1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to student transportation safety; 3 amending s. 316.003, F.S.; revising the definition of 4 the term "local hearing officer"; amending s. 316.173, 5 F.S.; authorizing charter schools and private schools 6 to install and operate school bus infraction detection 7 systems; removing a prohibition of the receipt of 8 commission, fees, or remuneration based on the number 9 of violations detected; authorizing traffic infraction enforcement officers who meet specified requirements 10 and school board security agencies to enforce 11 12 specified violations; revising requirements for 13 signage posted on the rear of a school bus indicating 14 use of a school bus infraction detection system; 15 authorizing the governing board of a school entity to 16 establish certain procedures for a hearing to contest 17 liability or a notice of violation; revising the 18 required uses for civil penalties assessed and 19 collected for certain violations; prohibiting school bus infraction detection systems from being used for 20 21 remote surveillance; providing construction; revising 22 purposes for which video and images recorded as part 23 of a school bus infraction detection system may be 24 used; amending s. 316.640, F.S.; providing that a school safety officer who completes certain training 25

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2.6 may be authorized by a county, municipality, or school 27 entity as a traffic infraction enforcement officer and 28 may issue certain notices and citations; amending s. 29 318.18, F.S.; requiring certain civil penalties to be remitted to a school district, charter school, or 30 private school operating a school bus with a school 31 32 bus infraction detection system to be used for certain 33 purposes; providing an effective date. 34 35 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 36 37 Section 1. Subsection (38) of section 316.003, Florida 38 Statutes, is amended to read: 39 316.003 Definitions.-The following words and phrases, when 40 used in this chapter, shall have the meanings respectively 41 ascribed to them in this section, except where the context 42 otherwise requires: LOCAL HEARING OFFICER.-43 (38) 44 The person, designated by a department, county, or (a) 45 municipality that elects to authorize traffic infraction 46 enforcement officers to issue traffic citations under ss. 316.0083(1)(a) and 316.1896(1), who is authorized to conduct 47 48 hearings related to a notice of violation issued pursuant to s. 49 316.0083 or s. 316.1896. The charter county, noncharter county, or municipality may use its currently appointed code enforcement 50 Page 2 of 24

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51 board or special magistrate to serve as the local hearing 52 officer. The department may enter into an interlocal agreement 53 to use the local hearing officer of a county or municipality. 54 (b) The person, designated by a school district, charter 55 school, or private school that elects to authorize traffic 56 infraction enforcement officers or one or more law enforcement 57 agencies to issue traffic citations under s. 316.173, who is authorized to conduct hearings related to a notice of violation 58 59 issued pursuant to s. 316.173. The school district, charter school, or private school may use an attorney in good standing 60 with The Florida Bar for at least 5 years designated by the 61 governing board to serve as the local hearing officer. A local 62 hearing officer designated under this paragraph may serve in 63 64 such office for one or more school entities, and such service 65 does not constitute dual officeholding as prohibited by s. 5(a), 66 Art. II of the State Constitution. The school district, charter 67 school, or private school may enter into an interlocal agreement 68 to use the local hearing officer of a county or municipality. 69 Section 2. Subsections (6) through (19) of section 70 316.173, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (7) through (20), respectively, subsection (1), paragraph (a) of 71 72 subsection (2), subsections (3), (4), and (5), and present 73 subsections (7), (8), (10), (11), (12), (16), and (17) are 74 amended, and a new subsection (6) is added to that section, to 75 read:

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76 316.173 School bus infraction detection systems.-77 (1)(a) A school district, charter school, or private 78 school may install and operate a school bus infraction detection 79 system on a school bus for the purpose of enforcing s. 80 316.172(1)(a) and (b) as provided in and consistent with this 81 section. 82 (b) The school district, charter school, or private school 83 may contract with a private vendor or manufacturer to install a 84 school bus infraction detection system on any school bus within 85 its fleet, whether owned, contracted, or leased, and for 86 services including, but not limited to, the installation, operation, and maintenance of the system. The school district's, 87 charter school's, or private school's decision to install school 88 89 bus infraction detection systems must be based solely on the 90 need to increase public safety. An individual may not receive a 91 commission from any revenue collected from violations detected 92 through the use of a school bus infraction detection system. A 93 private vendor or manufacturer may not receive a fee or 94 remuneration based upon the number of violations 95 through the use of a school bus infraction detection system. The school district, charter school, or private school 96 (C) 97 must ensure that each school bus infraction detection system 98 meets the requirements of subsection (19) (18). 99 (d) The school district, charter school, or private school may must enter into an interlocal agreement with one or more law 100

