

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to transportation; creating s.
3 287.0836, F.S.; requiring an agency to consider
4 specified criteria when evaluating a proposal or reply
5 received for procurement of specified transportation
6 services; amending s. 316.003, F.S.; reorganizing
7 certain definition provisions relating to autonomous
8 vehicles; defining the term "driver-assistive truck
9 platooning technology"; creating s. 316.0275, F.S.;
10 providing criminal penalties for certain noncriminal
11 traffic infractions that cause serious bodily injury
12 or death to a person; defining the term "serious
13 bodily injury"; amending s. 316.0895, F.S.; specifying
14 that provisions prohibiting a driver from following
15 certain vehicles within a certain distance do not
16 apply to truck tractor-semitrailer combinations under
17 certain conditions; requiring compliance with
18 specified financial responsibility provisions;
19 amending s. 316.303, F.S.; providing exceptions to a
20 prohibition of a viewer or screen visible from the
21 driver's seat of a motor vehicle; amending s. 316.515,
22 F.S.; extending the maximum length of certain
23 semitrailers authorized to operate on public roads
24 under certain conditions; revising provisions that
25 authorize the Department of Transportation to issue
26 special permits for certain overwidth deliveries of

27 manufactured buildings by truck tractor-semitrailer
28 combinations; revising maximum trailer length for such
29 deliveries; amending s. 320.525, F.S.; revising the
30 definition of the term "port vehicles and equipment"
31 to exempt certain motor vehicles from specified
32 provisions under certain circumstances; amending s.
33 322.26, F.S.; providing for mandatory revocation of a
34 driver license for a specified conviction; amending s.
35 334.044, F.S.; authorizing the department to assume
36 certain responsibilities of the United States
37 Department of Transportation with respect to highway
38 projects within the state; authorizing the department
39 to enter into certain agreements related to the
40 federal surface transportation project delivery
41 program under specified federal law; authorizing the
42 department to adopt rules and relevant federal
43 environmental standards; providing a limited waiver of
44 sovereign immunity to civil suit in federal court;
45 amending s. 337.18, F.S.; authorizing the department
46 to waive a surety bond on certain contracts with
47 specified contractors; amending s. 338.231, F.S.,
48 relating to turnpike revenue; removing a provision
49 authorizing the use of such revenue for payment of
50 principal and interest of certain bonds and expenses
51 of the Sawgrass Expressway; amending s. 339.135, F.S.;
52 revising requirements for amendments to the

53 department's adopted work program to be submitted to
54 the Legislative Budget Commission; amending s.
55 339.175, F.S.; revising requirements for long-range
56 transportation plans developed by metropolitan
57 planning organizations; amending s. 339.2818, F.S.;
58 revising the definition of the term "small county" for
59 purposes of the Small County Outreach Program;
60 amending s. 339.64, F.S., relating to the Strategic
61 Intermodal System Plan; requiring the department to
62 coordinate with certain partners and industry
63 representatives to consider infrastructure and
64 technological improvements necessary to accommodate
65 advances in vehicle technology; revising requirements
66 for a needs assessment; repealing s. 341.0532, F.S.,
67 relating to transportation corridors; removing
68 provisions that specify certain transportation
69 facilities as statewide transportation corridors;
70 revising the title of part III of chapter 348, F.S.;
71 amending s. 348.753, F.S.; revising requirements for
72 appointments to the governing body of the Central
73 Florida Expressway Authority; specifying that terms of
74 members appointed by the Governor end on a specified
75 date; removing a requirement that the authority elect
76 one of its members as secretary; amending s. 348.754,
77 F.S.; specifying that the Central Florida Expressway
78 Authority is a party to a certain lease-purchase

79 agreement between the department and the Orlando-
 80 Orange County Expressway Authority; providing an
 81 effective date.

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

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 85 Section 1. Section 287.0836, Florida Statutes, is created
 86 to read:

87 287.0836 Sustainable transportation services procurement.-
 88 An agency must consider the following criteria when evaluating a
 89 proposal or reply received pursuant to a request for proposals
 90 or an invitation to negotiate for services related to cargo,
 91 freight, or package delivery:

92 (1) Whether the vendor uses alternative fuels, including
 93 natural gas fuel as defined in s. 377.810.

