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30        322.21, F.S.; requiring that specified portions of  
31        fees for replacement driver licenses, renewal  
32        identification cards, and replacement identification  
33        cards be retained by or remitted to the tax collector,  
34        less a specified charge, rather than deposited into  
35        the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund; providing  
36        that fees relating to hazardous-materials endorsements  
37        are retained by the tax collector rather than  
38        deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust  
39        Fund; requiring that a portion of certain fees for  
40        reinstatement of driver licenses be retained by the  
41        tax collector, less a specified charge, rather than  
42        deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust  
43        Fund; requiring the department to collect and remit  
44        certain fees, less a specified charge, to the tax  
45        collector rather than collecting and depositing such  
46        fees into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund;  
47        amending s. 322.29, F.S.; requiring that certain  
48        service fees relating to license reinstatement be  
49        retained by the clerk of court or tax collector who  
50        reinstated the license, rather than partially remitted  
51        to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the  
52        Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund; amending s.  
53        324.0221, F.S.; providing that certain fees are  
54        collected by the Department of Highway Safety and  
55        Motor Vehicles or the tax collector; requiring the tax  
56        collector to retain such collected fees, less a  
57        specified charge, and distribute a specified portion  
58        of such fees to a certain local governmental entity or

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59 state agency under certain circumstances; amending s.  
60 324.071, F.S.; authorizing payment of a certain  
61 reinstatement fee to a tax collector; providing that  
62 such fee is retained by the processing entity, less a  
63 specified charge; providing an effective date.

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

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67 Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 319.324, Florida  
68 Statutes, is amended to read:

69 319.324 Odometer fraud prevention and detection; funding.—

70 (1) Moneys received by the department pursuant to s.  
71 319.32(1) in the amount of \$1 for each original certificate of  
72 title, each duplicate copy of a certificate of title, and each  
73 assignment by a lienholder shall be deposited into the Highway  
74 Safety Operating Trust Fund. There shall also be deposited into  
75 the fund moneys received by the department pursuant to s.

76 319.323 in the amount of \$5 for each expedited service performed  
77 by the department for which a fee is assessed. If the expedited  
78 service is performed by the tax collector, the expedited service  
79 fee is retained by the tax collector, less the general revenue  
80 service charge set forth in s. 215.20(1).

81 Section 2. Subsection (2) of section 320.031, Florida  
82 Statutes, as amended by section 4 of chapter 2025-125, Laws of  
83 Florida, is amended to read:

84 320.031 Mailing or delivery of registration certificates,  
85 license plates, and validation stickers.—

86 (2) A mail service charge may be collected for each  
87 registration certificate, license plate, mobile home sticker,

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88 and validation sticker mailed by the department or any tax  
89 collector. Each registration certificate, license plate, mobile  
90 home sticker, and validation sticker shall be mailed by first-  
91 class mail unless otherwise requested by the applicant. The  
92 amount of the mail service charge shall be the actual postage  
93 required, rounded to the nearest 5 cents, plus the actual  
94 handling cost or actual envelope cost, as determined by the  
95 department or tax collector a 25 cent handling charge. The mail  
96 service charge is in addition to the service charge provided by  
97 s. 320.04. All charges collected by the department under this  
98 section shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating  
99 Trust Fund.

100 Section 3. Subsection (4) of section 320.072, Florida  
101 Statutes, is amended to read:

102 320.072 Additional fee imposed on certain motor vehicle  
103 registration transactions.—

104 (4) A tax collector or other authorized agent of the  
105 department shall promptly remit all moneys collected pursuant to  
106 this section, less a retained service charge of 14.3 percent and  
107 any refunds granted pursuant to subsection (3), to the  
108 department. The department shall deposit ~~85.7 percent of~~ such  
109 moneys into the State Transportation Trust Fund and ~~14.3 percent~~  
110 ~~into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.~~ Notwithstanding  
111 any other law, the moneys deposited into the State  
112 Transportation Trust Fund pursuant to this subsection shall be  
113 used by the Department of Transportation for the following:

114 (a) The Florida Shared-Use Nonmotorized Trail Network  
115 established in s. 339.81, \$50 million.

116 (b) The capital funding for the New Starts Transit Program,

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117 authorized by 49 U.S.C. s. 5309 and pursuant to s. 341.051, 3.4  
118 percent.

119 (c) The Small County Outreach Program pursuant to s.  
120 339.2818, 5 percent.

