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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

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OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: State Affairs Committee  
2 Representative McFarland offered the following:

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4 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

5 Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

6 **Section 1.** The Department of Transportation and any  
7 impacted local government shall increase the minimum perception-  
8 reaction time for each steady yellow signal located at an  
9 intersection equipped with a traffic infraction detector by 0.4  
10 seconds.

11 **Section 2. Subsection (4) of section 311.10, Florida**  
12 **Statutes, is transferred, renumbered as section 311.15, Florida**  
13 **Statutes, and amended, to read:**

14 311.15 Seaports; cargo facilities; reporting requirements  
15 ~~311.10 Strategic Port Investment Initiative.—~~

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16 (1) As used in this section, the term:

17 (a) "Cargo purposes" means any facility, activity,  
18 property, energy source, or infrastructure asset that is not  
19 intended to facilitate the transport of passengers and includes,  
20 but is not limited to, such facilities, activities, properties,  
21 energy sources, or infrastructure assets that support spaceport  
22 activities.

23 (b) "Commercial space launch industry" means any company  
24 substantially engaged in the transport, operation, and recovery  
25 of space launch or landing services with active maritime  
26 operations.

27 (2) Beginning February 1, 2027, and each February 1  
28 thereafter, each seaport located in a county in which real  
29 property is designated as spaceport territory under s. 331.304  
30 and that uses land, facilities, or infrastructure for the  
31 purpose of supporting spacecraft launch and recovery operations  
32 must submit a report to the chair of the Space Florida board of  
33 directors which describes all measures the seaport has taken to  
34 support the commercial space launch industry. The seaport must  
35 post a copy of the report on its website once it has been  
36 submitted to the chair of the board.

37 ~~(3)(4) As a condition of receiving a project grant under~~  
38 ~~any program established in this chapter and as a condition of~~  
39 ~~receiving state funds as described in s. 215.31, A seaport that~~  
40 ~~is located in a county in which real property is designated as~~

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41 spaceport territory under s. 331.304 and that uses land,  
42 facilities, or infrastructure for the purpose of supporting  
43 spacecraft launch and recovery operations ~~must, in any agreement~~  
44 ~~with the Department of Transportation, agree that the seaport~~  
45 may not convert any planned or existing land, facility, or  
46 infrastructure that supports cargo purposes to any alternative  
47 purpose unless all of the following conditions are met:

48 (a) The governing board of the seaport must provide public  
49 notice as provided in s. 50.011 at least 30 days before holding  
50 a public meeting on the proposed conversion.

51 (b) Before approving the proposed conversion, the  
52 governing board of the seaport must prepare or cause to be  
53 prepared a report estimating the impact of the conversion on the  
54 cargo operations of the seaport. The report must be prominently  
55 posted on the seaport's website at least 30 days before holding  
56 a public meeting on the proposed conversion.

57 (c) The conversion must be is approved by a two-thirds  
58 vote of by the seaport's governing board of the seaport at a  
59 publicly noticed meeting as a separate line on the agenda and  
60 with a reasonable opportunity for public comment., and, if  
61 approved,

62 (4) The Legislature must expressly approve approves the  
63 use of state funds for any a project that includes the such-a  
64 conversion of any planned or existing land, facility, or  
65 infrastructure that supports cargo purposes to any alternative

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66 purpose, whether by a work program amendment or through the  
67 General Appropriations Act. ~~As used in this subsection, the term~~  
68 ~~"cargo purposes" includes, but is not limited to, any facility,~~  
69 ~~activity, property, energy source, or infrastructure asset that~~  
70 ~~supports spaceport activities.~~

71 **Section 3. Subsection (38) of section 316.003, Florida**  
72 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

73 316.003 Definitions.—The following words and phrases, when  
74 used in this chapter, shall have the meanings respectively  
75 ascribed to them in this section, except where the context  
76 otherwise requires:

77 (38) LOCAL HEARING OFFICER.—The person, designated by a  
78 department, county, ~~or~~ municipality, or school district that  
79 elects to authorize traffic infraction enforcement officers to  
80 issue traffic citations under ss. 316.0083(1)(a) and  
81 316.1896(1), who is authorized to conduct hearings related to a  
82 notice of violation issued pursuant to s. 316.0083 or s.  
83 316.1896. A The charter county, noncharter county, or  
84 municipality may use its currently appointed code enforcement  
85 board or special magistrate to serve as the local hearing  
86 officer. Pursuant to s. 316.173, a school district may appoint  
87 an attorney who is, and has been for the preceding 5 years, a  
88 member in good standing of the Florida Bar to serve as a local  
89 hearing officer, or the county in which a school district has  
90 entered into an interlocal agreement with a law enforcement

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91 agency to issue uniform traffic citations may designate by  
92 resolution existing staff to serve as the local hearing officer.  
93 The department may enter into an interlocal agreement to use the  
94 local hearing officer of a county or municipality. The local  
95 hearing officer need not reside in the county or municipality  
96 where a violation occurred.

97 **Section 4. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (9) of**  
98 **section 316.008, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:**

99 316.008 Powers of local authorities.—

100 (9) (a) A county or municipality may enforce the applicable  
101 speed limit on a roadway properly maintained as a school zone  
102 pursuant to s. 316.1895:

103 1. Within 30 minutes before through 30 minutes after the  
104 start of a regularly scheduled breakfast program;

105 2. Within 30 minutes before through 30 minutes after the  
106 start of a regularly scheduled school session;

107 3. During the entirety of a regularly scheduled school  
108 session; and

109 4. Within 30 minutes before through 30 minutes after the  
110 end of a regularly scheduled school session

111  
112 through the use of a speed detection system for the detection of  
113 speed and capturing of photographs or videos for violations in  
114 excess of 10 miles per hour over the speed limit in force in the  
115 school zone at the time of the violation. A school zone's

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116 compliance with s. 316.1895 creates a rebuttable presumption  
117 that the school zone is properly maintained. The school zone  
118 restricted speed limit may be enforced through the use of a  
119 speed detection system when any flashing beacon used to provide  
120 the notice of the restricted school speed limit is activated.  
121 For speed detection systems installed before July 1, 2026,  
122 capturing the beacon status in photographic, video, or by other  
123 evidence is not required for proof of the beacon status until  
124 January 1, 2028. An area maintained as a school zone that has no  
125 beacon installed before July 1, 2026, has until January 1, 2028,  
126 to place and install a beacon and until a beacon is installed  
127 the county or municipality may provide poof of the school zone  
128 speed limit in force at the time of violation without evidence  
129 of the beacon status.

130 (b) A county or municipality may place or install, or  
131 contract with a vendor to place or install, a speed detection  
132 system within a roadway maintained as a school zone as provided  
133 in s. 316.1895 to enforce unlawful speed limit violations in the  
134 school zone, as specified in s. 316.1895 ~~s. 316.1895(10)~~ or s.  
135 316.183 which are in excess of 10 miles per hour over the school  
136 zone speed limit in force at the time of violation, on that  
137 roadway. The physical placement of a speed detection system may  
138 be outside the boundaries of the school zone but within the  
139 roadway maintained as a school zone. Any notice of violation or  
140 uniform traffic citation issued using a speed detection system

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141 must be based solely on a violation occurring within the  
142 boundaries of the school zone and during the times authorized  
143 under this subsection.

144 **Section 5. Subsection (3) of section 316.0776, Florida**  
145 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

146 316.0776 Traffic infraction detectors; speed detection  
147 systems; placement and installation.—

148 (3) A speed detection system authorized by s. 316.008(9)  
149 may be placed or installed anywhere in an area maintained, as  
150 defined in s. 316.1895(3)(d), as a school zone on a state road  
151 when permitted by the Department of Transportation and in  
152 accordance with placement and installation specifications  
153 developed by the Department of Transportation. The speed  
154 detection system may be placed or installed anywhere in an area  
155 maintained, as defined in s. 316.1895(3)(d), as a school zone on  
156 a street or highway under the jurisdiction of a county or a  
157 municipality in accordance with placement and installation  
158 specifications established by the Department of Transportation.  
159 The placement and installation specifications must allow the  
160 placement of a speed detection system or components thereof  
161 outside the boundaries of the school zone but within the area  
162 maintained as a school zone. The speed detection system may only  
163 capture violations occurring within the school zone and during  
164 the times authorized under s. 316.008(9), regardless of the  
165 placement of the speed detection system or its components ~~The~~

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166 ~~Department of Transportation must establish such placement and~~  
167 ~~installation specifications by December 31, 2023.~~

168 (a) If a county or municipality places or installs a speed  
169 detection system as authorized by s. 316.008(9), the county or  
170 municipality must notify the public that a speed detection  
171 system may be in use by posting signage indicating photographic  
172 or video enforcement of the school zone speed limits. Such  
173 signage shall clearly designate the time period during which the  
174 school zone speed limits are enforced using a speed detection  
175 system and must meet the placement and installation  
176 specifications established by the Department of Transportation.  
177 For a speed detection system enforcing violations of s. 316.1895  
178 or s. 316.183 on a roadway maintained as a school zone, this  
179 paragraph governs the signage notifying the public of the use of  
180 a speed detection system.

181 (b) If a county or municipality begins a school zone speed  
182 detection system program in a county or municipality that has  
183 never conducted such a program, the respective county or  
184 municipality must make a public announcement and conduct a  
185 public awareness campaign of the proposed use of speed detection  
186 systems at least 30 days before commencing enforcement under the  
187 speed detection system program and must notify the public of the  
188 specific date on which the program will commence. During the 30-  
189 day public awareness campaign, only a warning may be issued to  
190 the registered owner of a motor vehicle for a violation of s.

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191 316.1895 or s. 316.183 enforced by a speed detection system, and  
192 liability may not be imposed for the civil penalty under s.  
193 318.18(3)(d).

194 (c) A county or municipality that operates one or more  
195 school zone speed detection systems must annually report the  
196 results of all systems within the county's or municipality's  
197 jurisdiction by placing the report required under s.  
198 316.1896(16)(a) as a single reporting item on the agenda of a  
199 regular or special meeting of the county's or municipality's  
200 governing body. Before a county or municipality contracts or  
201 renews a contract to place or install a speed detection system  
202 in a school zone pursuant to s. 316.008(9), the county or  
203 municipality must approve the contract or contract renewal at a  
204 regular or special meeting of the county's or municipality's  
205 governing body.