94 (2) The fuel efficiency of the vehicles used by the
 95 vendor.

96 Section 2. Subsection (90) of section 316.003, Florida
 97 Statutes, is amended, subsections (91), (92), and (93) are
 98 renumbered as subsections (92), (93), and (94), respectively,
 99 and new subsections (91) and (95) are added to that section, to
 100 read:

101 316.003 Definitions.—The following words and phrases, when
 102 used in this chapter, shall have the meanings respectively
 103 ascribed to them in this section, except where the context
 104 otherwise requires:

105 (90) AUTONOMOUS VEHICLE.—Any vehicle equipped with
106 autonomous technology. ~~The term "autonomous technology" means~~
107 ~~technology installed on a motor vehicle that has the capability~~
108 ~~to drive the vehicle on which the technology is installed~~
109 ~~without the active control or monitoring by a human operator.~~
110 The term excludes a motor vehicle enabled with active safety
111 systems or driver assistance systems, including, without
112 limitation, a system to provide electronic blind spot
113 assistance, crash avoidance, emergency braking, parking
114 assistance, adaptive cruise control, lane keep assistance, lane
115 departure warning, or traffic jam and queuing assistant, unless
116 any such system alone or in combination with other systems
117 enables the vehicle on which the technology is installed to
118 drive without the active control or monitoring by a human
119 operator.

120 (91) AUTONOMOUS TECHNOLOGY.—Technology installed on a
121 motor vehicle that has the capability to drive the vehicle on
122 which the technology is installed without active control or
123 monitoring by a human operator.

124 (95) DRIVER-ASSISTIVE TRUCK PLATOONING TECHNOLOGY.—Vehicle
125 automation technology that integrates sensor array, wireless
126 communications, vehicle controls, and specialized software to
127 synchronize acceleration and braking between up to two truck
128 tractor-semitrailer combinations while leaving each vehicle's
129 steering control and systems command in the control of the
130 vehicle's driver.

131 Section 3. Section 316.0275, Florida Statutes, is created
 132 to read:

133 316.0275 Noncriminal traffic infractions leading to
 134 serious bodily injury or death; reclassification.-

135 (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if an
 136 individual commits a noncriminal traffic infraction under this
 137 chapter which causes serious bodily injury or death to a person
 138 and, within 5 years after that violation, commits another
 139 noncriminal traffic infraction under this chapter which causes
 140 serious bodily injury or death to a person, the second such
 141 violation shall be reclassified as a misdemeanor of the first
 142 degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083, and
 143 the individual's driver license shall be revoked for 1 year
 144 pursuant to s. 322.26(10).

145 (2) As used in this section, the term "serious bodily
 146 injury" means an injury to a person, excluding the at-fault
 147 driver, which consists of a physical condition that creates a
 148 substantial risk of death, serious personal disfigurement, or
 149 protracted loss or impairment of the function of any bodily
 150 member or organ.

151 Section 4. Subsection (2) of section 316.0895, Florida
 152 Statutes, is amended to read:

153 316.0895 Following too closely.-

154 (2) It is unlawful for the driver of any motor truck,
 155 motor truck drawing another vehicle, or vehicle towing another
 156 vehicle or trailer, when traveling upon a roadway outside of a

157 business or residence district, to follow within 300 feet of
 158 another motor truck, motor truck drawing another vehicle, or
 159 vehicle towing another vehicle or trailer. ~~The provisions of~~
 160 This subsection does ~~shall~~ not be construed to prevent
 161 overtaking and passing and does not ~~nor shall the same~~ apply
 162 upon any lane specially designated for use by motor trucks or
 163 other slow-moving vehicles. This subsection does not apply to
 164 two truck tractor-semitrailer combinations equipped and
 165 connected with driver-assistive truck platooning technology, as
 166 defined in s. 316.003, and operating on a multilane limited
 167 access facility if the owner or operator complies with the
 168 financial responsibility requirements of s. 316.86.

169 Section 5. Subsections (1) and (3) of section 316.303,
 170 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

171 316.303 Television receivers.—

172 (1) No motor vehicle operated on the highways of this
 173 state shall be equipped with television-type receiving equipment
 174 so located that the viewer or screen is visible from the
 175 driver's seat unless the vehicle is equipped with autonomous
 176 technology and is being operated in autonomous mode, as provided
 177 in s. 316.85(2), or unless the vehicle is equipped and operating
 178 with driver-assistive truck platooning technology.

