

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Transportation (Brandes) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Subsections (2) and (56) of section 316.003, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

316.003 Definitions.—The following words and phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them in this section, except where the context otherwise requires:

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11	(2) AUTOCYCLE.—A three-wheeled motorcycle that has two
12	wheels in the front and one wheel in the back; is equipped with
13	a roll cage or roll hoops, a seat belt for each occupant,
14	antilock brakes that meet the requirements of Federal Motor
15	Vehicle Safety Standard No. 122, a steering mechanism wheel, and
16	seating that does not require the operator to straddle or sit
17	astride it; and is manufactured in accordance with the
18	applicable federal motorcycle safety standards in 49 C.F.R. part
19	571 by a manufacturer registered with the National Highway
20	Traffic Safety Administration.
21	(56) PERSONAL DELIVERY DEVICE.—An electrically powered
22	device that:
23	(a) Is operated on sidewalks and crosswalks and intended
24	primarily for transporting property;
25	(b) Has a weight that does not exceed the maximum weight
26	established by Department of Transportation rule Weighs less
27	than 80 pounds, excluding cargo;
28	(c) Has a maximum speed of 10 miles per hour <u>or, if the</u>
29	Department of Transportation establishes by rule a maximum
30	speed, has a speed that does not exceed that maximum; and
31	(d) Is equipped with technology to allow for operation of
32	the device with or without the active control or monitoring of a
33	natural person.
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35	A personal delivery device is not considered a vehicle unless
36	expressly defined by law as a vehicle. A mobile carrier is not
37	considered a personal delivery device. The Department of
38	Transportation may adopt rules to implement this subsection.
39	Section 2. Paragraph (c) of subsection (4) of section

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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40	334.046, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
41	334.046 Department mission, goals, and objectives
42	(4) At a minimum, the department's goals shall address the
43	following prevailing principles.
44	(c) Mobility.—Ensuring a cost-effective, statewide,
45	interconnected transportation system. Improvement of travel
46	choices to ensure mobility includes planning and establishment
47	of infrastructure for innovative technologies, including
48	electric vehicle charging infrastructure.
49	Section 3. Effective upon SB 140 or other similar
50	legislation being enacted in the 2021 Regular Session or an
51	extension thereof and becoming a law, section 339.0802, Florida
52	Statutes, is created to read:
53	339.0802 Allocation of increased license tax revenues from
54	licensure of electric and hybrid vehiclesFunds that result
55	from increased revenues to the State Transportation Trust Fund
56	derived under s. 320.08001(2) and (3) must be used as set forth
57	in this section, notwithstanding any other provision of law.
58	Beginning in the 2023-2024 fiscal year, all increased revenues
59	must be used to fund the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Grant
60	Program created by s. 339.286. This section expires on December
61	<u>31, 2030.</u>
62	Section 4. Section 339.286, Florida Statutes, is created to
63	read:
64	339.286 Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Grant Program
65	(1) The department shall establish the Electric Vehicle
66	Infrastructure Grant Program. The purpose of the program is to
67	provide financial assistance to encourage the installation of
68	electric vehicle charging infrastructure.

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69	(2) State agencies, public universities, public transit
70	agencies, ports, airports, and local governments, including
71	local housing authorities and libraries, may apply to the
72	department for grants for the purpose of installing publicly
73	available electric vehicle charging infrastructure on public or
74	private property.
75	(3) A grant may be awarded for:
76	(a) Technical assistance for the development and adoption
77	<u>of:</u>
78	1. A local or regional plan that establishes an electric
79	vehicle charging infrastructure;
80	2. Any action plans necessary to address any infrastructure
81	gaps; and
82	3. Steps necessary to complete the infrastructure plan.
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84	A plan must address actions to deploy the necessary
85	infrastructure in high-density housing areas and low-income to
86	moderate-income areas.
87	(b) Assistance with the purchase of related equipment and
88	the costs of installation of that equipment to provide electric
89	vehicle charging. Such equipment must be capable of collecting
90	and reporting data, use standard connectors, and be available to
91	the public.
92	(4)(a) An applicant may apply for a grant for both
93	technical assistance and equipment purchase and installation. A
94	grant for technical assistance requires a minimum match of funds
95	from the applicant of 30 percent of the grant award, but such
96	match is not required for an applicant that is located in a
97	fiscally constrained county as described in s. 218.67(1). A

