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1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Commerce Committee
2 Representative Andrade offered the following:

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4 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

5 Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:
6 Section 1. Section 177.107, Florida Statutes, is created
7 to read:

8 177.107 Closing and abandonment of roads; optional
9 conveyance to a community development district; traffic control
10 jurisdiction.-

11 (1) The governing body of a municipality or county may
12 abandon the roads and rights-of-way dedicated in a recorded
13 residential subdivision plat and simultaneously convey its
14 interest in such roads, rights-of-way, and appurtenant drainage
15 facilities to a community development district established under
16 chapter 190 in which the subdivision is located, if all of the

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17 following conditions are met:

18 (a) The community development district has requested the
19 abandonment and conveyance by written resolution for the purpose
20 of converting the subdivision to a gated neighborhood with
21 monitored public access.

22 (b) The community development district has received
23 approval for the conveyance by a vote of two-thirds of the
24 landowners who are subject to the non-ad valorem assessments of
25 the community development district and who are present by person
26 or proxy at a properly noticed landowners meeting.

27 (c) The community development district has executed an
28 interlocal agreement with the municipality or county, as
29 applicable, requiring the community development district to do
30 all of the following:

31 1. Maintain the roads and any associated drainage, street
32 lighting, or sidewalks identified in the interlocal agreement to
33 municipal or county standards, as applicable.

34 2. Every 5 years, conduct a reserve study of the roads and
35 any associated drainage, street lighting, or sidewalks
36 identified in the interlocal agreement.

37 3. Levy annual special assessments in amounts sufficient
38 to maintain the roads and any drainage, street lighting, or
39 sidewalks identified in the interlocal agreement to municipal or
40 county standards, as applicable.

41 4. Annually fund the amounts set forth in the reserve

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42 study.

43 (2) The community development district shall install,
44 operate, maintain, repair, and replace all signs, signals,
45 markings, striping, guardrails, and other traffic control
46 devices necessary or useful for the roads unless an agreement
47 has been entered into between the municipality or county and the
48 community development district, as authorized under s.
49 316.006(2)(b) and (3)(b), respectively, expressly providing that
50 the municipality or county has traffic control jurisdiction.

51 (3) Upon abandonment of the roads and rights-of-way and
52 the conveyance thereof to the community development district,
53 the community development district shall have all the rights,
54 title, and interest in the roads and rights-of-way, including
55 all appurtenant drainage facilities, as were previously vested
56 in the municipality or county. Thereafter, the community
57 development district shall hold the roads and rights-of-way in
58 trust for the benefit of the public and owners of the property
59 in the subdivision and shall operate, maintain, repair, and from
60 time to time replace and reconstruct the roads and any
61 associated street lighting, sidewalks, or drainage facilities
62 identified in the interlocal agreement as necessary to ensure
63 their use and enjoyment by the public and property owners,
64 tenants, and residents of the subdivision and their guests and
65 invitees.

66 (4) The provisions of this section are supplemental and

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67 additional to the powers of municipalities and counties.

68 Section 2. Section 287.05705, Florida Statutes, is created
69 to read:

70 287.05705 Procurements of road, bridge, and other
71 specified public construction services.-

72 (1) With respect to competitive solicitations for the
73 procurement of contractual services that are limited to the
74 classes of work for which the Department of Transportation
75 issues certificates of qualification pursuant to s. 337.14,
76 which services do not involve the construction, remodeling,
77 repair, or improvement of any building, a governmental entity
78 procuring such services may not prohibit a response from a
79 vendor possessing a valid certificate of qualification under s.
80 337.14 or license under chapter 489 corresponding to the
81 contractual services being procured.

82 (2) This section applies to all competitive solicitations
83 issued by a governmental entity on or after October 1, 2021.

84 Section 3. Subsections subsection (2) and paragraph (b) of
85 subsection (56), are amended, to read:

86 316.003 Definitions.-The following words and phrases, when
87 used in this chapter, shall have the meanings respectively
88 ascribed to them in this section, except where the context
89 otherwise requires:

90 (2) AUTOCYCLE.-A three-wheeled motorcycle that has two
91 wheels in the front and one wheel in the back; is equipped with

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92 a roll cage or roll hoops, a seat belt for each occupant,
93 ~~antilock~~ brakes that meet the requirements of Federal Motor
94 Vehicle Safety Standard No. 122, a steering mechanism ~~wheel~~, and
95 seating that does not require the operator to straddle or sit
96 astride it; and is manufactured in accordance with the
97 applicable federal motorcycle safety standards in 49 C.F.R. part
98 571 by a manufacturer registered with the National Highway
99 Traffic Safety Administration.

100 (56) PERSONAL DELIVERY DEVICE.—An electrically powered
101 device that:

102 (b) Weighs less than 550 ~~80~~ pounds, excluding cargo;

103
104 A personal delivery device is not considered a vehicle unless
105 expressly defined by law as a vehicle. A mobile carrier is not
106 considered a personal delivery device.

107 Section 4. Subsections (5) and (7) of section 316.2397,
108 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

109 316.2397 Certain lights prohibited; exceptions.—

110 (5) Road maintenance and construction equipment and
111 vehicles may display flashing white lights or flashing white
112 strobe lights when in operation and where a hazard exists.
113 Construction equipment in a work zone on roadways with a posted
114 speed limit of 55 miles per hour or higher may show or display a
115 combination of flashing green, amber, and red lights in
116 conjunction with periods when workers are present. Additionally,

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117 school buses and vehicles that are used to transport farm
118 workers may display flashing white strobe lights.

119 (7) Flashing lights are prohibited on vehicles except:

120 (a) As a means of indicating a right or left turn, to
121 change lanes, or to indicate that the vehicle is lawfully
122 stopped or disabled upon the highway;

123 (b) When a motorist intermittently flashes his or her
124 vehicle's headlamps at an oncoming vehicle notwithstanding the
125 motorist's intent for doing so;

126 (c) During periods of extreme low visibility on roadways
127 with a posted speed limit of 55 mph or higher; and

128 (d)~~(e)~~ For the lamps authorized under subsections (1),
129 (2), (3), (4), and (9), s. 316.2065, or s. 316.235(6) which may
130 flash.

131 Section 5. Subsection (14) is added to section 316.302,
132 Florida Statutes, to read:

133 316.302 Commercial motor vehicles; safety regulations;
134 transporters and shippers of hazardous materials; enforcement;
135 motor carrier safety improvements.-

136 (14)(a) The deployment, implementation, or use of a motor
137 carrier safety improvement by or as required by a motor carrier,
138 its related entity, or a third-party, including by contract,
139 shall not be considered when evaluating an individual's status
140 as an employee or independent contractor, or as a jointly
141 employed employee under any state law.

