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Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Infrastructure Strategies Committee

Representative McFarland offered the following:

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Amendment to Amendment (285713) by Representative Esposito (with title amendment)

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Remove lines 56-138 of the amendment and insert:

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Section 3. Subsection (95) of section 316.003, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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316.003 Definitions.—The following words and phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them in this section, except where the context otherwise requires:

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(95) TELEOPERATION SYSTEM.—The hardware and software installed in a motor vehicle which allow a remote human operator to supervise or perform aspects of, or the entirety of, the

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dynamic driving task. The system must have the ability to cause
the motor vehicle to achieve a reasonably safe state, such as
bringing the vehicle to a complete stop and activating the
vehicle's hazard lamps, if a failure of the hardware or software
occurs which renders the remote human operator unable to perform
an aspect of the dynamic driving task.

- (a) The term "dynamic driving task" means all of the realtime operational and tactical functions required to operate a vehicle in on-road traffic, excluding strategic functions such as trip scheduling and selection of destinations and waypoints.
- (b) The term "remote human operator" means a natural
 person who:
- 1. Is not physically present in the motor a vehicle;
 equipped with an automated driving system who
- 2. Operates Engages or monitors the motor vehicle from a remote location utilizing the teleoperation system; A remote human operator may have the ability to perform aspects of, or the entirety of, the dynamic driving task for the vehicle or cause the vehicle to achieve a minimal risk condition as defined in s. 319.145(2). A remote human operator must be
- $\underline{\text{3. Must be}}$ physically present in the United States; and be
- $\underline{\text{4. Must be}}$ licensed to operate a motor vehicle by a United States jurisdiction; and
- 5. Must be covered under a primary policy of insurance

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that meets the requirements of s. 316.85.

Section 4. Subsection (1) of section 316.303, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

316.303 Television receivers.-

(1) A motor vehicle may not be operated on the highways of this state if the vehicle is actively displaying moving television broadcast or pre-recorded video entertainment content that is visible from the driver's seat while the vehicle is in motion, unless the vehicle is being operated with the automated driving system or teleoperation system engaged.

Section 5. Section 316.85, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 316.85 Autonomous vehicles <u>and motor vehicles equipped</u>
 with teleoperation systems; operation; compliance with traffic and motor vehicle laws; testing.—
- (1) Notwithstanding any other law, a licensed human operator is not required to operate a fully autonomous vehicle as defined in s. 316.003(3).
- (2) A fully autonomous vehicle may operate in this state regardless of whether a human operator is physically present in the vehicle.
- (3)(a) For purposes of this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires, the automated driving system, when engaged, shall be deemed to be the operator of an autonomous vehicle, regardless of whether a person is physically present in the

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vehicle while the vehicle is operating with the automated driving system engaged.

- (b) Unless otherwise provided by law, applicable traffic or motor vehicle laws of this state may not be construed to:
- 1. Prohibit the automated driving system from being deemed the operator of an autonomous vehicle operating with the automated driving system engaged.
- 2. Require a licensed human operator to operate a fully autonomous vehicle.
- (4) An on-demand autonomous vehicle network shall operate pursuant to state laws governing the operation of transportation network companies and transportation network company vehicles as defined in s. 627.748, except that any provision of s. 627.748 that reasonably applies only to a human driver does not apply to the operation of a fully autonomous vehicle with the automated driving system engaged while logged on to an on-demand autonomous vehicle network. A fully autonomous vehicle with the automated driving system engaged while logged on to an on-demand autonomous vehicle network must meet the insurance requirements in s. 627.749.
- (5) (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, a motor an autonomous vehicle or a fully autonomous vehicle equipped with a teleoperation system may operate without a human operator physically present in the motor vehicle when the teleoperation system is engaged. When the

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- (b) The owner of the motor vehicle must ensure that while the teleoperation system is engaged, the vehicle performs the dynamic driving task like a reasonably prudent human operator who is physically present in the vehicle would under similar circumstances. If, while the vehicle is being operated with the owner's permission, the remote human operator or teleoperation system fails to perform the dynamic driving task like a reasonably prudent human operator who is physically present in the vehicle would under similar circumstances, the owner's grant of permission constitutes negligent entrustment, and the owner shall be liable for any damages caused by that failure.
- (c) A motor vehicle equipped with a teleoperation system, while the teleoperation system is engaged, must be covered by a policy of automobile insurance which conforms to the requirements of s. 324.151 and provides:
- 1. Primary liability coverage which insures the remote human operator and owner of the vehicle for any liability for death, bodily injury, and property damage in the amount of at least \$1 million.
- 2. Personal injury protection benefits that meet the minimum coverage amounts required under ss. 627.730-627.7405.

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3. Uninsured and underinsured vehicle coverage for deat	;h
or bodily injury to any occupant of the motor vehicle in the	
amount of at least \$1 million. A vehicle that is subject to	
this subsection must meet the requirements of s. 319.145 and	is
considered a vehicle that meets the definition provided in s.	_
316.003(3)(c) for the purposes of ss. 316.062(5), 316.063(4),	_
316.065(5), 316.1975(3), and 316.303(1).	

