

1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to commercial motor vehicles; amending  
3           s. 316.003, F.S.; defining the term "platoon";  
4           repealing s. 316.0896, F.S., relating to the assistive  
5           truck platooning technology pilot project; creating s.  
6           316.0897, F.S.; exempting the operator of a nonlead  
7           vehicle in a platoon from provisions relating to  
8           following too closely; authorizing a platoon to be  
9           operated on a roadway in this state after an operator  
10          provides notification to the Department of  
11          Transportation and the Department of Highway Safety  
12          and Motor Vehicles; amending s. 316.302, F.S.;  
13          revising regulations to which owners and drivers of  
14          commercial motor vehicles are subject; revising  
15          requirements for electronic logging devices and  
16          support documents for certain intrastate motor  
17          carriers; deleting a limitation on a civil penalty for  
18          falsification of certain time records; deleting a  
19          requirement that a motor carrier maintain certain  
20          documentation of driving times; providing an exemption  
21          from specified provisions for a person who operates a  
22          commercial motor vehicle with a certain gross vehicle  
23          weight, gross vehicle weight rating, and gross  
24          combined weight rating; deleting the exemption from  
25          such provisions for a person transporting petroleum

26 products; deleting an exemption from certain  
27 requirements; amending s. 316.303, F.S.; exempting an  
28 operator of a certain platoon vehicle from the  
29 prohibition on the active display of television or  
30 video; amending s. 316.515, F.S.; revising length and  
31 load extension limitations for stinger-steered  
32 automobile transporters; authorizing automobile  
33 transporters to backhaul certain cargo or freight  
34 under certain circumstances; authorizing an unladen  
35 power unit to tow a certain combination of trailers or  
36 semitrailers under certain circumstances; amending s.  
37 316.545, F.S.; providing for the calculation of  
38 specified fines for vehicles fueled by electric  
39 batteries; amending s. 320.01, F.S.; revising the  
40 definition of the term "apportionable vehicle";  
41 amending s. 320.06, F.S.; providing for future repeal  
42 of issuance of a certain annual license plate and cab  
43 card to a vehicle that has an apportioned  
44 registration; revising information required to appear  
45 on the cab card; providing requirements for license  
46 plates, cab cards, and validation stickers for  
47 vehicles registered in accordance with the  
48 International Registration Plan; authorizing a damaged  
49 or worn license plate to be replaced at no charge  
50 under certain circumstances; amending s. 320.0607,

51 F.S.; providing an exemption from a certain fee for  
 52 vehicles registered under the International  
 53 Registration Plan; amending s. 320.131, F.S.;  
 54 authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor  
 55 Vehicles to partner with a county tax collector to  
 56 conduct a Fleet Vehicle Temporary Tag pilot program  
 57 for certain purposes; providing program requirements;  
 58 providing for future repeal; amending s. 322.61, F.S.;  
 59 providing additional offenses for which a person may  
 60 be disqualified from operating a commercial motor  
 61 vehicle; amending s. 655.960, F.S.; conforming a  
 62 cross-reference; amending s. 812.014, F.S.; providing  
 63 a criminal penalty for an offender committing grand  
 64 theft who uses a device to interfere with a global  
 65 positioning or similar system; providing an effective  
 66 date.

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

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 70 Section 1. Subsections (55) through (101) of section  
 71 316.003, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (56)  
 72 through (102), respectively, present subsection (59) is amended,  
 73 and a new subsection (55) is added to that section, to read:  
 74 316.003 Definitions.—The following words and phrases, when  
 75 used in this chapter, shall have the meanings respectively

76 ascribed to them in this section, except where the context  
 77 otherwise requires:

78 (55) PLATOON.—A group of two individual truck tractor  
 79 semi-trailer combinations, transporting property in quantities  
 80 that do not require placards, traveling in a unified manner at  
 81 electronically coordinated speeds at following distances that  
 82 are closer than provided in s. 316.0895(2).

83 (60)~~(59)~~ PRIVATE ROAD OR DRIVEWAY.—Except as otherwise  
 84 provided in paragraph (82) (b) ~~(81) (b)~~, any privately owned way  
 85 or place used for vehicular travel by the owner and those having  
 86 express or implied permission from the owner, but not by other  
 87 persons.

