

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senator DiCeglie

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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to traffic infraction enforcement;
amending s. 28.37, F.S.; deleting a provision
exempting certain penalties and fines from a
requirement that a certain percentage of all court-
related fines collected by the clerk be deposited into
the fines and forfeiture fund for a specified purpose;
amending s. 316.003, F.S.; revising the definitions of
the terms "local hearing officer" and "speed detection
system"; amending s. 316.008, F.S.; revising the
periods during which a county or municipality may
enforce school zone speed limits, and the violations
for which such enforcement is authorized, through the
use of a speed detection system; prohibiting the
enforcement of a school zone speed limit through the
use of a speed detection system under certain
circumstances; revising the circumstances for which a
county or municipality may place or install, or
contract with a vendor to place or install, a speed
detection system within a roadway maintained as a
school zone; amending s. 316.0083, F.S.; deleting a
provision prohibiting the issuance of certain notices
of violation and traffic citations for failure to stop
before crossing over a stop line or other point at
which a stop is required under certain circumstances;
defining the term "careful and prudent manner";
providing that certain counties and municipalities are
responsible for and must maintain certain data for a
specified period; requiring the Department of Highway

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Safety and Motor Vehicles to provide to the Governor and the Legislature recommended legislation, rather than necessary legislation, with a certain report; providing that certain hearings may be conducted either virtually or in person; prohibiting the use of a traffic infraction detector for remote surveillance; providing construction; specifying the purposes for which video and images recorded by a traffic infraction detector may be used; requiring that a traffic infraction detector use technology to obscure certain personal identifying information; providing that certain notices of violation and uniform traffic citations may not be dismissed for a specified reason; requiring the destruction of certain recorded videos and images within a certain timeframe; requiring a traffic infraction detector vendor annually to provide certain written notice to the county or municipality; providing that motor vehicle registration and owner information obtained in a certain manner is not the property of certain manufacturers and vendors; repealing s. 316.00831, F.S., relating to distribution of penalties collected under the Mark Wandall Traffic Safety Program; amending s. 316.07456, F.S.; deleting obsolete provisions; amending s. 316.0776, F.S.; providing that only warnings may be issued for certain violations during the duration of a certain public awareness campaign; deleting an obsolete provision; prohibiting a county or municipality from operating a speed detection system under certain circumstances;

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conforming provisions to changes made by the act;
amending s. 316.173, F.S.; requiring district school
board authorization and a public hearing process
before a school district may place or install, or
contract with a vendor to install, operate, and
maintain, school bus infraction detection systems;
providing requirements for such authorization and
public hearing process; requiring a school district to
enter into a certain interlocal agreement with a law
enforcement agency before beginning its school bus
infraction detection system program; providing that
law enforcement agencies may authorize traffic
infraction enforcement officers to issue certain
uniform traffic citations for violations enforced
through the use of a school bus infraction detection
system; providing construction; deleting a prohibition
on raising certain arguments in a proceeding
challenging certain traffic violations; deleting a
required evidentiary standard for certain findings and
determinations by local hearing officers; revising the
notice of hearing process; revising the number of
times a petitioner may reschedule a certain hearing;
requiring that certain testimony be recorded;
authorizing, rather than requiring, a local hearing
officer to require a petitioner to pay certain costs;
requiring a school district that operates a school bus
infraction detection system annually to report the
results of such systems at a meeting of the school
board; providing requirements for such meeting;

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prohibiting certain arguments in a proceeding
challenging certain traffic violations; prohibiting a
school district from operating school bus infraction
detection systems under certain circumstances;
requiring certain school districts to submit a certain
report to the department annually, rather than
quarterly; requiring the department to publish certain
reports on its website; deleting obsolete provisions;
conforming provisions to changes made by the act;
amending s. 316.1896, F.S.; revising the periods for
which a county or municipality may authorize a traffic
infraction enforcement officer to issue certain
uniform traffic citations; prohibiting the enforcement
of a school zone speed limit through the use of a
speed detection system under certain circumstances;
revising the period within which a person may take
certain action after receiving a notice of violation;
prohibiting an individual from receiving a commission
or per-ticket fee from certain revenue; prohibiting a
manufacturer or vendor of speed detection systems from
receiving certain fees or remuneration; providing that
certain hearings may be conducted either virtually or
in person; deleting an obsolete provision; deleting a
provision authorizing the department to require
quarterly submission of certain data components;
requiring the department to publish certain reports on
its website; conforming provisions to changes made by
the act; reordering and amending s. 316.1906, F.S.;
conforming provisions to changes made by the act;