206 1. Interested members of the public must be allowed to  
207 comment regarding the report, contract, or contract renewal  
208 under the county's or municipality's public comment policies or  
209 formats, and the report, contract, or contract renewal may not  
210 be considered as part of a consent agenda.

211 2. The report required under this paragraph must include a  
212 written summary, which must be read aloud at the regular or  
213 special meeting, and the summary must contain, for the same time  
214 period pertaining to the annual report to the department under  
215 s. 316.1896(16)(a), the number of notices of violation issued,

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216 the number that were contested, the number that were upheld, the  
217 number that were dismissed, the number that were issued as  
218 uniform traffic citations, and the number that were paid and how  
219 collected funds were distributed and in what amounts. The county  
220 or municipality must report to the department that the county's  
221 or municipality's annual report was considered in accordance  
222 with this paragraph, including the date of the regular or  
223 special meeting at which the annual report was considered.

224 3. The compliance or sufficiency of compliance with this  
225 paragraph may not be raised in a proceeding challenging a  
226 violation of s. 316.1895 or s. 316.183 enforced by a speed  
227 detection system in a school zone.

228 **Section 6. Effective October 1, 2026, subsections (3),**  
229 **(4), and (5) of section 316.0777, Florida Statutes, are**  
230 **renumbered as subsections (4), (5), and (6), respectively, and a**  
231 **new subsection (3) is added to that section to read:**

232 316.0777 Automated license plate recognition systems;  
233 installation within rights-of-way of State Highway System and on  
234 and within property owned or controlled by private entity;  
235 public records exemption.—

236 (3) A private property owner may install an automated  
237 license plate recognition system solely for use on and within  
238 the property owned or controlled by the property owner. A  
239 private property owner that installs or directs the installation  
240 of such a system:

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241 (a) May not access vehicle registration or title data for  
242 vehicles identified by the system, unless the private property  
243 owner is acting to the extent permitted by the Driver's Privacy  
244 Protection Act, 18 U.S.C. ss. 2721-2725, or for the limited  
245 purpose of providing notice to vehicle owners that they failed  
246 to pay for parking and that such failure has resulted in a  
247 parking charge pursuant to s. 715.075.

248 (b) May not share or sell images, personal identifying  
249 information, VIN or license plate numbers, or any data that  
250 could be reasonably connected to an individual collected or  
251 generated by the system, except:

252 1. To the extent required to respond to a lawful request  
253 from a criminal justice agency;

254 2. To the extent required to control or enforce access to  
255 the property or for parking enforcement; or

256 3. To the extent sharing such information is necessary to  
257 report suspicious activity or suspected criminal activity to a  
258 criminal justice agency.

259 4. To the extent permitted by the Driver's Privacy  
260 Protection Act, 18 U.S.C. ss. 2721-2725.

261 (c) Must contractually obligate any third party that  
262 installs, maintains, or operates the system or receives  
263 information pursuant to subparagraph (b)2. to protect the images  
264 or data collected or generated by the system from disclosure,

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265 including a prohibition on sharing or selling such images or  
266 data, except to the extent authorized under paragraph (b).

267 (d) Must implement, and must contractually obligate any  
268 third-party that installs, maintains, or operates the system or  
269 receives information pursuant to subparagraph (b)2. to  
270 implement:

271 1. Industry-recognized encryption protocols to ensure that  
272 images and associated data collected or generated by the system  
273 are encrypted in transmission and at rest.

274 2. An auditable access control system that records access  
275 to images and associated data.

276 3. A data retention schedule that provides for deletion of  
277 images and data no later than 30 days after the images or data  
278 is collected or generated by the system, except to the extent  
279 needed to comply with a court order, subpoena, or comply with  
280 the appeal process detailed in 715.075(1)(c)&(d) or to collect  
281 an unpaid invoice for parking enhancement. Records detailing  
282 disclosure logs or transaction information may be retained  
283 longer in accordance with federal law.

284 (e) May not offer or provide as payment or other  
285 consideration any portion of the proceeds derived from a fine or  
286 charge imposed based on images or data collected or generated by  
287 the system to any third party that installs, maintains, or  
288 operates the system, except to the extent the fine or violation

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289 is issued in connection with controlling or enforcing access to  
290 such property or for parking enforcement.

291 (7) A person who uses or releases information in violation  
292 of this section commits a noncriminal infraction, punishable by  
293 a fine not exceeding \$2,000.

294 **Section 7. Section 316.173, Florida Statutes, is amended,**  
295 **to read:**

296 316.173 School bus infraction detection systems.—

297 (1) (a) As used in this section, the term "school district"  
298 means educational institutions limited to those governed by:

299 1. Article IX, s. 4 of the State Constitution.

300 2. S. 1002.01(3).

301 3. S. 1002.33.

302 4. Federally funded Head Start programs.

303 (b) A school district may install and operate a school bus  
304 infraction detection system on a school bus for the purpose of  
305 enforcing s. 316.172(1) (a) and (b) as provided in and consistent  
306 with this section.

307 (c) ~~(b)~~ The school district may contract with a private  
308 vendor or manufacturer to install a school bus infraction  
309 detection system on any school bus within its fleet, whether  
310 owned, contracted, or leased, and for services including, but  
311 not limited to, the installation, operation, and maintenance of  
312 the system. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a  
313 private school bus contractor that provides busing services for

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314 a school district may not charge a fee or receive remuneration  
315 from a district, or private vendor or manufacturer of a school  
316 bus infraction detection system with respect to installation,  
317 operation, or maintenance of a system, and may not unreasonably  
318 impede installation, operation, or maintenance of a system if  
319 selected by the school district. The school district's decision  
320 to install school bus infraction detection systems must be based  
321 solely on the need to increase public safety. An individual may  
322 not receive a commission from any revenue collected from  
323 violations detected through the use of a school bus infraction  
324 detection system. A private vendor or manufacturer may not  
325 receive a fee or remuneration based upon the number of  
326 violations detected through the use of a school bus infraction  
327 detection system. This paragraph may not be construed to  
328 prohibit a private vendor or manufacturer from receiving a fixed  
329 amount of collected proceeds for service rendered in relation to  
330 the installation, operation, or maintenance of school bus  
331 infraction detection systems.

332 (d)~~(e)~~ The school district must ensure that each school  
333 bus infraction detection system meets the requirements of  
334 subsection (19).

335 (e)~~(d)~~ The school district must enter into an interlocal  
336 agreement with one or more law enforcement agencies authorized  
337 to enforce violations of s. 316.172(1) (a) and (b) within the  
338 school district which jointly establishes the responsibilities

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339 of enforcement and the reimbursement of costs associated with  
340 school bus infraction detection systems consistent with this  
341 section.

342 (f) Review of information from a school bus infraction  
343 detection system by an authorized employee or a designee of the  
344 school district or law enforcement agency is not prohibited  
345 before issuance of a notice of violation or uniform traffic  
346 citation.

347 (6)

348 (b) Procedures for an administrative hearing conducted  
349 under this subsection are as follows:

350 1. The department shall make available electronically to  
351 the school district or its designee or the county a Request for  
352 Hearing form to assist each district or county with  
353 administering this subsection.

354 2. The school district shall assign existing staff or a  
355 designee to serve as the clerk to the local hearing officer. A  
356 person, referred to in this paragraph as the petitioner, who  
357 elects to request a hearing under this subsection shall be  
358 scheduled for a hearing by the clerk to the local hearing  
359 officer. The hearing may be conducted either virtually via live  
360 video conferencing or in person.

361 3. Within 120 days after receipt of a timely request for a  
362 hearing, the law enforcement agency or its designee shall  
363 provide a replica of the notice of violation data to the school

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364 district or county by manual or electronic transmission, and  
365 thereafter the school district or its designee or the county  
366 shall mail a notice of hearing, which shall include a hearing  
367 date and may at the discretion of the district or county include  
368 virtual and in-person hearing options, to the petitioner by  
369 first-class mail. Mailing of the notice of hearing constitutes  
370 notification. Upon receipt of the notice of hearing, the  
371 petitioner may reschedule the hearing twice ~~once~~ by submitting a  
372 written request to the local hearing officer at least 5 calendar  
373 days before the day of the ~~originally~~ scheduled hearing. The  
374 petitioner may cancel his or her hearing by paying the penalty  
375 assessed in the notice of violation.

376 4. All testimony at the hearing shall be under oath. The  
377 local hearing officer shall take testimony from a representative  
378 of the law enforcement agency and the petitioner, and may take  
379 testimony from others. The local hearing officer shall review  
380 the video and images recorded by a school bus infraction  
381 detection system. Formal rules of evidence do not apply, but due  
382 process shall be observed and govern the proceedings.

383 5. At the conclusion of the hearing, the local hearing  
384 officer shall determine by a preponderance of the evidence  
385 whether a violation has occurred and shall uphold or dismiss the  
386 violation. The local hearing officer shall issue a final  
387 administrative order including the determination and, if the  
388 notice of violation is upheld, require the petitioner to pay the

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389 civil penalty previously assessed in the notice of violation,  
390 and shall also require the petitioner to pay costs, not to  
391 exceed \$250 ~~those established in s. 316.0083(5)(e)~~, to be used  
392 by the county for operational costs relating to the hearing  
393 process or by the school district for technology and operational  
394 costs relating to the hearing process as well as school  
395 transportation safety-related initiatives. The final  
396 administrative order shall be mailed to the petitioner by first-  
397 class mail. Mailing of the final administrative order  
398 constitutes notification.

399 6. An aggrieved party may appeal a final administrative  
400 order consistent with the process provided in s. 162.11.

401 (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any  
402 hearing for a contested notice of violation or uniform traffic  
403 citation that has not been conducted before July 1, 2025, may be  
404 conducted pursuant to the procedures in this section ~~subsection~~  
405 within 2 years ~~1 year~~ after such date.

406 (17)(a)1. A school bus infraction detection system may not  
407 be used for remote surveillance. The collection of evidence by a  
408 school bus infraction detection system to enforce violations of  
409 s. 316.172 does not constitute remote surveillance.

410 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, video and  
411 images recorded as part of a school bus infraction detection  
412 system may only be used for traffic enforcement and for purposes  
413 of determining criminal or civil liability for incidents

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414 captured by the school bus infraction detection system  
415 incidental to the permissible use of the school bus infraction  
416 detection system.