179 (3) This section does not prohibit the use of an
 180 electronic display used in conjunction with a vehicle navigation
 181 system, an electronic display used by the operator of a vehicle
 182 equipped with autonomous technology while the vehicle is being

183 operated in autonomous mode, as provided in s. 316.85(2), or an
184 electronic display used by the operator of a vehicle equipped
185 and operating with driver-assistive truck platooning technology.

186 Section 6. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) and subsection
187 (14) of section 316.515, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
188 316.515 Maximum width, height, length.—

189 (3) LENGTH LIMITATION.—Except as otherwise provided in
190 this section, length limitations apply solely to a semitrailer
191 or trailer, and not to a truck tractor or to the overall length
192 of a combination of vehicles. No combination of commercial motor
193 vehicles coupled together and operating on the public roads may
194 consist of more than one truck tractor and two trailing units.
195 Unless otherwise specifically provided for in this section, a
196 combination of vehicles not qualifying as commercial motor
197 vehicles may consist of no more than two units coupled together;
198 such nonqualifying combination of vehicles may not exceed a
199 total length of 65 feet, inclusive of the load carried thereon,
200 but exclusive of safety and energy conservation devices approved
201 by the department for use on vehicles using public roads.
202 Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a truck
203 tractor-semitrailer combination engaged in the transportation of
204 automobiles or boats may transport motor vehicles or boats on
205 part of the power unit; and, except as may otherwise be mandated
206 under federal law, an automobile or boat transporter semitrailer
207 may not exceed 50 feet in length, exclusive of the load;
208 however, the load may extend up to an additional 6 feet beyond

209 the rear of the trailer. The 50-foot length limitation does not
210 apply to non-stinger-steered automobile or boat transporters
211 that are 65 feet or less in overall length, exclusive of the
212 load carried thereon, or to stinger-steered automobile or boat
213 transporters that are 75 feet or less in overall length,
214 exclusive of the load carried thereon. For purposes of this
215 subsection, a "stinger-steered automobile or boat transporter"
216 is an automobile or boat transporter configured as a semitrailer
217 combination wherein the fifth wheel is located on a drop frame
218 located behind and below the rearmost axle of the power unit.
219 Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) and (b), any straight truck or
220 truck tractor-semitrailer combination engaged in the
221 transportation of horticultural trees may allow the load to
222 extend up to an additional 10 feet beyond the rear of the
223 vehicle, provided said trees are resting against a retaining bar
224 mounted above the truck bed so that the root balls of the trees
225 rest on the floor and to the front of the truck bed and the tops
226 of the trees extend up over and to the rear of the truck bed,
227 and provided the overhanging portion of the load is covered with
228 protective fabric.

229 (b) Semitrailers.—

230 1. A semitrailer operating in a truck tractor-semitrailer
231 combination may not exceed 48 feet in extreme overall outside
232 dimension, measured from the front of the unit to the rear of
233 the unit and the load carried thereon, exclusive of safety and
234 energy conservation devices approved by the department for use

235 on vehicles using public roads, unless it complies with
236 subparagraph 2. A semitrailer that ~~which~~ exceeds 48 feet in
237 length and is used to transport divisible loads may operate in
238 this state only if issued a permit under s. 316.550 and if such
239 trailer meets the requirements of this chapter relating to
240 vehicle equipment and safety. Except for highways on the tandem
241 trailer truck highway network, public roads deemed unsafe for
242 longer semitrailer vehicles or those roads on which such longer
243 vehicles are determined not to be in the interest of public
244 convenience shall, in conformance with s. 316.006, be restricted
245 by the Department of Transportation or by the local authority to
246 use by semitrailers not exceeding a length of 48 feet, inclusive
247 of the load carried thereon but exclusive of safety and energy
248 conservation devices approved by the department for use on
249 vehicles using public roads. Truck tractor-semitrailer
250 combinations shall be afforded reasonable access to terminals;
251 facilities for food, fuel, repairs, and rest; and points of
252 loading and unloading.

