

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE AMENDMENT

Bill No. HB 543 (2026)

Amendment No.

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

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| ADOPTED | <u> </u> (Y/N) |
| ADOPTED AS AMENDED | <u> </u> (Y/N) |
| ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION | <u> </u> (Y/N) |
| FAILED TO ADOPT | <u> </u> (Y/N) |
| WITHDRAWN | <u> </u> (Y/N) |
| OTHER | <u> </u> |

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Commerce Committee
2 Representative Plakon offered the following:

4 **Amendment to Amendment (118977) by Representative McFarland
5 (with title amendment)**

6 Between lines 153 and 154 of the amendment, insert:

7 **Section 7. Subsection (5) is added to section 316.1955,
8 Florida Statutes, to read:**

9 (5) (a) A vehicle displaying a valid disabled parking
10 permit or a license plate issued under s. 316.1958 or s.
11 320.0848 and which is equipped with permanently installed
12 mobility access equipment including, but not limited to,
13 wheelchair ramps or lifts, may occupy more than one parking
14 space when reasonably necessary to deploy such equipment safely,
15 provided that no designated accessible parking spaces are
16 available or sufficient to accommodate the vehicle's equipment.

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17 (b) A vehicle described in paragraph (a) may not be cited, penalized, or towed solely because the vehicle occupies more than one parking space or exceeds standard parking dimensions, if:

21 1. The vehicle is lawfully displaying a valid disabled parking permit or plate; and

23 2. The vehicle does not block vehicular traffic lanes, emergency access routes, fire lanes, or pedestrian access paths; and

26 3. The vehicle does not create a clear and immediate safety hazard.

28 (c) Prior to towing a vehicle displaying a valid disabled parking permit or plate, a public or private property owner or towing operator must make reasonable efforts to determine whether the vehicle qualifies for the protections of this subsection, unless the vehicle presents an immediate threat to public safety.

34 (d) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to permit parking in:

36 1. Fire lanes;

37 2. Emergency vehicle access areas;

38 3. Clearly posted no-parking zones; or

39 4. Any location where the vehicle poses an immediate risk to public safety.

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45 Remove line 560 of the amendment and insert:
46 certain conditions; amending s. 316.1955, F.S.;
47 authorizing vehicles displaying disabled parking
48 permits to occupy more than one parking space under
49 specified conditions; prohibiting such vehicles from
50 being cited, penalized, or towed, under specified
51 circumstances; amending s. 316.20655, F.S.;