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142 (b) For the purpose of this subsection, a motor carrier
143 safety improvement shall mean any device, equipment, software,
144 technology, procedure, training, policy, program, or operational
145 practice intended and primarily used to improve or facilitate:

146 1. Compliance with traffic safety or motor carrier safety
147 laws;

148 2. Safety of a motor vehicle;

149 3. Safety of the operator of a motor vehicle; or

150 4. Safety of third-party users of public roadways.

151 Section 6. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section
152 319.30, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

153 319.30 Definitions; dismantling, destruction, change of
154 identity of motor vehicle or mobile home; salvage.—

155 (3)

156 (b) The owner, including persons who are self-insured, of
157 a motor vehicle or mobile home that is considered to be salvage
158 shall, within 72 hours after the motor vehicle or mobile home
159 becomes salvage, forward the title to the motor vehicle or
160 mobile home to the department for processing. However, an
161 insurance company that pays money as compensation for the total
162 loss of a motor vehicle or mobile home shall obtain the
163 certificate of title for the motor vehicle or mobile home, make
164 the required notification to the National Motor Vehicle Title
165 Information System, and, within 72 hours after receiving such
166 certificate of title, forward such title by the United States

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167 Postal Service, by another commercial delivery service, or by
168 electronic means, when such means are made available by the
169 department, to the department for processing. The owner or
170 insurance company, as applicable, may not dispose of a vehicle
171 or mobile home that is a total loss before it obtains a salvage
172 certificate of title or certificate of destruction from the
173 department. Effective January 1, 2020:

174 1. Thirty days after payment of a claim for compensation
175 pursuant to this paragraph, the insurance company may receive a
176 salvage certificate of title or certificate of destruction from
177 the department if the insurance company is unable to obtain a
178 properly assigned certificate of title from the owner or
179 lienholder of the motor vehicle or mobile home, if the motor
180 vehicle or mobile home does not carry an electronic lien on the
181 title and the insurance company:

182 a. Has obtained the release of all liens on the motor
183 vehicle or mobile home;

184 b. Has attested on a form provided by the department that
185 ~~provided proof of~~ payment of the total loss claim has been
186 distributed; and

187 c. Has attested on a form provided by the department and
188 ~~provided an affidavit on letterhead~~ signed by the insurance
189 company or its authorized agent stating the attempts that have
190 been made to obtain the title from the owner or lienholder and
191 further stating that all attempts are to no avail. The form

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192 ~~affidavit~~ must include a request that the salvage certificate of
193 title or certificate of destruction be issued in the insurance
194 company's name due to payment of a total loss claim to the owner
195 or lienholder. The attempts to contact the owner may be by
196 written request delivered in person or by first-class mail with
197 a certificate of mailing to the owner's or lienholder's last
198 known address.

199 2. If the owner or lienholder is notified of the request
200 for title in person, the insurance company must provide an
201 affidavit attesting to the in-person request for a certificate
202 of title.

203 3. The request to the owner or lienholder for the
204 certificate of title must include a complete description of the
205 motor vehicle or mobile home and the statement that a total loss
206 claim has been paid on the motor vehicle or mobile home.

207 Section 7. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section
208 320.06, Florida Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter
209 2020-181, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

210 320.06 Registration certificates, license plates, and
211 validation stickers generally.—

212 (1)

213 (b)1. Registration license plates bearing a graphic symbol
214 and the alphanumeric system of identification shall be issued
215 for a 10-year period. At the end of the 10-year period, upon
216 renewal, the plate shall be replaced. The department shall

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217 extend the scheduled license plate replacement date from a 6-
218 year period to a 10-year period. The fee for such replacement is
219 \$28, \$2.80 of which shall be paid each year before the plate is
220 replaced, to be credited toward the next \$28 replacement fee.
221 The fees shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating
222 Trust Fund. A credit or refund may not be given for any prior
223 years' payments of the prorated replacement fee if the plate is
224 replaced or surrendered before the end of the 10-year period,
225 except that a credit may be given if a registrant is required by
226 the department to replace a license plate under s.
227 320.08056(8) (a). With each license plate, a validation sticker
228 shall be issued showing the owner's birth month, license plate
229 number, and the year of expiration or the appropriate renewal
230 period if the owner is not a natural person. The validation
231 sticker shall be placed on the upper right corner of the license
232 plate. The license plate and validation sticker shall be issued
233 based on the applicant's appropriate renewal period. The
234 registration period is 12 months, the extended registration
235 period is 24 months, and all expirations occur based on the
236 applicant's appropriate registration period. Rental vehicles
237 taxed pursuant to s. 320.08(6) (a) may elect a permanent
238 registration period, provided payment of the appropriate license
239 taxes and fees occurs annually. A vehicle that has an
240 apportioned registration shall be issued an annual license plate
241 and a cab card that denote the declared gross vehicle weight for

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242 each apportioned jurisdiction in which the vehicle is authorized
243 to operate.

244 2. In order to retain the efficient administration of the
245 taxes and fees imposed by this chapter, the 80-cent fee increase
246 in the replacement fee imposed by chapter 2009-71, Laws of
247 Florida, is negated as provided in s. 320.0804.

248 Section 8. Subsection (3) and paragraph (a) of subsection
249 (10) of section 320.27, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

250 320.27 Motor vehicle dealers.—

251 (3) APPLICATION AND FEE.—The application for the license
252 shall be in such form as may be prescribed by the department and
253 shall be subject to such rules with respect thereto as may be so
254 prescribed by it. Such application shall be verified by oath or
255 affirmation and shall contain a full statement of the name and
256 birth date of the person or persons applying therefor; the name
257 of the firm or copartnership, with the names and places of
258 residence of all members thereof, if such applicant is a firm or
259 copartnership; the names and places of residence of the
260 principal officers, if the applicant is a body corporate or
261 other artificial body; the name of the state under whose laws
262 the corporation is organized; the present and former place or
263 places of residence of the applicant; and prior business in
264 which the applicant has been engaged and the location thereof.
265 Such application shall describe the exact location of the place
266 of business and shall state whether the place of business is

