1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to driving over the speed limit; 3 amending s. 316.192, F.S.; providing that any person 4 who drives any vehicle at or above a specified speed 5 commits reckless driving; amending s. 316.1926, F.S.; 6 revising the threshold above the posted speed limit at 7 which a person in violation of certain provisions must 8 be cited for a moving violation; reenacting s. 9 318.14(13), F.S., relating to noncriminal traffic 10 infractions, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 316.1926, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting ss. 11 318.17, 318.18(20), 322.0261(4)(a) and (b), 322.61(1), 12 13 and 337.195(1), F.S., relating to offenses excepted, the amount of penalties, driver improvement courses, 14 15 disqualification from operating a motor vehicle, and 16 limits on liability, respectively, to incorporate the 17 amendment made to s. 316.192, F.S., in references 18 thereto; providing an effective date. 19 20 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 21 22 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 23 316.192, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsections (2), (3), 24 and (4) of that section are republished, to read: 25 316.192 Reckless driving.-

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26 (1) (a) Any person who drives any vehicle in willful or 27 wanton disregard for the safety of persons or property, or any 28 person who drives any vehicle 40 miles per hour or more above 29 the lawful or posted speed limit, commits is guilty of reckless 30 driving. Except as provided in subsection (3), any person 31 (2) 32 convicted of reckless driving shall be punished: Upon a first conviction, by imprisonment for a period 33 (a) 34 of not more than 90 days or by fine of not less than \$25 nor more than \$500, or by both such fine and imprisonment. 35 On a second or subsequent conviction, by imprisonment 36 (b) for not more than 6 months or by a fine of not less than \$50 nor 37 more than \$1,000, or by both such fine and imprisonment. 38 39 (3) Any person: Who is in violation of subsection (1); 40 (a) 41 (b) Who operates a vehicle; and Who, by reason of such operation, causes: 42 (C) 43 1. Damage to the property or person of another commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 44 775.082 or s. 775.083. 45 46 2. Serious bodily injury to another commits a felony of 47 the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 48 775.083, or s. 775.084. The term "serious bodily injury" means 49 an injury to another person, which consists of a physical condition that creates a substantial risk of death, serious 50 Page 2 of 10

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51 personal disfigurement, or protracted loss or impairment of the 52 function of any bodily member or organ.

53 (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section,
54 \$5 shall be added to a fine imposed pursuant to this section.
55 The clerk shall remit the \$5 to the Department of Revenue for
56 deposit in the Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund.

57 Section 2. Subsection (2) of section 316.1926, Florida 58 Statutes, is amended to read:

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316.1926 Additional offenses.-

(2) A person who exceeds the <u>lawful or posted</u> speed limit
by up to 39 in excess of 50 miles per hour or more in violation
of s. 316.183(2), s. 316.187, or s. 316.189 shall be cited for a
moving violation, punishable as provided in chapter 318. <u>A</u>
person who exceeds the lawful or posted speed limit by 40 miles
per hour or more in violation of s. 316.192(1)(a) shall be
punished as provided in s. 316.192.

67 Section 3. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment 68 made by this act to section 316.1926, Florida Statutes, in 69 references thereto, subsection (13) of section 318.14, Florida 70 Statutes, is reenacted to read:

318.14 Noncriminal traffic infractions; exception;
procedures.-

(13) (a) A person cited for a violation of s. 316.1926 shall, in addition to any other requirements provided in this section, pay a fine of \$1,000. This fine is in lieu of the fine

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76 required under s. 318.18(3)(b), if the person was cited for 77 violation of s. 316.1926(2).

78 A person cited for a second violation of s. 316.1926 (b) 79 shall, in addition to any other requirements provided in this 80 section, pay a fine of \$2,500. This fine is in lieu of the fine required under s. 318.18(3)(b), if the person was cited for 81 82 violation of s. 316.1926(2). In addition, the court shall revoke the person's authorization and privilege to operate a motor 83 84 vehicle for a period of 1 year and order the person to surrender 85 his or her driver license.

(c) A person cited for a third violation of s. 316.1926 commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. Upon conviction, the court shall impose a fine of \$5,000, revoke the person's authorization and privilege to operate a motor vehicle for a period of 10 years, and order the person to surrender his or her driver license.

93 Section 4. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment 94 made by this act to section 316.192, Florida Statutes, in a 95 reference thereto, section 318.17, Florida Statutes, is 96 reenacted to read:

97 318.17 Offenses excepted.—No provision of this chapter is 98 available to a person who is charged with any of the following 99 offenses:

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(1) Fleeing or attempting to elude a police officer, in

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101 violation of s. 316.1935; 102 (2) Leaving the scene of a crash, in violation of ss. 103 316.027 and 316.061; 104 (3) Driving, or being in actual physical control of, any 105 vehicle while under the influence of alcoholic beverages, any chemical substance set forth in s. 877.111, or any substance 106 107 controlled under chapter 893, in violation of s. 316.193, or driving with an unlawful blood-alcohol level; 108 109 (4) Reckless driving, in violation of s. 316.192; Making false crash reports, in violation of s. 110 (5) 316.067; 111 Willfully failing or refusing to comply with any 112 (6) lawful order or direction of any police officer or member of the 113 114 fire department, in violation of s. 316.072(3); Obstructing an officer, in violation of s. 316.545(1); 115 (7)116 or 117 Any other offense in chapter 316 which is classified (8) as a criminal violation. 118 Section 5. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment 119 120 made by this act to section 316.192, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (20) of section 318.18, Florida 121 Statutes, is reenacted to read: 122 123 318.18 Amount of penalties.-The penalties required for a 124 noncriminal disposition pursuant to s. 318.14 or a criminal 125 offense listed in s. 318.17 are as follows:

