DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA FOURTH DISTRICT January Term 2007

MURRAY LEOPOLD,

Petitioner,

v.

STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY & MOTOR VEHICLES, BUREAU OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEWS,

Respondent.

No. 4D07-1791

[June 27, 2007]

PER CURIAM.

We deny the petition for writ of certiorari on the merits. See Lescher v. Dep't of Highway Safety & Motor Vehicles, 946 So. 2d 1140 (Fla. 4th DCA 2006), review granted, 949 So. 2d 198 (Fla. 2007); Hill v. Dep't of Highway Safety & Motor Vehicles, 891 So. 2d 1202, 1203 (Fla. 4th DCA 2005) (citing Cantrall v. Dep't of Highway Safety & Motor Vehicles, 828 So. 2d 1062 (Fla. 2d DCA 2002)).

We certify the same question that this court certified in Lescher.

Does the amendment to section 322.271(4), Florida Statutes, which eliminated hardship driver's licenses effective July 1, 2003, violate the prohibition against *ex post facto* laws as to persons who could have applied for a hardship license before the amendment became effective?

946 So. 2d at 1142.

Certiorari Denied.

STEVENSON, C.J., STONE and WARNER, JJ., concur.

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Petition for writ of certiorari to the Circuit Court for the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit, Broward County; Richard D. Eade, Judge; L.T. Case No. CACE 07 004364 05.

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No response required for respondent.

Not final until disposition of timely filed motion for rehearing.