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101 enforcement agencies authorized to enforce violations of s. 102 316.172(1)(a) and (b) within the school district which jointly 103 establishes the responsibilities of enforcement and the reimbursement of costs associated with school bus infraction 104 105 detection systems consistent with this section. For the purposes of administering this section, a traffic infraction enforcement 106 107 officer who meets the requirements of s. 316.640 or a certified school board security agency that employs law enforcement 108 109 officers may enforce violations of s. 316.172(1)(a) and (b) as authorized by this section. 110

(2) (a) The school district, charter school, or private school must post high-visibility reflective signage on the rear of each school bus in which a school bus infraction detection system is installed and operational which indicates the use of such system. The signage must be in the form of one or more signs or stickers and must contain the following elements in substantially the following form:

118 1. The words "STOP WHEN RED LIGHTS FLASH" or "DO NOT PASS 119 WHEN RED LIGHTS FLASH."

120 2. The words "CAMERA ENFORCED."

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3. A graphic depiction of a camera.

122 (3) If a school district, charter school, or private
123 <u>school</u> that has never conducted a school bus infraction
124 detection system program begins such a program, the school
125 district, charter school, or private school must make a public

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126 announcement and conduct a public awareness campaign of the 127 proposed use of school bus infraction detection systems at least 128 30 days before commencing enforcement under the school bus 129 infraction detection system program and notify the public of the 130 specific date on which the program will commence. During the 30-131 day public awareness campaign, only a warning may be issued to 132 the registered owner of a motor vehicle for a violation of s. 133 316.172(1)(a) or (b) enforced by a school bus infraction 134 detection system, and a civil penalty may not be imposed under 135 chapter 318.

Within 30 days after an alleged violation of s. 136 (4) 137 316.172(1)(a) or (b) is recorded by a school bus infraction 138 detection system, the school district, charter school, or 139 private school or the private vendor or manufacturer under 140 paragraph (1)(b) must submit the following information to a law 141 enforcement agency or a traffic infraction enforcement officer 142 designated that has entered into an interlocal agreement with 143 the school district pursuant to paragraph (1)(d) and has traffic 144 infraction enforcement jurisdiction at 145 alleged violation occurred:

(a) A copy of the recorded video and images showing the
motor vehicle allegedly violating s. 316.172(1)(a) or (b).

(b) The motor vehicle's license plate number and the stateof issuance of the motor vehicle's license plate.

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(c) The date, time, and location of the alleged violation.

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151 Within 30 days after receiving the information (5) 152 required in subsection (4), the law enforcement agency or its 153 agent, or a traffic infraction enforcement officer, if it is 154 determined determines that the motor vehicle violated s. 155 316.172(1)(a) or (b), must send a notice of violation to the 156 registered owner of the motor vehicle involved in the violation 157 specifying the remedies available under s. 318.14 and that the 158 violator must pay the penalty under s. 318.18(5) or furnish an 159 affidavit in accordance with subsection  $(11) \frac{(10)}{(10)}$  within 30 days after the notice of violation is sent in order to avoid court 160 fees, costs, and the issuance of a uniform traffic citation. The 161 162 notice of violation must be sent by first-class mail and include 163 all of the following:

164 (a) A copy of one or more recorded images showing the
165 motor vehicle involved in the violation, including an image
166 showing the license plate of the motor vehicle.

167 168 (b) The date, time, and location of the violation.

(c) The amount of the civil penalty, the date by which the civil penalty must be paid, and instructions on how to pay the civil penalty.

(d) Instructions on how to request a hearing to contest liability or the notice of violation. <u>In lieu of hearings</u> administered by a county traffic court, the governing board of a school entity, by resolution, may establish the hearing procedures provided in subsection (6).