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| 126 | (20) In addition to any other penalty, \$65 for a violation |
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| 127 | of s. 316.191, prohibiting racing on highways, or s. 316.192, |
| 128 | prohibiting reckless driving. The additional \$65 collected under |
| 129 | this subsection shall be remitted to the Department of Revenue |
| 130 | for deposit into the Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund of |
| 131 | the Department of Health to be used as provided in s. 395.4036. |
| 132 | Section 6. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment |
| 133 | made by this act to section 316.192, Florida Statutes, in |
| 134 | references thereto, paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (4) of |
| 135 | section 322.0261, Florida Statutes, are reenacted to read: |
| 136 | 322.0261 Driver improvement course; requirement to |
| 137 | maintain driving privileges; failure to complete; department |
| 138 | approval of course |
| 139 | (4)(a) The department shall identify any operator |
| 140 | convicted of, or who pleaded nolo contendere to, a violation of |
| 141 | s. 316.074(1), s. 316.075(1)(c)1., s. 316.172, s. 316.191, or s. |
| 142 | 316.192 and shall require that operator, in addition to other |
| 143 | applicable penalties, to attend a department-approved driver |
| 144 | improvement course in order to maintain driving privileges. The |
| 145 | department shall, within 10 days after receiving a notice of |
| 146 | judicial disposition, send notice to the operator of the |
| 147 | requirement to attend a driver improvement course. If the |
| 148 | operator fails to complete the course within 90 days after |
| 149 | receiving notice from the department, the operator's driver |
| 150 | license shall be canceled by the department until the course is |
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151 successfully completed.

152 Any operator who receives a traffic citation for a (b) 153 violation of s. 316.074(1), s. 316.075(1)(c)1., s. 316.191, or 154 s. 316.192, for which the court withholds adjudication, is not 155 required to attend a driver improvement course, unless the court 156 finds that the nature or severity of the violation is such that 157 attendance to a driver improvement course is necessary. The 158 department shall, within 10 days after receiving a notice of 159 judicial disposition, send notice to the operator of the 160 requirement to attend a driver improvement course. If the operator fails to complete the course within 90 days after 161 162 receiving notice from the department, the operator's driver 163 license shall be canceled by the department until the course is 164 successfully completed.

165 Section 7. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment 166 made by this act to section 316.192, Florida Statutes, in a 167 reference thereto, subsection (1) of section 322.61, Florida 168 Statutes, is reenacted to read:

169 322.61 Disqualification from operating a commercial motor 170 vehicle.-

(1) A person who, for offenses occurring within a 3-year period, is convicted of two of the following serious traffic violations or any combination thereof, arising in separate incidents committed in a commercial motor vehicle shall, in addition to any other applicable penalties, be disqualified from

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176 operating a commercial motor vehicle for a period of 60 days. A 177 holder of a commercial driver license or commercial learner's 178 permit who, for offenses occurring within a 3-year period, is convicted of two of the following serious traffic violations, or 179 180 any combination thereof, arising in separate incidents committed 181 in a noncommercial motor vehicle shall, in addition to any other 182 applicable penalties, be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for a period of 60 days if such 183 184 convictions result in the suspension, revocation, or 185 cancellation of the licenseholder's driving privilege: 186 (a) A violation of any state or local law relating to motor vehicle traffic control, other than a parking violation, 187 arising in connection with a crash resulting in death; 188 189 Reckless driving, as defined in s. 316.192; (b) 190 Unlawful speed of 15 miles per hour or more above the (C) 191 posted speed limit; 192 Improper lane change, as defined in s. 316.085; (d) 193 (e) Following too closely, as defined in s. 316.0895; 194 Driving a commercial vehicle without obtaining a (f) 195 commercial driver license; 196 (q) Driving a commercial vehicle without the proper class of commercial driver license or commercial learner's permit or 197 198 without the proper endorsement; Driving a commercial vehicle without a commercial 199 (h) driver license or commercial learner's permit in possession, as 200 Page 8 of 10

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201 required by s. 322.03;

202 (i) Texting while driving; or

(j) Using a handheld mobile telephone while driving. Section 8. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 316.192, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (1) of section 337.195, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

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337.195 Limits on liability.-

209 In a civil action for the death of or injury to a (1)person, or for damage to property, against the Department of 210 Transportation or its agents, consultants, or contractors for 211 212 work performed on a highway, road, street, bridge, or other 213 transportation facility when the death, injury, or damage 214 resulted from a motor vehicle crash within a construction zone 215 in which the driver of one of the vehicles was under the 216 influence of alcoholic beverages as set forth in s. 316.193, 217 under the influence of any chemical substance as set forth in s. 218 877.111, or illegally under the influence of any substance 219 controlled under chapter 893 to the extent that her or his 220 normal faculties were impaired or that she or he operated a 221 vehicle recklessly as defined in s. 316.192, it is presumed that 222 the driver's operation of the vehicle was the sole proximate 223 cause of her or his own death, injury, or damage. This 224 presumption can be overcome if the gross negligence or 225 intentional misconduct of the Department of Transportation, or

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Section 9. This act shall take effect October 1, 2022.

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226 of its agents, consultants, or contractors, was a proximate

- 227 cause of the driver's death, injury, or damage.
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