121 (d) The Florida Strategic Intermodal System pursuant to ss.  
122 339.61-339.64, 20.6 percent.

123 (e) The Transportation Regional Incentive Program pursuant  
124 to s. 339.2819, 6.9 percent.

125 (f) All remaining funds for any transportation purpose  
126 authorized by law.

127 Section 4. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section  
128 320.08056, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

129 320.08056 Specialty license plates.—

130 (3) Each request must be made annually to the department or  
131 an authorized agent serving on behalf of the department,  
132 accompanied by the following tax and fees:

133 (b) A processing fee of \$5, to be retained by the tax  
134 collector, less the general revenue service charge set forth in  
135 s. 215.20(1) deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust  
136 Fund.

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138 A request may be made any time during a registration period. If  
139 a request is made for a specialty license plate to replace a  
140 current valid license plate, the specialty license plate must be  
141 issued with appropriate decals attached at no tax for the plate,  
142 but all fees and service charges must be paid. If a request is  
143 made for a specialty license plate at the beginning of the  
144 registration period, the tax, together with all applicable fees  
145 and service charges, must be paid.

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146       Section 5. Paragraphs (c) and (d) of subsection (8) of  
147 section 322.051, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

148       322.051 Identification cards.—

149       (8)

150       (c) The international symbol for the deaf and hard of  
151 hearing shall be exhibited on the identification card of a  
152 person who is deaf or hard of hearing upon the payment of an  
153 additional \$1 fee, to be retained by the tax collector, for the  
154 identification card and the presentation of sufficient proof  
155 that the person is deaf or hard of hearing as determined by the  
156 department. Until a person's identification card is next  
157 renewed, the person may have the symbol added to his or her  
158 identification card upon surrender of his or her current  
159 identification card, payment of a \$2 fee, to be retained by the  
160 tax collector, less the general revenue service charge set forth  
161 in s. 215.20(1) to be deposited into the Highway Safety  
162 ~~Operating Trust Fund~~, and presentation of sufficient proof that  
163 the person is deaf or hard of hearing as determined by the  
164 department. If the applicant is not conducting any other  
165 transaction affecting the identification card, a replacement  
166 identification card may be issued with the symbol without  
167 payment of the fee required in s. 322.21(1)(f)3.c. For purposes  
168 of this paragraph, the international symbol for the deaf and  
169 hard of hearing is substantially as follows:

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173       (d) The department shall include symbols representing the  
174 following on an identification card upon the payment of an

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175 additional \$1 fee, to be retained by the tax collector, by an  
176 applicant who meets the requirements of subsection (1) and  
177 presents his or her:

- 178 1. Lifetime freshwater fishing license;
- 179 2. Lifetime saltwater fishing license;
- 180 3. Lifetime hunting license;
- 181 4. Lifetime sportsman's license; or
- 182 5. Lifetime boater safety identification card.

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184 A person may replace his or her identification card before its  
185 expiration date with a card that includes his or her status as a  
186 lifetime licensee or boater safety cardholder upon surrender of  
187 his or her current identification card, payment of a \$2 fee, to  
188 be retained by the tax collector, less the general revenue  
189 service charge set forth in s. 215.20(1) to be deposited into  
190 the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund, and presentation of the  
191 person's lifetime license or card. If the sole purpose of the  
192 replacement identification card is the inclusion of the  
193 applicant's status as a lifetime licensee or cardholder, the  
194 replacement identification card must be issued without payment  
195 of the fee required in s. 322.21(1)(f)3.c.

196 Section 6. Paragraphs (c) and (e) of subsection (1) of  
197 section 322.14, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

198 322.14 Licenses issued to drivers.—

199 (1)

200 (c) The international symbol for the deaf and hard of  
201 hearing provided in s. 322.051(8)(c) shall be exhibited on the  
202 driver license of a person who is deaf or hard of hearing upon  
203 the payment of an additional \$1 fee, to be retained by the tax

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204 collector, less the general revenue service charge set forth in  
205 s. 215.20(1), for the license and the presentation of sufficient  
206 proof that the person is deaf or hard of hearing as determined  
207 by the department. Until a person's license is next renewed, the  
208 person may have the symbol added to his or her license upon the  
209 surrender of his or her current license, payment of a \$2 fee to  
210 be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund, and  
211 presentation of sufficient proof that the person is deaf or hard  
212 of hearing as determined by the department. If the applicant is  
213 not conducting any other transaction affecting the driver  
214 license, a replacement license may be issued with the symbol  
215 without payment of the fee required in s. 322.21(1)(e).