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176 A notice that the owner has the right to review, in (e) 177 person or remotely, the video and images recorded by the school 178 bus infraction detection system which constitute a rebuttable presumption that the motor vehicle was used in violation of s. 179 180 316.172(1)(a) or (b). The time when, and the place or website at which, the 181 (f) 182 recorded video and images may be examined and observed. 183 A warning that failure to pay the civil penalty or to (q) 184 contest liability within 30 days after the notice is sent will 185 result in the issuance of a uniform traffic citation. (6) The governing board of a school entity, by resolution, 186 187 may establish the following procedures for a hearing under this 188 section: 189 (a) The department shall publish and make available 190 electronically to each school entity's governing board a model 191 request for hearing form to assist each school entity's 192 governing board administering this section. Such request for 193 hearing form must include the option for a person, referred to 194 in this subsection as the "petitioner," to choose whether to 195 attend the hearing in person or virtually. (b) A school district, charter school, or private school 196 197 operating school bus infraction detection systems on school 198 buses which elects to authorize traffic infraction enforcement 199 officers or one or more law enforcement agencies to issue traffic citations under this section shall designate by 200

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201	resolution existing staff or a designated staff agent to serve
202	as the clerk to the local hearing officer.
203	(c) A petitioner who elects to request a hearing under
204	this section shall be scheduled for a hearing by the clerk to
205	the local hearing officer to appear before a local hearing
206	officer in person or virtually, with notice to be sent by first-
207	class mail. Upon receipt of the notice, the petitioner may
208	reschedule the hearing once by submitting a written request to
209	reschedule to the clerk to the local hearing officer, at least 5
210	calendar days before the day of the originally scheduled
211	hearing. The petitioner may cancel his or her appearance before
212	the local hearing officer by paying the penalty assessed under
213	s. 318.18, plus \$50 in administrative costs, before the start of
214	the hearing.
215	(d) All testimony at the hearing shall be under oath and
216	shall be recorded. The local hearing officer shall take
217	testimony from a traffic infraction enforcement officer, or law
218	enforcement agency designee, and the petitioner, and may take
219	testimony from others. The local hearing officer shall review
220	the video and images made available under this section. Formal
221	rules of evidence do not apply, but due process and the
222	preponderance of evidence standard shall be observed and govern
223	the proceedings.
224	(e) At the conclusion of the hearing, the local hearing
225	officer shall determine whether a violation under this section
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226 has occurred, in which case the hearing officer shall uphold or 227 dismiss the violation. The local hearing officer shall issue a 228 final administrative order including the determination and, if 229 the notice of violation is upheld, require the petitioner to pay 230 the penalty previously assessed under s. 318.18, and may also 231 require the petitioner to pay school entity costs, including 232 local hearing officer and hearing administrative costs, not to 233 exceed \$250. The final administrative order shall be mailed to 234 the petitioner by first-class mail. 235 (f) An aggrieved party may appeal a final administrative 236 order consistent with the process provided under s. 162.11. 237 (8) (7) The civil penalties assessed and collected for a 238 violation of s. 316.172(1)(a) or (b) enforced by a school bus 239 infraction detection system must be remitted to the school 240 district in which the violation occurred or to the charter 241 school or private school that reported the violation. Such civil 242 penalties must be used for the installation, operation, or 243 maintenance of school bus infraction detection systems on school 244 buses, including student transportation safety initiatives, driver recruitment and retention stipends, or other student 245 246 transportation safety enhancements for any other technology that 247 increases the safety of the transportation of students, or for the administration and costs associated with the enforcement of 248 249 violations as described in this section. 250 (9) (8) A uniform traffic citation must be issued by

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251 mailing the uniform traffic citation by certified mail to the 252 address of the registered owner of the motor vehicle involved in 253 the violation if payment has not been made within 30 days after 254 notification under subsection (5) and if the registered owner 255 has not submitted an affidavit in accordance with subsection 256 (11)  $\frac{(10)}{.}$ 

257 (11)(10) To establish such facts under subsection (10)258 (9), the registered owner of the motor vehicle must, within 30 259 days after the date of issuance of the notice of violation or 260 the uniform traffic citation, furnish to the law enforcement 261 agency <u>or its agent who</u> that issued the notice of violation or 262 uniform traffic citation an affidavit setting forth information 263 supporting an exception under subsection (10)(9).

