23 registrations; requiring a license plate agent to
24 enter into a contract with the tax collector; amending
25 s. 328.72, F.S.; requiring the tax collector to
26 determine service charges collected by privately owned



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27 license plate agents for vessel registrations and
28 titles; requiring a license plate agent to enter into
29 a contract with the tax collector; amending s. 328.73,
30 F.S.; requiring the department to provide tax
31 collectors and their approved vendors with the same
32 data access and interface functionality as is provided
33 to other third parties; specifying authorized uses for
34 such data and functionality; requiring tax collectors
35 and their vendors and approved license plate agents to
36 enter into a memorandum of understanding with the
37 department; providing an effective date.

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

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41 Section 1. Paragraph (c) is added to subsection (2) of
42 section 319.32, Florida Statutes, to read:

43 319.32 Fees; service charges; disposition.-

44 (2)

45 (c) In exercising his or her authority to contract with a
46 license plate agent, the tax collector shall determine the
47 additional service charges to be collected by privately owned
48 license plate agents approved by the tax collector. Additional
49 service charges must be itemized and disclosed to the person
50 paying the service charges to the license plate agent. The
51 license plate agent shall enter into a contract with the tax
52 collector regarding the disclosure of additional service
53 charges.

54 Section 2. Subsection (5) of section 320.03, Florida
55 Statutes, is amended to read:



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56 320.03 Registration; duties of tax collectors;
57 International Registration Plan.—

58 (5) In addition to the fees required under s. 320.08, a fee
59 of 50 cents shall be charged on every license registration sold
60 to cover the costs of the Florida Real Time Vehicle Information
61 System. The fees collected shall be deposited into the Highway
62 Safety Operating Trust Fund to be used exclusively to fund the
63 system. The fee may only be used to fund the system equipment,
64 software, personnel associated with the maintenance and
65 programming of the system, and networks used in the offices of
66 the county tax collectors as agents of the department and the
67 ancillary technology necessary to integrate the system with
68 other tax collection systems. Other tax collection systems may
69 include technology systems provided by vendors contracted with
70 the tax collector for in-person transactions of motor vehicle
71 and mobile home registration certificates, registration license
72 plates, and validation stickers and online motor vehicle and
73 mobile home registration renewals and validation stickers. Upon
74 a tax collector's request, the department shall provide the tax
75 collector and its approved vendors with the same data access and
76 interface functionality that other third parties receive from
77 the department, including, but not limited to, bulk data for
78 vehicle registrations and each applicant's current residential
79 address and electronic mail address collected pursuant to s.
80 320.95. Such data and functionality shall be used only for
81 purposes of fulfilling the tax collector's statutory duties
82 under this chapter and may not be resold or used for any other
83 purpose. For purposes of this subsection, other tax collection
84 systems do not include electronic filing systems pursuant to s.



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85 320.03. The department shall administer this program upon
86 consultation with the Florida Tax Collectors, Inc., to ensure
87 that each county tax collector's office is technologically
88 equipped and functional for the operation of the Florida Real
89 Time Vehicle Information System. The department and each county
90 tax collector's approved vendor shall enter into a memorandum of
91 understanding, which includes protection of consumer privacy and
92 data collection. Each county tax collector and its approved
93 license plate agents shall enter into a memorandum of
94 understanding with the department regarding use of the Florida
95 Real Time Vehicle Information System in accordance with
96 paragraph (4) (b). Any designated revenue collected to support
97 functions of the county tax collectors and not used in a given
98 year must remain exclusively in the trust fund as a carryover to
99 the following year.

100 Section 3. Present subsection (3) of section 320.04,
101 Florida Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (4), and a new
102 subsection (3) is added to that section, to read:

103 320.04 Registration service charge.—

104 (3) In exercising his or her authority to contract with a
105 license plate agent, the tax collector shall determine the
106 additional service charges to be collected by privately owned
107 license plate agents approved by the tax collector. Additional
108 service charges must be itemized and disclosed to the person
109 paying the service charges to the license plate agent. The
110 license plate agent shall enter into a contract with the tax
111 collector regarding the disclosure of additional service
112 charges.

113 Section 4. Subsection (7) of section 328.72, Florida



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114 Statutes, is amended to read:

115 328.72 Classification; registration; fees and charges;
116 surcharge; disposition of fees; fines; marine turtle stickers.-

117 (7) SERVICE FEE.-

118 (a) In addition to other registration fees, the vessel
119 owner shall pay the tax collector a \$2.25 service fee for each
120 registration issued, replaced, or renewed. Except as provided in
121 subsection (15), all fees, other than the service charge,
122 collected by a tax collector must be remitted to the department
123 not later than 7 working days following the last day of the week
124 in which the money was remitted. Vessels may travel in salt
125 water or fresh water.

126 (b) In exercising his or her authority to contract with a
127 license plate agent, the tax collector shall determine the
128 additional service charges to be collected by privately owned
129 license plate agents approved by the tax collector. Additional
130 service charges must be itemized and disclosed to the person
131 paying the service charges to the license plate agent. The
132 license plate agent shall enter into a contract with the tax
133 collector regarding the disclosure of additional service
134 charges.

135 Section 5. Subsection (1) of section 328.73, Florida
136 Statutes, is amended to read:

137 328.73 Registration; duties of tax collectors.-

138 (1) The tax collectors in the counties of the state, as
139 authorized agents of the department, shall issue registration
140 certificates and vessel numbers and decals to applicants,
141 subject to the requirements of law and in accordance with rules
142 of the department. Other tax collection systems may include



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143 technology systems provided by vendors contracted with the tax
144 collector for in-person and online vessel registration
145 certificates and vessel numbers and decals. Upon a tax
146 collector's request, the department shall provide the tax
147 collector and its approved vendors with the same data access and
148 interface functionality that other third parties receive from
149 the department, including, but not limited to, bulk data for
150 vessel registrations and each applicant's current residential
151 address and electronic mail address collected pursuant to s.
152 320.95. Such data and functionality shall be used only for
153 purposes of fulfilling the tax collector's statutory duties
154 under this chapter and may not be resold or used for any other
155 purpose. The department and each county tax collector's approved
156 vendor shall enter into a memorandum of understanding, which
157 includes protection of consumer privacy and data collection.

158 Section 6. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.