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267 owned by the applicant and when acquired, or, if leased, a true
268 copy of the lease shall be attached to the application. The
269 applicant shall certify that the location provides an adequately
270 equipped office and is not a residence; that the location
271 affords sufficient unoccupied space upon and within which
272 adequately to store all motor vehicles offered and displayed for
273 sale; and that the location is a suitable place where the
274 applicant can in good faith carry on such business and keep and
275 maintain books, records, and files necessary to conduct such
276 business, which shall be available at all reasonable hours to
277 inspection by the department or any of its inspectors or other
278 employees. The applicant shall certify that the business of a
279 motor vehicle dealer is the principal business which shall be
280 conducted at that location. The application shall contain a
281 statement that the applicant is either franchised by a
282 manufacturer of motor vehicles, in which case the name of each
283 motor vehicle that the applicant is franchised to sell shall be
284 included, or an independent (nonfranchised) motor vehicle
285 dealer. The application shall contain other relevant information
286 as may be required by the department, including evidence that
287 the applicant is insured under a garage liability insurance
288 policy or a general liability insurance policy coupled with a
289 business automobile policy, which shall include, at a minimum,
290 \$25,000 combined single-limit liability coverage including
291 bodily injury and property damage protection and \$10,000

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292 personal injury protection. However, a salvage motor vehicle
293 dealer as defined in subparagraph (1)(c)5. is exempt from the
294 requirements for garage liability insurance and personal injury
295 protection insurance on those vehicles that cannot be legally
296 operated on roads, highways, or streets in this state. Franchise
297 dealers must submit a garage liability insurance policy, and all
298 other dealers must submit a garage liability insurance policy or
299 a general liability insurance policy coupled with a business
300 automobile policy. Such policy shall be for the license period,
301 and evidence of a new or continued policy shall be delivered to
302 the department at the beginning of each license period. A
303 licensee shall deliver to the department, in the manner
304 prescribed by the department, within 10 calendar days after any
305 renewal or continuation of or change in such policy or within 10
306 calendar days after any issuance of a new policy, a copy of the
307 renewed, continued, changed, or new policy. Upon making initial
308 application, the applicant shall pay to the department a fee of
309 \$300 in addition to any other fees required by law. Applicants
310 may choose to extend the licensure period for 1 additional year
311 for a total of 2 years. An initial applicant shall pay to the
312 department a fee of \$300 for the first year and \$75 for the
313 second year, in addition to any other fees required by law. An
314 applicant for renewal shall pay to the department \$75 for a 1-
315 year renewal or \$150 for a 2-year renewal, in addition to any
316 other fees required by law. Upon making an application for a

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317 change of location, the person shall pay a fee of \$50 in
318 addition to any other fees now required by law. The department
319 shall, in the case of every application for initial licensure,
320 verify whether certain facts set forth in the application are
321 true. Each applicant, general partner in the case of a
322 partnership, or corporate officer and director in the case of a
323 corporate applicant, must file a set of fingerprints with the
324 department for the purpose of determining any prior criminal
325 record or any outstanding warrants. The department shall submit
326 the fingerprints to the Department of Law Enforcement for state
327 processing and forwarding to the Federal Bureau of Investigation
328 for federal processing. The actual cost of state and federal
329 processing shall be borne by the applicant and is in addition to
330 the fee for licensure. The department may issue a license to an
331 applicant pending the results of the fingerprint investigation,
332 which license is fully revocable if the department subsequently
333 determines that any facts set forth in the application are not
334 true or correctly represented.

335 (10) SURETY BOND OR IRREVOCABLE LETTER OF CREDIT
336 REQUIRED.—

337 (a) Annually, before any license shall be issued to a
338 motor vehicle dealer, the applicant-dealer of new or used motor
339 vehicles shall deliver to the department a good and sufficient
340 surety bond or irrevocable letter of credit, executed by the
341 applicant-dealer as principal, in the sum of \$25,000. A licensee

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342 shall deliver to the department, in the manner prescribed by the
343 department, within 10 calendar days after any renewal or
344 continuation of or change in such surety bond or irrevocable
345 letter of credit or within 10 calendar days after any issuance
346 of a new surety bond or irrevocable letter of credit, a copy of
347 such renewed, continued, changed, or new surety bond or
348 irrevocable letter of credit.

349 Section 9. Subsections (4) through (8) of section 330.27,
350 Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (5) through (9),
351 respectively, and subsection (4) is added to that section to
352 read:

353 330.27 Definitions, when used in ss. 330.29-330.39.—

354 (4) "Electric vertical takeoff and landing aircraft" means
355 a type of aircraft that uses electric power to hover, take off,
356 and land vertically.

357 Section 10. Section 337.025, Florida Statutes, is amended
358 to read:

359 337.025 Innovative transportation projects; department to
360 establish program.—

361 (1) The department may establish a program for
362 transportation projects demonstrating innovative techniques of
363 highway and bridge design, construction, maintenance, and
364 finance which have the intended effect of measuring resiliency
365 and structural integrity and controlling time and cost increases
366 on construction projects. Such techniques may include, but are

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367 not limited to, state-of-the-art technology for pavement,
368 safety, and other aspects of highway and bridge design,
369 construction, and maintenance; innovative bidding and financing
370 techniques; accelerated construction procedures; and those
371 techniques that have the potential to reduce project life cycle
372 costs. To the maximum extent practical, the department must use
373 the existing process to award and administer construction and
374 maintenance contracts. When specific innovative techniques are
375 to be used, the department is not required to adhere to those
376 provisions of law that would prevent, preclude, or in any way
377 prohibit the department from using the innovative technique.
378 However, before using an innovative technique that is
379 inconsistent with another provision of law, the department must
380 document in writing the need for the exception and identify what
381 benefits the traveling public and the affected community are
382 anticipated to receive. The department may enter into no more
383 than \$120 million in contracts annually for the purposes
384 authorized by this section.

385 (2) The annual cap on contracts provided in subsection (1)
386 does ~~shall~~ not apply to:

387 (a) ~~Turnpike enterprise projects, and turnpike enterprise~~
388 ~~projects shall not be counted toward the department's annual~~
389 ~~cap.~~

390 (b) Low-bid design-build milling and resurfacing contracts
391 ~~Transportation projects funded by the American Recovery and~~

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392 ~~Reinvestment Act of 2009.~~

393 Section 11. Section 337.0262, Florida Statutes, is created
394 to read:

395 337.0262 Purchase and use of clay, peat, gravel, sand, or
396 any other solid substance extracted from borrow pits.-

397 (1) The department, and any contractor or subcontractor of
398 the department, may not purchase or use any clay, peat, gravel,
399 sand, or other solid substance extracted from a borrow pit as
400 defined in s. 378.403 unless:

401 (a) Certification is provided to the department,
402 contractor, or subcontractor by the operator of the borrow pit
403 that it is in compliance with the notice requirements and
404 substantive requirements of s. 378.801; and

405 (b) The operator of the borrow pit is in compliance with
406 the performance standards in s. 378.803, including, but not
407 limited to, providing proof of currently valid permits required
408 by the Department of Environmental Protection and the
409 appropriate water management district.