417 3. To the extent practicable, a school bus infraction  
418 detection system must use necessary technology to ensure that  
419 personal identifying information contained in the video or still  
420 images recorded by the system which is not relevant to the  
421 alleged violation, including, but not limited to, the identity  
422 of the driver and any passenger of a motor vehicle, the interior  
423 or contents of a motor vehicle, the identity of an uninvolved  
424 person, a number identifying the address of a private residence,  
425 and the contents or interior of a private residence, is  
426 sufficiently obscured so as not to reveal such personal  
427 identifying information.

428 4. A notice of a violation or uniform traffic citation  
429 issued under this section may not be dismissed solely because a  
430 recorded video or still images reveal personal identifying  
431 information as provided in subparagraph 3. as long as a  
432 reasonable effort has been made to comply with this subsection.

433 (18) (a) By October 1, 2023, and annually ~~quarterly~~  
434 thereafter, each school district operating a school bus  
435 infraction detection system must submit, in consultation with  
436 the law enforcement agencies with which it has interlocal  
437 agreements pursuant to this section, a report to the department  
438 which details the results of the school bus infraction detection

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439 systems in the school district in the preceding state fiscal  
440 year quarter. The department shall publish each report on its  
441 website. The information from the school districts must be  
442 submitted in a form and manner determined by the department,  
443 ~~which the department must make available to the school districts~~  
444 ~~by August 1, 2023,~~ and must include at least the following:

445 1. The number of school buses that have a school bus  
446 infraction detection system installed, including the date of  
447 installation and, if applicable, the date the systems were  
448 removed.

449 2. The number of notices of violations issued, the number  
450 that were contested, the number that were upheld, the number  
451 that were dismissed, the number that were issued as uniform  
452 traffic citations, and the number that were paid.

453 3. Data for each infraction to determine locations in need  
454 of safety improvements. Such data may include, but is not  
455 limited to, global positioning system coordinates of the  
456 infraction, the date and time of the infraction, and the name of  
457 the school that the school bus was transporting students to or  
458 from.

459 4. Any other statistical data and information required by  
460 the department to complete the report required by paragraph (c).

461 (19) A school bus infraction detection system must meet  
462 specifications established by the State Board of Education and  
463 must be tested at regular intervals according to specifications

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464 prescribed by state board rule. The state board must establish  
465 such specifications by rule on or before December 31, 2023.  
466 However, any such equipment acquired by purchase, lease, or  
467 other arrangement under an agreement entered into by a school  
468 district on or before December 31, 2023, is not required to meet  
469 the specifications established by the state board until July 1,  
470 2024. In any proceeding challenging a violation of s.  
471 316.172(1)(a) or (b), there is a rebuttable presumption that a  
472 school bus infraction detection system complies with and meets  
473 all required specifications.

474 (20) If a school district, as established in Article IX,  
475 s. 4 of the State Constitution, has contracted with a private  
476 vendor or manufacturer to install school bus infraction  
477 detection systems for school buses for public schools pursuant  
478 to this section, then charter schools and private schools within  
479 the geographic area of that school district can enter into  
480 separate contracts for the installation of school bus infraction  
481 detection systems with the same vendor or manufacturer. However,  
482 if the school district terminates all contracts for school bus  
483 infraction detection systems with a vendor or manufacturer, any  
484 contracts entered into by such charter schools or private  
485 schools are immediately terminated. Only school buses that meet  
486 the Florida School Bus Specifications adopted by the State Board  
487 of Education can utilize school infraction detection systems  
488 under this subsection.

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489        (21) The State Board of Education may adopt rules to  
490 address student privacy concerns that may arise from the use of  
491 a school bus infraction detection system.

492            **Section 8. Subsection (2) of section 316.183, Florida**  
493 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

494            316.183 Unlawful speed.—

495            (2) On all streets or highways, the maximum speed limits  
496 for all vehicles must be 30 miles per hour in business or  
497 residence districts, and 55 miles per hour at any time at all  
498 other locations. However, with respect to a residence district,  
499 a county or municipality may set a lower maximum speed limit ~~of~~  
500 ~~20 or 25 miles per hour~~ on local streets and highways after an  
501 investigation determines that such a limit is reasonable. It is  
502 not necessary to conduct a separate investigation for each  
503 residence district. The minimum speed limit on all highways that  
504 comprise a part of the National System of Interstate and Defense  
505 Highways and have not fewer than four lanes is 40 miles per  
506 hour, except that when the posted speed limit is 70 miles per  
507 hour, the minimum speed limit is 50 miles per hour.

508            **Section 9. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section**  
509 **316.189, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:**

510            316.189 Establishment of municipal and county speed  
511 zones.—

512            (2) SPEED ON COUNTY ROADS.—The maximum speed on any  
513 county-maintained road is:

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514 (a) In any business or residence district, 30 miles per  
515 hour in the daytime or nighttime; provided that with respect to  
516 residence districts a county may set a lower maximum speed limit  
517 ~~of 25 miles per hour~~ after an investigation determines that such  
518 a limit is reasonable; and it shall not be necessary to conduct  
519 a separate investigation in each residence district.

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521 However, the board of county commissioners may set speed zones  
522 altering such speeds, both as to maximum and minimum, after  
523 investigation determines such a change is reasonable and in  
524 conformity to criteria promulgated by the Department of  
525 Transportation, except that no such speed zone shall permit a  
526 speed of more than 60 miles per hour.

527 **Section 10. Subsection (6) of section 316.1895, Florida**  
528 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

529 316.1895 Establishment of school speed zones, enforcement;  
530 designation.—

531 (6) Permanent signs designating school zones and school  
532 zone speed limits shall be uniform in size and color, and shall  
533 have the times during which the restrictive speed limit is  
534 enforced clearly designated thereon. Flashing beacons activated  
535 by a time clock, or other automatic device, or manually  
536 activated may be used as an alternative to posting the times  
537 during which the restrictive school speed limit is enforced.  
538 However, if a school zone restricted speed limit is enforced

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539 through a speed detection system as provided in s. 316.1896,  
540 then the school zone and school zone speed limit must be  
541 designated using flashing beacons. Beginning July 1, 2008, for  
542 any newly established school zone or any school zone in which  
543 the signing has been replaced, a sign stating "Speeding Fines  
544 Doubled" shall be installed within the school zone. The  
545 Department of Transportation shall establish adequate standards  
546 for the signs and flashing beacons.

547 **Section 11. Subsections (1), (2), (3), (6), and (8),**  
548 **paragraph (a) of subsection (15), and paragraph (a) of**  
549 **subsection (16) of section 316.1896, Florida Statutes, are**  
550 **amended to read:**

551 316.1896 Roadways maintained as school zones; speed  
552 detection system enforcement; penalties; appeal procedure;  
553 privacy; reports.—

554 (1) For purposes of administering this section, a county  
555 or municipality may authorize a traffic infraction enforcement  
556 officer under s. 316.640 to issue uniform traffic citations for  
557 violations of ss. 316.1895 and 316.183 as authorized by s.  
558 316.008(9), as follows:

559 (a) For a violation of s. 316.1895 in excess of 10 miles  
560 per hour over the school zone speed limit which occurs within 30  
561 minutes before through 30 minutes after the start of a regularly  
562 scheduled breakfast program.

563 (b) For a violation of s. 316.1895 in excess of 10 miles

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564 per hour over the school zone speed limit which occurs within 30  
565 minutes before through 30 minutes after the start of a regularly  
566 scheduled school session.

567 (c) For a violation of s. 316.183 in excess of 10 miles  
568 per hour over the posted speed limit during the entirety of a  
569 regularly scheduled school session.

570 (d) For a violation of s. 316.1895 in excess of 10 miles  
571 per hour over the school zone speed limit which occurs within 30  
572 minutes before through 30 minutes after the end of a regularly  
573 scheduled school session.

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575 Such violation must be evidenced by a speed detection system  
576 described in ss. 316.008(9) and 316.0776(3). This subsection  
577 does not prohibit a review of information from a speed detection  
578 system by an authorized employee or agent of a county or  
579 municipality before issuance of the uniform traffic citation by  
580 the traffic infraction enforcement officer. This subsection does  
581 not prohibit a county or municipality from issuing notices as  
582 provided in subsection (2) to the registered owner of the motor  
583 vehicle for a violation of s. 316.1895 or s. 316.183. The school  
584 zone speed limit may only be enforced through the use of a speed  
585 detection system when any flashing beacon used to provide notice  
586 of the school zone speed limit is activated. For speed detection  
587 systems installed before July 1, 2026, capturing the beacon  
588 status in photographic, video, or by other evidence is not

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589 required for proof of the beacon status until January 1, 2028.  
590 An area maintained as a school zone that has no beacon installed  
591 before July 1, 2026, has until January 1, 2028, to place and  
592 install a beacon and until the beacon is installed the county or  
593 municipality may provide proof of the school zone speed limit in  
594 force at the time of violation without evidence of the beacon  
595 status.

596 (2) Within 30 days after a violation, notice must be sent  
597 to the registered owner of the motor vehicle involved in the  
598 violation specifying the remedies available under s. 318.14 and  
599 that the violator must pay the penalty under s. 318.18(3)(d) to  
600 the county or municipality, or furnish an affidavit in  
601 accordance with subsection (8), within 60 ~~30~~ days after the date  
602 of the notice of violation in order to avoid court fees, costs,  
603 and the issuance of a uniform traffic citation. The notice of  
604 violation must:

605 (a) Be sent by first-class mail.

606 (b) Include a photograph or other recorded image showing  
607 the license plate of the motor vehicle; the date, time, and  
608 location of the violation; the maximum speed at which the motor  
609 vehicle was traveling within the school zone; and the speed  
610 limit within the school zone at the time of the violation.

611 (c) Include a notice that the owner has the right to  
612 review, in person or remotely, the photograph or video captured  
613 by the speed detection system and the evidence of the speed of

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614 the motor vehicle detected by the speed detection system which  
615 constitute a rebuttable presumption that the motor vehicle was  
616 used in violation of s. 316.1895 or s. 316.183.

617 (d) State the time when, and the place or website at  
618 which, the photograph or video captured and evidence of speed  
619 detected may be examined and observed.