216 (e) The department shall include symbols representing the  
217 following on a driver license upon the payment of an additional  
218 \$1 fee by an applicant who meets the requirements of s. 322.08  
219 and presents his or her:

- 220 1. Lifetime freshwater fishing license;
- 221 2. Lifetime saltwater fishing license;
- 222 3. Lifetime hunting license;
- 223 4. Lifetime sportsman's license; or
- 224 5. Lifetime boater safety identification card.

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226 A person may replace his or her driver license before its  
227 expiration date with a license that includes his or her status  
228 as a lifetime licensee or boater safety cardholder upon  
229 surrender of his or her current driver license, payment of a \$2  
230 fee, to be retained by the tax collector, less the general  
231 revenue service charge set forth in s. 215.20(1) to be deposited  
232 into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund, and presentation

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233 of the person's lifetime license or identification card. If the  
234 sole purpose of the replacement driver license is the inclusion  
235 of the applicant's status as a lifetime licensee or cardholder,  
236 the replacement driver license must be issued without payment of  
237 the fee required in s. 322.21(1)(e).

238 Section 7. Paragraph (c) of subsection (11) and subsection  
239 (12) of section 322.20, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

240 322.20 Records of the department; fees; destruction of  
241 records.—

242 (11)

243 (c) The clerks of court and tax collectors authorized under  
244 s. 322.135, may provide 3-year, 7-year, or complete driver  
245 records to any person requesting such records upon payment of  
246 the appropriate fees. In addition to the fees authorized under  
247 paragraph (a), clerks of court and tax collectors may assess the  
248 fee listed in s. 322.135(1)(c) for this service. The applicable  
249 record fees listed in paragraph (a) shall be retained by the  
250 processing entity, less the general revenue service charge set  
251 forth in s. 215.20(1) must be remitted to the department no  
252 later than 5 days after payment is received, unless a shorter  
253 remittance period is required by law.

254 (12) The fees collected by the department under this  
255 section shall be placed in the Highway Safety Operating Trust  
256 Fund.

257 Section 8. Paragraphs (e), (f), and (h) of subsection (1)  
258 and subsection (8) of section 322.21, Florida Statutes, are  
259 amended to read:

260 322.21 License fees; procedure for handling and collecting  
261 fees.—

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262                     (1) Except as otherwise provided herein, the fee for:  
263                     (e) A replacement driver license issued pursuant to s.  
264                     322.17 is \$25. Of this amount \$7, less the general revenue  
265                     service charge set forth in s. 215.20(1), shall be retained by  
266                     or remitted to the tax collector, as applicable, shall be  
267                     deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund and \$18  
268                     shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund. Beginning July  
269                     1, 2015, or upon completion of the transition of driver license  
270                     issuance services, if the replacement driver license is issued  
271                     by the tax collector, the tax collector shall retain the \$7 that  
272                     would otherwise be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating  
273                     Trust Fund and the remaining revenues shall be deposited into  
274                     the General Revenue Fund.

275                     (f) An original, renewal, or replacement identification  
276                     card issued pursuant to s. 322.051 is \$25.

277                     1. An applicant who meets any of the following criteria is  
278                     exempt from the fee under this paragraph for an original,  
279                     renewal, or replacement identification card:

280                     a. The applicant presents a valid Florida voter's  
281                     registration card to the department and attests that he or she  
282                     is experiencing a financial hardship.

283                     b. The applicant presents evidence satisfactory to the  
284                     department that he or she is homeless as defined in s.  
285                     414.0252(7).

286                     c. The applicant presents evidence satisfactory to the  
287                     department that his or her annual income is at or below 100  
288                     percent of the federal poverty level.

289                     d. The applicant is a juvenile offender who is in the  
290                     custody or under the supervision of the Department of Juvenile

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291 Justice, who is receiving services pursuant to s. 985.461, and  
292 whose identification card is issued by the department's mobile  
293 issuing units.

294 2. Pursuant to s. 322.051(10), an applicant who is 80 years  
295 of age or older and whose driving privilege is denied due to  
296 failure to pass a vision test administered pursuant to s.  
297 322.18(5) is exempt from the fee under this paragraph for an  
298 original identification card.

299 3. Funds collected from fees for original, renewal, or  
300 replacement identification cards shall be distributed as  
301 follows:

302 a. For an original identification card issued pursuant to  
303 s. 322.051, the fee shall be deposited into the General Revenue  
304 Fund.