410 (2) All contracts and purchase orders executed by the
411 department and all subcontracts and purchase orders executed by
412 contractors or subcontractors after July 1, 2021, must include
413 specific requirements for compliance with this section.

414 (3) In the event that the department determines that
415 substances are being obtained and used from a borrow pit that is
416 not in compliance with this section, the department must cease

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417 to accept any substances from that borrow pit within 48 hours
418 after such determination. The department may resume acceptance
419 of substances from the borrow pit once the borrow pit is in
420 compliance with this section.

421 Section 12. Subsections (1), (4), and (7) of section
422 337.14, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

423 337.14 Application for qualification; certificate of
424 qualification; restrictions; request for hearing.—

425 (1) Any contractor desiring to bid for the performance of
426 any construction contract in excess of \$250,000 which the
427 department proposes to let must first be certified by the
428 department as qualified pursuant to this section and rules of
429 the department. The rules of the department must address the
430 qualification of contractors to bid on construction contracts in
431 excess of \$250,000 and must include requirements with respect to
432 the equipment, past record, experience, financial resources, and
433 organizational personnel of the applying contractor which are
434 necessary to perform the specific class of work for which the
435 contractor seeks certification. Any contractor who desires to
436 bid on contracts in excess of \$50 million and who is not
437 qualified and in good standing with the department as of January
438 1, 2019, must first be certified by the department as qualified
439 ~~and desires to bid on contracts in excess of \$50 million~~ must
440 have satisfactorily completed two projects, each in excess of
441 \$15 million, for the department or for any other state

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442 department of transportation. The department may limit the
443 dollar amount of any contract upon which a contractor is
444 qualified to bid or the aggregate total dollar volume of
445 contracts such contractor is allowed to have under contract at
446 any one time. Each applying contractor seeking qualification to
447 bid on construction contracts in excess of \$250,000 shall
448 furnish the department a statement under oath, on such forms as
449 the department may prescribe, setting forth detailed information
450 as required on the application. Each application for
451 certification must be accompanied by audited, certified
452 financial statements prepared in accordance with generally
453 accepted accounting principles and auditing standards by a
454 certified public accountant licensed in this state or another
455 state. The audited, certified financial statements must be for
456 the applying contractor and must have been prepared the latest
457 annual financial statement of the applying contractor completed
458 within the immediately preceding last 12 months. The department
459 may not consider any financial information of the parent entity
460 of the applying contractor, if any. The department may not
461 certify as qualified any applying contractor that fails to
462 submit the audited, certified financial statements required by
463 this subsection. If the application or the annual financial
464 statement shows the financial condition of the applying
465 contractor more than 4 months before ~~prior to~~ the date on which
466 the application is received by the department, a reviewed

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467 interim financial statement or an interim audited, certified
468 financial statement prepared in accordance with generally
469 accepted accounting principles and auditing standards by a
470 certified public accountant licensed in this state or another
471 state may be requested by the department ~~statement and an~~
472 ~~updated application must be submitted.~~ The interim financial
473 statements, if requested, ~~statement~~ must cover the period from
474 the end date of the annual statement and must show the financial
475 condition of the applying contractor no more than 4 months
476 before ~~prior to~~ the date that the interim financial statements
477 are ~~statement is~~ received by the department. However, upon the
478 request of the applying contractor, an application and
479 accompanying annual or interim financial statement received by
480 the department within 15 days after either 4-month period under
481 this subsection shall be considered timely. ~~Each required annual~~
482 ~~or interim financial statement must be audited and accompanied~~
483 ~~by the opinion of a certified public accountant.~~ An applying
484 contractor desiring to bid exclusively for the performance of
485 construction contracts with proposed budget estimates of less
486 than \$1 million may submit reviewed annual or reviewed interim
487 financial statements prepared by a certified public accountant.
488 The information required by this subsection is confidential and
489 exempt from s. 119.07(1). The department shall act upon the
490 application for qualification within 30 days after the
491 department determines that the application is complete. The

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492 department may waive the requirements of this subsection for
493 projects having a contract price of \$500,000 or less if the
494 department determines that the project is of a noncritical
495 nature and the waiver will not endanger public health, safety,
496 or property.

497 (4) If the applicant is found to possess the prescribed
498 qualifications, the department shall issue to him or her a
499 certificate of qualification that, unless thereafter revoked by
500 the department for good cause, will be valid for a period of 18
501 months after the date of the applicant's financial statement or
502 such shorter period as the department prescribes. Submission of
503 an application and subsequent approval do ~~shall~~ not affect
504 expiration of the certificate of qualification, the ability
505 factor of the applicant, or the maximum capacity rating of the
506 applicant. If the department finds that an application is
507 incomplete or contains inadequate information or information
508 that cannot be verified, the department may request in writing
509 that the applicant provide the necessary information to complete
510 the application or provide the source from which any information
511 in the application may be verified. If the applicant fails to
512 comply with the initial written request within a reasonable
513 period of time as specified therein, the department shall
514 request the information a second time. If the applicant fails to
515 comply with the second request within a reasonable period of
516 time as specified therein, the application shall be denied.

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517 (7) A "contractor" as defined in s. 337.165(1)(d) or his
518 or her "affiliate" as defined in s. 337.165(1)(a) qualified with
519 the department under this section may not also qualify under s.
520 287.055 or s. 337.105 to provide testing services, construction,
521 engineering, and inspection services to the department. This
522 limitation does not apply to any design-build prequalification
523 under s. 337.11(7) and does not apply when the department
524 otherwise determines by written order entered at least 30 days
525 before advertisement that the limitation is not in the best
526 interests of the public with respect to a particular contract
527 for testing services, construction, engineering, and inspection
528 services. This subsection does not authorize a contractor to
529 provide testing services, or provide construction, engineering,
530 and inspection services, to the department in connection with a
531 construction contract under which the contractor is performing
532 any work. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
533 contrary, for a project that is wholly or partially funded by
534 the department and administered by a local governmental entity,
535 except for a seaport listed in s. 311.09 or an airport as
536 defined in s. 332.004, the entity performing design and
537 construction engineering and inspection services may not be the
538 same entity.

539 Section 13. Section 337.185, Florida Statutes, is amended
540 to read:

541 (Substantial rewording of section. See

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542 s. 337.185, F.S., for present text.)