620 (3) Notwithstanding any other law, a person who receives a  
621 notice of violation under this section may request a hearing  
622 within 60 ~~30~~ days after the notice of violation or may pay the  
623 penalty pursuant to the notice of violation, but a payment or  
624 fee may not be required before the hearing requested by the  
625 person. The notice of violation must be accompanied by, or  
626 direct the person to a website that provides, information on the  
627 person's right to request a hearing and on all costs related  
628 thereto and a form used for requesting a hearing. As used in  
629 this subsection, the term "person" includes a natural person,  
630 the registered owner or co-owner of a motor vehicle, or the  
631 person identified in an affidavit as having actual care,  
632 custody, or control of the motor vehicle at the time of the  
633 violation.

634 (6) A uniform traffic citation must be issued by mailing  
635 the uniform traffic citation by certified mail to the address of  
636 the registered owner of the motor vehicle involved in the  
637 violation if payment has not been made within 60 ~~30~~ days after  
638 notification under subsection (2), if the registered owner has

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639 not requested a hearing as authorized under subsection (3), and  
640 if the registered owner has not submitted an affidavit in  
641 accordance with subsection (8).

642 (a) Delivery of the uniform traffic citation constitutes  
643 notification of a violation under this subsection. If the  
644 registered owner or co-owner of the motor vehicle; the person  
645 identified as having care, custody, or control of the motor  
646 vehicle at the time of the violation; or a duly authorized  
647 representative of the owner, co-owner, or identified person  
648 initiates a proceeding to challenge the citation pursuant to  
649 this section, such person waives any challenge or dispute as to  
650 the delivery of the uniform traffic citation.

651 (b) In the case of joint ownership of a motor vehicle, the  
652 uniform traffic citation must be mailed to the first name  
653 appearing on the motor vehicle registration, unless the first  
654 name appearing on the registration is a business organization,  
655 in which case the second name appearing on the registration may  
656 be used.

657 (c) The uniform traffic citation mailed to the registered  
658 owner of the motor vehicle involved in the infraction must be  
659 accompanied by the information described in paragraphs (2)(b)-  
660 (d).

661 (8) To establish such facts under subsection (7), the  
662 registered owner of the motor vehicle must, within 60 ~~30~~ days  
663 after the date of issuance of the notice of violation or the

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664 uniform traffic citation, furnish to the appropriate  
665 governmental entity an affidavit setting forth information  
666 supporting an exception under subsection (7).

667 (a) An affidavit supporting the exception under paragraph  
668 (7) (a) must include the name, address, date of birth, and, if  
669 known, the driver license number of the person who leased,  
670 rented, or otherwise had care, custody, or control of the motor  
671 vehicle at the time of the alleged violation. If the motor  
672 vehicle was stolen at the time of the alleged violation, the  
673 affidavit must include the police report indicating that the  
674 motor vehicle was stolen.

675 (b) If a uniform traffic citation for a violation of s.  
676 316.1895 or s. 316.183 was issued at the location of the  
677 violation by a law enforcement officer, the affidavit must  
678 include the serial number of the uniform traffic citation.

679 (c) If the motor vehicle's owner to whom a notice of  
680 violation or a uniform traffic citation has been issued is  
681 deceased, the affidavit must include a certified copy of the  
682 owner's death certificate showing that the date of death  
683 occurred on or before the date of the alleged violation and one  
684 of the following:

685 1. A bill of sale or other document showing that the  
686 deceased owner's motor vehicle was sold or transferred after his  
687 or her death but on or before the date of the alleged violation.

688 2. Documented proof that the registered license plate

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689 belonging to the deceased owner's motor vehicle was returned to  
690 the department or any branch office or authorized agent of the  
691 department after his or her death but on or before the date of  
692 the alleged violation.

693 3. A copy of the police report showing that the deceased  
694 owner's registered license plate or motor vehicle was stolen  
695 after his or her death but on or before the date of the alleged  
696 violation.

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698 Upon receipt of the affidavit and documentation required under  
699 paragraphs (b) and (c), or 60 ~~30~~ days after the date of issuance  
700 of a notice of violation sent to a person identified as having  
701 care, custody, or control of the motor vehicle at the time of  
702 the violation under paragraph (a), the county or municipality  
703 must dismiss the notice or citation and provide proof of such  
704 dismissal to the person who submitted the affidavit. If, within  
705 30 days after the date of a notice of violation sent to a person  
706 under subsection (9), the county or municipality receives an  
707 affidavit under subsection (10) from the person sent a notice of  
708 violation affirming that the person did not have care, custody,  
709 or control of the motor vehicle at the time of the violation,  
710 the county or municipality must notify the registered owner that  
711 the notice or citation will not be dismissed due to failure to  
712 establish that another person had care, custody, or control of  
713 the motor vehicle at the time of the violation.

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714 (15) (a) A speed detection system in a school zone may not  
715 be used for remote surveillance. The collection of evidence by a  
716 speed detection system to enforce violations of ss. 316.1895 and  
717 316.183, or user-controlled pan or tilt adjustments of speed  
718 detection system components, do not constitute remote  
719 surveillance. Notwithstanding any other law, recorded video or  
720 photographs collected as part of a speed detection system in a  
721 school zone may only be used to document violations of ss.  
722 316.1895 and 316.183 and for purposes of determining criminal or  
723 civil liability ~~for incidents~~ captured by the speed detection  
724 system incidental to the permissible use of the speed detection  
725 system.

726 (16) (a) Each county or municipality that operates one or  
727 more speed detection systems shall ~~must~~ submit a report by  
728 October 1, ~~2024,~~ and annually ~~thereafter,~~ to the department  
729 which identifies the public safety objectives used to identify a  
730 school zone for enforcement under this section, reports  
731 compliance with s. 316.0776(3)(c), and details the results of  
732 the speed detection system in the school zone during the  
733 preceding state fiscal year and the procedures for enforcement.  
734 The information from counties and municipalities must be  
735 submitted in a form and manner determined by the department,  
736 ~~which the department must make available to the counties and~~  
737 ~~municipalities by August 1, 2023, and the department may require~~  
738 ~~data components to be submitted quarterly.~~ The report must

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739 include at least the following:

740 1. Information related to the location of each speed  
741 detection system, including the geocoordinates of the school  
742 zone, the directional approach of the speed detection system,  
743 the school name, the school level, the times the speed detection  
744 system was active, the restricted school zone speed limit  
745 enforced pursuant to s. 316.1895(5), the posted speed limit  
746 enforced at times other than those authorized by s. 316.1895(5),  
747 the date the systems were activated to enforce violations of ss.  
748 316.1895 and 316.183, and, if applicable, the date the systems  
749 were deactivated.

750 2. The number of notices of violation issued, the number,  
751 if any, that were issued outside of the enforcement periods  
752 authorized in subsection (1), the number that were contested,  
753 the number that were upheld, the number that were dismissed, the  
754 number that were issued as uniform traffic citations, and the  
755 number that were paid.

756 3. Any other statistical data and information related to  
757 the procedures for enforcement which is required by the  
758 department to complete the report required under paragraph (c).

759 **Section 12. Subsection (3) of section 316.1906, Florida**  
760 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

761 316.1906 Radar speed-measuring devices; speed detection  
762 systems; evidence, admissibility.-

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763 (3) A speed detection system is exempt from the design  
764 requirements for radar or LiDAR units established by the  
765 department, and the radar or LiDAR units used in the speed  
766 detection system are not required to be on any approved list of  
767 the department. A speed detection system must have the ability  
768 to perform self-tests as to its detection accuracy. The system  
769 must perform a self-test at least once every 30 days. The law  
770 enforcement agency, or an agent acting on behalf of the law  
771 enforcement agency, operating a speed detection system must  
772 maintain a log of the results of the system's self-tests. The  
773 law enforcement agency, or an agent acting on behalf of the law  
774 enforcement agency, operating a speed detection system must also  
775 perform an independent calibration test on the speed detection  
776 system at least once every 12 months. The self-test logs, as  
777 well as the results of the annual calibration test, are  
778 admissible in any court proceeding for a uniform traffic  
779 citation issued for a violation of s. 316.1895 or s. 316.183  
780 enforced pursuant to s. 316.1896. Notwithstanding subsection  
781 (2), evidence of the speed of a motor vehicle detected by a  
782 speed detection system compliant with this subsection and the  
783 determination by a traffic enforcement officer that a motor  
784 vehicle is operating in excess of the applicable speed limit is  
785 admissible in any proceeding with respect to an alleged  
786 violation of law regulating the speed of motor vehicles in  
787 school zones.

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788           **Section 13. Subsection (5) is added to section 316.1955,**  
789 **Florida Statutes, to read:**

790           316.1955 Enforcement of parking requirements for persons  
791 who have disabilities.—

792           (5) (a) A vehicle that displays a valid disabled parking  
793 permit or a license plate issued under s. 316.1958 or s.  
794 320.0848 and that is equipped with permanently installed  
795 mobility access equipment, including, but not limited to,  
796 wheelchair ramps or lifts, may occupy more than one parking  
797 space when reasonably necessary to deploy such equipment safely,  
798 provided that no designated accessible parking spaces are  
799 available or sufficient to accommodate the vehicle's equipment.

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

804           1. The vehicle displays a valid disabled parking permit or  
805 plate.

806           2. The vehicle does not block vehicular traffic lanes,  
807 emergency access routes, fire lanes, or pedestrian access paths.

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

810           (c) Before towing a vehicle displaying a valid disabled  
811 parking permit or plate, a public or private property owner or  
812 towing operator must make reasonable efforts to determine

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813 whether the vehicle qualifies for the protections of this  
814 subsection, unless the vehicle presents an immediate threat to  
815 public safety.

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

818 1. Fire lanes;

819 2. Emergency vehicle access areas;

820 3. Clearly posted no-parking zones; or

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

823 **Section 14. Subsection (2) of section 316.20655, Florida**  
824 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

825 316.20655 Electric bicycle regulations.—

826 (2) An electric bicycle as defined in s. 316.003 or an  
827 operator of an electric bicycle is not subject to the provisions  
828 of law relating to financial responsibility, driver or motor  
829 vehicle licenses, vehicle registration, title certificates, off-  
830 highway motorcycles, or off-highway vehicles.