88 Section 2. Section 316.0896, Florida Statutes, is  
 89 repealed.

90 Section 3. Section 316.0897, Florida Statutes, is created  
 91 to read:

92 316.0897 Platoons.—

93 (1) Section 316.0895 does not apply to the operator of a  
 94 nonlead vehicle in a platoon, as defined in s. 316.003.

95 (2) A platoon may be operated on a roadway in this state  
 96 after an operator provides notification to the Department of  
 97 Transportation and the Department of Highway Safety and Motor  
 98 Vehicles.

99 Section 4. Paragraph (k) of subsection (2) of section  
 100 316.302, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (j), and

101 subsection (1) and present paragraphs (a), (c), (d), (f), and  
 102 (j) of subsection (2) of that section are amended to read:

103 316.302 Commercial motor vehicles; safety regulations;  
 104 transporters and shippers of hazardous materials; enforcement.-

105 (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3):

106 (a) All owners and drivers of commercial motor vehicles  
 107 that are operated on the public highways of this state while  
 108 engaged in interstate commerce are subject to the rules and  
 109 regulations contained in 49 C.F.R. parts 382, 383, 385, 386, and  
 110 390-397.

111 (b) Except as otherwise provided in this section, all  
 112 owners or drivers of commercial motor vehicles that are engaged  
 113 in intrastate commerce are subject to the rules and regulations  
 114 contained in 49 C.F.R. parts 382, 383, 385, 386, and 390-397,  
 115 ~~with the exception of 49 C.F.R. s. 390.5 as it relates to the~~  
 116 ~~definition of bus,~~ as such rules and regulations existed on  
 117 December 31, 2018 ~~2012~~.

118 (c) The emergency exceptions provided by 49 C.F.R. s.  
 119 392.82 also apply to communications by utility drivers and  
 120 utility contractor drivers during a Level 1 activation of the  
 121 State Emergency Operations Center, as provided in the Florida  
 122 Comprehensive Emergency Management plan, or during a state of  
 123 emergency declared by executive order or proclamation of the  
 124 Governor.

125 (d) Except as provided in ~~s. 316.215(5)~~, and ~~except as~~

126 ~~provided in~~ s. 316.228 for rear overhang lighting and flagging  
127 requirements for intrastate operations, the requirements of this  
128 section supersede all other safety requirements of this chapter  
129 for commercial motor vehicles.

130 (e) Except as provided in 49 C.F.R. 395.1 or as otherwise  
131 provided in this section, a person who operates a commercial  
132 motor vehicle solely in intrastate commerce not transporting  
133 hazardous materials in amounts that require placarding pursuant  
134 to 49 C.F.R. part 172 need not comply with Electronic Logging  
135 Device and Hours of Service Support Documents provided in 49  
136 C.F.R. until December 31, 2019.

137 (2) (a) A person who operates a commercial motor vehicle  
138 solely in intrastate commerce not transporting any hazardous  
139 material in amounts that require placarding pursuant to 49  
140 C.F.R. part 172 need not comply with 49 C.F.R. ss. 391.11(b) (1)  
141 and 395.3 ~~395.3(a) and (b)~~.

142 (c) Except as provided in 49 C.F.R. s. 395.1, a person who  
143 operates a commercial motor vehicle solely in intrastate  
144 commerce not transporting any hazardous material in amounts that  
145 require placarding pursuant to 49 C.F.R. part 172 may not drive  
146 after having been on duty more than 70 hours in any period of 7  
147 consecutive days or more than 80 hours in any period of 8  
148 consecutive days if the motor carrier operates every day of the  
149 week. Thirty-four consecutive hours off duty shall constitute  
150 the end of any such period of 7 or 8 consecutive days. This