543 337.185 State Arbitration Board.—

544 (1) To facilitate the prompt resolution of claims arising
545 out of or in connection with a construction or maintenance
546 contract with the department, the Legislature has established
547 the State Arbitration Board, referred to in this section as the
548 "board."

549 (2) As used in this section, the term:

550 (a) "Claim" means the aggregate of all outstanding written
551 requests for additional monetary compensation, time, or other
552 adjustments to the contract, the entitlement or impact of which
553 is disputed with the department and could not be resolved by
554 negotiations between the department and the contractor.

555 (b) "Contractor" means a person or firm having a contract
556 for rendering services to the department relating to the
557 construction or maintenance of a transportation facility.

558 (c) "Final acceptance" means that the contractor has
559 completely performed the work provided for under the contract,
560 the department or its agent has determined that the contractor
561 has satisfactorily completed the work provided for under the
562 contract, and the department or its agent has submitted written
563 notice of final acceptance to the contractor.

564 (3) Every claim in an amount of up to \$250,000 per
565 contract that could not be resolved by negotiations between the
566 department and the contractor shall be arbitrated by the board.

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567 An award issued by the board pursuant to this subsection is
568 final and enforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction.

569 (4) The contractor may submit a claim greater than
570 \$250,000 up to \$1 million per contract or, upon agreement of the
571 parties, up to \$2 million per contract to be arbitrated by the
572 board. An award issued by the board pursuant to this subsection
573 is final if a request for a trial de novo is not filed within
574 the time provided by Rule 1.830, Florida Rules of Civil
575 Procedure. At the trial de novo, the court may not admit
576 evidence that there has been an arbitration proceeding, the
577 nature or amount of the award, or any other matter concerning
578 the conduct of the arbitration proceeding, except that testimony
579 given at an arbitration hearing may be used for any purpose
580 otherwise permitted by the Florida Evidence Code. If a request
581 for trial de novo is not filed within the time provided, the
582 award issued by the board is final and enforceable by a court of
583 competent jurisdiction.

584 (5) An arbitration request may not be made to the board
585 before final acceptance but must be made to the board within 820
586 days after final acceptance.

587 (6) The board shall schedule a hearing within 45 days
588 after an arbitration request and, if possible, shall conduct the
589 hearing within 90 days after the request. The board may
590 administer oaths and conduct the proceedings as provided by the
591 Florida Rules of Civil Procedure and the Florida Evidence Code.

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592 The hearing may be conducted informally. Presentation of
593 testimony and evidence shall be kept to a minimum, and matters
594 shall be presented to the board primarily through the statements
595 and arguments of counsel. The board shall address the scope of
596 discovery, presentation of testimony, and evidence at a
597 preliminary hearing by considering the size, subject matter, and
598 complexity of the dispute. Any party to the arbitration may
599 petition the board, for good cause shown, to issue subpoenas for
600 the attendance of witnesses and the production of books,
601 records, documents, and other evidence at the arbitration and
602 may petition the board for orders compelling such attendance and
603 production at the arbitration. Subpoenas shall be served and are
604 enforceable in the manner provided in the Florida Rules of Civil
605 Procedure.

606 (7) The board must issue an award within 45 days after the
607 conclusion of the arbitration hearing. If all three members of
608 the board do not agree, the award agreed to by the majority of
609 the board shall constitute the award of the board.

610 (8) The board shall be composed of three members. The
611 first member shall be appointed by the Secretary of
612 Transportation, and the second member shall be elected by those
613 construction or maintenance companies that are under contract
614 with the department. The third member shall be chosen by
615 agreement of the first and second members. If the first or
616 second member has a conflict of interest regarding affiliation

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617 with one of the parties to an arbitration hearing, the
618 appointing entity shall appoint an alternate member for that
619 hearing. If the third member has such a conflict of interest,
620 the first and second members shall select an alternate member.
621 Each member shall serve a 4-year term. The board shall elect a
622 chair for each term, who shall be the administrator of the board
623 and custodian of its records.

624 (9) The presence of all board members is required to
625 conduct a meeting either in person or by means of communications
626 media technology used in accordance with rules adopted by the
627 Administration Commission under s. 120.54(5).

628 (10) The members of the board may receive compensation for
629 the performance of their duties from deposits made by the
630 parties based on an estimate of compensation by the board,
631 except that no employee of the department may receive
632 compensation from the board. All deposits shall be held in
633 escrow in advance of the hearing. Each member eligible for
634 compensation shall be compensated at a rate of \$200 per hour, up
635 to a maximum of \$1,500 per day. Members of the board are
636 entitled to receive per diem and travel expenses pursuant to s.
637 112.061. The board may allocate funds annually for clerical and
638 other administrative services.

639 (11) To cover the cost of administration and initial
640 compensation of the board, the party requesting arbitration
641 shall pay a filing fee to the board, according to a schedule

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642 established by the board, of:

643 (a) Up to \$500 for a claim that is \$25,000 or less.

644 (b) Up to \$1,000 for a claim that is more than \$25,000 but
645 is \$50,000 or less.

646 (c) Up to \$1,500 for a claim that is more than \$50,000 but
647 is \$100,000 or less.

648 (d) Up to \$2,000 for a claim that is more than \$100,000
649 but is \$200,000 or less.

650 (e) Up to \$3,000 for a claim that is more than \$200,000
651 but is \$300,000 or less.

652 (f) Up to \$4,000 for a claim that is more than \$300,000
653 but is \$400,000 or less.

654 (g) Up to \$5,000 for a claim that is more than \$400,000.

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656 The board may apportion the filing fees and the cost of
657 recording and preparing a transcript of the hearing among the
658 parties in its award.

659 Section 14. Subsection (3) of section 338.166, Florida
660 Statutes, is amended to read:

661 338.166 High-occupancy toll lanes or express lanes.—

662 (3) Any remaining toll revenue from the high-occupancy
663 toll lanes or express lanes shall be used by the department for
664 the construction, maintenance, or improvement of any road or to
665 support public transportation projects that benefit the
666 operation of high-occupancy toll lanes or express lanes on the

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667 State Highway System within the county or counties in which the
668 toll revenues were collected or to support express bus service
669 on the facility where the toll revenues were collected.

670 Section 15. Paragraphs (f) and (i) of subsection (6) of
671 section 339.175, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

672 339.175 Metropolitan planning organization.—

673 (6) POWERS, DUTIES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—The powers,
674 privileges, and authority of an M.P.O. are those specified in
675 this section or incorporated in an interlocal agreement
676 authorized under s. 163.01. Each M.P.O. shall perform all acts
677 required by federal or state laws or rules, now and subsequently
678 applicable, which are necessary to qualify for federal aid. It
679 is the intent of this section that each M.P.O. shall be involved
680 in the planning and programming of transportation facilities,
681 including, but not limited to, airports, intercity and high-
682 speed rail lines, seaports, and intermodal facilities, to the
683 extent permitted by state or federal law.