831 **Section 15. Subsections (5) through (9) of section**  
832 **316.212, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (6)**  
833 **through (10), respectively, paragraph (b) of present subsection**  
834 **(8) and present subsection (9) are amended, and a new subsection**  
835 **(5) is added to that section, to read:**

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836 316.212 Operation of golf carts on certain roadways.—The  
837 operation of a golf cart upon the public roads or streets of  
838 this state is prohibited except as provided herein:

839 (5) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a  
840 golf cart may be operated for the purpose of crossing a street  
841 or highway at a signalized intersection, provided that:

842 1. The intersection is located wholly within the  
843 boundaries of a single local governmental entity;

844 2. The local governmental entity has designated, for the  
845 operation of golf carts, the street or road located on both  
846 sides of the intersection with the street or highway; and

847 3. The local governmental entity has approved the  
848 operation of golf carts for the purpose of crossing at the  
849 intersection and has posted appropriate signs at the  
850 intersection to indicate that such operation is authorized.

851 (9) ~~(8)~~ A local governmental entity may enact an ordinance  
852 relating to:

853 (b) Golf cart operation on sidewalks adjacent to specific  
854 segments of municipal streets, county roads, or state highways  
855 within the jurisdictional territory of the local governmental  
856 entity if:

857 1. The local governmental entity determines, after  
858 considering the condition and current use of the sidewalks, the  
859 character of the surrounding community, and the locations of  
860 authorized golf cart crossings, that golf carts, bicycles, and

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861 pedestrians may safely share the sidewalk;

862 2. The local governmental entity consults with the  
863 Department of Transportation before adopting the ordinance;

864 3. The ordinance restricts golf carts to a maximum speed  
865 of 15 miles per hour and permits such use on sidewalks adjacent  
866 to state highways only if the sidewalks are at least 8 feet  
867 wide;

868 4. The ordinance requires the golf carts to meet the  
869 equipment requirements in subsection (7) ~~(6)~~. However, the  
870 ordinance may require additional equipment, including horns or  
871 other warning devices required by s. 316.271; and

872 5. The local governmental entity posts appropriate signs  
873 or otherwise informs residents that the ordinance exists and  
874 applies to such sidewalks.

875 ~~(10)-(9)~~ A violation of this section is a noncriminal  
876 traffic infraction, punishable pursuant to chapter 318 as a  
877 moving violation for infractions of subsections (1)-(6) ~~(1)-(5)~~  
878 or a local ordinance corresponding thereto and enacted pursuant  
879 to subsection (9) ~~(8)~~, or punishable pursuant to chapter 318 as  
880 a nonmoving violation for infractions of subsection (7) ~~(6)~~,  
881 subsection (8) ~~(7)~~, or a local ordinance corresponding thereto  
882 and enacted pursuant to subsection (9) ~~(8)~~.

883 **Section 16.** Sections 316.272 and 316.293, Florida  
884 Statutes, are repealed.

885 **Section 17. Subsections (2) through (5) of section**

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886 **316.3045, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (3)**  
887 **through (6), respectively, and a new subsection (2) is added to**  
888 **that section, to read:**

889 316.3045 Operation of radios or other mechanical or  
890 electronic soundmaking devices or instruments in vehicles;  
891 exhaust systems; prevention of noise; exemptions.-

892 (2) Every motor vehicle that is required by federal law or  
893 regulation to be equipped with an exhaust system shall at all  
894 times be equipped with and maintain an exhaust system in good  
895 working order including muffler, manifold pipe, and tailpiping  
896 to prevent excessive or unusual noise. It shall be a violation  
897 to intentionally increase the revolutions per minute or  
898 unreasonably accelerate in a manner that would produce excessive  
899 or unusual noise. This subsection does not apply to a motorcycle  
900 or moped that does not exceed United States Environmental  
901 Protection Agency noise emissions standards in 40 C.F.R. s.  
902 205.152.

903 **Section 18. Paragraph (c) of subsection (3) of section**  
904 **316.650, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:**

905 316.650 Traffic citations.-

906 (3)

907 (c) If a traffic citation is issued under s. 316.0083 or  
908 s. 316.1896, the traffic infraction enforcement officer, or if  
909 the citation is issued under s. 316.173 the sworn law  
910 enforcement officer, must ~~shall~~ provide by electronic

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911 transmission a replica of the traffic citation data to the court  
912 having jurisdiction over the alleged offense or its traffic  
913 violations bureau within 5 business days after the date of  
914 issuance of the traffic citation to the violator. If a hearing  
915 is requested, the traffic infraction enforcement officer or  
916 sworn law enforcement officer, as applicable, must ~~shall~~ provide  
917 a replica of the traffic notice of violation data to the clerk  
918 to ~~for~~ the local hearing officer having jurisdiction over the  
919 alleged offense within 14 days.

920 **Section 19. Subsection (3) of section 318.15, Florida**  
921 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

922 318.15 Failure to comply with civil penalty or to appear;  
923 penalty.-

924 (3) The clerk of the court or the clerk to the local  
925 hearing officer shall notify the department of persons who were  
926 mailed a notice of violation of s. 316.074(1) or s.  
927 316.075(1)(c)1. pursuant to s. 316.0083, s. 316.172(1)(a) or (b)  
928 pursuant to s. 316.173, or s. 316.183 or s. 316.1895(10)  
929 pursuant to s. 316.1896 and who failed to enter into, or comply  
930 with the terms of, a penalty payment plan, or order with the  
931 clerk to the local hearing officer or failed to appear at a  
932 scheduled hearing within 10 days after such failure, and shall  
933 reference the person's driver license number, or in the case of  
934 a business entity, vehicle registration number.

935 (a) Upon receipt of such notice, the department, or

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936 authorized agent thereof, may not issue a license plate or  
937 revalidation sticker for any motor vehicle owned or co-owned by  
938 that person pursuant to s. 320.03(8) until the amounts assessed  
939 have been fully paid.

940 (b) After the issuance of the person's license plate or  
941 revalidation sticker is withheld pursuant to paragraph (a), the  
942 person may challenge the withholding of the license plate or  
943 revalidation sticker only on the basis that the outstanding  
944 fines and civil penalties have been paid pursuant to s.  
945 320.03(8).

946 **Section 20. Paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) of subsection (5)**  
947 **and subsection (23) of section 318.18, Florida Statutes, are**  
948 **amended to read:**

949 318.18 Amount of penalties.—The penalties required for a  
950 noncriminal disposition pursuant to s. 318.14 or a criminal  
951 offense listed in s. 318.17 are as follows:

952 (5)(a)1. Except as provided in subparagraph 2., \$200 for a  
953 violation of s. 316.172(1)(a), failure to stop for a school bus.  
954 If, at a hearing, the alleged offender is found to have  
955 committed this offense, the court shall impose a minimum civil  
956 penalty of \$200. In addition to this penalty, for a second or  
957 subsequent offense within a period of 5 years, the department  
958 shall suspend the driver license of the person for not less than  
959 180 days and not more than 1 year.

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960           2. If a violation of s. 316.172(1)(a) is enforced by a  
961 school bus infraction detection system pursuant to s. 316.173,  
962 the penalty of \$200 shall be imposed. If, at an administrative  
963 hearing contesting a notice of violation or uniform traffic  
964 citation, the alleged offender is found to have committed this  
965 offense, a minimum civil penalty of \$200 shall be imposed.  
966 Notwithstanding any other provision of law except s. 28.37(6),  
967 the civil penalties assessed under this subparagraph resulting  
968 from a notice of violation or uniform traffic citation shall be  
969 remitted to the school district at least monthly and used  
970 pursuant to s. 316.173(8).

971           (b)1. Except as provided in subparagraph 2., \$400 for a  
972 violation of s. 316.172(1)(b), passing a school bus on the side  
973 that children enter and exit when the school bus displays a stop  
974 signal. If, at a hearing, the alleged offender is found to have  
975 committed this offense, the court shall impose a minimum civil  
976 penalty of \$400.

977           2. If a violation of s. 316.172(1)(b) is enforced by a  
978 school bus infraction detection system pursuant to s. 316.173,  
979 the penalty under this subparagraph is a minimum of \$200. If, at  
980 a hearing contesting a notice of violation or uniform traffic  
981 citation, the alleged offender is found to have committed this  
982 offense, the court shall impose a minimum civil penalty of \$200.  
983 Notwithstanding any other provision of law except s. 28.37(6),  
984 the civil penalties assessed under this subparagraph resulting

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985 from notice of violation or uniform traffic citation shall be  
986 remitted to the school district at least monthly and used  
987 pursuant to s. 316.173(8).

988 3. In addition to this penalty, for a second or subsequent  
989 offense within a period of 5 years, the department shall suspend  
990 the driver license of the person for not less than 360 days and  
991 not more than 2 years.

992 (c)1. In addition to the penalty under subparagraph (a)2.  
993 or subparagraph (b)2., if, at an administrative hearing  
994 contesting a notice of violation, the alleged offender is found  
995 to have committed this offense, costs shall be imposed, not to  
996 exceed those established in s. 316.0083(5)(e), to be paid by the  
997 petitioner and to be used by the county for the operational  
998 costs related to the hearing or the school district for  
999 technology and operational costs relating to the hearing as well  
1000 as school transportation safety-related initiatives.

1001 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if a county's local  
1002 hearing officer administers the administrative hearing process  
1003 for a contested notice of violation, the costs imposed under  
1004 this subparagraph resulting from notice of violation shall be  
1005 remitted to the county at least monthly.

1006 2. In addition to the penalty under paragraph (a) or  
1007 paragraph (b), \$65 for a violation of s. 316.172(1)(a) or (b).  
1008 If the alleged offender is found to have committed the offense,  
1009 the court shall impose the civil penalty under paragraph (a) or

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1010 paragraph (b) plus an additional \$65. The additional \$65  
1011 collected under this subparagraph shall be remitted to the  
1012 Department of Revenue for deposit into the Emergency Medical  
1013 Services Trust Fund of the Department of Health to be used as  
1014 provided in s. 395.4036. If a violation of s. 316.172(1)(a) or  
1015 (b) is enforced by a school bus infraction detection system  
1016 pursuant to s. 316.173, an ~~the~~ additional civil penalty amount  
1017 imposed on a notice of violation, on a uniform traffic citation,  
1018 or by the court under this paragraph must be \$25, in lieu of the  
1019 additional \$65, and, notwithstanding any other provision of law,  
1020 the additional civil penalties and ~~additional~~ costs must be  
1021 remitted to the participating school district at least monthly  
1022 and used pursuant to s. 316.173(8).