264 (a) An affidavit supporting the exception under paragraph 265 (10) (a) (9) (a) must include the name, address, date of birth, 266 and, if known, the driver license number of the person who 267 leased, rented, or otherwise had care, custody, or control of 268 the motor vehicle at the time of the alleged violation. If the 269 motor vehicle was stolen at the time of the alleged violation, 270 the affidavit must include the police report indicating that the 271 motor vehicle was stolen.

(b) If a uniform traffic citation for a violation of s.
316.172(1)(a) or (b) was issued at the location of the violation
by a law enforcement officer, the affidavit must include the
serial number of the uniform traffic citation.

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(c) If the motor vehicle's owner to whom a notice of violation or a uniform traffic citation has been issued is deceased, the affidavit must include a certified copy of the owner's death certificate showing that the date of death occurred on or before the date of the alleged violation and one of the following:

A bill of sale or other document showing that the
 deceased owner's motor vehicle was sold or transferred after his
 or her death but on or before the date of the alleged violation.

285 2. Documented proof that the registered license plate 286 belonging to the deceased owner's motor vehicle was returned to 287 the department or any branch office or authorized agent of the 288 department after his or her death but on or before the date of 289 the alleged violation.

3. A copy of the police report showing that the deceased owner's registered license plate or motor vehicle was stolen after his or her death but on or before the date of the alleged violation.

Upon receipt of the affidavit and documentation required under paragraphs (b) and (c), or 30 days after the date of issuance of a notice of violation sent to a person identified as having care, custody, or control of the motor vehicle at the time of the violation under paragraph (a), the law enforcement agency <u>or</u> its agent, or traffic infraction enforcement officer must

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301 dismiss the notice or citation and provide proof of such 302 dismissal to the person who submitted the affidavit. If, within 303 30 days after the date of a notice of violation sent to a person 304 under subsection (12) (11), the law enforcement agency or its 305 agent, or traffic infraction enforcement officer receives an 306 affidavit under subsection (13) (12) from the person who was 307 sent a notice of violation affirming that the person did not 308 have care, custody, or control of the motor vehicle at the time 309 of the violation, the law enforcement agency or its agent, or traffic infraction enforcement officer must notify the 310 311 registered owner that the notice or citation will not be dismissed due to failure to establish that another person had 312 313 care, custody, or control of the motor vehicle at the time of 314 the violation.

315 (12) (11) Upon receipt of an affidavit under paragraph 316 (10) (a) (9) (a), the law enforcement agency may issue the person 317 identified as having care, custody, or control of the motor 318 vehicle at the time of the violation a notice of violation pursuant to subsection (5) for a violation of s. 316.172(1)(a) 319 320 or (b). The affidavit is admissible in a proceeding pursuant to 321 this section for the purpose of providing evidence that the 322 person identified in the affidavit was in actual care, custody, 323 or control of the motor vehicle. The owner of a leased motor 324 vehicle for which a uniform traffic citation is issued for a violation of s. 316.172(1)(a) or (b) is not responsible for 325

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326 paying the uniform traffic citation and is not required to 327 submit an affidavit as specified in subsection <u>(11)</u> <del>(10)</del> if the 328 motor vehicle involved in the violation is registered in the 329 name of the lessee of such motor vehicle.

330 (13) (12) If a law enforcement agency or traffic infraction 331 enforcement officer receives an affidavit under paragraph 332 (10) (a)  $\frac{(9)}{(a)}$ , the notice of violation required under 333 subsection (5) must be sent to the person identified in the 334 affidavit within 30 days after receipt of the affidavit. The 335 person identified in an affidavit and sent a notice of violation 336 may also affirm he or she did not have care, custody, or control 337 of the motor vehicle at the time of the violation by furnishing 338 to the appropriate law enforcement agency or traffic infraction 339 enforcement officer within 30 days after the date of the notice 340 of violation an affidavit stating such.