151 weekly limit does not apply to a person who operates a  
152 commercial motor vehicle solely within this state while  
153 transporting, during harvest periods, any unprocessed  
154 agricultural products or unprocessed food or fiber that is  
155 subject to seasonal harvesting from place of harvest to the  
156 first place of processing or storage or from place of harvest  
157 directly to market or while transporting livestock, livestock  
158 feed, or farm supplies directly related to growing or harvesting  
159 agricultural products. Upon request of the Department of Highway  
160 Safety and Motor Vehicles, motor carriers shall furnish time  
161 records or other written verification to that department so that  
162 the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles can  
163 determine compliance with this subsection. These time records  
164 must be furnished to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor  
165 Vehicles within 2 days after receipt of that department's  
166 request. Falsification of such information is subject to a civil  
167 penalty ~~not to exceed \$100. The provisions of~~ This paragraph  
168 does ~~de~~ not apply to operators of farm labor vehicles operated  
169 during a state of emergency declared by the Governor or operated  
170 pursuant to s. 570.07(21), ~~and~~ does ~~de~~ not apply to drivers of  
171 utility service vehicles as defined in 49 C.F.R. s. 395.2.

172 (d) A person who operates a commercial motor vehicle  
173 solely in intrastate commerce not transporting any hazardous  
174 material in amounts that require placarding pursuant to 49  
175 C.F.R. part 172 within a 150 air-mile radius of the location

176 | where the vehicle is based need not comply with 49 C.F.R. s.  
177 | 395.8~~7~~ if the requirements of 49 C.F.R. s. 395.1(e)(1)(ii),  
178 | (iii)(A) and (C), ~~395.1(e)(1)(iii)~~ and (v) are met. ~~If a driver~~  
179 | ~~is not released from duty within 12 hours after the driver~~  
180 | ~~arrives for duty, the motor carrier must maintain documentation~~  
181 | ~~of the driver's driving times throughout the duty period.~~

182 | (f) A person who operates a commercial motor vehicle  
183 | having a ~~declared~~ gross vehicle weight, gross vehicle weight  
184 | rating, and gross combined weight rating of less than 26,001  
185 | pounds solely in intrastate commerce and who is not transporting  
186 | hazardous materials in amounts that require placarding pursuant  
187 | to 49 C.F.R. part 172~~7~~, ~~or who is transporting petroleum products~~  
188 | ~~as defined in s. 376.301~~, is exempt from subsection (1).  
189 | However, such person must comply with 49 C.F.R. parts 382, 392,  
190 | and 393~~7~~ and with 49 C.F.R. ss. 396.3(a)(1) and 396.9.

191 | ~~(j) A person who is otherwise qualified as a driver under~~  
192 | ~~49 C.F.R. part 391, who operates a commercial motor vehicle in~~  
193 | ~~intrastate commerce only, and who does not transport hazardous~~  
194 | ~~materials in amounts that require placarding pursuant to 49~~  
195 | ~~C.F.R. part 172, is exempt from the requirements of 49 C.F.R.~~  
196 | ~~part 391, subpart E, ss. 391.41(b)(3) and 391.43(e), relating to~~  
197 | ~~diabetes.~~

198 | Section 5. Subsection (3) of section 316.303, Florida  
199 | Statutes, is amended to read:

200 | 316.303 Television receivers.—

201 (3) This section does not prohibit the use of an  
202 electronic display used in conjunction with a vehicle navigation  
203 system; an electronic display used by an operator of a vehicle  
204 equipped with autonomous technology, as defined in s.  
205 316.003(3); or an electronic display used by an operator of a  
206 platoon vehicle equipped and operating with driver-assistive  
207 truck platooning technology, as defined in s. 316.003.

208 Section 6. Subsections (3) and (4) of section 316.515,  
209 Florida Statutes, are amended, and subsection (16) is added to  
210 that section, to read:

211 316.515 Maximum width, height, length.—

212 (3) LENGTH LIMITATION.—Except as otherwise provided in  
213 this section, length limitations apply solely to a semitrailer  
214 or trailer, and not to a truck tractor or to the overall length  
215 of a combination of vehicles. No combination of commercial motor  
216 vehicles coupled together and operating on the public roads may  
217 consist of more than one truck tractor and two trailing units.  
218 Unless otherwise specifically provided for in this section, a  
219 combination of vehicles not qualifying as commercial motor  
220 vehicles may consist of no more than two units coupled together;  
221 such nonqualifying combination of vehicles may not exceed a  
222 total length of 65 feet, inclusive of the load carried thereon,  
223 but exclusive of safety and energy conservation devices approved  
224 by the department for use on vehicles using public roads.  
225 Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a truck

