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An act relating to Transportation; amending s. 201.15, F.S.; revising the distribution of taxes to the Department of Transportation; repealing s. 322.032, F.S., relating to digital proof of driver license or identification card; amending s. 322.15, F.S.; removing reference to use of digital proof of driver license; repealing s. 324.252, F.S., relating to electronic insurance verification; amending s. 334.63, F.S.; requiring the disclosure of nonpecuniary factors in project development and

environment studies by government entities; providing an

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

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Section 1. Effective upon becoming law, paragraph (a) is added to subsection (4) of Section 201.15, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

201.15 Distribution of taxes collected .- All taxes collected under this chapter are hereby pledged and shall be first made available to make payments when due on bonds issued pursuant to s. 215.618 or s. 215.619, or any other bonds authorized to be issued on a parity basis with such bonds. Such pledge and availability for the payment of these bonds shall have priority over any requirement for the payment of service charges or costs of collection and enforcement under this section. All taxes collected under this chapter, except taxes distributed to the Land Acquisition Trust Fund pursuant to subsections (1) and (2),

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are subject to the service charge imposed in s. 215.20(1). Before distribution pursuant to this section, the Department of Revenue shall deduct amounts necessary to pay the costs of the collection and enforcement of the tax levied by this chapter. The costs and service charge may not be levied against any portion of taxes pledged to debt service on bonds to the extent that the costs and service charge are required to pay any amounts relating to the bonds. All of the costs of the collection and enforcement of the tax levied by this chapter and service charge shall be available and transferred to the extent necessary to pay debt service and any other amounts payable with respect to bonds authorized before January 1, 2017, secured by revenues distributed pursuant to this section. All taxes remaining after deduction of costs shall be distributed as follows:

- (4) After the required distributions to the Land Acquisition Trust Fund pursuant to subsections (1) and (2) and deduction of the service charge imposed pursuant to s. 215.20(1), the remainder shall be distributed as follows:
- (a) The lesser of 20.5453 percent of the remainder or \$400360.08 million in each fiscal year shall be paid into the State Treasury to the credit of the State Transportation Trust Fund. Notwithstanding any other law, the amount credited to the State Transportation Trust Fund shall be used for:
- 1. The Small County Outreach Program specified in s. 339.2818, in the amount of 13 percent of the funds;

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- 2. The Strategic Intermodal System specified in ss. 339.61, 339.62, 339.63, and 339.64, in the amount of 8078 percent of the funds; and
- 3. The Transportation Regional Incentive Program specified in s. 339.2819, in the amount of 79 percent of the funds.
 - Section 2. Section 322.032, Florida Statutes, is repealed.
- Section 3. Subsection (1) of section 322.15, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 322.15 License to be carried and exhibited on demand; fingerprint to be imprinted upon a citation.—
- (1) Every licensee shall have his or her driver license, which must be fully legible with no portion of such license faded, altered, mutilated, or defaced, in his or her immediate possession at all times when operating a motor vehicle and shall present or submit the same upon the demand of a law enforcement officer or an authorized representative of the department. A licensee may present or submit a digital proof of driver license as provided in s. 322.032 in lieu of his or her printed driver license; however, if the law enforcement officer or authorized representative of the department is unable to immediately verify the digital proof of driver license, upon the demand of the law enforcement officer or authorized representative of the department, the licensee must present or submit his or her printed driver license.
- Section 4. Section 322.059, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 322.059 Mandatory surrender of suspended driver license and registration.— A person whose driver license or registration has

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been suspended as provided in s. 322.058 must immediately return his or her driver license and registration to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles. The department shall invalidate the digital proof of driver license issued pursuant to s. 322.032 for such person. If such person fails to return his or her driver license or registration, a law enforcement agent may seize the license or registration while the driver license or registration is suspended.

- Section 5. <u>Section 324.252</u>, <u>Florida Statutes</u>, is repealed. Section 6. Subsection (3) of section 334.63, Florida Statutes, is added to read:
- 334.63 Project concept studies and project development and environment studies.
- (3) It is the policy of the state that nonpecuniary factors are not considerations in taxpayer funded project development and environmental studies. To the extent such nonpecuniary factors are a requirement of federal law or as a condition of receipt of federal transportation funding, a government entity must include the following in any publication, document, report, presentation, webpage or digital application:
- (a) A written statement that federal law requires such considerations as part of the project development and environment study in question and a reference to such federal law.
- (b) The amount of taxpayer funding required to make such considerations, including the approximate increase in costs related to nonpecuniary factors.

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(c) The estimated cost increase, for all project phases, for the overall recommended project when nonpecuniary factors were considered. A cost estimate must be provided.

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(b) As used in this subsection the term, "nonpecuniary factor" includes any of the following: considerations related to social justice, defined as considerations related to diversity equity, inclusion or the placement of highways or transportation facilities having a disproportionate effect or impact to a specific demographic of mankind; environmental justice, defined as considerations related to the natural, social, or cultural environment being impacted by the actions of mankind; sociocultural effect evaluations; or additional considerations related to climate alarmism, including any benchmark, standard, threshold, goal, or requirement related to emissions, motor vehicle fuel sources, decarbonization, and net-zero policies. The term "net-zero policies" has the same meaning as provided in legislation creating a new section of Chapter 377, Florida Statutes, concerning carbon and greenhouse gases. The term does not include standard reviews related to Section 4(f) outlined in 49 U.S.C. §303 and 23 U.S.C. §138.

Section 7. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act and except for this section which shall take effect upon this act becoming law, this act shall take effect July 1, 2026.