

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to leaving the scene of a crash
3 involving only damage to vehicle or property; amending
4 s. 316.061, F.S.; authorizing a court to order a
5 driver convicted of leaving the scene of a crash to
6 make restitution for specified damage; providing an
7 effective date.
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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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11 **Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 316.061, Florida**
12 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

13 316.061 Crashes involving damage to vehicle or property.—

14 (1) The driver of any vehicle involved in a crash
15 resulting only in damage to a vehicle or other property which is
16 driven or attended by any person shall immediately stop such
17 vehicle at the scene of such crash or as close thereto as
18 possible, and shall forthwith return to, and in every event
19 shall remain at, the scene of the crash until he or she has
20 fulfilled the requirements of s. 316.062. A person who violates
21 this subsection commits a misdemeanor of the second degree,
22 punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. The court
23 may order a driver convicted of a violation of this section, who
24 caused or otherwise contributed to the crash, to make
25 restitution to the owner of a vehicle or other property damaged

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26 | in the crash for any damage that was caused by the driver's
27 | vehicle. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, \$5
28 | shall be added to a fine imposed pursuant to this section, which
29 | \$5 shall be deposited in the Emergency Medical Services Trust
30 | Fund.

31 | **Section 2.** This act shall take effect October 1, 2025.