226 tractor-semitrailer combination engaged in the transportation of  
227 automobiles or boats may transport motor vehicles or boats on  
228 part of the power unit; and, except as may otherwise be mandated  
229 under federal law, an automobile or boat transporter semitrailer  
230 may not exceed 50 feet in length, exclusive of the load;  
231 however, the load may extend up to an additional 6 feet beyond  
232 the rear of the trailer. The 50-foot length limitation does not  
233 apply to non-stinger-steered automobile or boat transporters  
234 that are 65 feet or less in overall length, exclusive of the  
235 load carried thereon, ~~or~~ to stinger-steered ~~automobile or boat~~  
236 transporters that are 75 feet or less in overall length,  
237 exclusive of the load carried thereon, or to stinger-steered  
238 automobile transporters that are 80 feet or less in overall  
239 length, exclusive of the load carried thereon. For purposes of  
240 this subsection, a "stinger-steered automobile or boat  
241 transporter" is an automobile or boat transporter configured as  
242 a semitrailer combination wherein the fifth wheel is located on  
243 a drop frame located behind and below the rearmost axle of the  
244 power unit. Automobile transporters operating under this  
245 subsection may backhaul cargo or general freight if the weight  
246 of such cargo or freight does not exceed the limits imposed  
247 under s. 316.535. Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) and (b), any  
248 straight truck or truck tractor-semitrailer combination engaged  
249 in the transportation of horticultural trees may allow the load  
250 to extend up to an additional 10 feet beyond the rear of the

251 vehicle, provided the ~~said~~ trees are resting against a retaining  
252 bar mounted above the truck bed so that the root balls of the  
253 trees rest on the floor and to the front of the truck bed and  
254 the tops of the trees extend up over and to the rear of the  
255 truck bed, and provided the overhanging portion of the load is  
256 covered with protective fabric.

257 (a) Straight trucks.—A straight truck may not exceed a  
258 length of 40 feet in extreme overall dimension, exclusive of  
259 safety and energy conservation devices approved by the  
260 department for use on vehicles using public roads. A straight  
261 truck may attach a forklift to the rear of the cargo bed,  
262 provided the overall combined length of the vehicle and the  
263 forklift does not exceed 50 feet. Except as otherwise provided  
264 in this section, a straight truck may tow no more than one  
265 trailer, and the overall length of the truck-trailer combination  
266 may not exceed 68 feet, including the load thereon.  
267 Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section, a truck-  
268 trailer combination engaged in the transportation of boats, or  
269 boat trailers whose design dictates a front-to-rear stacking  
270 method may not exceed the length limitations of this paragraph  
271 exclusive of the load; however, the load may extend up to an  
272 additional 6 feet beyond the rear of the trailer.

273 (b) Semitrailers.—

274 1. A semitrailer operating in a truck tractor-semitrailer  
275 combination may not exceed 48 feet in extreme overall outside

276 dimension, measured from the front of the unit to the rear of  
277 the unit and the load carried thereon, exclusive of safety and  
278 energy conservation devices approved by the department for use  
279 on vehicles using public roads, unless it complies with  
280 subparagraph 2. A semitrailer which exceeds 48 feet in length  
281 and is used to transport divisible loads may operate in this  
282 state only if issued a permit under s. 316.550 and if such  
283 trailer meets the requirements of this chapter relating to  
284 vehicle equipment and safety. Except for highways on the tandem  
285 trailer truck highway network, public roads deemed unsafe for  
286 longer semitrailer vehicles or those roads on which such longer  
287 vehicles are determined not to be in the interest of public  
288 convenience shall, in conformance with s. 316.006, be restricted  
289 by the Department of Transportation or by the local authority to  
290 use by semitrailers not exceeding a length of 48 feet, inclusive  
291 of the load carried thereon but exclusive of safety and energy  
292 conservation devices approved by the department for use on  
293 vehicles using public roads. Truck tractor-semitrailer  
294 combinations shall be afforded reasonable access to terminals;  
295 facilities for food, fuel, repairs, and rest; and points of  
296 loading and unloading.