305 b. For a renewal identification card issued pursuant to s.  
306 322.051, \$6, less the general revenue service charge set forth  
307 in s. 215.20(1), shall be retained by or remitted to the tax  
308 collector, as applicable shall be deposited into the Highway  
309 Safety Operating Trust Fund, and \$19 shall be deposited into the  
310 General Revenue Fund.

311 c. For a replacement identification card issued pursuant to  
312 s. 322.051, \$9, less the general revenue service charge set  
313 forth in s. 215.20(1), shall be retained by or remitted to the  
314 tax collector, as applicable shall be deposited into the Highway  
315 Safety Operating Trust Fund, and \$16 shall be deposited into the  
316 General Revenue Fund. Beginning July 1, 2015, or upon completion  
317 ~~of the transition of the driver license issuance services, if~~  
318 ~~the replacement identification card is issued by the tax~~  
319 ~~collector, the tax collector shall retain the \$9 that would~~

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320 ~~otherwise be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust~~  
321 ~~Fund and the remaining revenues shall be deposited into the~~  
322 ~~General Revenue Fund.~~

323 (h) A hazardous-materials endorsement, as required by s.  
324 322.57(1)(e), shall be set by the department by rule and must  
325 reflect the cost of the required criminal history check,  
326 including the cost of the state and federal fingerprint check,  
327 and the cost to the department of providing and issuing the  
328 license, and an additional \$50, to be retained by the tax  
329 collector. The fee may shall not exceed \$100. ~~This fee shall be~~  
330 ~~deposited in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.~~ The  
331 department may adopt rules to administer this section.

332 (8) A person who applies for reinstatement following the  
333 suspension or revocation of the person's driver license must pay  
334 a service fee of \$45 following a suspension, and \$75 following a  
335 revocation, which is in addition to the fee for a license. A  
336 person who applies for reinstatement of a commercial driver  
337 license following the disqualification or downgrade of the  
338 person's privilege to operate a commercial motor vehicle must  
339 pay a service fee of \$75, which is in addition to the fee for a  
340 license. The department shall collect all of these fees at the  
341 time of reinstatement. The department shall issue proper  
342 receipts for such fees and shall promptly transmit all funds  
343 received by it as follows:

344 (a) Of the \$45 fee received from a licensee for  
345 reinstatement following a suspension:

346 1. If the reinstatement is processed by the department, the  
347 department shall deposit \$15 in the General Revenue Fund and \$30  
348 in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.

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349        2. If the reinstatement is processed by the tax collector,  
350 ~~\$30~~ \$15, less the general revenue service charge set forth in s.  
351 215.20(1), shall be retained by the tax collector, ~~\$15 shall be~~  
352 ~~deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund,~~ and \$15  
353 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

354        (b) Of the \$75 fee received from a licensee for  
355 reinstatement following a revocation, disqualification, or  
356 downgrade:

357        1. If the reinstatement is processed by the department, the  
358 department shall deposit \$35 in the General Revenue Fund and \$40  
359 in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.

360        2. If the reinstatement is processed by the tax collector,  
361 ~~\$40~~ \$20, less the general revenue service charge set forth in s.  
362 215.20(1), shall be retained by the tax collector, ~~\$20 shall be~~  
363 ~~deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund,~~ and \$35  
364 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

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366 If the revocation or suspension of the driver license was for a  
367 violation of s. 316.193, or for refusal to submit to a lawful  
368 breath, blood, or urine test, an additional fee of \$130 must be  
369 charged. However, only one \$130 fee may be collected from one  
370 person convicted of violations arising out of the same incident.  
371 The department shall collect and remit the \$130 fee, less the  
372 general revenue service charge set forth in s. 215.20(1), to the  
373 tax collector and deposit the fee into the Highway Safety  
374 Operating Trust Fund at the time of reinstatement of the  
375 person's driver license, but the fee may not be collected if the  
376 suspension or revocation is overturned. If the revocation or  
377 suspension of the driver license was for a conviction for a

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378 violation of s. 817.234(8) or (9) or s. 817.505, an additional  
379 fee of \$180 is imposed for each offense. The department shall  
380 collect and remit the additional fee, less the general revenue  
381 service charge set forth in s. 215.20(1), to the tax collector  
382 ~~deposit the additional fee into the Highway Safety Operating~~  
383 ~~Trust Fund~~ at the time of reinstatement of the person's driver  
384 license.