684 (f) ~~1.~~ The department shall allocate to each M.P.O., for
685 the purpose of accomplishing its transportation planning and
686 programming duties, an appropriate amount of federal
687 transportation planning funds.

688 ~~2. In a county as defined in s. 125.011(1), the M.P.O. may~~
689 ~~not assess any fees for municipalities, counties, or other~~
690 ~~governmental entities that are members of the M.P.O.~~

691 (i) There is created the ~~Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit~~

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692 ~~Authority Metropolitan Planning Organization Chairs Coordinating~~
693 ~~Committee is created within the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit~~
694 ~~Authority, composed of the M.P.O.'s serving Citrus, Hernando,~~
695 ~~Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, and Sarasota~~
696 ~~Counties. The authority shall provide administrative support and~~
697 ~~direction to the committee.~~ The committee must, at a minimum:

698 1. Coordinate transportation projects deemed to be
699 regionally significant by the committee.

700 2. Review the impact of regionally significant land use
701 decisions on the region.

702 3. Review all proposed regionally significant
703 transportation projects in the respective transportation
704 improvement programs which affect more than one of the M.P.O.'s
705 represented on the committee.

706 4. Institute a conflict resolution process to address any
707 conflict that may arise in the planning and programming of such
708 regionally significant projects.

709 Section 16. Part III of chapter 343, Florida Statutes,
710 consisting of sections 343.80, 343.805, 343.81, 343.82, 343.83,
711 343.835, 343.836, 343.84, 343.85, 343.87, 343.875, 343.88,
712 343.881, 343.884, and 343.89, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

713 Section 17. Notwithstanding any other law, the Northwest
714 Florida Transportation Corridor Authority is dissolved. The
715 authority shall discharge or make provision for the authority's
716 debts, obligations, and other liabilities; settle and close the

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717 authority's activities and affairs; and provide for distribution
718 of the authority's assets, or the proceeds of such assets, such
719 that each local general-purpose government represented on the
720 authority's board receives a distribution generally in
721 proportion to each entity's contribution to the acquisition of
722 the assets.

723 Section 18. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) and
724 subsections (8) and (9) of section 343.92, Florida Statutes, are
725 amended to read:

726 343.92 Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority.—

727 (2) The governing board of the authority shall consist of
728 13 voting members appointed no later than 45 days after the
729 creation of the authority.

730 (b) The 13 voting members of the board shall be as
731 follows:

732 1. The county commissions of Hernando, Hillsborough,
733 Manatee, Pasco, and Pinellas Counties shall each appoint one
734 county commissioner to the board. Members appointed under this
735 subparagraph shall serve 2-year terms with not more than three
736 consecutive terms being served by any person. If a member under
737 this subparagraph leaves elected office, a vacancy exists on the
738 board to be filled as provided in this subparagraph within 90
739 days.

740 2.a. Two members of the board shall be the mayor, or the
741 mayor's designated alternate, of the largest municipality within

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742 the service area of each of the following independent transit
743 agencies or their legislatively created successor agencies:
744 Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority and Hillsborough Area
745 Regional Transit Authority. The largest municipality is that
746 municipality with the largest population as determined by the
747 most recent United States Decennial Census.

748 b. The mayor's designated alternate must be an elected
749 member of the municipality's city council and approved as the
750 mayor's designated alternate by the municipality's city council.
751 In the event the mayor is unable to attend a meeting, the
752 mayor's designated alternate shall attend the meeting on the
753 mayor's behalf and has the full right to vote.

754 3. The following independent transit agencies or their
755 legislatively created successor agencies shall each appoint from
756 the membership of their governing bodies one member to the
757 board: Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority and Hillsborough Area
758 Regional Transit Authority. Each member appointed under this
759 subparagraph shall serve a 2-year term with not more than three
760 consecutive terms being served by any person. If a member no
761 longer meets the transit authority's criteria for appointment, a
762 vacancy exists on the board, which must be filled as provided in
763 this subparagraph within 90 days.

764 4. The Governor shall appoint to the board four members
765 from the regional business community, each of whom must reside
766 in one of the counties governed by the authority and may not be

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767 an elected official. Of the members initially appointed under
768 this subparagraph, one shall serve a 1-year term, two shall
769 serve 2-year terms, and one shall serve a term as the initial
770 chair as provided in subsection (5). Thereafter, a member
771 appointed under this subparagraph shall serve a 2-year term with
772 not more than three consecutive terms being served by any
773 person.

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775 Appointments may be staggered to avoid mass turnover at the end
776 of any 2-year or 4-year period. A vacancy during a term shall be
777 filled within 90 days in the same manner as the original
778 appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term.

779 (8) A simple majority ~~Seven members~~ of the board shall
780 constitute a quorum, and a simple majority of the voting members
781 present shall be necessary for any action to be taken by the
782 board ~~the vote of seven members is necessary for any action to~~
783 ~~be taken by the authority.~~ The authority may meet upon the
784 constitution of a quorum. A vacancy does not impair the right of
785 a quorum of the board to exercise all rights and the ability to
786 perform all duties of the authority.

787 ~~(9) Beginning July 1, 2017, the board must evaluate the~~
788 ~~abolishment, continuance, modification, or establishment of the~~
789 ~~following committees:~~

790 ~~(a) Planning committee.~~

791 ~~(b) Policy committee.~~

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- 792 ~~(c) Finance committee.~~
- 793 ~~(d) Citizens advisory committee.~~
- 794 ~~(e) Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority Metropolitan~~
- 795 ~~Planning Organization Chairs Coordinating Committee.~~
- 796 ~~(f) Transit management committee.~~
- 797 ~~(g) Technical advisory committee.~~

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799 ~~The board must submit its recommendations for abolishment,~~
800 ~~continuance, modification, or establishment of the committees to~~
801 ~~the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of~~
802 ~~Representatives before the beginning of the 2018 Regular~~
803 ~~Session.~~

804 Section 19. Paragraphs (e), (f), and (g) of subsection (3)
805 of section 343.922, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

806 343.922 Powers and duties.—

807 (3)

808 (e) The authority shall present the ~~original~~ regional
809 transit development plan and updates to the governing bodies of
810 the counties within the designated region, ~~to the TBARTA~~
811 ~~Metropolitan Planning Organization Chairs Coordinating~~
812 ~~Committee,~~ and to the legislative delegation members
813 representing those counties within 90 days after adoption.