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making a technical change; amending ss. 316.640,
316.650, and 318.15, F.S.; conforming provisions to
changes made by the act; amending s. 318.18, F.S.;
prohibiting an individual from receiving a commission
or per-ticket fee from certain revenue; prohibiting a
manufacturer or vendor of speed detection systems from
receiving certain fees or remuneration; providing
exceptions to requirements that certain civil
penalties be remitted to school districts; conforming
provisions to changes made by the act; amending s.
320.02, F.S.; authorizing the department to withhold
registration or reregistration of a motor vehicle
under certain circumstances; amending s. 322.27, F.S.;
conforming provisions to changes made by the act;
amending s. 775.15, F.S.; providing that a 1-year
period of limitation for certain noncriminal
violations resets upon receipt of certain affidavits;
amending s. 1006.21, F.S.; conforming a provision to
changes made by the act; reenacting s. 318.121, F.S.,
relating to preemption of additional fees, fines,
surcharges, and costs, to incorporate the amendment
made to s. 318.18, F.S., in a reference thereto;
providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (6) of section 28.37, Florida
Statutes, is amended to read:

28.37 Fines, fees, service charges, and costs remitted to

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the state.—

(6) Ten percent of all court-related fines collected by the clerk, ~~except for penalties or fines distributed to counties or municipalities under s. 316.0083(1)(b)3. or s. 318.18(16)(a),~~ must be deposited into the fine and forfeiture fund to be used exclusively for clerk court-related functions, as provided in s. 28.35(3)(a).

Section 2. Subsections (38) and (84) of section 316.003, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

316.003 Definitions.—The following words and phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them in this section, except where the context otherwise requires:

(38) LOCAL HEARING OFFICER.—The person, designated by a department, county, ~~or~~ municipality, or school district that elects to authorize traffic infraction enforcement officers to issue traffic citations under s. 316.0083(1)(a), s. 316.173(1)(f), or s. 316.1896(1) ~~ss. 316.0083(1)(a) and 316.1896(1)~~, who is authorized to conduct hearings related to a notice of violation issued pursuant to s. 316.0083, s. 316.173, or s. 316.1896. A ~~The charter county, noncharter county,~~ or municipality may use its ~~currently~~ appointed code enforcement board or special magistrate to serve as the local hearing officer. A school district may appoint an attorney who is, and has been for the preceding 5 years, a member in good standing of The Florida Bar to serve as the local hearing officer or may enter into an interlocal agreement to use the local hearing officer of the county. The department may enter into an interlocal agreement to use the local hearing officer of a

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175 county or municipality.

176 (84) SPEED DETECTION SYSTEM.—A portable or fixed automated
177 system used to detect a motor vehicle's speed using radar or
178 LiDAR and to capture a photograph or video of the rear of a
179 motor vehicle that exceeds the speed limit in a school zone
180 during the times listed in s. 316.1895(5) ~~force at the time of~~
181 ~~the violation.~~

182 Section 3. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (9) of
183 section 316.008, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

184 316.008 Powers of local authorities.—

185 (9)(a) A county or municipality may enforce the applicable
186 speed limit on a roadway properly maintained as a school zone
187 pursuant to s. 316.1895 during the times listed in s.
188 316.1895(5)÷

189 1. ~~Within 30 minutes before through 30 minutes after the~~
190 ~~start of a regularly scheduled breakfast program;~~

191 2. ~~Within 30 minutes before through 30 minutes after the~~
192 ~~start of a regularly scheduled school session;~~