385 Section 9. Subsection (2) of section 322.29, Florida  
386 Statutes, is amended to read:

387 322.29 Surrender and return of license.—

388 (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), an examination is not  
389 required for the return of a license suspended under s. 318.15  
390 or s. 322.245 unless an examination is otherwise required by  
391 this chapter. A person applying for the return of a license  
392 suspended under s. 318.15 or s. 322.245 must present to the  
393 department certification from the court that he or she has  
394 complied with all obligations and penalties imposed pursuant to  
395 s. 318.15 or, in the case of a suspension pursuant to s.  
396 322.245, that he or she has complied with all directives of the  
397 court and the requirements of s. 322.245 and shall pay to the  
398 department a nonrefundable service fee of \$60, of which \$37.50  
399 shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund and \$22.50  
400 shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.  
401 If reinstated by the clerk of the court or tax collector, the  
402 service fee shall be retained by the processing entity \$37.50  
403 ~~shall be retained and \$22.50 shall be remitted to the Department~~  
404 ~~of Revenue for deposit into the Highway Safety Operating Trust~~  
405 ~~Fund.~~ However, the service fee is not required if the person is  
406 required to pay a \$45 fee or \$75 fee under s. 322.21(8).

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407       Section 10. Subsection (3) of section 324.0221, Florida  
408 Statutes, is amended to read:

409       324.0221 Reports by insurers to the department; suspension  
410 of driver license and vehicle registrations; reinstatement.—

411       (3) An operator or owner whose driver license or  
412 registration has been suspended under this section or s. 316.646  
413 may affect its reinstatement upon compliance with the  
414 requirements of this section and upon payment to the department  
415 of a nonrefundable reinstatement fee of \$150 for the first  
416 reinstatement. The reinstatement fee is \$250 for the second  
417 reinstatement and \$500 for each subsequent reinstatement during  
418 the 3 years following the first reinstatement. A person  
419 reinstating her or his insurance under this subsection must also  
420 secure coverage as described in ss. 324.021(8), 324.023, and  
421 627.7275(2) and present to the appropriate person proof that the  
422 coverage is in force on a form adopted by the department, and  
423 such proof shall be maintained for 2 years. If the person does  
424 not have a second reinstatement within 3 years after her or his  
425 initial reinstatement, the reinstatement fee is \$150 for the  
426 first reinstatement after that 3-year period. If a person's  
427 license and registration are suspended under this section or s.  
428 316.646, only one reinstatement fee must be paid to reinstate  
429 the license and the registration. All fees shall be collected by  
430 the department or tax collector at the time of reinstatement.  
431 The department or tax collector shall issue proper receipts for  
432 such fees and shall, if the service is provided by the  
433 department, promptly deposit the these fees in the Highway  
434 Safety Operating Trust Fund or, if the service is provided by  
435 the tax collector, retain the fees less the general revenue

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436 service charge set forth in s. 215.20(1). One-third of the fees  
437 collected under this subsection shall be distributed from the  
438 Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund or tax collector, as  
439 applicable, to the local governmental entity or state agency  
440 that employed the law enforcement officer seizing the license  
441 plate pursuant to s. 324.201. The funds may be used by the local  
442 governmental entity or state agency for any authorized purpose.

443       Section 11. Section 324.071, Florida Statutes, is amended  
444 to read:

445       324.071 Reinstatement; renewal of license; reinstatement  
446 fee.—Any operator or owner whose license or registration has  
447 been suspended pursuant to s. 324.051(2), s. 324.072, s.  
448 324.081, or s. 324.121 may effect its reinstatement upon  
449 compliance with the provisions of s. 324.051(2)(a)3. or 4., or  
450 s. 324.081(2) and (3), as the case may be, and with one of the  
451 provisions of s. 324.031 and upon payment to the department or  
452 tax collector of a nonrefundable reinstatement fee of \$15. This  
453 fee shall be retained by the processing entity, less the general  
454 revenue service charge set forth in s. 215.20(1). Only one such  
455 fee shall be paid by any one person irrespective of the number  
456 of licenses and registrations to be then reinstated or issued to  
457 such person. All such fees shall be deposited to a department  
458 trust fund. When the reinstatement of any license or  
459 registration is effected by compliance with s. 324.051(2)(a)3.  
460 or 4., the department shall not renew the license or  
461 registration within a period of 3 years from such reinstatement,  
462 nor shall any other license or registration be issued in the  
463 name of such person, unless the operator is continuing to comply  
464 with one of the provisions of s. 324.031.

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Section 12. This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.