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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to a license or permit to operate a  
 3           vehicle for hire; creating s. 320.0603, F.S.;  
 4           providing that a person who holds a license or permit  
 5           issued by a county or municipality to operate a  
 6           vehicle for hire may operate a vehicle for hire in any  
 7           other county or municipality without being subject to  
 8           certain requirements or fees under certain  
 9           circumstances; providing an exception for  
 10          transportation services to and from an airport;  
 11          defining the term "airport"; providing construction  
 12          and applicability; providing an effective date.

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

16           Section 1. Section 320.0603, Florida Statutes, is created  
 17 to read:

18           320.0603 Vehicle-for-hire license or permit; reciprocity.-

19           (1) A person who holds a valid, active license or permit  
 20 issued by a county or municipality to operate a vehicle for hire  
 21 may operate a vehicle for hire in any other county or  
 22 municipality without being subject to additional licensing or  
 23 permitting requirements and without paying additional license or  
 24 permit fees if the following conditions are met:

25           (a) The person holds a valid, active license or permit to  
 26 operate a vehicle for hire in the county or municipality in  
 27 which the person is domiciled.

28           (b) The person has not had a license or permit to operate a  
 29 vehicle for hire suspended or revoked within the preceding 5

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30 years.

31 (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1) or subsection (3), this  
32 section does not apply to transportation services to and from an  
33 airport. For purposes of this subsection, the term "airport"  
34 includes an airport, airport authority, aviation authority, or  
35 other entity, including a county, municipality, or special  
36 district that operates a public-use airport as defined in s.  
37 332.004.

38 (3) This section does not grant specific authority to  
39 counties, municipalities, or special districts to regulate or  
40 license vehicles for hire which is required by s. 163.211.

41 (4) This section does not apply to a person who holds a  
42 valid, active license or permit to operate a vehicle for hire  
43 when such person provides transportation of persons while on  
44 stretchers or wheelchairs, or transportation of persons whose  
45 disability, illness, injury, or other incapacitation makes it  
46 impractical to be transported by a regular common carrier such  
47 as a bus, taxi, non-taxi, limousine, or other vehicle for hire.

48 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.