1023 (23) In addition to the penalty prescribed under s.  
1024 316.0083, s. 316.173, s. 316.183, 316.1895, or s. 316.1896 for  
1025 violations enforced under those sections ~~s. 316.0083~~ which are  
1026 upheld by the local hearing officer, the local hearing officer  
1027 may also order the payment of county, ~~or~~ municipal, or school  
1028 district costs, not to exceed \$250.

1029 **Section 21. Section 319.1401, Florida Statutes, is created**  
1030 **to read:**

1031 319.1401 Titling and registering golf carts converted to  
1032 low-speed vehicles.—A golf cart converted to a low-speed vehicle  
1033 may be titled and registered for operation on certain roads. A  
1034 motor vehicle dealer, motor vehicle repair shop, or the

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1035 department shall affirm in writing that the low-speed vehicle  
1036 complies with the requirements of chapter 316, and the vehicle  
1037 shall be assigned an identification number by the department.

1038 The identification number shall be unique to the low-speed  
1039 vehicle and used for the issuance of a title and registration  
1040 for the vehicle.

1041 **Section 22. Subsection (12) of section 320.02, Florida**  
1042 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

1043 320.02 Registration required; application for  
1044 registration; forms.—

1045 (12) The department is authorized to withhold registration  
1046 or reregistration of any motor vehicle if the owner, or one of  
1047 the co-owners of the vehicle:—

1048 (a) Has a driver license which is under suspension for the  
1049 failure to remit payment of any fines levied in this state  
1050 pursuant to chapter 318 or chapter 322; or

1051 (b) Received a traffic citation for a violation of s.  
1052 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. as enforced by s. 316.0083, s.  
1053 316.172(1)(a) or (b) as enforced by s. 316.173, or s. 316.183 or  
1054 s. 316.1895(10) as enforced by s. 316.1896 and did not request a  
1055 hearing, submit an affidavit claiming an exception, or pay the  
1056 traffic citation.

1057 **Section 23. Subsection (5) is added to section 320.262,**  
1058 **Florida Statutes, to read:**

1059 320.262 License plate obscuring device prohibited;

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1060 penalties.—

1061 (5) The use of a license plate frame or decorative border  
1062 device is not an offense under this section, provided that the  
1063 device does not obscure the visibility of the following:

1064 (a) The alphanumeric designation or license plate number.

1065 (b) The registration decal or validation sticker located  
1066 in the upper right corner.

1067 **Section 24. Section 322.032, Florida Statutes, is amended**  
1068 **to read:**

1069 322.032 Digital ~~proof of driver license or identification~~  
1070 ~~card.~~—

1071 (1) As used in this section, the term:

1072 (a) "Credentialholder" means a person who is issued a  
1073 digital driver license.

1074 (b) "Digital ~~proof of driver license~~" means an electronic  
1075 credential viewable on an electronic credentialing system where  
1076 the credential conveys identity and driving privilege  
1077 information and is in compliance with the ISO/IEC 18013-5 and  
1078 18013-7 standard.

1079 ~~(b) "Digital proof of identification card" means an~~  
1080 ~~electronic credential viewable on an electronic credentialing~~  
1081 ~~system.~~

1082 (c) "Electronic credentialing system" means a digital  
1083 process that includes a method for provisioning electronic  
1084 credentials of a driver license, requesting and transmitting

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1085 identity data contained on electronic credentials, and  
1086 performing tasks to maintain the system ~~a computer system~~  
1087 ~~accessed using a computer, a cellular telephone, or any other~~  
1088 ~~personal device which queries the department's driver license~~  
1089 ~~and identification card records, displays or transmits digital~~  
1090 ~~proofs of driver licenses and identification cards, and verifies~~  
1091 ~~the authenticity of those electronic credentials.~~

1092 ~~(d) "Limited profile" means an electronic credential~~  
1093 ~~containing some, but not all, of the information displayed on a~~  
1094 ~~printed driver license or identification card.~~

1095 ~~(d)(e)~~ "Verifying" means the process of obtaining and  
1096 authenticating data from an electronic credential via secure  
1097 encrypted communication ~~"Scanning" means obtaining data from a~~  
1098 ~~digital proof of driver license or identification card in an~~  
1099 ~~electronic format.~~

1100 (2) (a) The department must ~~shall~~:

1101 1. Establish a secure and uniform system for issuing an  
1102 optional digital proof of driver license or identification card.

1103 2. Ensure that data is not reused, repurposed, shared, or  
1104 transmitted beyond the initial purpose without the explicit  
1105 consent of the credentialholder.

1106 3. Securely delete data or render data irreversibly  
1107 anonymized immediately upon fulfillment of the stated purpose  
1108 unless a longer retention period is required by law and narrowly  
1109 tailored to that legal necessity.

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- 1110        (b) The department may not:
- 1111        1. Track where a credential user uses a digital driver
- 1112 license.
- 1113        2. Share, store, or sell information related to a digital
- 1114 driver license, unless required by law.
- 1115        3. Retain any data related to a digital driver license,
- 1116 unless required by law.
- 1117        (c) The department may:
- 1118        1. Contract with one or more private entities to develop
- 1119 an electronic credentialing system.
- 1120        2. Use a telephone number submitted by a licensee in
- 1121 connection with a digital driver license only for purposes of
- 1122 communication regarding the digital driver license or the motor
- 1123 vehicle records, as defined in s. 119.0712(2)(a), of the
- 1124 licensee.
- 1125        3. Enter into contracts with one or more private entities
- 1126 which authorize data verification through an electronic
- 1127 credentialing system that queries the department's driver
- 1128 license records, displays or transmits digital driver licenses,
- 1129 or verifies the authenticity of such electronic credentials.
- 1130        4. Adopt rules to securely manage digital driver licenses.
- 1131        ~~(b) The electronic credentialing system may not retain~~
- 1132 ~~Internet protocol addresses, geolocation data, or other~~
- 1133 ~~information that describes the location, computer, computer~~

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1134 ~~system, or computer network from which a customer accesses the~~  
1135 ~~system.~~

1136 (3) (a) Digital driver licenses must:

1137 1. Require the explicit consent of the credentialholder  
1138 before adding a digital driver license or sharing electronic  
1139 credential attributes.

1140 2. Be controlled by the credentialholder, who may choose to  
1141 disclose only the minimum information necessary for a  
1142 transaction.

1143 3. Be issued as tamper-evident, cryptographically  
1144 verifiable statements capable of being selectively disclosed.

1145 4. Contain clear metadata specifying cryptographic  
1146 material necessary for independent verification.

1147 5. Provide a credentialholder with the ability to audit  
1148 verification requests.

1149 6. Preserve the anonymity and prevent linkability of  
1150 transactions.

1151 7. Adhere to data minimization principles, including  
1152 disclosing only the minimum electronic credential attributes  
1153 strictly necessary to fulfill the stated purpose of verification  
1154 that is explicitly communicated to the credentialholder.

1155 8. Implement measures to ensure that the electronic  
1156 credentials are updated as changes occur to the  
1157 credentialholder's record.

1158 (b) The digital driver license system may not:

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1159 1. Retain Internet protocol addresses, geolocation data, or  
1160 other information that describes the location, computer,  
1161 computer system, or computer network from which a customer  
1162 accesses the system.

1163 2. Require communication with the department, other than  
1164 updates to the credentialholder's record.

1165 (4) Digital driver license verifiers must:

1166 (a) Perform cryptographic validation of digital driver  
1167 license authenticity, integrity, and issuer attribution without  
1168 requiring online access to external systems, the department's  
1169 systems, or any state system.

1170 (b) Retain only temporary user-authorized verification  
1171 data that is strictly necessary for the transaction.

1172 (c) Communicate to the credentialholder the data that was  
1173 temporarily retained.

1174 (d) Create written strict data minimization principles  
1175 that must be provided to a credentialholder upon request.

1176 ~~(3) (a) The digital proof of driver license or~~  
1177 ~~identification card established by the department or by an~~  
1178 ~~entity contracted by the department must be in such a format as~~  
1179 ~~to allow verification of the authenticity of the digital proof~~  
1180 ~~of driver license or identification card. The department may~~  
1181 ~~adopt rules to ensure valid authentication of digital driver~~  
1182 ~~licenses and identification cards.~~

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1183 ~~(b)1. Notwithstanding ss. 322.14-322.142, and any other~~  
1184 ~~law prescribing the design for, or information required to be~~  
1185 ~~displayed on, a driver license, a digital proof of driver~~  
1186 ~~license may comprise a limited profile that includes only~~  
1187 ~~information necessary to conduct a specific transaction on the~~  
1188 ~~electronic credentialing system.~~

1189 ~~2. Notwithstanding ss. 322.051 and 322.141, and any other~~  
1190 ~~law prescribing the design for, or information required to be~~  
1191 ~~displayed on, an identification card, a digital proof of~~  
1192 ~~identification card may comprise a limited profile that includes~~  
1193 ~~only information necessary to conduct a specific transaction on~~  
1194 ~~the electronic credentialing system.~~

1195 ~~(5)-(4)~~ A person may not be issued a digital proof of  
1196 driver license ~~or identification card~~ until he or she satisfies  
1197 all requirements of this chapter for issuance of the respective  
1198 driver license ~~or identification card~~ and has been issued a  
1199 printed driver license ~~or identification card~~. The electronic  
1200 credentialing system must, upon each presentation of a digital  
1201 driver license ~~or identification card~~, display or transmit  
1202 current records for the driver license ~~or identification card~~.  
1203 If a licensee's driving privilege is suspended, revoked, or  
1204 disqualified, or if his or her driver license is otherwise  
1205 canceled or expired, a digital proof of driver license may not  
1206 be issued; ~~however, a digital proof of identification card may~~

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1207 ~~be issued if the licensee is otherwise eligible for an~~  
1208 ~~identification card under s. 322.051.~~

1209 ~~(5) The department may use a telephone number submitted by~~  
1210 ~~a licensee or cardholder in connection with a digital driver~~  
1211 ~~license or identification card only for purposes of~~  
1212 ~~communication regarding the digital proof of driver license or~~  
1213 ~~identification card or the motor vehicle records, as defined in~~  
1214 ~~s. 119.0712(2)(a), of the licensee or cardholder.~~

1215 ~~(6) The department may enter into contracts with one or~~  
1216 ~~more private entities which authorize online data calls or~~  
1217 ~~offline data verification through the electronic credentialing~~  
1218 ~~system that queries the department's driver license and~~  
1219 ~~identification card records, displays or transmits digital~~  
1220 ~~proofs of driver licenses or identification cards, or verifies~~  
1221 ~~the authenticity of such electronic credentials.~~

1222 ~~(6)(7)(a)~~ Except as provided in paragraph (b), a private  
1223 entity that verifies ~~scans~~ a digital ~~proof of driver license or~~  
1224 ~~identification card~~ may not store, sell, or share personal  
1225 information collected from such verifying ~~scanning~~ of the  
1226 digital ~~proof of driver license or identification card.~~

1227 (b) An individual may consent to allow a private entity to  
1228 collect and store personal information obtained by verifying  
1229 scanning his or her digital proof of driver license or  
1230 identification card. However, the individual must be informed  
1231 what information is collected and the purpose or purposes for

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1232 which the information will be used. If a credentialholder ~~the~~  
1233 ~~individual~~ does not want the private entity to verify ~~scan~~ his  
1234 or her digital ~~proof~~ of the individual's driver license ~~or~~  
1235 ~~identification card~~, the private entity may manually collect  
1236 personal information from the individual.