253 2. A semitrailer that ~~which~~ is more than 48 feet but not
254 more than 57 ~~53~~ feet in extreme overall outside dimension, as
255 measured pursuant to subparagraph 1., may operate on public
256 roads, except roads on the State Highway System which are
257 restricted by the Department of Transportation or other roads
258 restricted by local authorities, if:

259 a. The distance between the kingpin or other peg that
260 locks into the fifth wheel of a truck tractor and the center of

261 the rear axle or rear group of axles does not exceed 41 feet,
 262 or, in the case of a semitrailer used exclusively or primarily
 263 to transport vehicles in connection with motorsports competition
 264 events, the distance does not exceed 46 feet from the kingpin to
 265 the center of the rear axles; and

266 b. It is equipped with a substantial rear-end underride
 267 protection device meeting the requirements of 49 C.F.R. s.
 268 393.86, "Rear End Protection."

269 (14) MANUFACTURED BUILDINGS.—The Department of
 270 Transportation may, in its discretion and upon application and
 271 good cause shown therefor that the same is not contrary to the
 272 public interest, issue a special permit for truck tractor-
 273 semitrailer combinations where the total number of overwidth
 274 deliveries of manufactured buildings, as defined in s.
 275 553.36(13), may be reduced by permitting the use of multiple
 276 sections or single units on an overlength trailer of no more
 277 than 80 ~~54~~ feet.

278 Section 7. Subsection (1) of section 320.525, Florida
 279 Statutes, is amended to read:

280 320.525 Port vehicles and equipment; definition;
 281 exemption.—

282 (1) As used in this section, the term "port vehicles and
 283 equipment" means trucks, tractors, trailers, truck cranes, top
 284 loaders, fork lifts, hostling tractors, chassis, or other
 285 vehicles or equipment used for transporting cargo, containers,
 286 or other equipment. The term "port vehicles and equipment"

287 includes motor vehicles being relocated within a port facility
288 or via designated port district roads.

289 Section 8. Subsection (10) is added to section 322.26,
290 Florida Statutes, to read:

291 322.26 Mandatory revocation of license by department.—The
292 department shall forthwith revoke the license or driving
293 privilege of any person upon receiving a record of such person's
294 conviction of any of the following offenses:

295 (10) Conviction in any court having jurisdiction over
296 offenses committed under s. 316.0275.

297 Section 9. Subsection (34) is added to section 334.044,
298 Florida Statutes, to read:

299 334.044 Department; powers and duties.—The department
300 shall have the following general powers and duties:

301 (34) To assume responsibilities of the United States
302 Department of Transportation with respect to highway projects
303 within the state under the National Environmental Policy Act of
304 1969, 42 U.S.C. ss. 4321 et seq., and with respect to related
305 responsibilities for environmental review, consultation, or
306 other action required under any federal environmental law
307 pertaining to review or approval of a highway project within the
308 state. The department may assume responsibilities under 23
309 U.S.C. s. 327 and enter into one or more agreements, including
310 memoranda of understanding, with the United States Secretary of
311 Transportation related to the federal surface transportation
312 project delivery program for the delivery of highway projects,

313 as provided by 23 U.S.C. s. 327. The department may adopt rules
 314 to implement this subsection and may adopt relevant federal
 315 environmental standards as the standards for this state for a
 316 program described in this subsection. Sovereign immunity to
 317 civil suit in federal court is waived consistent with 23 U.S.C.
 318 s. 327 and limited to the compliance, discharge, or enforcement
 319 of a responsibility assumed by the department pursuant to this
 320 subsection.

321 Section 10. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section
 322 337.18, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

323 337.18 Surety bonds for construction or maintenance
 324 contracts; requirement with respect to contract award; bond
 325 requirements; defaults; damage assessments.—

326 (1) (a) A surety bond shall be required of the successful
 327 bidder in an amount equal to the awarded contract price.
 328 However, the department may choose, in its discretion and
 329 applicable only to multiyear maintenance contracts, to allow for
 330 incremental annual contract bonds that cumulatively total the
 331 full, awarded, multiyear contract price.

