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See HB 471

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to residential traffic calming
3 programs; amending s. 318.21, F.S.; authorizing
4 municipalities to impose a surcharge on civil
5 penalties for traffic infractions to fund
6 residential traffic calming programs;
7 prohibiting the levying of said surcharge on
8 traffic infractions occurring on certain
9 highways; requiring the proceeds from such
10 surcharge to be deposited in the Community
11 Traffic Safety Trust Fund; providing for
12 distribution of such funds; providing an
13 effective date.

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

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17 Section 1. Subsection (13) is added to section 318.21,
18 Florida Statutes, to read:

19 318.21 Disposition of civil penalties by county
20 courts.--All civil penalties received by a county court
21 pursuant to the provisions of this chapter shall be
22 distributed and paid monthly as follows:

23 (13)(a) A municipality may, by majority vote of the
24 governing board of the municipality, impose a surcharge on the
25 amount of civil penalties required under s. 318.18 for traffic
26 infractions for the sole purpose of funding residential
27 traffic calming programs. The surcharge may not be levied on
28 traffic infractions occurring on public highways or interstate
29 highways. The surcharge must be authorized by ordinance
30 requiring public hearings.

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1 (b) The proceeds of this surcharge must be placed in a
2 trust fund established by the governing body of the
3 municipality called the Community Traffic Safety Trust Fund.
4 Funds collected from this surcharge must be distributed
5 quarterly to fund residential traffic calming programs.

6 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
7 law.

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HOUSE SUMMARY

Authorizes municipalities to impose a surcharge on civil penalties for traffic infractions to fund residential traffic calming programs. Prohibits the levying of said surcharge on traffic infractions occurring on public or interstate highways. Requires the proceeds from such surcharge to be deposited in the Community Traffic Safety Trust Fund. Provides for distribution of such funds.