1237 (c) A private entity that violates this subsection is  
1238 subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$5,000 per occurrence.

1239 (d) This subsection does not apply to a financial  
1240 institution as defined in s. 655.005(1)(i).

1241 ~~(7)(8)~~ A person who:

1242 (a) Manufactures a false digital ~~proof~~ of driver license  
1243 ~~or identification card~~ commits a felony of the third degree,  
1244 punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

1245 (b) Possesses a false digital ~~proof~~ of driver license ~~or~~  
1246 ~~identification card~~ commits a misdemeanor of the second degree,  
1247 punishable as provided in s. 775.082.

1248 **Section 25. Paragraphs (c) through (n) of subsection (4)**  
1249 **of section 322.142, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as**  
1250 **paragraphs (d) through (o), respectively, a new paragraph (c) is**  
1251 **added to that subsection, and subsections (5), (6), and (7) are**  
1252 **added to that section, to read:**

1253 322.142 Color photographic or digital imaged licenses.—

1254 (4) The department may maintain a film negative or print  
1255 file. The department shall maintain a record of the digital  
1256 image and signature of the licensees, together with other data

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1257 required by the department for identification and retrieval.  
1258 Reproductions from the file or digital record are exempt from  
1259 the provisions of s. 119.07(1) and may be made and issued only:

1260 (c) For identity verification by a state agency pursuant  
1261 to an interagency agreement, subject to the licensee's consent.

1262 (5) An identify verification service provider may use  
1263 department data for the department's or another agency's  
1264 internal identity verification purposes in a manner consistent  
1265 with this section only if such data remains in the possession of  
1266 the department.

1267 (6) An identity verification service provider may not  
1268 sell, share, or retain any information outside of the purposes  
1269 of this section.

1270 (7) The department may not allow the use of digital imaged  
1271 licenses for a private entity's business purposes.

1272 **Section 26. Paragraph (d) is added to subsection (11) of**  
1273 **section 337.11, Florida Statutes, to read:**

1274 337.11 Contracting authority of department; bids;  
1275 emergency repairs, supplemental agreements, and change orders;  
1276 combined design and construction contracts; progress payments;  
1277 records; requirements of vehicle registration.-

1278 (11)

1279 (d)1. Without creating any enforceable third-party  
1280 beneficiary rights, the department may make direct payments to  
1281 first-tier subcontractors. The department shall adopt by rule

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1282 procedures to implement this subsection. Such procedures shall  
1283 establish the conditions under which such payments may be made  
1284 and shall consider, at a minimum, whether:

1285 a. The contractor has not requested payment from the  
1286 department for at least 6 months.

1287 b. There is a binding, written subcontract between the  
1288 contractor and the subcontractor, and the department is in  
1289 possession of a complete copy of the subcontract.

1290 c. The subcontractor has performed work that is unpaid by  
1291 the contractor, and the department has sufficient documentation  
1292 of such unpaid work.

1293 d. There is no legitimate dispute between the contractor  
1294 and the subcontractor.

1295 e. The department has provided written notice to the  
1296 payment and performance bond surety at least 30 days before  
1297 releasing any payment under this paragraph, and the surety has  
1298 not objected in writing within that 30-day period based on a  
1299 documented dispute or claim regarding the work or payment.

1300 2. Any amounts paid by the department under this paragraph  
1301 shall be deducted from amounts otherwise due the contractor.

1302 **Section 27. Subsection (6) of section 337.18, Florida**  
1303 **Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (7), and a new subsection**  
1304 **(6) is added to that section, to read:**

1305 337.18 Surety bonds for construction or maintenance  
1306 contracts; requirement with respect to contract award; bond

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1307 requirements; defaults; damage assessments.-

1308 (6) If the department and the surety enter into a takeover  
1309 agreement, the agreement shall set forth procedures regarding  
1310 the surety's certification of disbursement of payment to  
1311 subcontractors.

1312 **Section 28. Subsection (23) is added to section 775.15,**  
1313 **Florida Statutes, to read:**

1314 775.15 Time limitations; general time limitations;  
1315 exceptions.-

1316 (23) For a traffic citation enforced pursuant to s.  
1317 316.0083, s. 316.173, s. 316.183, or s. 316.1896, the 1-year  
1318 period of limitation for a noncriminal violation pursuant to  
1319 paragraph (2) (d) is extended for 1 year upon receipt of an  
1320 affidavit indicating that the motor vehicle was in the care,  
1321 custody, or control of another person at the time of the  
1322 violation, as authorized in s. 316.0083, s. 316.173, s. 316.183,  
1323 or s. 316.1896, respectively.

1324 **Section 29. Subsection (1) of section 316.1995, Florida**  
1325 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

1326 316.1995 Driving upon sidewalk or bicycle path.-

1327 (1) Except as provided in s. 316.008, s. 316.20655, s. s.  
1328 316.212 (9) ~~316.212(8)~~, or s. 316.2128, a person may not drive  
1329 any vehicle other than by human power upon a bicycle path,  
1330 sidewalk, or sidewalk area, except upon a permanent or duly  
1331 authorized temporary driveway.

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1332           **Section 30. Subsection (1) of section 316.2125, Florida**  
1333 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

1334           316.2125 Operation of golf carts within a retirement  
1335 community.—

1336           (1) Notwithstanding ~~the provisions of~~ s. 316.212, the  
1337 reasonable operation of a golf cart, equipped and operated as  
1338 provided in s. 316.212(6), (7), and (8) ~~s. 316.212(5), (6), and~~  
1339 ~~(7)~~, within any self-contained retirement community is  
1340 authorized ~~permitted~~ unless prohibited under subsection (2).

1341           **Section 31. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (1) and**  
1342 **paragraph (c) of subsection (3) of section 316.2126, Florida**  
1343 **Statutes, are amended to read:**

1344           316.2126 Authorized use of golf carts, low-speed vehicles,  
1345 and utility vehicles.—

1346           (1) In addition to the powers granted by ss. 316.212 and  
1347 316.2125, municipalities are authorized to use golf carts and  
1348 utility vehicles, as defined in s. 320.01, upon any state,  
1349 county, or municipal roads located within the corporate limits  
1350 of such municipalities, subject to the following conditions:

1351           (a) Golf carts and utility vehicles must comply with the  
1352 operational and safety requirements in ss. 316.212 and 316.2125,  
1353 and with any more restrictive ordinances enacted by the local  
1354 governmental entity pursuant to s. 316.212(9) ~~s. 316.212(8)~~, and  
1355 shall be operated only by municipal employees for municipal

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1356 purposes, including, but not limited to, police patrol, traffic  
1357 enforcement, and inspection of public facilities.

1358 (b) In addition to the safety equipment required in s.  
1359 316.212(7) ~~s. 316.212(6)~~ and any more restrictive safety  
1360 equipment required by the local governmental entity pursuant to  
1361 s. 316.212(9) ~~s. 316.212(8)~~, such golf carts and utility  
1362 vehicles must be equipped with sufficient lighting and turn  
1363 signal equipment.

1364 (3)

1365 (c) All vehicles specified in this subsection must be:  
1366 1. Marked in a conspicuous manner with the name of the  
1367 delivery service.

1368 2. Equipped with, at a minimum, the equipment required  
1369 under s. 316.212(7) ~~s. 316.212(6)~~.

1370 3. Equipped with head lamps and tail lamps, in addition to  
1371 the safety requirements in s. 316.212(7) ~~s. 316.212(6)~~, if  
1372 operated after sunset.

1373 **Section 32. Subsection (5) of section 316.2128, Florida**  
1374 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

1375 316.2128 Micromobility devices, motorized scooters, and  
1376 miniature motorcycles; requirements.-

1377 (5) A person who engages in the business of, serves in the  
1378 capacity of, or acts as a commercial seller of miniature  
1379 motorcycles in this state must prominently display at his or her  
1380 place of business a notice that such vehicles are not legal to

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1381 operate on public roads, may not be registered as motor  
1382 vehicles, and may not be operated on sidewalks unless authorized  
1383 by an ordinance enacted pursuant to s. 316.008(7)(a) or s.  
1384 316.212(9) ~~s. 316.212(8)~~. The required notice must also appear  
1385 in all forms of advertising offering miniature motorcycles for  
1386 sale. The notice and a copy of this section must also be  
1387 provided to a consumer before ~~prior to~~ the consumer's purchasing  
1388 or becoming obligated to purchase a miniature motorcycle.

1389 **Section 33. Subsection (6) of section 316.455, Florida**  
1390 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

1391 316.455 Other equipment.—Every motorcycle and every motor-  
1392 driven cycle when operated upon a highway shall comply with the  
1393 requirements and limitations of:

1394 ~~(6) Section 316.272 on the requirement for mufflers and~~  
1395 ~~prevention of noise.~~

1396  
1397 A violation of this section is a noncriminal traffic infraction,  
1398 punishable as a nonmoving violation as provided in chapter 318.

