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The Committee on Transportation (Wright) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 43 - 93
and insert:
defined in s. 501.2041(1), which is attended by 200 or more persons and substantially increases or disrupts the normal flow of traffic on a roadway, street, or highway.

(c) "Special event zone" means a contiguous area on or along a roadway, street, or highway which is designated by warning signs. The term includes a parking structure, a parking



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11 lot, or any other property, whether public or private,
12 immediately adjacent to or along the designated area.

13 (2) In accordance with s. 316.008, the sheriff or chief
14 administrative officer of a county or municipality may designate
15 a special event zone in response to a special event that takes
16 place or is reasonably anticipated to take place on a roadway,
17 street, or highway over which the sheriff or chief
18 administrative officer has jurisdiction. If a special event
19 takes place or is reasonably anticipated to take place in
20 multiple jurisdictions, the sheriff or chief administrative
21 officer of each jurisdiction may coordinate to designate a
22 special event zone covering multiple jurisdictions.

23 (3) The sheriff or chief administrative officer must
24 enforce a special event zone in a manner that causes the least
25 inconvenience to the public and that is consistent with
26 preserving the public health, safety, and welfare. A special
27 event zone must:

28 (a) Be designated by the posting of a clearly legible
29 warning sign at each point of ingress or egress stating,
30 "Special Event Zone—All Fines Doubled. Vehicles Subject to
31 Impoundment for Traffic Infractions and Violations." The warning
32 sign must be large enough to be clearly visible to occupants of
33 passing vehicular traffic on roadways, with letters at least 3
34 inches in height, and must be posted at least 24 hours before
35 enforcement may commence. The sheriff or chief administrative
36 officer shall maintain a log of the date and time that, and the
37 location where, each warning sign is posted.

38 (b) Remain in effect as long as is reasonably necessary to
39 ensure the public health, safety, and welfare but shall not



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40 remain in effect after the special event has dissipated or is
41 attended by fewer than 100 people.

42 (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a person
43 who commits a noncriminal traffic infraction in a special event
44 zone must pay a fine double the amount provided in chapter 318.

45 (5) (a) In addition to any other penalty authorized by this
46 section, a law enforcement officer may impound the motor vehicle
47 of a person who commits a noncriminal traffic infraction or a
48 criminal traffic violation in a special event zone. The term of
49 impoundment authorized under this subsection shall not exceed 72
50 hours, and the motor vehicle must be released immediately upon
51 the payment of any costs and fees for its impoundment,
52 regardless of whether the payment is made before the 72-hour
53 period.

54 (b) All costs and fees for the motor vehicle impoundment
55 must be paid by the owner of the vehicle or, if the vehicle is
56 leased or rented, by the person leasing or renting the vehicle,
57 unless the noncriminal traffic infraction or the criminal charge
58 is dismissed.

59 (c) Section 713.78 applies to a vehicle impounded under
60 this subsection.

61 (6) The sheriff or chief administrative officer of a county
62 or municipality who designates a special event zone in response
63 to a special event shall notify the State Fire Marshal or person
64 designated pursuant to s. 633.118, who shall assist with the
65 enforcement of occupancy limits on private or public property in
66 a special event zone.

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69 And the title is amended as follows:

70 Delete lines 13 - 18

71 and insert:

72 traffic violation in a special event zone; limiting
73 the term of such impoundment; requiring that the motor
74 vehicle be immediately released upon payment of
75 impoundment costs and fees; specifying persons who
76 must pay the costs and fees for the impoundment;
77 providing applicability; requiring a sheriff or chief
78 administrative officer designating a special event
79 zone to notify the State Fire Marshal or certain
80 designated person, who shall assist with occupancy
81 limit enforcement; providing for