

## CHAPTER 2024-28

### House Bill No. 377

An act relating to a license or permit to operate a vehicle for hire; creating s. 320.0603, F.S.; providing that a person who holds a license or permit issued by a county or municipality to operate a vehicle for hire may operate a vehicle for hire in any other county or municipality without being subject to certain requirements or fees under certain circumstances; defining the terms “seaport” and “airport”; providing construction and applicability; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 320.0603, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

320.0603 Vehicle-for-hire license or permit; reciprocity.—

(1) A person who holds a valid, active license or permit issued by a county or municipality to operate a vehicle for hire may operate a vehicle for hire in any other county or municipality without being subject to additional licensing or permitting requirements and without paying additional license or permit fees if the person:

(a) Holds a valid, active license or permit to operate a vehicle for hire in the county or municipality in which the person is domiciled; and

(b) Has not had a license or permit to operate a vehicle for hire suspended or revoked within the preceding 5 years.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1) or subsection (3), this section does not apply to an airport or seaport. For purposes of this section, the term “seaport” means those listed in s. 311.09(1), and the term “airport” includes an airport, airport authority, aviation authority, or other entity that operates a public-use airport as defined in s. 332.004, including counties, municipalities, or special districts that operate airports defined in this subsection.

(3) This section does not grant specific authority to counties, municipalities, or special districts to regulate or license vehicles for hire which is required by s. 163.211.

(4) This section does not apply to a person who holds a valid, active license or permit to operate a vehicle for hire when such person provides transportation of persons while on stretchers or wheelchairs, or transportation of persons whose disability, illness, injury, or other incapacitation makes it impractical to be transported by a regular common carrier such as a bus, taxi, non-taxi, limousine, or other vehicle for hire.

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

Approved by the Governor March 22, 2024.

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