297 2. A semitrailer which is more than 48 feet but not more  
298 than 57 feet in extreme overall outside dimension, as measured  
299 pursuant to subparagraph 1., may operate on public roads, except  
300 roads on the State Highway System which are restricted by the

301 Department of Transportation or other roads restricted by local  
302 authorities, if:

303 a. The distance between the kingpin or other peg that  
304 locks into the fifth wheel of a truck tractor and the center of  
305 the rear axle or rear group of axles does not exceed 41 feet,  
306 or, in the case of a semitrailer used exclusively or primarily  
307 to transport vehicles in connection with motorsports competition  
308 events, the distance does not exceed 46 feet from the kingpin to  
309 the center of the rear axles; and

310 b. It is equipped with a substantial rear-end underride  
311 protection device meeting the requirements of 49 C.F.R. s.  
312 393.86, "Rear End Protection."

313 (c) Tandem trailer trucks.—

314 1. Except for semitrailers and trailers of up to 28 1/2  
315 feet in length which existed on December 1, 1982, and which were  
316 actually and lawfully operating on that date, no semitrailer or  
317 trailer operating in a truck tractor-semitrailer-trailer  
318 combination may exceed a length of 28 feet in extreme overall  
319 outside dimension, measured from the front of the unit to the  
320 rear of the unit and the load carried thereon, exclusive of  
321 safety and energy conservation devices approved by the  
322 Department of Transportation for use on vehicles using public  
323 roads.

324 2. Tandem trailer trucks conforming to the weight and size  
325 limitations of this chapter and in immediate transit to or from

326 a terminal facility as defined in this chapter may operate on  
327 the public roads of this state except for residential  
328 neighborhood streets restricted by the Department of  
329 Transportation or local jurisdictions. In addition, the  
330 Department of Transportation or local jurisdictions may restrict  
331 these vehicles from using streets and roads under their  
332 maintenance responsibility on the basis of safety and  
333 engineering analyses, provided that the restrictions are  
334 consistent with ~~the provisions of~~ this chapter. The Department  
335 of Transportation shall develop safety and engineering standards  
336 to be used by all jurisdictions when identifying public roads  
337 and streets to be restricted from tandem trailer truck  
338 operations.

339 3. Except as otherwise provided in this section, within 5  
340 miles of the Federal National Network for large trucks, tandem  
341 trailer trucks shall be afforded access to terminals; facilities  
342 for food, fuel, repairs, and rest; and points of loading and  
343 unloading.

344 4. Notwithstanding ~~the provisions of~~ any general or  
345 special law to the contrary, all local system tandem trailer  
346 truck route review procedures must be consistent with those  
347 adopted by the Department of Transportation.

348 5. Tandem trailer trucks employed as household goods  
349 carriers and conforming to the weight and size limitations of  
350 this chapter shall be afforded access to points of loading and

351 unloading on the public streets and roads of this state, except  
352 for streets and roads that have been restricted from use by such  
353 vehicles on the basis of safety and engineering analyses by the  
354 jurisdiction responsible for maintenance of the streets and  
355 roads.

356 (d) Maxi-cube vehicles.—Maxi-cube vehicles shall be  
357 allowed to operate on routes open to tandem trailer trucks under  
358 the same conditions applicable to tandem trailer trucks as  
359 specified by this section.

360 (4) LOAD EXTENSION LIMITATION.—The load upon any vehicle  
361 operated alone, or the load upon the front vehicle of a  
362 combination of vehicles, may not extend more than 3 feet beyond  
363 the front wheels of the vehicle or the front bumper of the  
364 vehicle if it is equipped with a bumper. However, the load upon  
365 any stinger-steered automobile transporter may not extend more  
366 than 4 feet beyond the front bumper of the vehicle.

367 (a) The limitations of this subsection do not apply to  
368 bicycle racks carrying bicycles on public sector transit  
369 vehicles.