332 1. The department may waive the requirement for all or a
 333 portion of a surety bond if:

334 a. ~~For a project for which~~ The contract price is \$250,000
 335 or less ~~and,~~ the department may waive the requirement for all or
 336 a portion of a surety bond if it determines that the project is
 337 of a noncritical nature and nonperformance will not endanger
 338 public health, safety, or property;

339 b. The prime contractor is a qualified nonprofit agency
340 for the blind or for the other severely handicapped under s.
341 413.036(2); or

342 c. The prime contractor is using a subcontractor that is a
343 qualified nonprofit agency for the blind or for the other
344 severely handicapped under s. 413.036(2) but may not waive more
345 than the amount of the subcontract.

346 2. If the Secretary of Transportation or the secretary's
347 designee determines that it is in the best interests of the
348 department to reduce the bonding requirement for a project and
349 that to do so will not endanger public health, safety, or
350 property, the department may waive the requirement of a surety
351 bond in an amount equal to the awarded contract price for a
352 project having a contract price of \$250 million or more and, in
353 its place, may set a surety bond amount that is a portion of the
354 total contract price and provide an alternate means of security
355 for the balance of the contract amount that is not covered by
356 the surety bond or provide for incremental surety bonding and
357 provide an alternate means of security for the balance of the
358 contract amount that is not covered by the surety bond. Such
359 alternative means of security may include letters of credit,
360 United States bonds and notes, parent company guarantees, and
361 cash collateral. The department may require alternate means of
362 security if a surety bond is waived. The surety on such bond
363 shall be a surety company authorized to do business in the
364 state. All bonds shall be payable to the department and

365 conditioned for the prompt, faithful, and efficient performance
366 of the contract according to plans and specifications and within
367 the time period specified, and for the prompt payment of all
368 persons defined in s. 713.01 furnishing labor, material,
369 equipment, and supplies for work provided in the contract;
370 however, whenever an improvement, demolition, or removal
371 contract price is \$25,000 or less, the security may, in the
372 discretion of the bidder, be in the form of a cashier's check,
373 bank money order of any state or national bank, certified check,
374 or postal money order. The department shall adopt rules to
375 implement this subsection. Such rules shall include provisions
376 under which the department shall refuse to accept bonds on
377 contracts when a surety wrongfully fails or refuses to settle or
378 provide a defense for claims or actions arising under a contract
379 for which the surety previously furnished a bond.

380 Section 11. Subsection (5) of section 338.231, Florida
381 Statutes, is amended to read:

382 338.231 Turnpike tolls, fixing; pledge of tolls and other
383 revenues.—The department shall at all times fix, adjust, charge,
384 and collect such tolls and amounts for the use of the turnpike
385 system as are required in order to provide a fund sufficient
386 with other revenues of the turnpike system to pay the cost of
387 maintaining, improving, repairing, and operating such turnpike
388 system; to pay the principal of and interest on all bonds issued
389 to finance or refinance any portion of the turnpike system as
390 the same become due and payable; and to create reserves for all

391 such purposes.

392 ~~(5) In each fiscal year while any of the bonds of the~~
393 ~~Broward County Expressway Authority series 1984 and series 1986-~~
394 ~~A remain outstanding, the department is authorized to pledge~~
395 ~~revenues from the turnpike system to the payment of principal~~
396 ~~and interest of such series of bonds and the operation and~~
397 ~~maintenance expenses of the Sawgrass Expressway, to the extent~~
398 ~~gross toll revenues of the Sawgrass Expressway are insufficient~~
399 ~~to make such payments. The terms of an agreement relative to the~~
400 ~~pledge of turnpike system revenue will be negotiated with the~~
401 ~~parties of the 1984 and 1986 Broward County Expressway Authority~~
402 ~~lease-purchase agreements, and subject to the covenants of those~~
403 ~~agreements. The agreement must establish that the Sawgrass~~
404 ~~Expressway is subject to the planning, management, and operating~~
405 ~~control of the department limited only by the terms of the~~
406 ~~lease-purchase agreements. The department shall provide for the~~
407 ~~payment of operation and maintenance expenses of the Sawgrass~~
408 ~~Expressway until such agreement is in effect. This pledge of~~
409 ~~turnpike system revenues is subordinate to the debt service~~
410 ~~requirements of any future issue of turnpike bonds, the payment~~
411 ~~of turnpike system operation and maintenance expenses, and~~
412 ~~subject to any subsequent resolution or trust indenture relating~~
413 ~~to the issuance of such turnpike bonds.~~

