By Senator Gibson

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to fees; amending s. 320.031, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to collect a mail service charge for mailed registration certificate cards; amending s. 320.04, F.S.; imposing a specified service charge for the transfer or duplicate issuance of a registration certificate card; providing a contingent effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 320.031, Florida Statutes, as amended by SB , 2022 Regular Session, is amended to read:

320.031 Mailing of registration certificates, registration certificate cards, license plates, and validation stickers.—

- (1) The department and the tax collectors of the several counties of the state may at the request of the applicant use United States mail service to deliver registration certificates and registration certificate cards and renewals thereof, license plates, mobile home stickers, and validation stickers to applicants.
- (2) A mail service charge may be collected for each registration certificate, registration certificate card, license plate, mobile home sticker, and validation sticker mailed by the department or any tax collector. Each registration certificate, registration certificate card, license plate, mobile home sticker, and validation sticker shall be mailed by first-class mail unless otherwise requested by the applicant. The amount of

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the mail service charge shall be the actual postage required, rounded to the nearest 5 cents, plus a 25-cent handling charge. The mail service charge is in addition to the service charge provided by s. 320.04. All charges collected by the department under this section shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.

Section 2. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 320.04, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.04 Registration service charge.-

(1) (a) A service charge of \$2.50 shall be imposed on each application that is handled in connection with original issuance, duplicate issuance, or transfer of a license plate, mobile home sticker, or validation sticker or with transfer or duplicate issuance of a registration certificate or a registration certificate card. This service charge shall be retained by the department or by the tax collector, as the case may be, as other fees accruing to those offices.

Section 3. This act shall take effect on the same date that SB ____ or similar legislation takes effect, if such legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension thereof and becomes a law.