370 (b) ~~The provisions of~~ This subsection does ~~shall~~ not apply  
371 to a front-end loading collection vehicle, when:

372 1. The front-end loading mechanism and container or  
373 containers are in the lowered position;

374 2. The vehicle is engaged in collecting solid waste or  
375 recyclable or recovered materials;

376           3. The vehicle is being operated at speeds less than 20  
 377 miles per hour with the vehicular hazard-warning lights  
 378 activated; and

379           4. The extension does not exceed 8 feet 6 inches.

380           (16) TOWAWAY TRAILER TRANSPORTER COMBINATIONS.—An unladen  
 381 power unit may tow two trailers or semitrailers when the  
 382 combination is not used to carry property, the overall  
 383 combination length does not exceed 82 feet, and the total gross  
 384 weight of the combination does not exceed 26,000 pounds. The  
 385 trailers or semitrailers must constitute inventory property of a  
 386 manufacturer, distributor, or dealer of such trailers or  
 387 semitrailers.

388           Section 7. Paragraph (c) of subsection (3) of section  
 389 316.545, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

390           316.545 Weight and load unlawful; special fuel and motor  
 391 fuel tax enforcement; inspection; penalty; review.—

392           (3)

393           (c)1. For a vehicle fueled by natural gas or electric  
 394 batteries, the fine is calculated by reducing the actual gross  
 395 vehicle weight by the certified weight difference between the  
 396 natural gas tank or electric battery system and fueling system  
 397 and a comparable diesel tank and fueling system. Upon request by  
 398 any weight inspector or law enforcement officer, the vehicle  
 399 operator must present written certification that identifies the  
 400 weight of the natural gas tank or electric battery system and

401 fueling system and the difference in weight of a comparable  
402 diesel tank and fueling system. The written certification must  
403 originate from the vehicle manufacturer or the installer of the  
404 natural gas tank or electric battery system and fueling system.

405 2. The actual gross vehicle weight for vehicles fueled by  
406 natural gas or electric batteries may not exceed 82,000 pounds,  
407 excluding the weight allowed for idle-reduction technology under  
408 paragraph (b).

409 3. This paragraph does not apply to those vehicles  
410 described in s. 316.535(6).

411 Section 8. Subsection (24) of section 320.01, Florida  
412 Statutes, is amended to read:

413 320.01 Definitions, general.—As used in the Florida  
414 Statutes, except as otherwise provided, the term:

415 (24) "Apportionable vehicle" means any vehicle, except  
416 recreational vehicles, vehicles displaying restricted plates,  
417 city pickup and delivery vehicles, ~~buses used in transportation~~  
418 ~~of chartered parties,~~ and government-owned vehicles, which is  
419 used or intended for use in two or more member jurisdictions  
420 that allocate or proportionally register vehicles and which is  
421 used for the transportation of persons for hire or is designed,  
422 used, or maintained primarily for the transportation of property  
423 and:

424 (a) Is a power unit having a gross vehicle weight in  
425 excess of 26,000 pounds;

426 (b) Is a power unit having three or more axles, regardless  
 427 of weight; or

428 (c) Is used in combination, when the weight of such  
 429 combination exceeds 26,000 pounds gross vehicle weight.

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431 Vehicles, or combinations thereof, having a gross vehicle weight  
 432 of 26,000 pounds or less and two-axle vehicles may be  
 433 proportionally registered.

434 Section 9. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section  
 435 320.06, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

436 320.06 Registration certificates, license plates, and  
 437 validation stickers generally.—

438 (1)

439 (b)1. Registration license plates bearing a graphic symbol  
 440 and the alphanumeric system of identification shall be issued  
 441 for a 10-year period. At the end of the 10-year period, upon  
 442 renewal, the plate shall be replaced. The department shall  
 443 extend the scheduled license plate replacement date from a 6-  
 444 year period to a 10-year period. The fee for such replacement is  
 445 \$28, \$2.80 of which shall be paid each year before the plate is  
 446 replaced, to be credited toward the next \$28 replacement fee.  
 447 The fees shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating  
 448 Trust Fund. A credit or refund may not be given for any prior  
 449 years' payments of the prorated replacement fee if the plate is  
 450 replaced or surrendered before the end of the 10-year period,

