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Selling Appointments for Driver License Services is Illegal

Board of County Commissioners Pass Ordinance & Governor approves House Bill

Ft. Lauderdale, FL (June 11, 2025) – The Broward County Tax Collector’s Office is pleased to learn that the Broward County Commission has unanimously passed Ordinance 2025-20 and Florida Governor Ron DeSantis has approved House Bill 961. Both the ordinance and state statute make it unlawful to advertise, market or sell appointments for public services offered by the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles or the Broward Tax Collector’s Office.

Broward County Tax Collector Abbey Ajayi addressed the Board of County Commissioners and informed State Legislators about the growing problem. Ajayi expressed her full support for passing both proposed policies, underscoring the negative experience of residents trying to get timely appointments for important services.

“Thank you, Commissioner Hazelle Rogers, for sponsoring the county ordinance, the entire Broward County Commission, as well as Florida Legislators and the Governor for establishing these much needed policies,” said Tax Collector Abbey Ajayi. “This is a win for our customers. Public services, like driver license issuance, must be delivered to residents with integrity and efficiency. Both the county and state policies will deter opportunists from abusing the system, making sure that more appointments are readily available to those that need them, without unjust hassle or cost.”

Any person or company found in violation of the county ordinance will face fines. The first offense is a \$250 fine, and each additional offense is \$500. Violators of the state statute can face criminal charges, up to, and including, jail time.

Both policies support the Tax Collector’s broader initiative to modernize and streamline driver license services ahead of taking over operations in the summer of 2026.



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About:

The Broward County Tax Collector's Office (BCTC) was established as an independent agency by the Florida Constitution in January 2025. Broward County's first Tax Collector, Abbey Ajayi, currently serves 2.1 million residents with property tax, tangible property tax, business tax, vehicle and vessel registration and titles, disabled parking permits, and hunting and fishing licenses and services. In the summer of 2026, the Tax Collector's Office will also assume local driver license operations.

The BCTC's mission is to provide service excellence that is rooted in integrity, efficiency, and transparency, and to foster community trust through fair tax collection, strengthening public resources and supporting a prosperous future for all.

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