1399 **Section 34. Subsection (11) of section 403.061, Florida**  
1400 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

1401 403.061 Department; powers and duties.—The department  
1402 shall have the power and the duty to control and prohibit  
1403 pollution of air and water in accordance with the law and rules  
1404 adopted and promulgated by it and, for this purpose, to:

1405 (11) Establish ambient air quality and water quality

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1406 standards for the state as a whole or for any part thereof, and  
1407 also standards for the abatement of excessive and unnecessary  
1408 noise. The department is authorized to establish reasonable  
1409 zones of mixing for discharges into waters. For existing  
1410 installations as defined by rule 62-520.200(10), Florida  
1411 Administrative Code, effective July 12, 2009, zones of discharge  
1412 to groundwater are authorized horizontally to a facility's or  
1413 owner's property boundary and extending vertically to the base  
1414 of a specifically designated aquifer or aquifers. Such zones of  
1415 discharge may be modified in accordance with procedures  
1416 specified in department rules. Exceedance of primary and  
1417 secondary groundwater standards that occur within a zone of  
1418 discharge does not create liability pursuant to this chapter or  
1419 chapter 376 for site cleanup, and the exceedance of soil cleanup  
1420 target levels is not a basis for enforcement or site cleanup.

1421 (a) When a receiving body of water fails to meet a water  
1422 quality standard for pollutants set forth in department rules, a  
1423 steam electric generating plant discharge of pollutants that is  
1424 existing or licensed under this chapter on July 1, 1984, may  
1425 nevertheless be granted a mixing zone, provided that:

1426 1. The standard would not be met in the water body in the  
1427 absence of the discharge;

1428 2. The discharge is in compliance with all applicable  
1429 technology-based effluent limitations;

1430 3. The discharge does not cause a measurable increase in

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1431 the degree of noncompliance with the standard at the boundary of  
1432 the mixing zone; and

1433 4. The discharge otherwise complies with the mixing zone  
1434 provisions specified in department rules.

1435 (b) Mixing zones for point source discharges are not  
1436 permitted in Outstanding Florida Waters except for:

1437 1. Sources that have received permits from the department  
1438 prior to April 1, 1982, or the date of designation, whichever is  
1439 later;

1440 2. Blowdown from new power plants certified pursuant to  
1441 the Florida Electrical Power Plant Siting Act;

1442 3. Discharges of water necessary for water management  
1443 purposes which have been approved by the governing board of a  
1444 water management district and, if required by law, by the  
1445 secretary; and

1446 4. The discharge of demineralization concentrate which has  
1447 been determined permittable under s. 403.0882 and which meets  
1448 the specific provisions of s. 403.0882(4)(a) and (b), if the  
1449 proposed discharge is clearly in the public interest.

1450 (c) The department, by rule, shall establish water quality  
1451 criteria for wetlands which criteria give appropriate  
1452 recognition to the water quality of such wetlands in their  
1453 natural state.

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1455 This act may not be construed to invalidate any existing

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1456 department rule relating to mixing zones. ~~The department shall~~  
1457 ~~cooperate with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor~~  
1458 ~~Vehicles in the development of regulations required by s.~~  
1459 ~~316.272(1).~~

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1461 The department shall implement such programs in conjunction with  
1462 its other powers and duties and shall place special emphasis on  
1463 reducing and eliminating contamination that presents a threat to  
1464 humans, animals or plants, or to the environment.

1465 **Section 35. Subsection (9) of section 403.415, Florida**  
1466 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

1467 403.415 Motor vehicle noise.—

1468 (9) OPERATING VEHICLE NOISE MEASUREMENTS.—~~The department~~  
1469 ~~shall establish, with the cooperation of the Department of~~  
1470 ~~Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, measurement procedures for~~  
1471 ~~determining compliance of operating vehicles with the noise~~  
1472 ~~limits of s. 316.293(2).~~ The department shall advise the  
1473 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles on technical  
1474 aspects of motor vehicle noise enforcement regulations, assist  
1475 in the training of enforcement officers, and administer a sound-  
1476 level meter loan program for local enforcement agencies.

1477 **Section 36. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment**  
1478 **made by this act to section 318.18, Florida Statutes, in a**  
1479 **reference thereto, section 318.121, Florida Statutes, is**  
1480 **reenacted to read:**

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1481 318.121 Preemption of additional fees, fines, surcharges,  
1482 and costs.—Notwithstanding any general or special law, or  
1483 municipal or county ordinance, additional fees, fines,  
1484 surcharges, or costs other than the court costs and surcharges  
1485 assessed under s. 318.18(12), (14), (19), (20), and (23) may not  
1486 be added to the civil traffic penalties assessed under this  
1487 chapter.

1488 **Section 37.** Except as otherwise expressly provided in this  
1489 act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon  
1490 becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1, 2026.

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**T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

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Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:

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A bill to be entitled

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An act relating to transportation; requiring the

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Department of Transportation and any impacted local

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government to increase the minimum perception-reaction

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time for steady yellow signals at certain

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intersections by a specified amount of time;

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transferring, renumbering, and amending s. 311.10(4),

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F.S.; defining the terms "cargo purposes" and

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"commercial space launch industry"; requiring certain

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seaports to submit an annual report describing

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measures taken to support the commercial space launch

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1506 industry to the chair of the Space Florida board of  
1507 directors beginning on a specified date; requiring the  
1508 seaport to post such report on its website;  
1509 prohibiting certain seaports from converting planned  
1510 or existing land, facilities, or infrastructure that  
1511 supports cargo purposes unless specified conditions  
1512 are met; requiring legislative approval for the use of  
1513 state funds for specified projects; amending s.  
1514 316.003, F.S.; revising the definition of the term  
1515 "local hearing officer"; amending s. 316.008, F.S.;  
1516 revising powers of local authorities; amending s.  
1517 316.0776, F.S.; revising provisions relating to speed  
1518 detection systems in school zones; amending s.  
1519 316.0777, F.S.; authorizing a private entity to  
1520 install an automated license plate recognition system  
1521 for use on certain property for a specified purpose  
1522 and providing requirements therefor; providing a  
1523 penalty; amending s. 316.173, F.S.; providing a  
1524 definition; prohibiting a private school bus  
1525 contractors from charging a certain fee; authorizing  
1526 review of school bus infraction detection system  
1527 information by certain persons; providing and revising  
1528 procedures for an administrative hearing; requiring a  
1529 certain report to be due annually instead of  
1530 quarterly; providing a rebuttable presumption

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1531 regarding certain specifications; requiring the  
1532 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to  
1533 publish certain reports on its website; allowing  
1534 charter schools and private schools to enter into  
1535 contracts under specified circumstances; amending s.  
1536 316.183, F.S.; authorizing a county or municipality to  
1537 set a lower maximum speed limit under certain  
1538 conditions; amending s. 316.189, F.S.; authorizing a  
1539 county to set a lower maximum speed limit under  
1540 certain conditions; amending s. 316.1895, F.S.;

1541 specifying the use of flashing beacons in certain  
1542 circumstances; amending s. 316.1896, F.S.; requiring  
1543 flashing beacons to be activated during specified  
1544 times to enforce school zone limit through a school  
1545 zone speed detection system; providing applicability;  
1546 revising provisions relating to roadways maintained as  
1547 school zones; amending s. 316.1906, F.S.; specifying  
1548 that certain radar and LiDAR units are not required to  
1549 be on certain lists; amending s. 316.1955, F.S.;

1550 authorizing vehicles displaying disabled parking  
1551 permits to occupy more than one parking space under  
1552 specified conditions; prohibiting such vehicles from  
1553 being cited, penalized, or towed under specified  
1554 circumstances; providing requirements for property  
1555 owners and towing operators; providing construction;

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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE AMENDMENT

Bill No. CS/CS/HB 543 (2026)

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1556 amending s. 316.20655, F.S.; clarifying a provision;  
1557 amending s. 316.212, F.S.; authorizing operation of a  
1558 golf cart for the purpose of crossing certain streets  
1559 and highways under certain conditions; providing  
1560 penalties; repealing ss. 316.272 and 316.293, F.S.,  
1561 relating to the prevention of noise from exhaust  
1562 systems and motor vehicle noise, respectively;  
1563 amending s. 316.3045, F.S.; requiring certain motor  
1564 vehicles to be equipped with and maintain an exhaust  
1565 system to prevent excessive or unusual noise;  
1566 prohibiting certain excessive or unusual noises;  
1567 providing applicability; amending s. 316.650, F.S.;  
1568 revising provisions relating to traffic citations;  
1569 amending s. 318.15, F.S.; revising provisions relating  
1570 to penalties for certain failures to comply; amending  
1571 s. 318.18, F.S.; revising provisions relating to  
1572 penalties; amending s. 319.1401, F.S.; authorizing  
1573 certain golf carts to be titled and registered for  
1574 operation on certain roads without an inspection by  
1575 the Department of Transportation and providing  
1576 requirements therefor; amending s. 320.02, F.S.;  
1577 revising provisions relating to withholding motor  
1578 vehicle registration; amending s. 320.262, F.S.;  
1579 providing that the use of a license plate frame or  
1580 decorative border device is not prohibited under

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1581 specified conditions; amending s. 322.032, F.S.;

1582 defining the term "credentialholder"; providing

1583 requirements for digital driver licenses and

1584 electronic credentialing system; providing exceptions

1585 to certain prohibitions; providing for enforcement and

1586 penalties; amending s. 322.142, F.S.; authorizing

1587 digital imaged licenses to be used for a specified

1588 purpose with the licensee's consent; authorizing

1589 identity verification service providers to use

1590 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles data

1591 under certain conditions; prohibiting such providers

1592 from selling, sharing, or retaining certain

1593 information; prohibiting the department from allowing

1594 the use of digital imaged licenses for a private

1595 entity's business purposes; amending s. 337.11, F.S.;

1596 authorizing the Department of Transportation to make

1597 direct payments to certain subcontractors under

1598 specified conditions; requiring the department to

1599 adopt rules; amending s. 337.18, F.S.; providing

1600 requirements for a takeover agreement; amending s.

1601 775.15, F.S.; providing time limits for certain

1602 traffic violations; amending ss. 316.1995, 316.2125,

1603 316.2126, 316.2128, 316.455, 403.061, and 403.415,

1604 F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the

1605 act; reenacting s. 318.121, F.S., relating to

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1606 |       preemption of additional fees, fines, surcharges, and  
1607 |       costs, to incorporate the amendments made to s.  
1608 |       318.18, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing  
1609 |       effective dates.