341 <u>(17) (16) (a)1. Notwithstanding any other law, equipment</u> 342 deployed as part of A school bus infraction detection system as 343 provided under this section may not be <u>used for</u> capable of 344 automated or user-controlled remote surveillance. <u>The collection</u> 345 <u>of evidence by a school bus infraction detection system to</u> 346 <u>enforce violations of s. 316.172 does not constitute remote</u> 347 <u>surveillance.</u>

348 2. Video and images recorded as part of <u>a</u> the school bus
 349 infraction detection system may only be used <u>for traffic</u>
 350 <u>enforcement and for purposes of determining criminal or civil</u>

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351 liability for incidents captured by the school bus infraction 352 detection system incidental to the permissible use of the school 353 bus infraction detection system to document violations of s. 354 316.172(1)(a) and (b) and may not be used for any other 355 surveillance purposes.

356 2.3. To the extent practicable, a school bus infraction 357 detection system must use necessary technology to ensure that 358 personal identifying information contained in the video or still 359 images recorded by the system which is not relevant to the 360 alleged violation, including, but not limited to, the identity 361 of the driver and any passenger of a motor vehicle, the interior 362 or contents of a motor vehicle, the identity of an uninvolved 363 person, a number identifying the address of a private residence, 364 and the contents or interior of a private residence, is 365 sufficiently obscured so as not to reveal such personal 366 identifying information.

367 <u>3.4.</u> A notice of a violation or uniform traffic citation 368 issued under this section may not be dismissed solely because a 369 recorded video or still images reveal personal identifying 370 information as provided in subparagraph <u>2.</u> <del>3.</del> as long as a 371 reasonable effort has been made to comply with this subsection.

(b) Any recorded video or still image obtained through the
use of a school bus infraction detection system must be
destroyed within 90 days after the final disposition of the
recorded event. The vendor of the school bus infraction

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376 detection system must provide the school district, charter 377 <u>school, or private school</u> with written notice by December 31 of 378 each year that such records have been destroyed in accordance 379 with this section.

(c) Notwithstanding any other law, registered motor vehicle owner information obtained as a result of the operation of a school bus infraction detection system is not the property of the manufacturer or vendor of the system and may be used only for the purposes of this section.

385 (18) (17) (a) By October 1, 2023, and quarterly thereafter, each school district, charter school, or private school, in 386 387 consultation with the law enforcement agencies with which it has 388 interlocal agreements pursuant to this section, operating a 389 school bus infraction detection system must submit, in consultation with the law enforcement agencies with which it has 390 391 interlocal agreements pursuant to this section or with traffic 392 infraction enforcement officers designated pursuant to paragraph 393 (1)(d), a report to the department which details the results of 394 the school bus infraction detection systems in the school 395 district, charter school, or private school in the preceding 396 quarter. The information from the school districts, charter 397 schools, or private schools must be submitted in a form and 398 manner determined by the department, which the department must 399 make available to the school districts by August 1, 2023, and to the charter schools and private schools by August 1, 2024, and 400

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401 must include at least the following:

1. The number of school buses that have a school bus infraction detection system installed, including the date of installation and, if applicable, the date the systems were removed.

406 2. The number of notices of violations issued, the number 407 that were contested, the number that were upheld, the number 408 that were dismissed, the number that were issued as uniform 409 traffic citations, and the number that were paid.

3. Data for each infraction to determine locations in need of safety improvements. Such data <u>may must</u> include, but is not limited to, global positioning system coordinates of the infraction, the date and time of the infraction, and the name of the school that the school bus was transporting students to or from.

416 4. Any other statistical data and information required by 417 the department to complete the report required by paragraph (c).

(b) Each school district, charter school, or private
school that operates a school bus infraction detection system is
responsible for and must maintain its respective data for
reporting purposes under this subsection for at least 2 years
after such data is reported to the department.

