

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to violations against vulnerable road
 3 users; creating s. 318.195, F.S.; providing a short
 4 title; requiring a person who commits a moving
 5 violation that causes serious bodily injury to, or
 6 causes the death of, a vulnerable road user to pay a
 7 specified fine and attend a driver improvement course;
 8 requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor
 9 Vehicles to revoke the person's driver license for a
 10 specified period; defining the terms "serious bodily
 11 injury" and "vulnerable road user"; providing
 12 construction; providing an effective date.

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

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 16 Section 1. Section 318.195, Florida Statutes, is created
 17 to read:

18 318.195 Enhanced penalties for moving violations causing
 19 injury or death to vulnerable road users.-

20 (1) This section may be cited as the "Vulnerable Road User
 21 Act."

22 (2) A person who commits a moving violation that causes
 23 serious bodily injury to a vulnerable road user shall pay a fine
 24 of not less than \$1,500 and attend a department-approved driver
 25 improvement course relating to the rights of vulnerable road

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26 users relative to vehicles on the roadway as provided in s.
27 322.0261(2). The department shall also revoke the person's
28 driver license for 90 days.

29 (3) A person who commits a moving violation that causes
30 the death of a vulnerable road user shall pay a fine of not less
31 than \$5,000 and attend a department-approved driver improvement
32 course relating to the rights of vulnerable road users relative
33 to vehicles on the roadway as provided in s. 322.0261(2). The
34 department shall also revoke the person's driver license for 1
35 year.

36 (4) As used in this section, the terms "serious bodily
37 injury" and "vulnerable road user" have the same meanings as in
38 s. 316.027(1).

39 (5) This section does not prohibit a person from being
40 charged with, convicted of, or punished for any other violation
41 of law.

42 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.