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98 grant for equipment purchase and installation requires a minimum 99 match of funds from the applicant in the amount of 60 percent of 100 the total project cost for alternating-current, Level 2 charging 101 infrastructure; 20 percent of the total project cost for direct-102 current, fast-charging infrastructure; or 20 percent of the 103 total project cost for high-powered charging infrastructure for 104 electric aircraft, including, but not limited to, electric vertical takeoff and landing aircraft, and semi-trucks. The 105 106 matching funds must be from nonstate resources, but may include 107 private funds provided through a partnership with a private 108 entity or in-kind contributions such as the donation of 109 equipment, services, or land or use of land for establishment of 110 the electric vehicle charging infrastructure. Grant funds may 111 not subsidize the cost for the use of electricity. Twenty 112 percent of the funds available under the grant program must be 113 reserved for applicants or projects in fiscally constrained counties as described in s. 218.67(1). An applicant may partner 114 115 with a private sector entity to install charging infrastructure 116 on private property in the same county or local jurisdiction as 117 the applicant. 118 (b) The department shall develop and publish criteria for 119 prioritizing the grant applications and shall maintain a 120 prioritized list of approved grant applications. The prioritized 121 list must include recommended funding levels for each 122 application and, if staged implementation is appropriate, must 123 provide funding requirements for each stage. Grants must be 124 prioritized based on the extent to which the activities of the 125 grant will encourage growth in the use of electric vehicles and 126 increase the availability of charging locations along evacuation

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127	routes. A grant for equipment purchase and installation that
128	will immediately and most effectively serve those who currently
129	own or operate electric vehicles may receive priority.
130	(5) The department shall continually review emerging
131	research, policies, and standards related to electric vehicle
132	infrastructure and innovations in the use of electric vehicles.
133	Using such information, the department shall publish best
134	practices for the establishment of electric vehicle charging
135	infrastructure, model infrastructure plan development and
136	components, and other significant information for the
137	implementation and use of electric vehicle charging
138	infrastructure. The department may develop a model plan that
139	state agencies, public universities, public transit agencies,
140	ports, airports, and local governments may use as a guide to
141	establish an electric vehicle charging infrastructure plan.
142	(6) The department shall adopt rules to administer this
143	section.
144	Section 5. Subsection (2) of section 339.287, Florida
145	Statutes, is amended to read:
146	339.287 Electric vehicle charging stations; infrastructure
147	plan development
148	(2)(a) The department shall coordinate, develop, and
149	recommend a master plan and a supplemental master plan for
150	current and future plans for the development of electric vehicle
151	charging station infrastructure along the State Highway System,
152	as defined in s. 334.03(24). The plans must include
153	recommendations for legislation and may include other
154	recommendations as determined by the department.
155	1. The department shall develop the recommended master plan

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156 and submit the recommended master plan it to the Governor, the 157 President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of 158 Representatives by July 1, 2021. The plan must include 159 recommendations for legislation and may include other 160 recommendations as determined by the department.

2. The department shall submit the recommended supplemental master plan to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by July 1, 2023. The supplemental master plan must address innovations in electric vehicle charging station infrastructure occurring since the submission of the recommended master plan and the development of high-powered charging infrastructure for electric aircraft. The supplemental master plan also must make recommendations related to charging station infrastructure along the State Highway System and at airports, seaports, and other ports in light of these innovations.

(b) The department, in consultation with the Public Service Commission and the Office of Energy within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and any other public or private entities as necessary or appropriate, shall be primarily responsible for the following goals and objectives in developing the plans plan:

Identifying the types or characteristics of possible
locations for electric vehicle charging station infrastructure
along the State Highway System to support a supply of electric
vehicle charging stations that will:

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a. Accomplish the goals and objectives of this section;

183 b. Support both short-range and long-range electric vehicle 184 travel;

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185 c. Encourage the expansion of electric vehicle use in this 186 state; and

d. Adequately serve evacuation routes in this state.

188 2. Identifying any barriers to the use of electric vehicles 189 and electric vehicle charging station infrastructure both for 190 short-range and long-range electric vehicle travel along the 191 State Highway System.

3. Identifying an implementation strategy for expanding electric vehicle and charging station infrastructure use in this state.

4. Quantifying the loss of revenue to the State Transportation Trust Fund due to the current and projected future use of electric vehicles in this state and summarizing efforts of other states to address such revenue loss.

(c) The Public Service Commission, in consultation with the department and the Office of Energy within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and any other public or private entities as necessary or appropriate, shall be primarily responsible for the following goals and objectives in developing the <u>plans</u> plan:

1. Projecting the increase in the use of electric vehicles in this state over the next 20 years and determining how to ensure an adequate supply of reliable electric vehicle charging stations to support and encourage this growth in a manner supporting a competitive market with ample consumer choice.