451 except that a credit may be given if a registrant is required by  
452 the department to replace a license plate under s.  
453 320.08056(8)(a). With each license plate, a validation sticker  
454 shall be issued showing the owner's birth month, license plate  
455 number, and the year of expiration or the appropriate renewal  
456 period if the owner is not a natural person. The validation  
457 sticker shall be placed on the upper right corner of the license  
458 plate. The license plate and validation sticker shall be issued  
459 based on the applicant's appropriate renewal period. The  
460 registration period is 12 months, the extended registration  
461 period is 24 months, and all expirations occur based on the  
462 applicant's appropriate registration period.

463 2. A vehicle that has an apportioned registration shall be  
464 issued an annual license plate and a cab card denoting that  
465 denote the declared gross vehicle weight for each apportioned  
466 jurisdiction in which the vehicle is authorized to operate. This  
467 subparagraph expires upon implementation of a new operating  
468 system for apportioned vehicle registration.

469 3. Upon implementation of a new operating system for  
470 apportioned vehicle registration, a vehicle registered in  
471 accordance with the International Registration Plan shall be  
472 issued a license plate for a 5-year period, an annual cab card  
473 denoting the declared gross vehicle weight for each apportioned  
474 jurisdiction, and an annual validation sticker showing the month  
475 and year of expiration. The validation sticker shall be placed

476 in the center of the license plate. The license plate and  
477 validation sticker shall be issued based on the applicant's  
478 appropriate renewal period. The fee for the initial validation  
479 sticker and any renewed validation sticker is \$28. This fee  
480 shall be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund.  
481 A damaged or worn license plate may be replaced at no charge by  
482 applying to the department and surrendering the current license  
483 plate.

484 4.2. In order to retain the efficient administration of  
485 the taxes and fees imposed by this chapter, the 80-cent fee  
486 increase in the replacement fee imposed by chapter 2009-71, Laws  
487 of Florida, is negated as provided in s. 320.0804.

488 Section 10. Subsection (5) of section 320.0607, Florida  
489 Statutes, is amended to read:

490 320.0607 Replacement license plates, validation decal, or  
491 mobile home sticker.—

492 (5) Upon the issuance of an original license plate, the  
493 applicant shall pay a fee of \$28 to be deposited in the Highway  
494 Safety Operating Trust Fund. Upon implementation of a new  
495 operating system for apportioned vehicle registration, this  
496 subsection does not apply to a vehicle registered under the  
497 International Registration Plan.

498 Section 11. Subsection (10) is added to section 320.131,  
499 Florida Statutes, to read:

500 320.131 Temporary tags.—

501       (10) The department may partner with a county tax  
502 collector to conduct a Fleet Vehicle Temporary Tag pilot program  
503 to provide temporary tags to fleet companies to allow them to  
504 operate fleet vehicles awaiting a permanent registration and  
505 title.

506       (a) The department shall establish a memorandum of  
507 understanding that allows up to three companies to participate  
508 in the pilot program and receive multiple temporary tags for  
509 company fleet vehicles.

510       (b) To participate in the program, a fleet company must  
511 have at least 3,500 fleet vehicles registered in this state  
512 which qualify to be registered as fleet vehicles pursuant to s.  
513 320.0657.

514       (c) The department may issue up to 50 temporary tags at a  
515 time to an eligible fleet company if requested by such company.

516       (d) A temporary tag issued under this subsection is for  
517 exclusive use on a vehicle purchased for the company's fleet and  
518 may not be used on any other vehicle.

519       (e) Each temporary tag may be used on only one vehicle,  
520 and each vehicle may use only one temporary tag.

521       (f) Upon issuance of the vehicle's permanent license plate  
522 and registration, the temporary tag becomes invalid and must be  
523 removed from the vehicle and destroyed.

524       (g) Upon a finding by the department that a temporary tag  
525 has been misused by a fleet company under this program, the

526 department may terminate the memorandum of understanding with  
527 the company, invalidate all temporary tags issued to the company  
528 under the program, and require such company to return any unused  
529 temporary tags.

