

PENDING FLORIDA STATUTE CHANGES FOR 2020

As of the printing of this handbook, the following legislation has passed the Florida Legislature and is contingent upon becoming law, or further action taken by the Governor.

Section 322.57, F.S.: Effective July 1, 2020, requires FLHSMV to waive the requirement to pass the commercial driver license skills tests for certain servicemembers and veterans.

Sections 316.003, 316.008, 316.027, 316.083, 316.1995, 316.2065, 316.20655, 316.306, 316.613, 316.614, 320.01, 320.08, 322.01, and 324.021, F.S.: Effective July 1, 2020, creates regulations governing the operation of electric bicycles.

Sections 322.08, 322.14, F.S.: Effective October 1, 2020, requires application forms for driver licenses and identification cards to include language allowing a voluntary contribution to Live Like Bella Childhood Cancer Foundation. Additionally, authorizes an optional “D” designation on the driver license of a person who has been diagnosed with a developmental disability.

Sections 320.06, 320.0657, 320.08, 320.08053, 320.08056, 320.08058, 320.08062, 320.08068, 320.0807, 320.089, 320.0891, 320.0894, F.S.: Effective October 1, 2020, amends several provisions of law related to specialty license plates (slps). Authorizes new slps and caps the number of slps in the state. Revises the presale requirements for the issuance of a slp. Additionally, authorizes the election of a permanent registration period for certain vehicles.

Section 318.18, F.S.: Effective January 1, 2021, increases the minimum civil penalty for failure to stop for a school bus from \$100 to \$200. For a subsequent offense within five years, FLHSMV must suspend the driver license of the driver for not less than six months and not more than one year. The bill also increases the minimum civil penalty for passing a school bus on the side that children enter and exit from \$200 to \$400. For a subsequent offense within five years, FLHSMV must suspend the driver license of the driver for not less than one year and not more than two years.