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2 An act relating to police vehicles; amending s.
3 319.14, F.S.; prohibiting a person from knowingly
4 selling, exchanging, or transferring a police vehicle
5 without removing any police markings from the vehicle;
6 defining the term "police markings"; requiring law
7 enforcement agencies to provide an official letter of
8 notification that the police markings have been
9 removed; requiring sellers and auction houses to
10 provide an official letter of notification that the
11 police markings have been removed; exempting sales,
12 exchanges, or transfers of police vehicles between law
13 enforcement agencies from specified requirements;
14 exempting sales, exchanges, or transfers of police
15 vehicles to members of the public for the purposes of
16 collection or display from specified requirements;
17 requiring that a specified notice be provided to
18 certain purchasers, customers, and transferees;
19 providing an effective date.
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21 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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23 Section 1. Present subsections (5) through (10) of section
24 319.14, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (6)
25 through (11), respectively, a new subsection (5) is added to
26 that section, and present subsection (5) of that section is
27 republished, to read:

28 319.14 Sale of motor vehicles registered or used as
29 taxicabs, police vehicles, lease vehicles, rebuilt vehicles,

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30 nonconforming vehicles, custom vehicles, or street rod vehicles;
31 conversion of low-speed vehicles.—

32 (5) A person may not knowingly sell, exchange, or transfer
33 a police vehicle without, before consummating the sale,
34 exchange, or transfer, removing any police markings from the
35 vehicle. For purposes of this subsection, the term “police
36 markings” means decals, stickers, distinctive paint schemes, or
37 other markings attached or applied to a police vehicle which
38 identify the vehicle as a police vehicle.

39 (a) Law enforcement agencies, before consummating the sale,
40 exchange, or transfer of a police vehicle, shall provide an
41 official letter of notification to the purchaser, customer, or
42 transferee confirming the fact that the vehicle has had the
43 police markings removed.

44 (b) Sellers and auction houses, before consummating the
45 sale, exchange, or transfer of a police vehicle, shall provide
46 an official letter of notification to the purchaser, customer,
47 or transferee confirming the fact that the vehicle has had the
48 police markings removed.

49 (c)1. Sales, exchanges, or transfers of police vehicles
50 between law enforcement agencies are exempt from the
51 requirements of this subsection.

52 2. Sales, exchanges, or transfers of police vehicles to
53 members of the general public for the purposes of collection or
54 display are exempt from the requirements of this subsection.
55 However, upon the sale, exchange, or transfer of a police
56 vehicle for either of those purposes, the seller, exchanger, or
57 transferor shall provide a notice to the purchaser, customer, or
58 transferee in substantially the following form:

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60 USE OF THIS VEHICLE FOR THE DELIBERATE IMPERSONATION OF A PUBLIC
61 OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE IS A FELONY OF THE THIRD DEGREE, PUNISHABLE
62 AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 843.0855, FLORIDA STATUTES.

63 (6)~~(5)~~ A person who knowingly sells, exchanges, or offers
64 to sell or exchange a motor vehicle or mobile home contrary to
65 this section or any officer, agent, or employee of a person who
66 knowingly authorizes, directs, aids in, or consents to the sale,
67 exchange, or offer to sell or exchange a motor vehicle or mobile
68 home contrary to this section commits a misdemeanor of the
69 second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s.
70 775.083.

71 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.