414 Section 12. Paragraph (g) of subsection (7) of section
415 339.135, Florida Statutes, is amended, and paragraph (h) is
416 added to that subsection, to read:

417 339.135 Work program; legislative budget request;
418 definitions; preparation, adoption, execution, and amendment.—

419 (7) AMENDMENT OF THE ADOPTED WORK PROGRAM.—

420 (g) Any work program amendment that ~~which~~ also requires
421 the transfer of fixed capital outlay appropriations between
422 categories within the department or the increase of an
423 appropriation category is subject to the approval of the
424 Legislative Budget Commission. ~~If a meeting of the Legislative~~
425 ~~Budget Commission cannot be held within 30 days of the~~
426 ~~department submitting an amendment to the Legislative Budget~~
427 ~~Commission, then the chair and vice chair of the Legislative~~
428 ~~Budget Commission may authorize such amendment to be approved~~
429 ~~pursuant to the provisions of s. 216.177.~~

430 (h) Any work program amendment that also adds a new
431 project, or a phase thereof, to the adopted work program in
432 excess of \$3 million is subject to the approval of the
433 Legislative Budget Commission. Any work program amendment
434 submitted under this paragraph must include, as supplemental
435 information, a list of projects, or phases thereof, in the
436 current 5-year adopted work program that are eligible for the
437 funds within the appropriation category being used for the
438 proposed amendment. The department shall provide narrative with
439 the rationale for not advancing an existing project, or a phase
440 thereof, in lieu of the proposed amendment.

441 Section 13. Paragraph (c) of subsection (7) of section
442 339.175, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

443 339.175 Metropolitan planning organization.—

444 (7) LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN.—Each M.P.O. must
445 develop a long-range transportation plan that addresses at least
446 a 20-year planning horizon. The plan must include both long-
447 range and short-range strategies and must comply with all other
448 state and federal requirements. The prevailing principles to be
449 considered in the long-range transportation plan are: preserving
450 the existing transportation infrastructure; enhancing Florida's
451 economic competitiveness; and improving travel choices to ensure
452 mobility. The long-range transportation plan must be consistent,
453 to the maximum extent feasible, with future land use elements
454 and the goals, objectives, and policies of the approved local
455 government comprehensive plans of the units of local government
456 located within the jurisdiction of the M.P.O. Each M.P.O. is
457 encouraged to consider strategies that integrate transportation
458 and land use planning to provide for sustainable development and
459 reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The approved long-range
460 transportation plan must be considered by local governments in
461 the development of the transportation elements in local
462 government comprehensive plans and any amendments thereto. The
463 long-range transportation plan must, at a minimum:

464 (c) Assess capital investment and other measures necessary
465 to:

466 1. Ensure the preservation of the existing metropolitan
467 transportation system including requirements for the operation,
468 resurfacing, restoration, and rehabilitation of major roadways

469 and requirements for the operation, maintenance, modernization,
470 and rehabilitation of public transportation facilities; and
471 2. Make the most efficient use of existing transportation
472 facilities to relieve vehicular congestion, improve safety, and
473 maximize the mobility of people and goods. Such efforts shall
474 include, but not be limited to, consideration of infrastructure
475 and technological improvements necessary to accommodate advances
476 in vehicle technology, such as autonomous vehicle technology and
477 other developments.

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479 In the development of its long-range transportation plan, each
480 M.P.O. must provide the public, affected public agencies,
481 representatives of transportation agency employees, freight
482 shippers, providers of freight transportation services, private
483 providers of transportation, representatives of users of public
484 transit, and other interested parties with a reasonable
485 opportunity to comment on the long-range transportation plan.
486 The long-range transportation plan must be approved by the
487 M.P.O.

488 Section 14. Subsection (2) of section 339.2818, Florida
489 Statutes, is amended to read:

490 339.2818 Small County Outreach Program.—

491 (2) For the purposes of this section, the term "small
492 county" means any county that has a population of 165,000
493 ~~150,000~~ or less as determined by the most recent official
494 estimate pursuant to s. 186.901.

