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See HB 831

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to interstate highway safety;
3 creating the interstate highway traffic safety
4 priority program area in the Department of
5 Transportation Highway Safety Grant Program;
6 providing requirements for awarding grants;
7 amending s. 318.18, F.S.; providing for a
8 surcharge for disposition of traffic
9 infractions; amending s. 318.21, F.S. ;
10 providing for distribution of the surcharge;
11 providing an effective date.

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

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15 Section 1. Interstate highway safety grants.--An
16 interstate highway traffic safety priority program area is
17 added to the Department of Transportation Highway Safety Grant
18 Program. Grants awarded under this priority program area shall
19 be available to any law enforcement agency with jurisdiction
20 to enforce traffic laws on an interstate highway. Grants under
21 this program area shall be awarded using the same procedures
22 and criteria used for other program areas, as applicable,
23 except that grants under this program area must be used for
24 interstate highway traffic safety to assist in addressing
25 traffic safety deficiencies, expand an ongoing activity, or
26 develop a new program related to interstate highway traffic
27 safety.

28 Section 2. Subsection (14) is added to section 318.18,
29 Florida Statutes, to read:

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1 318.18 Amount of civil penalties.--The penalties
2 required for a noncriminal disposition pursuant to s. 318.14
3 are as follows:

4 (14) In addition to any penalties imposed for
5 noncriminal traffic infractions pursuant to this chapter, a
6 \$20 surcharge shall be paid for each infraction and shall be
7 distributed as provided under s. 318.21(13).

8 Section 3. Subsection (13) is added to section 318.21,
9 Florida Statutes, to read:

10 318.21 Disposition of civil penalties by county
11 courts.--All civil penalties received by a county court
12 pursuant to the provisions of this chapter shall be
13 distributed and paid monthly as follows:

14 (13) The additional surcharge on traffic infractions
15 provided for under s. 318.18(14) shall be collected and
16 remitted by the clerk of the court to the Department of
17 Revenue to be distributed as follows:

18 (a) Ten dollars of each surcharge collected shall be
19 distributed to the Department of Transportation Highway Safety
20 Grant Program to enhance funds available for grant awards
21 under the interstate highway traffic safety priority program
22 area.

23 (b) Ten dollars of each surcharge collected shall be
24 deposited into the General Revenue Fund to be used to improve
25 highway safety and enhance traffic law enforcement on
26 interstate highways.

27 Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005.
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