A bill to be entitled An act relating to the removal, storage, and cleanup of electric vehicles; amending ss. 125.0103 and 166.043, F.S.; prohibiting counties and municipalities from prohibiting a wrecker service or towing-storage or wrecker operator from charging a reasonable daily administrative fee for the storage of electric vehicles that have been involved in an accident; providing a maximum amount for such fees; defining the term "daily administrative fee"; creating s. 324.0222, F.S.; providing that motor vehicle insurers are not required to pay certain costs; amending s. 713.78, F.S.; authorizing a towing-storage or wrecker operator to charge a reasonable daily administrative fee for the storage of electric vehicles that have been involved in an accident; providing a maximum amount for such fees; defining the term "daily administrative fee"; providing an effective date.

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Section 1. Paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section 125.0103, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (e), and a new paragraph (d) is added to that subsection to read:

125.0103 Ordinances and rules imposing price controls.

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26	(1)
27	(d) No county or municipality may prohibit a wrecker
28	service or towing-storage or wrecker operator from charging a
29	reasonable daily administrative fee for the storage of electric
30	vehicles that have been involved in an accident in addition to
31	fees specifically authorized in paragraph (c). Such daily
32	administrative fee may not exceed three times the daily rate for
33	storage authorized in paragraph (c). For purposes of this
34	paragraph, the term "daily administrative fee" means any fee
35	imposed by a wrecker service or towing-storage or wrecker
36	operator for administrative costs added to the amount due for
37	towing and storing the electric vehicle that are associated with
38	and unique to the cleanup of the accident scene, debris removal,
39	and additional costs related to storing that are specific to an
40	electric vehicle that has been in an accident.
41	Section 2. Paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section
42	166.043, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (e), and
43	a new paragraph (d) is added to that subsection to read:
44	166.043 Ordinances and rules imposing price controls.—
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46	(d) No county or municipality may prohibit a wrecker
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administrative fee may not exceed three times the daily rate for storage authorized in paragraph (c). For purposes of this paragraph, the term "daily administrative fee" means any fee imposed by a wrecker service or towing-storage or wrecker operator for administrative costs added to the amount due for towing and storing the electric vehicle that are associated with and unique to the cleanup of the accident scene, debris removal, and additional costs related to storing that are specific to an electric vehicle that has been in an accident.

Section 3. Section 324.0222, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

324.0222 Storage of electric vehicles; coverage.—Nothing in s. 125.0103 or s. 166.043 relating to the storage of electric vehicles requires a motor vehicle insurer to pay any costs beyond what is covered pursuant to a contract with its insured.

Section 4. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 713.78, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 713.78 Liens for recovering, towing, or storing vehicles and vessels.—
- (2)(a) A towing-storage operator may charge the owner or operator of a vehicle or vessel only the following fees for, or incidental to, the recovery, removal, or storage of the vehicle or vessel:
- 1. Any reasonable fee for service specifically authorized under s. 125.0103 or s. 166.043 by ordinance, resolution,

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regulation, or rule of the county or municipality in which the service is performed.

- 2. Any reasonable fee for service specifically authorized by the Division of Florida Highway Patrol of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles under s. 321.051(2).
- 3. Any reasonable fee for service as agreed upon in writing between a towing-storage operator and the owner of a vehicle or vessel.
- 4. Any lien release administrative fee as set forth in paragraph (15)(a).
- 5. Any reasonable administrative fee or charge imposed by a county or municipality pursuant to s. 125.01047, s. 166.04465, or s. 323.002 upon the registered owner or other legally authorized person in control of a vehicle or vessel.
- 6. Any reasonable daily administrative fee for the storage of electric vehicles that have been involved in an accident, which may be charged in addition to fees specifically authorized under s. 125.0103 or s. 166.043. Such daily administrative fee may not exceed three times the daily rate for storage authorized under s. 125.0103 or s. 166.043. For purposes of this subparagraph, the term "daily administrative fee" means any fee imposed by a towing-storage or wrecker operator for administrative costs added to the amount due for towing and storing the electric vehicle that are associated with and unique to the cleanup of the accident scene, debris removal, and

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