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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to the Department of Law
Enforcement; requiring the department to
conduct an annual study and prepare a report
relating to stops by law enforcement officers
for routine traffic violations; providing an
effective date.

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

Section 1. The Department of Law Enforcement shall
annually conduct a study of stops by law enforcement officers
for routine traffic violations. The study shall include
collection and analysis of appropriate available data,
including:

- (1) The number of individuals stopped for routine
traffic violations.
- (2) Identifying characteristics of the individuals
stopped, including race, ethnicity, and age.
- (3) The alleged traffic infraction that led to the
stop.
- (4) Whether a search was instituted as a result of the
stop, how the search was instituted, and the rationale for the
search.
- (5) Whether any contraband was discovered in the
course of the search and the nature of such contraband.
- (6) Whether any warning or citation was issued as a
result of the stop.
- (7) Whether an arrest was made as a result of the stop
or the search.

1 (8) The benefit of traffic stops with regard to the
2 interdiction of drugs and the proceeds of drug trafficking,
3 including the approximate quantity of drugs and value of drug
4 proceeds seized annually, as a result of routine traffic
5 stops.

6 (9) Whether any items were seized for forfeiture.

7 Section 2. The Department of Law Enforcement shall
8 annually prepare a report compiling the information specified
9 in section 1 and shall submit a report to the Governor and
10 each member of the Cabinet, the President of the Senate, the
11 Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Minority Leader
12 of the Senate, and the Minority Leader of the House of
13 Representatives.

14 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
15 law.

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18 SENATE SUMMARY

19 Requires the Department of Law Enforcement to annually
20 conduct a study and prepare a report relating to stops by
21 law enforcement officers for routine traffic violations.
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