(c) On or before December 31, 2024, and annually
thereafter, the department shall submit a summary report to the
Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the

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426 House of Representatives regarding the use and operation of 427 school bus infraction detection systems under this section, 428 along with the department's recommendations and any recommended 429 legislation. The summary report must include a review of the 430 information submitted to the department by the school districts, 431 charter schools, and private schools and must describe the 432 enhancement of traffic safety and enforcement programs. 433 Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1), paragraph (a) 434 of subsection (3), and paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of 435 section 316.640, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 436 316.640 Enforcement.-The enforcement of the traffic laws 437 of this state is vested as follows: STATE.-438 (1)439 (a)1.a. The Division of Florida Highway Patrol of the 440 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; the Division of 441 Law Enforcement of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation 442 Commission; the Division of Law Enforcement of the Department of 443 Environmental Protection; and the agents, inspectors, and 444 officers of the Department of Law Enforcement each have 445 authority to enforce all of the traffic laws of this state on 446 all the streets and highways thereof and elsewhere throughout 447 the state wherever the public has a right to travel by motor 448 vehicle. 449 b. University police officers may enforce all of the traffic laws of this state when violations occur on or within 450

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451 1,000 feet of any property or facilities that are under the 452 guidance, supervision, regulation, or control of a state 453 university, a direct-support organization of such state 454 university, or any other organization controlled by the state 455 university or a direct-support organization of the state 456 university, or when such violations occur within a specified 457 jurisdictional area as agreed upon in a mutual aid agreement 458 entered into with a law enforcement agency pursuant to s. 459 23.1225(1). Traffic laws may also be enforced off-campus when 460 hot pursuit originates on or within 1,000 feet of any such 461 property or facilities, or as agreed upon in accordance with the 462 mutual aid agreement.

463 c. Florida College System institution police officers may 464 enforce all the traffic laws of this state only when such 465 violations occur on or within 1,000 feet of any property or 466 facilities that are under the guidance, supervision, regulation, 467 or control of the Florida College System institution, or when 468 such violations occur within a specified jurisdictional area as 469 agreed upon in a mutual aid agreement entered into with a law 470 enforcement agency pursuant to s. 23.1225. Traffic laws may also 471 be enforced off-campus when hot pursuit originates on or within 1,000 feet of any such property or facilities, or as agreed upon 472 473 in accordance with the mutual aid agreement.

474 d. Police officers employed by an airport authority may 475 enforce all of the traffic laws of this state only when such

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476 violations occur on any property or facilities that are owned or 477 operated by an airport authority.

478 An airport authority may employ as a parking (I) enforcement specialist any individual who successfully completes 479 480 a training program established and approved by the Criminal 481 Justice Standards and Training Commission for parking 482 enforcement specialists but who does not otherwise meet the 483 uniform minimum standards established by the commission for law 484 enforcement officers or auxiliary or part-time officers under s. 485 943.12. This sub-subparagraph may not be construed to permit 486 the carrying of firearms or other weapons, nor shall such 487 parking enforcement specialist have arrest authority.

(II) A parking enforcement specialist employed by an airport authority may enforce all state, county, and municipal laws and ordinances governing parking only when such violations are on property or facilities owned or operated by the airport authority employing the specialist, by appropriate state, county, or municipal traffic citation.

e. The Office of Agricultural Law Enforcement of the
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services may enforce
traffic laws of this state.

f. School safety officers may enforce all of the traffic laws of this state when such violations occur on or about any property or facilities that are under the guidance, supervision, regulation, or control of the district school board. <u>A school</u>

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501 <u>safety officer who successfully completes instruction in traffic</u> 502 <u>enforcement procedures and court presentation as specified in</u> 503 <u>paragraph (5)(a) may be authorized by a county, municipality, or</u> 504 <u>applicable school entity as a traffic infraction enforcement</u> 505 <u>officer and may issue notices of violation and uniform traffic</u> 506 <u>citations under s. 316.173 within the county in which the school</u> 507 district, charter school, or private school is located.

508 2. Any disciplinary action taken or performance evaluation 509 conducted by an agency of the state as described in subparagraph 510 1. of a law enforcement officer's traffic enforcement activity must be in accordance with written work-performance standards. 511 512 Such standards must be approved by the agency and any collective 513 bargaining unit representing such law enforcement officer. A 514 violation of this subparagraph is not subject to the penalties 515 provided in chapter 318.

