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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to electronic motor vehicle
3 registration certificates; amending s. 320.0605, F.S.;
4 authorizing a uniform paper or electronic format of
5 the registration certificate for a motor vehicle;
6 prohibiting an officer or agent from accessing certain
7 information upon presentation of an electronic
8 registration certificate on an electronic device;
9 making technical changes; providing an effective date.

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

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13 Section 1. Section 320.0605, Florida Statutes, is amended
14 to read:

15 320.0605 Certificate of registration and other documents;
16 possession required; exception.—

17 (1) (a) The registration certificate in a uniform paper or
18 electronic format, as prescribed by the department, or an
19 official copy thereof; ~~a true copy or an electronic copy of~~
20 ~~rental or lease documentation issued for a motor vehicle or~~
21 ~~issued for a replacement vehicle in the same registration~~
22 ~~period;~~ a temporary receipt printed upon self-initiated
23 electronic renewal of a registration via the Internet; ~~or a cab~~
24 ~~card issued for a vehicle registered under the International~~
25 ~~Registration Plan~~ must shall, at all times while the vehicle is
26 ~~being used or operated on the roads of this state,~~ be in the
27 possession of the operator thereof or be carried in the vehicle
28 for which such documentation was issued at all times while the
29 vehicle is being used or operated on the roads of this state and

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30 must ~~shall~~ be exhibited upon demand of any authorized law
31 enforcement officer or any agent of the department, except for a
32 vehicle registered under s. 320.0657. This subsection ~~section~~
33 does not apply during the first 30 days after purchase of a
34 replacement vehicle. A violation of this subsection ~~section~~ is a
35 noncriminal traffic infraction, punishable as a nonmoving
36 violation as provided in chapter 318.

37 (b)1. The act of presenting to a law enforcement officer or
38 agent of the department an electronic device displaying an
39 electronic registration certificate or a copy of rental or lease
40 documentation does not constitute consent for the officer or
41 agent to access any information on the device other than the
42 displayed rental or lease documentation.

43 2. The person who presents the device to the officer or
44 agent assumes the liability for any resulting damage to the
45 device.

46 (2) Rental or lease documentation that is sufficient to
47 satisfy the requirement in subsection (1) includes the
48 following:

- 49 (a) Date and time of rental;
- 50 (b) Rental agreement number;
- 51 (c) Rental vehicle identification number;
- 52 (d) Rental vehicle license plate number and state of
53 registration;
- 54 (e) Vehicle's make, model, and color;
- 55 (f) Vehicle's mileage; and
- 56 (g) Authorized renter's name.

57 Section 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2024.