814 ~~(f) The authority shall coordinate plans and projects with~~
815 ~~the TBARTA Metropolitan Planning Organization Chairs~~
816 ~~Coordinating Committee, to the extent practicable, and~~

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817 ~~participate in the regional M.P.O. planning process to ensure~~
818 ~~regional comprehension of the authority's mission, goals, and~~
819 ~~objectives.~~

820 ~~(g) The authority shall provide administrative support and~~
821 ~~direction to the TBARTA Metropolitan Planning Organization~~
822 ~~Chairs Coordinating Committee as provided in s. 339.175(6)(i).~~

823 Section 20. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section
824 348.754, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

825 348.754 Purposes and powers.—

826 (1)

827 (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section to
828 the contrary, to ensure the continued financial feasibility of
829 the portion of the Wekiva Parkway to be constructed by the
830 department, the authority may not, without ~~the~~ prior
831 consultation with ~~consent~~ of the secretary of the department,
832 construct any extensions, additions, or improvements to the
833 expressway system in Lake County.

834 Section 21. Paragraph (d) of subsection (2) of section
835 349.04, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

836 349.04 Purposes and powers.—

837 (2) The authority is hereby granted, and shall have and
838 may exercise all powers necessary, appurtenant, convenient, or
839 incidental to the carrying out of the aforesaid purposes,
840 including, but without being limited to, the right and power:

841 (d) To enter into and make leases for terms not exceeding

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842 99 ~~40~~ years, as either lessee or lessor, in order to carry out
843 the right to lease as set forth in this chapter.

844 Section 22. Subsections (3) through (19) of section
845 378.403, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (4)
846 through (20), respectively, and a new subsection (3) is added to
847 that section to read:

848 378.403 Definitions.—As used in this part, the term:

849 (3) "Borrow pit" means an area of land upon which
850 excavation of surface resources has been conducted, is being
851 conducted, or is planned to be conducted, as the term is
852 commonly used in the trade, and is not considered a mine. Such
853 resources are limited to soil, organic soil, sand, or clay that
854 can be removed with construction excavating equipment and loaded
855 on a haul truck with no additional processing.

856 Section 23. Section 378.801, Florida Statutes, is amended
857 to read:

858 378.801 Other resources; notice of intent to extract ~~mine~~
859 required.—

860 (1) An ~~Ne~~ operator may not begin the operation of a borrow
861 pit, or the process of extracting clay, peat, gravel, sand, or
862 any other solid substance of commercial value found in natural
863 deposits or in the earth, except fuller's earth clay, heavy
864 minerals, limestone, or phosphate, which are regulated elsewhere
865 in this chapter, at a new location ~~mine~~ without notifying the
866 secretary of the intention to extract ~~mine~~.

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867 (2) The operator's notice of intent to extract ~~mine~~ shall
868 consist of the operator's estimated life of the extraction
869 location ~~mine~~ and the operator's signed acknowledgment of the
870 performance standards provided by s. 378.803.

871 Section 24. Section 378.802, Florida Statutes, is amended
872 to read:

873 378.802 Existing extraction locations ~~mines~~.—After January
874 1, 1989, all operators of existing locations ~~mines~~ for the
875 extraction of resources as described in s. 378.801 shall meet
876 the performance standards provided by s. 378.803 for any new
877 surface area disturbed at such locations ~~mines~~.

878 Section 25. Subsection (5) of section 479.07, Florida
879 Statutes, is amended to read:

880 479.07 Sign permits.—

881 (5) (a) For each permit issued, the department shall
882 furnish to the applicant a serially numbered permanent metal
883 permit tag. The permittee is responsible for maintaining a valid
884 permit tag on each permitted sign facing at all times. The tag
885 shall be securely attached to the upper 50 percent of the sign
886 structure, and attached in such a manner as to be plainly
887 visible from the main-traveled way. The permit tag must be
888 properly and permanently displayed at the permitted site within
889 30 days after the date of permit issuance. If the permittee
890 fails to erect a completed sign on the permitted site within 270
891 days after the date on which the permit was issued, the permit

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892 will be void, and the department may not issue a new permit to
893 that permittee for the same location for 270 days after the date
894 on which the permit becomes void.

895 (b) If a permit tag is lost, stolen, or destroyed, the
896 permittee to whom the tag was issued must apply to the
897 department for a replacement tag. The department shall establish
898 a service fee for replacement tags in an amount that will
899 recover the actual cost of providing the replacement tag. Upon
900 receipt of the application accompanied by the service fee, the
901 department shall issue a replacement permit tag.

902 (c)1. As soon as practicable, the department shall create
903 and implement a publicly accessible electronic database to
904 include all permits issued by the department. At a minimum, the
905 database must include the name and contact information of the
906 permit operator, the structure identification number or numbers,
907 the panel or face identification number or numbers, the latitude
908 and longitude of the permitted sign, the compass bearing, images
909 of the permitted sign once constructed, and the most recent date
910 the department visually inspected the permitted sign.

911 2. Once the department creates and implements the publicly
912 accessible electronic database:

913 a. The department may not furnish permanent metal permit
914 tags or replacement tags to permittees;

915 b. The department may not enforce the provisions relating
916 to permanent metal permit tags or replacement tags specified in

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917 paragraphs (a) and (b); and

918 c. Permittees are not required to return permit tags to
919 the department as provided in subsection (8).

920 Section 26. Paragraph (e) of subsection (3) and subsection
921 (4) of section 330.30, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

922 330.30 Approval of airport sites; registration and
923 licensure of airports.—

924 (3) EXEMPTIONS.—The provisions of this section do not
925 apply to:

926 (e) An airport which meets the criteria of s. 330.27(8) ~~s.~~
927 ~~330.27(7)~~ used exclusively for aerial application or spraying of
928 crops on a seasonal basis, not to include any licensed airport
929 where permanent crop aerial application or spraying facilities
930 are installed, if the period of operation does not exceed 30
931 days per calendar year. Such proposed airports, which will be
932 located within 3 miles of existing airports or approved airport
933 sites, shall establish safe air-traffic patterns with such
934 existing airports or approved airport sites, by memorandums of
935 understanding, or by letters of agreement between the parties
936 representing the airports or sites.

937 (4) EXCEPTIONS.—Private airports with 10 or more based
938 aircraft may request to be inspected and licensed by the
939 department. Private airports licensed according to this
940 subsection shall be considered private airports as defined in s.
941 330.27(6) ~~s. 330.27(5)~~ in all other respects.

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942 Section 27. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.

