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 2 An act relating to commercial motor vehicle
 3 registration; amending s. 320.06, F.S.; providing for
 4 future expiration of a provision relating to vehicles
 5 with apportioned registrations; providing, beginning
 6 on a specified date, license plate and cab card
 7 requirements for vehicles registered in accordance
 8 with the International Registration Plan; specifying
 9 the fee for an original or renewal cab card and the
 10 trust fund where the fee is deposited; providing for
 11 the replacement at no charge of damaged or worn
 12 license plates; providing an effective date.

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

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 16 Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section
 17 320.06, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

18 320.06 Registration certificates, license plates, and
 19 validation stickers generally.—

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21 (b)1. Registration license plates bearing a graphic symbol
 22 and the alphanumeric system of identification shall be issued
 23 for a 10-year period. At the end of the 10-year period, upon
 24 renewal, the plate shall be replaced. The department shall
 25 extend the scheduled license plate replacement date from a 6-

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26 | year period to a 10-year period. The fee for such replacement is
27 | \$28, \$2.80 of which shall be paid each year before the plate is
28 | replaced, to be credited toward the next \$28 replacement fee.
29 | The fees shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating
30 | Trust Fund. A credit or refund may not be given for any prior
31 | years' payments of the prorated replacement fee if the plate is
32 | replaced or surrendered before the end of the 10-year period,
33 | except that a credit may be given if a registrant is required by
34 | the department to replace a license plate under s.
35 | 320.08056(8) (a). With each license plate, a validation sticker
36 | shall be issued showing the owner's birth month, license plate
37 | number, and the year of expiration or the appropriate renewal
38 | period if the owner is not a natural person. The validation
39 | sticker shall be placed on the upper right corner of the license
40 | plate. The license plate and validation sticker shall be issued
41 | based on the applicant's appropriate renewal period. The
42 | registration period is 12 months, the extended registration
43 | period is 24 months, and all expirations occur based on the
44 | applicant's appropriate registration period. Rental vehicles
45 | taxed pursuant to s. 320.08(6) (a) may elect a permanent
46 | registration period, provided payment of the appropriate license
47 | taxes and fees occurs annually.

48 | 2. A vehicle that has an apportioned registration shall be
49 | issued an annual license plate and a cab card that denote the
50 | declared gross vehicle weight for each apportioned jurisdiction

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51 in which the vehicle is authorized to operate. This subparagraph
52 expires June 30, 2024.

53 3. Beginning July 1, 2024, a vehicle registered in
54 accordance with the International Registration Plan must be
55 issued a license plate for a 3-year period. At the end of the 3-
56 year period, upon renewal, the license plate must be replaced.
57 Each license plate must include a validation sticker showing the
58 month of expiration. A cab card denoting the declared gross
59 vehicle weight for each apportioned jurisdiction must be issued
60 annually. The fee for an original or a renewal cab card is \$28,
61 which must be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust
62 Fund. If the license plate is damaged or worn, it may be
63 replaced at no charge by applying to the department and
64 surrendering the current license plate.

65 4.2. In order to retain the efficient administration of
66 the taxes and fees imposed by this chapter, the 80-cent fee
67 increase in the replacement fee imposed by chapter 2009-71, Laws
68 of Florida, is negated as provided in s. 320.0804.

69 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.