193 3. ~~During the entirety of a regularly scheduled school~~
194 ~~session; and~~

195 4. ~~Within 30 minutes before through 30 minutes after the~~
196 ~~end of a regularly scheduled school session~~

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198 through the use of a speed detection system for the detection of
199 speed and capturing of photographs or videos for violations in
200 excess of 10 miles per hour over the school zone speed limit ~~in~~
201 ~~force at the time of the violation.~~ A school zone's compliance
202 with s. 316.1895 creates a rebuttable presumption that the
203 school zone is properly maintained. The school zone speed limit

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may not be enforced through the use of a speed detection system
if any flashing beacon used to provide notice of the times
during which a restrictive school speed limit is being enforced
in the school zone is not activated at the time of the
violation.

(b) A county or municipality may place or install, or
contract with a vendor to place or install, a speed detection
system within a roadway maintained as a school zone as provided
in s. 316.1895 to enforce school zone ~~unlawful~~ speed limit
violations, as specified in s. 316.1895(10), which are in excess
of 10 miles per hour over the school zone speed limit ~~or s.~~
~~316.183~~, on that roadway.

Section 4. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) and subsections
(2), (4), and (5) of section 316.0083, Florida Statutes, are
amended, and subsection (6) is added to that section, to read:

316.0083 Mark Wandall Traffic Safety Program;
administration; report.—

(1)(a) For purposes of administering this section, the
department, a county, or a municipality may authorize a traffic
infraction enforcement officer under s. 316.640 to issue a
traffic citation for a violation of s. 316.074(1) or s.
~~316.075(1)(c)1. A notice of violation and a traffic citation may~~
~~not be issued for failure to stop at a red light if the driver~~
~~is making a right-hand turn in a careful and prudent manner at~~
~~an intersection where right-hand turns are permissible. A notice~~
~~of violation and a traffic citation may not be issued under this~~
~~section if the driver of the vehicle came to a complete stop~~
~~after crossing the stop line and before turning right if~~
~~permissible at a red light, but failed to stop before crossing~~

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~~over the stop line or other point at which a stop is required.~~

This paragraph does not prohibit a review of information from a traffic infraction detector by an authorized employee or agent of the department, a county, or a municipality before issuance of the traffic citation by the traffic infraction enforcement officer. This paragraph does not prohibit the department, a county, or a municipality from issuing notification as provided in paragraph (b) to the registered owner of the motor vehicle involved in the violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1.

(2) A notice of violation and a traffic citation may not be issued under this section for failure to stop at a red light if the driver is making a right-hand turn in a careful and prudent manner at an intersection where right-hand turns are permissible. For purposes of this subsection, the term "careful and prudent manner" means that the driver made a right-hand turn after coming to a complete stop and without interfering with the operation of any oncoming vehicular traffic or pedestrians in a crosswalk.

(4)(a)1. A county or municipality that desires to have one or more traffic infraction detectors placed or installed on or after July 1, 2025, in an area where no traffic infraction detectors are currently placed or installed must enact an ordinance in order to authorize the placement or installation of, or to authorize contracting with a vendor for the placement or installation of, one or more traffic infraction detectors to enforce s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. As part of the public hearing on such proposed ordinance, the county or municipality must consider traffic data or other evidence supporting the installation and operation of each traffic

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262 infraction detector, and the county or municipality must
263 determine that the intersection at which a traffic infraction
264 detector is to be placed or installed constitutes a heightened
265 safety risk that warrants additional enforcement measures.

266 2. A county or municipality that operates one or more
267 traffic infraction detectors must annually report the results of
268 all traffic infraction detectors within the county's or
269 municipality's jurisdiction by placing the annual report to the
270 department required under paragraph (b) as a single reporting
271 item on the agenda of a regular or special meeting of the
272 county's or municipality's governing body. Before a county or
273 municipality contracts or renews a contract to place or install
274 one or more traffic infraction detectors, the county or
275 municipality must approve the contract or contract renewal at a
276 regular or special meeting of the county's or municipality's
277 governing body.