516 3. The Division of the Florida Highway Patrol may employ 517 as a traffic accident investigation officer any individual who 518 successfully completes instruction in traffic accident 519 investigation and court presentation through the Selective 520 Traffic Enforcement Program as approved by the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission and funded through the 521 National Highway Traffic Safety Administration or a similar 522 523 program approved by the commission, but who does not necessarily 524 meet the uniform minimum standards established by the commission 525 for law enforcement officers or auxiliary law enforcement

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526 officers under chapter 943. Any such traffic accident 527 investigation officer who makes an investigation at the scene of 528 a traffic accident may issue traffic citations, based upon personal investigation, when he or she has reasonable and 529 530 probable grounds to believe that a person who was involved in 531 the accident committed an offense under this chapter, chapter 532 319, chapter 320, or chapter 322 in connection with the 533 accident. This subparagraph does not permit the officer to carry 534 firearms or other weapons, and such an officer does not have 535 authority to make arrests.

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(3) MUNICIPALITIES.-

537 The police department of each chartered municipality (a) 538 shall enforce the traffic laws of this state on all the streets 539 and highways thereof and elsewhere throughout the municipality 540 wherever the public has the right to travel by motor vehicle, 541 including by the use of school bus infraction detection systems. 542 In addition, the police department may be required by a 543 municipality to enforce the traffic laws of this state on any 544 private or limited access road or roads over which the 545 municipality has jurisdiction pursuant to a written agreement 546 entered into under s. 316.006(2) (b). However, nothing in this 547 chapter shall affect any law, general, special, or otherwise, in 548 effect on January 1, 1972, relating to "hot pursuit" without the 549 boundaries of the municipality.

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(5)(a) Any sheriff's department or police department of a

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551 municipality may employ, as a traffic infraction enforcement 552 officer, any individual who successfully completes instruction 553 in traffic enforcement procedures and court presentation through 554 the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program as approved by the 555 Division of Criminal Justice Standards and Training of the 556 Department of Law Enforcement, or through a similar program, but 557 who does not necessarily otherwise meet the uniform minimum 558 standards established by the Criminal Justice Standards and 559 Training Commission for law enforcement officers or auxiliary 560 law enforcement officers under s. 943.13. Any such traffic infraction enforcement officer who observes the commission of a 561 562 traffic infraction or, in the case of a parking infraction, who 563 observes an illegally parked vehicle may issue a traffic 564 citation for the infraction when, based upon personal 565 investigation, he or she has reasonable and probable grounds to 566 believe that an offense has been committed which constitutes a 567 noncriminal traffic infraction as defined in s. 318.14. In 568 addition, any such traffic infraction enforcement officer may 569 issue a traffic citation under ss. 316.0083, 316.173, and 570 316.1896. For purposes of enforcing ss. 316.0083, 316.173, 571 316.1895, and 316.183, any sheriff's department or police 572 department of a municipality may designate employees as traffic 573 infraction enforcement officers. The traffic infraction 574 enforcement officers must be physically located in the county of the respective sheriff's or police department. 575

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576 Section 4. Paragraph (c) of subsection (5) of section 577 318.18, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 578 318.18 Amount of penalties.-The penalties required for a 579 noncriminal disposition pursuant to s. 318.14 or a criminal 580 offense listed in s. 318.17 are as follows: 581 (5) 582 (C) In addition to the penalty under paragraph (a) or paragraph (b), \$65 for a violation of s. 316.172(1)(a) or (b). 583 584 If the alleged offender is found to have committed the offense, 585 the court shall impose the civil penalty under paragraph (a) or 586 paragraph (b) plus an additional \$65. The additional \$65 587 collected under this paragraph shall be remitted to the 588 Department of Revenue for deposit into the Emergency Medical 589 Services Trust Fund of the Department of Health to be used as 590 provided in s. 395.4036. If a violation of s. 316.172(1)(a) or 591 (b) is enforced by a school bus infraction detection system 592 pursuant to s. 316.173, the additional amount imposed on a 593 notice of violation, on a the uniform traffic citation, or by 594 the court under this paragraph must be \$25, in lieu of the 595 additional \$65, and must be remitted to the participating school 596 district, charter school, or private school operating the school 597 bus with a school bus infraction detection system. Such amounts 598 must be used pursuant to s. 316.173(8). This act shall take effect upon becoming a law. 599 Section 5.

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