210 2. Evaluating and comparing the types of electric vehicle 211 charging stations available at present and which may become 212 available in the future, including the technology and 213 infrastructure incorporated in such stations, along with the

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214 circumstances within which each type of station and infrastructure is typically used, including fleet charging, for 215 216 the purpose of identifying any advantages to developing 217 particular types or uses of these stations.

3. Considering strategies to develop this supply of 219 charging stations, including, but not limited to, methods of 220 building partnerships with local governments, other state and 221 federal entities, electric utilities, the business community, 2.2.2 and the public in support of electric vehicle charging stations.

4. Identifying the type of regulatory structure necessary for the delivery of electricity to electric vehicles and charging station infrastructure, including competitive neutral policies and the participation of public utilities in the marketplace.

228 (d) The Public Service Commission, in consultation with the 229 Office of Energy within the Department of Agriculture and 230 Consumer Services, shall review emerging technologies in the electric and alternative vehicle market, including alternative 231 232 fuel sources.

233 (e) The department, the Public Service Commission, and the 234 Office of Energy within the Department of Agriculture and 235 Consumer Services may agree to explore other issues deemed 236 necessary or appropriate for purposes of the plans report required by in paragraph (a). 237

238 (f) By December 1, 2021 December 1, 2020, the department 239 shall file a second status report with the Governor, the 240 President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives containing any preliminary recommendations, 241 including recommendations for legislation. 242

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243 Section 6. Section 366.94, Florida Statutes, is amended to 244 read: 366.94 Electric vehicle charging stations.-245 246 (1) The provision of electric vehicle charging to the 247 public by a nonutility is not the retail sale of electricity for 248 the purposes of this chapter. The rates, terms, and conditions 249 of electric vehicle charging services by a nonutility are not 250 subject to regulation under this chapter. This section does not affect the ability of individuals, businesses, or governmental 251 252 entities to acquire, install, or use an electric vehicle charger 253 for their own vehicles.

(2) The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services shall adopt rules to provide definitions, methods of sale, labeling requirements, and price-posting requirements for electric vehicle charging stations to allow for consistency for consumers and the industry. Rules implemented under this subsection may not require specific methods of sale for electric vehicle charging equipment used in, and electrical vehicle charging services provided in, this state.

(3) (a) It is unlawful for a person to stop, stand, or park 263 a vehicle that is not capable of using an electrical recharging station within any parking space specifically designated for charging an electric vehicle.

(b) If a law enforcement officer or parking enforcement specialist finds a motor vehicle in violation of this subsection, the officer or specialist shall charge the operator or other person in charge of the vehicle in violation with a noncriminal traffic infraction, punishable as provided in s. 316.008(4) or s. 318.18.

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272	Section 7. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this
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275	=========== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =================================
276	And the title is amended as follows:
277	Delete everything before the enacting clause
278	and insert:
279	A bill to be entitled
280	An act relating to electric vehicles; amending s.
281	316.003, F.S.; revising definitions; authorizing the
282	Department of Transportation to adopt rules; amending
283	s. 334.046, F.S.; revising the principles relating to
284	mobility which the department's goals are required to
285	address; creating s. 339.0802, F.S.; requiring that
286	certain funds be used for specified purposes relating
287	to the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Grant Program,
288	beginning in a specified year; providing for future
289	expiration; creating s. 339.286, F.S.; requiring the
290	department to establish the Electric Vehicle
291	Infrastructure Grant Program; providing the purpose of
292	the program; providing for the distribution of grants
293	to certain entities to install electric vehicle
294	charging infrastructure; providing grant requirements;
295	providing requirements for equipment installed using
296	grant funds; requiring the department to develop and
297	publish criteria for the prioritization of grant
298	applications and to maintain a prioritized list of
299	approved applications; requiring the department to
300	continually review emerging research, policies, and
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301 standards; requiring the department to publish certain 302 information; authorizing the department to develop a 303 model plan for specified entities; requiring the 304 department to adopt rules; amending s. 339.287, F.S.; 305 requiring the department to coordinate, develop, and 306 recommend a supplemental master plan to address 307 innovations in electric vehicle charging station 308 infrastructure and the development of high-powered 309 charging infrastructure for electric aircraft; 310 requiring the department to submit the plan to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; 311 312 conforming provisions to changes made by the act; 313 requiring the department to file a second status 314 report with the Governor and the Legislature by a 315 specified date; amending s. 366.94, F.S.; prohibiting 316 certain rules adopted by the Department of Agriculture 317 and Consumer Services from requiring specific methods 318 of sale for electric vehicle charging equipment used 319 and services provided in this state; providing 320 effective dates.