- Insurance required under this subsection must be provided by an insurer authorized to do business in this state which is a member of the Florida Insurance Guaranty Association or an eligible surplus lines insurer that has a superior, excellent, exceptional, or equivalent financial strength rating by a rating agency acceptable to the Office of Insurance Regulation of the Financial Services Commission.
- (d) The remedies provided in this section are in addition to any other remedies provided by law.
- (6) It is the intent of the Legislature to provide for uniformity of laws governing autonomous vehicles and motor vehicles equipped with teleoperation systems throughout the state. A local government may not impose any tax, fee, for-hire vehicle requirement, or other requirement on automated driving systems or autonomous vehicles; teleoperation systems or motor vehicles equipped with teleoperation systems; or on a person who operates an autonomous vehicle, including, but not limited

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to, a person who operates an autonomous vehicle for purposes of providing passenger transportation services; or a remote human operator of a motor vehicle with a teleoperation system engaged. This subsection does not prohibit an airport or a seaport from charging reasonable fees consistent with any fees charged to companies that provide similar services at that airport or seaport for their use of the airport's or seaport's facilities, nor does it prohibit the airport or seaport from designating locations for staging, pickup, or other similar operations at the airport or seaport.

Section 6. Paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of section 320.02, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.02 Registration required; application for registration; forms.—

(5)(a) Proof that personal injury protection benefits have been purchased if required under s. 627.733, that property damage liability coverage has been purchased as required under s. 324.022, that bodily injury or death coverage has been purchased if required under s. 324.023, and that combined bodily liability insurance and property damage liability insurance have been purchased if required under s. 316.85 or s. 627.7415 shall be provided in the manner prescribed by law by the applicant at the time of application for registration of any motor vehicle that is subject to such requirements. The issuing agent shall refuse to issue registration if such proof of purchase is not

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     provided. Insurers shall furnish uniform proof-of-purchase cards
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     in a paper or electronic format in a form prescribed by the
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     department and include the name of the insured's insurance
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     and vehicle identification number of the vehicle insured. The
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     card must contain a statement notifying the applicant of the
     penalty specified under s. 316.646(4). The card or insurance
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     policy, insurance policy binder, or certificate of insurance or
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     a photocopy of any of these; an affidavit containing the name of
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     the insured's insurance company, the insured's policy number,
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     proof as may be prescribed by the department shall constitute
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     sufficient proof of purchase. If an affidavit is provided as
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     proof, it must be in substantially the following form:
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     certify that I have ... (Personal Injury Protection, Property
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     Damage Liability, and, if required, Bodily Injury Liability) ...
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     Insurance currently in effect with ... (Name of insurance
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     company)... under ... (policy number)... covering ... (make, year,
     and vehicle identification number of vehicle) .... (Signature
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     Such affidavit must include the following warning:
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190	REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE UNDER FLORIDA
191	LAW. ANYONE GIVING FALSE INFORMATION ON THIS AFFIDAVIT IS
192	SUBJECT TO PROSECUTION.
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dealer as required under s. 319.23, the original or a photostatic copy of such card, insurance policy, insurance policy binder, or certificate of insurance or the original affidavit from the insured shall be forwarded by the dealer to the tax collector of the county or the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles for processing. By executing the aforesaid affidavit, no licensed motor vehicle dealer will be liable in damages for any inadequacy, insufficiency, or falsification of any statement contained therein. A card must also indicate the existence of any bodily injury liability insurance voluntarily purchased.

Section 7. Subsection (7) of section 324.021, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

324.021 Definitions; minimum insurance required.—The following words and phrases when used in this chapter shall, for the purpose of this chapter, have the meanings respectively ascribed to them in this section, except in those instances where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

(7) PROOF OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY.—That proof of

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- (a) In the amount of \$10,000 because of bodily injury to, or death of, one person in any one crash;
- (b) Subject to such limits for one person, in the amount of \$20,000 because of bodily injury to, or death of, two or more persons in any one crash;
- (c) In the amount of \$10,000 because of injury to, or destruction of, property of others in any one crash; and
- (d) With respect to commercial motor vehicles, and nonpublic sector buses, in the amounts specified in ss. 627.7415 and 627.742, respectively.
- (e) With respect to nonpublic sector buses, in the amounts specified in s. 627.742.
- (f) With respect to motor vehicles equipped with teleoperation systems, in the amounts specified in s. 316.85.
- Section 8. Section 324.031, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

324.031 Manner of proving financial responsibility.—The owner or operator of a taxicab, limousine, jitney, or any other for-hire passenger transportation vehicle may prove financial responsibility by providing satisfactory evidence of holding a motor vehicle liability policy as defined in s. 324.021(8) or s. 324.151, which policy is issued by an insurance carrier which is a member of the Florida Insurance Guaranty

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Association. The owner or operator of a motor vehicle equipped
with a teleoperation system must prove financial responsibility
by providing satisfactory evidence of holding a motor vehicle
liability policy conforming to the requirements of s. 316.85.
The operator or owner of any other vehicle may prove his or her
financial responsibility by:

- (1) Furnishing satisfactory evidence of holding a motor vehicle liability policy as defined in ss. 324.021(8) and 324.151;
- (2) Furnishing a certificate of self-insurance showing a deposit of cash in accordance with s. 324.161; or
- (3) Furnishing a certificate of self-insurance issued by the department in accordance with s. 324.171.

Any person, including any firm, partnership, association, corporation, or other person, other than a natural person, electing to use the method of proof specified in subsection (2) shall furnish a certificate of deposit equal to the number of vehicles owned times \$30,000, to a maximum of \$120,000; in addition, any such person, other than a natural person, shall maintain insurance providing coverage in excess of limits of \$10,000/20,000/10,000 or \$30,000 combined single limits, and such excess insurance shall provide minimum limits of \$125,000/250,000/50,000 or \$300,000 combined single limits.

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These increased limits shall not affect the requirements for proving financial responsibility under s. 324.032(1).

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TITLE AMENDMENT

Remove lines 710-711 of the amendment and insert: contract requirements; amending s. 324.031, F.S.; providing requirements for the owner or operator of a motor vehicle equipped with a teleoperation system to prove financial responsibility; amending ss. 288.9606, 320.02, 324.021, 339.2825, and 627.06501, F.S.; conforming

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