530 (h) The issuance of a tag using this method must be  
531 reported to the department within 2 business days, not including  
532 weekends or state holidays, after the issuance of the tag. The  
533 county tax collector shall keep a record of each temporary tag  
534 issued. The record must include the date of issuance, tag number  
535 issued, vehicle identification number, and vehicle description.

536 (i) This subsection is repealed October 1, 2022, unless  
537 saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

538 Section 12. Paragraphs (g) and (h) of subsection (1) of  
539 section 322.61, Florida Statutes, are amended, and paragraphs  
540 (i) and (j) are added to that subsection, to read:

541 322.61 Disqualification from operating a commercial motor  
542 vehicle.—

543 (1) A person who, for offenses occurring within a 3-year  
544 period, is convicted of two of the following serious traffic  
545 violations or any combination thereof, arising in separate  
546 incidents committed in a commercial motor vehicle shall, in  
547 addition to any other applicable penalties, be disqualified from  
548 operating a commercial motor vehicle for a period of 60 days. A  
549 holder of a commercial driver license or commercial learner's  
550 permit who, for offenses occurring within a 3-year period, is

551 convicted of two of the following serious traffic violations, or  
552 any combination thereof, arising in separate incidents committed  
553 in a noncommercial motor vehicle shall, in addition to any other  
554 applicable penalties, be disqualified from operating a  
555 commercial motor vehicle for a period of 60 days if such  
556 convictions result in the suspension, revocation, or  
557 cancellation of the licenseholder's driving privilege:

558 (g) Driving a commercial vehicle without the proper class  
559 of commercial driver license or commercial learner's permit or  
560 without the proper endorsement; ~~or~~

561 (h) Driving a commercial vehicle without a commercial  
562 driver license or commercial learner's permit in possession, as  
563 required by s. 322.03;

564 (i) Texting while driving a commercial motor vehicle, as  
565 prohibited by 49 C.F.R. 392.80; or

566 (j) Using a hand-held mobile telephone while driving a  
567 commercial motor vehicle, as prohibited by 49 C.F.R. 392.82.

568 Section 13. Subsection (1) of section 655.960, Florida  
569 Statutes, is amended to read:

570 655.960 Definitions; ss. 655.960-655.965.—As used in this  
571 section and ss. 655.961-655.965, unless the context otherwise  
572 requires:

573 (1) "Access area" means any paved walkway or sidewalk  
574 which is within 50 feet of any automated teller machine. The  
575 term does not include any street or highway open to the use of

576 | the public, as defined in s. 316.003(82)(a) ~~s. 316.003(81)(a)~~ or  
 577 | (b), including any adjacent sidewalk, as defined in s. 316.003.

578 | Section 14. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section  
 579 | 812.014, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

580 | 812.014 Theft.—

581 | (2)(a)1. If the property stolen is valued at \$100,000 or  
 582 | more or is a semitrailer that was deployed by a law enforcement  
 583 | officer; or

584 | 2. If the property stolen is cargo valued at \$50,000 or  
 585 | more that has entered the stream of interstate or intrastate  
 586 | commerce from the shipper's loading platform to the consignee's  
 587 | receiving dock; or

588 | 3. If the offender commits any grand theft and:

589 | a. In the course of committing the offense the offender  
 590 | uses a motor vehicle as an instrumentality, other than merely as  
 591 | a getaway vehicle, to assist in committing the offense and  
 592 | thereby damages the real property of another; ~~or~~

593 | b. In the course of committing the offense the offender  
 594 | causes damage to the real or personal property of another in  
 595 | excess of \$1,000; or

596 | c. In the course of committing the offense the offender  
 597 | uses any type of device to defeat, block, disable, jam, or  
 598 | interfere with a global positioning system or similar system  
 599 | designed to identify the location of the cargo or the vehicle or  
 600 | trailer carrying the cargo,

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602 the offender commits grand theft in the first degree, punishable  
603 as a felony of the first degree, as provided in s. 775.082, s.  
604 775.083, or s. 775.084.

605 Section 15. This act shall take effect October 1, 2019.