

1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to tax collectors and their approved  
3 agents; amending s. 320.03, F.S.; requiring a tax  
4 collector's approved license tag agents to protect  
5 customer privacy and data collection while using the  
6 Florida Real Time Vehicle Information System;  
7 requiring tax collectors and their approved license  
8 tag agents to enter into a memorandum of understanding  
9 with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor  
10 Vehicles regarding use of the system; amending ss.  
11 319.32, 320.04, and 328.72, F.S.; requiring a tax  
12 collector to determine service charges collected by  
13 privately owned approved license plate agents for  
14 motor vehicle title certificates, license plates for  
15 or registration of motor vehicles, and registration of  
16 vessels, respectively; requiring such agents to enter  
17 into contracts with the tax collector for the purpose  
18 of disclosing such service charges to customers;  
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. Subsection (5) of section 320.03, Florida  
24 Statutes, is amended to read:

25 320.03 Registration; duties of tax collectors;

26 International Registration Plan.—

27 (5) In addition to the fees required under s. 320.08, a  
28 fee of 50 cents shall be charged on every license registration  
29 sold to cover the costs of the Florida Real Time Vehicle  
30 Information System. The fees collected shall be deposited into  
31 the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund to be used exclusively  
32 to fund the system. The fee may only be used to fund the system  
33 equipment, software, personnel associated with the maintenance  
34 and programming of the system, and networks used in the offices  
35 of the county tax collectors as agents of the department and the  
36 ancillary technology necessary to integrate the system with  
37 other tax collection systems. The department shall administer  
38 this program upon consultation with the Florida Tax Collectors,  
39 Inc., to ensure that each county tax collector's office is  
40 technologically equipped and functional for the operation of the  
41 Florida Real Time Vehicle Information System and that each tax  
42 collector's approved license tag agents protect customer privacy  
43 and data collection. Each tax collector and his or her approved  
44 license tag agents shall enter into a memorandum of  
45 understanding with the department regarding use of the Florida  
46 Real Time Vehicle Information System in accordance with  
47 paragraph (4) (b). Any designated revenue collected to support  
48 functions of the county tax collectors and not used in a given  
49 year must remain exclusively in the trust fund as a carryover to  
50 the following year.

51 Section 2. Paragraph (c) is added to subsection (2) of  
 52 section 319.32, Florida Statutes, to read:

53 319.32 Fees; service charges; disposition.—

54 (2)

55 (c) In exercising his or her authority to contract with a  
 56 license plate agent, the tax collector shall determine the  
 57 additional service charges to be collected by his or her  
 58 privately owned approved license plate agents, which fees shall  
 59 be fully itemized and disclosed to the customer. Each license  
 60 plate agent shall enter into a contract with the tax collector  
 61 regarding the disclosure of additional service charges.

62 Section 3. Subsection (3) of section 320.04, Florida  
 63 Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (4), and a new subsection  
 64 (3) is added to that section to read:

65 320.04 Registration service charge.—

66 (3) In exercising his or her authority to contract with a  
 67 license tag agent, the tax collector shall determine the  
 68 additional service charges to be collected by his or her  
 69 privately owned approved license tag agents, which fees shall be  
 70 fully itemized and disclosed to the customer. Each license tag  
 71 agent shall enter into a contract with the tax collector  
 72 regarding the disclosure of additional service charges.

73 Section 4. Subsection (7) of section 328.72, Florida  
 74 Statutes, is amended to read:

75 328.72 Classification; registration; fees and charges;

76 surcharge; disposition of fees; fines; marine turtle stickers.-

77 (7) SERVICE FEE.-

78 (a) In addition to other registration fees, the vessel  
79 owner shall pay the tax collector a \$2.25 service fee for each  
80 registration issued, replaced, or renewed. Except as provided in  
81 subsection (15), all fees, other than the service charge,  
82 collected by a tax collector must be remitted to the department  
83 not later than 7 working days following the last day of the week  
84 in which the money was remitted. Vessels may travel in salt  
85 water or fresh water.

86 (b) In exercising his or her authority to contract with a  
87 license plate agent, the tax collector shall determine the  
88 additional service charges to be collected by his or her  
89 privately owned approved license plate agents, which fees shall  
90 be fully itemized and disclosed to the customer. Each license  
91 plate agent shall enter into a contract with the tax collector  
92 regarding the disclosure of additional service charges.

93 Section 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.