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945 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

946 Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:

947 An act relating to transportation; creating s. 177.107, F.S.;

948 authorizing governing bodies of municipalities and counties to

949 abandon and convey interests in certain roads and rights-of-way

950 to community development districts under specified conditions;

951 specifying duties for community development districts relating

952 to such roads and rights-of-way; providing for traffic control

953 jurisdiction of such roads; specifying that the community

954 development district has all rights, title, and interest in such

955 roads and rights-of-way upon abandonment and conveyance;

956 requiring community development districts to thereafter hold

957 such roads and rights-of-way in trust; providing construction;

958 creating s. 287.05705, F.S.; providing that governmental

959 entities may not prohibit certain vendors from responding to

960 competitive solicitations of certain contractual services;

961 providing applicability; amending s. 316.003, F.S.; revising the

962 definitions of the terms "autocycle" and "personal delivery

963 device"; amending s. 316.2397, F.S.; authorizing certain

964 equipment to show or display flashing lights; authorizing

965 vehicles to display flashing lights during certain periods under

966 certain conditions; amending s. 316.302, F.S.; providing that

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967 certain required motor carrier safety improvements may not be
968 considered when evaluating an individual's employment status;
969 defining the term "motor carrier safety improvements"; amending
970 s. 319.30, F.S.; revising conditions under which insurance
971 companies are authorized to receive salvage certificates of
972 title or certificates of destruction for motor vehicles and
973 mobile homes from the Department of Highway Safety and Motor
974 Vehicles; amending s. 320.06, F.S.; authorizing short-term
975 rental vehicles to elect permanent registration; amending s.
976 320.27, F.S.; requiring motor vehicle dealer licensees to
977 deliver copies of renewed, continued, changed, or new insurance
978 policies to the department within specified timeframes under
979 certain conditions; requiring such licensees to deliver copies
980 of renewed, continued, changed, or new surety bonds or
981 irrevocable letters of credit to the department within specified
982 timeframes under certain conditions; amending s. 330.27, F.S.;
983 defining the term "electric vertical takeoff and landing
984 aircraft"; amending s. 337.025, F.S.; revising the application
985 of the cap on innovative transportation projects; amending s.
986 337.0262, F.S.; prohibiting the Department of Transportation and
987 contractors and subcontractors of the department from purchasing
988 specified substances from a borrow pit unless specified
989 conditions are satisfied; requiring certain contracts,
990 subcontracts, and purchase orders to require compliance with the
991 prohibition; requiring the department to cease acceptance of

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992 substances from a borrow pit under certain conditions;
993 authorizing the department to resume acceptance of such
994 substances under certain conditions; amending s. 337.14, F.S.;
995 requiring contractors wishing to bid on certain contracts to
996 first be certified by the Department of Transportation as
997 qualified; revising requirements for applying for and issuing a
998 certificate of qualification; revising provisions regarding
999 interim financial statements; providing construction with
1000 respect to submission and approval of an application for such
1001 certificate; exempting airports from certain restrictions
1002 regarding entities performing design and construction
1003 engineering and inspection services; amending s. 337.185, F.S.;
1004 revising and providing definitions; revising requirements for
1005 arbitration of certain contracts by the State Arbitration Board;
1006 revising requirements regarding arbitration requests, hearings,
1007 procedures, and awards; revising membership and meeting
1008 requirements; revising compensation of board members; amending
1009 s. 338.166, F.S.; authorizing the use of specified toll revenue
1010 to support certain public transportation projects; amending s.
1011 339.175, F.S.; deleting a provision prohibiting certain
1012 metropolitan planning organizations from assessing any fees for
1013 municipalities, counties, or other governmental entities that
1014 are members of the organization; renaming the Tampa Bay Area
1015 Regional Transit Authority Metropolitan Planning Organization
1016 Chairs Coordinating Committee as the Chairs Coordinating

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1017 Committee; deleting a requirement that the Tampa Bay Area
1018 Regional Transit Authority provide the committee with
1019 administrative support and direction; repealing part III of ch.
1020 343, F.S., relating to the creation and operation of the
1021 Northwest Florida Transportation Corridor Authority; dissolving
1022 the Northwest Florida Transportation Corridor Authority and
1023 requiring the authority to discharge its liabilities, settle and
1024 close its activities and affairs, and provide for the
1025 distribution of the authority's assets; amending s. 343.92,
1026 F.S.; providing that a mayor's designated alternate may be a
1027 member of the governing board of the Tampa Bay Area Regional
1028 Transit Authority; requiring that the alternate be an elected
1029 member of the city council of the mayor's municipality and be
1030 approved by the municipality's city council; requiring a mayor's
1031 designated alternate to attend meetings under certain
1032 circumstances with full voting rights; providing that a simple
1033 majority of board members constitutes a quorum and that a simple
1034 majority of those members present is necessary for any action to
1035 be taken; deleting obsolete language; amending s. 343.922, F.S.;
1036 revising a provision requiring the authority to present the
1037 regional transit development plan and updates to specified
1038 entities; deleting a provision requiring that the authority
1039 coordinate plans and projects with the TBARTA Metropolitan
1040 Planning Organization Chairs Coordinating Committee and
1041 participate in the regional M.P.O. planning process to ensure

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1042 regional comprehension of the authority's mission, goals, and
1043 objectives; deleting a provision requiring that the authority
1044 provide administrative support and direction to the TBARTA
1045 Metropolitan Planning Organization Chairs Coordinating
1046 Committee; amending s. 348.754, F.S.; prohibiting the Central
1047 Florida Expressway Authority from performing certain activities
1048 in Lake County without prior consultation with the secretary of
1049 the department; amending s. 349.04, F.S.; increasing the maximum
1050 term of a lease into which the Jacksonville Transportation
1051 Authority may enter; amending s. 378.403, F.S.; defining the
1052 term "borrow pit"; amending s. 378.801, F.S.; prohibiting
1053 operation of a borrow pit at a new location without notifying
1054 the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Protection of
1055 the intent to extract; conforming provisions; amending s.
1056 378.802, F.S.; revising application of provisions to exclude
1057 existing mines; amending s. 479.07, F.S.; requiring the
1058 Department of Transportation to create and implement a publicly
1059 accessible electronic database for sign permit information;
1060 specifying requirements for the database; prohibiting the
1061 department from furnishing permanent metal permit tags or
1062 replacement tags and from enforcing specified provisions once
1063 the department creates and implements the database; specifying
1064 that permittees are not required to return permit tags to the
1065 department once the department creates and implements the

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1066 database; amending s. 330.30, F.S.; conforming a cross-
1067 reference; providing an effective date.