495 Section 15. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section
496 339.64, Florida Statutes, is amended, and paragraph (c) is added
497 to subsection (3) of that section, to read:

498 339.64 Strategic Intermodal System Plan.—

499 (3)

500 (c) The department shall also coordinate with federal,
501 regional, and local partners, as well as industry
502 representatives, to consider infrastructure and technological
503 improvements necessary to accommodate advances in vehicle
504 technology, such as autonomous vehicle technology and other
505 developments, in Strategic Intermodal System facilities.

506 (4) The Strategic Intermodal System Plan shall include the
507 following:

508 (a) A needs assessment. Such assessment shall include, but
509 not be limited to, consideration of infrastructure and
510 technological improvements necessary to accommodate advances in
511 vehicle technology, such as autonomous vehicle technology and
512 other developments.

513 Section 16. Section 341.0532, Florida Statutes, is
514 repealed.

515 Section 17. Part III of chapter 348, Florida Statutes,
516 consisting of ss. 348.751-348.765, Florida Statutes, is retitled
517 "Central Florida Expressway Authority."

518 Section 18. Subsection (3) and paragraph (a) of subsection
519 (4) of section 348.753, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

520 348.753 Central Florida Expressway Authority.—

521 (3) The governing body of the authority shall consist of
522 nine members. The chairs of the boards of the county commissions
523 of Seminole, Lake, and Osceola Counties shall each appoint one
524 member from its respective county, who must ~~may~~ be a commission
525 member or chair or a county mayor. The Mayor of Orange County
526 shall appoint a member from the Orange County Commission. The
527 Governor shall appoint three citizen members, each of whom must
528 be a citizen of either Orange County, Seminole County, Lake
529 County, or Osceola County. ~~The eighth member must be the Mayor~~
530 ~~of Orange County and. The ninth member must be the Mayor of the~~
531 ~~City of Orlando~~ shall also serve as members. The executive
532 director of the Florida Turnpike Enterprise shall serve as a
533 nonvoting advisor to the governing body of the authority. Each
534 member appointed by the Governor shall serve for 4 years, with
535 his or her term ending on December 31 of his or her last year of
536 service. Each county-appointed member shall serve for 2 years.
537 ~~The terms of standing board members expire June 20, 2014.~~ Each
538 appointed member shall hold office until his or her successor
539 has been appointed and has qualified. A vacancy occurring during
540 a term must be filled only for the balance of the unexpired
541 term. Each appointed member of the authority shall be a person
542 of outstanding reputation for integrity, responsibility, and
543 business ability, but, except as provided in this subsection, a
544 person who is an officer or employee of a municipality or county
545 may not be an appointed member of the authority. Any member of
546 the authority is eligible for reappointment.

547 (4) (a) The authority shall elect one of its members as
548 chair of the authority. The authority shall also elect one of
549 its members as vice chair, ~~one of its members as secretary,~~ and
550 one of its members as treasurer. The chair, vice chair,
551 ~~secretary,~~ and treasurer shall hold such offices at the will of
552 the authority. Five members of the authority constitute a
553 quorum, and the vote of five members is necessary for any action
554 taken by the authority. A vacancy in the authority does not
555 impair the right of a quorum of the authority to exercise all of
556 the rights and perform all of the duties of the authority.

557 Section 19. Paragraph (e) of subsection (2) of section
558 348.754, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

559 348.754 Purposes and powers.—

560 (2) The authority may exercise all powers necessary,
561 appurtenant, convenient, or incidental to the implementation of
562 the stated purposes, including, but not limited to, the
563 following rights and powers:

564 (e) To enter into and make lease-purchase agreements with
565 the department for terms not exceeding 99 years, or until any
566 bonds secured by a pledge of rentals pursuant to the agreement,
567 and any refundings pursuant to the agreement, are fully paid as
568 to both principal and interest, whichever is longer. The
569 authority is a party to a lease-purchase agreement between the
570 department and the Orlando-Orange County Expressway Authority
571 dated December 23, 1985, as supplemented by a first supplement
572 to the lease-purchase agreement dated November 25, 1986, and a

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573 second supplement to the lease-purchase agreement dated October
574 27, 1988. The authority may not enter into other lease-purchase
575 agreements with the department and may not amend the existing
576 agreement in a manner that expands or increases the department's
577 obligations unless the department determines that the agreement
578 or amendment is necessary to permit the refunding of bonds
579 issued before July 1, 2013.

580 Section 20. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.