278 a. Interested members of the public must be allowed to
279 comment regarding the report, contract, or contract renewal
280 under the county's or municipality's public comment policies or
281 procedures ~~formats~~, and the report, contract, or contract
282 renewal may not be considered as part of a consent agenda.

283 b. The report required under this subparagraph must include
284 a written summary, which must be read aloud at the regular or
285 special meeting, and the summary must contain, for the same time
286 period pertaining to the annual report to the department
287 required under paragraph (b), the number of notices of violation
288 issued, the number that were contested, the number that were
289 upheld, the number that were dismissed, the number that were
290 issued as uniform traffic citations, and the number that were

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291 paid and how collected funds were distributed and in what
292 amounts. The county or municipality must report to the
293 department that the county's or municipality's annual report was
294 considered in accordance with this subparagraph, including the
295 date of the regular or special meeting at which the annual
296 report was considered.

297 3. The compliance or sufficiency of compliance with this
298 paragraph may not be raised in a proceeding challenging a
299 violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. enforced by a
300 traffic infraction detector.

301 4. A county or municipality that does not comply with this
302 paragraph may not operate ~~is suspended from operating~~ traffic
303 infraction detectors under this subsection until such
304 noncompliance is corrected.

305 (b) Each county or municipality that operates a traffic
306 infraction detector shall submit a report by October 1,
307 annually, to the department which details the results of using
308 the traffic infraction detector and the procedures for
309 enforcement for the preceding state fiscal year. The information
310 submitted by the counties and municipalities must include:

311 1. The number of notices of violation issued, the number
312 that were contested, the number that were upheld, the number
313 that were dismissed, the number that were issued as uniform
314 traffic citations, the number that were paid, and the number in
315 each of the preceding categories for which the notice of
316 violation was issued for a right-hand turn violation.

317 2. A description of alternative safety countermeasures
318 taken before and after the placement or installation of a
319 traffic infraction detector.

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320 3. Statistical data and information required by the
321 department to complete the summary report required under
322 paragraph (d) ~~(e)~~.

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324 The department shall ~~must~~ publish on its website each report
325 submitted by a county or municipality pursuant to this paragraph
326 ~~on its website~~.

327 (c) Each county or municipality that operates a traffic
328 infraction detector is responsible for and shall maintain its
329 respective data for reporting purposes under this subsection for
330 at least 2 years after such data is reported to the department.

331 (d) On or before December 31, annually, the department
332 shall provide a summary report to the Governor, the President of
333 the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives
334 regarding the use and operation of traffic infraction detectors
335 under this section, along with the department's recommendations
336 and any recommended ~~necessary~~ legislation. The summary report
337 must include a review of the information submitted to the
338 department by the counties and municipalities and must describe
339 the enhancement of the traffic safety and enforcement programs.

340 (5) Procedures for a hearing under this section are as
341 follows:

342 (a) The department shall publish and make available
343 electronically to each county and municipality a model Request
344 for Hearing form to assist each county and municipality ~~local~~
345 ~~government~~ administering this section.

346 (b) The ~~charter county, noncharter county,~~ or municipality
347 electing to authorize traffic infraction enforcement officers to
348 issue traffic citations under paragraph (1)(a) shall designate

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349 by resolution existing staff to serve as the clerk to the local
350 hearing officer.

351 (c) Any person, herein referred to as the "petitioner," who
352 elects to request a hearing under paragraph (1)(b) must ~~shall~~ be
353 scheduled for a hearing. The hearing may be conducted either
354 virtually through live video conferencing or in person. The
355 clerk to the local hearing officer shall provide the petitioner
356 with notice of the hearing, including the option for a virtual
357 or in-person hearing, which must ~~by the clerk to the local~~
358 ~~hearing officer to appear before a local hearing officer with~~
359 ~~notice to~~ be sent by first-class mail. Upon receipt of the
360 notice, the petitioner may reschedule the hearing up to two
361 times ~~once~~ by submitting a written request to reschedule to the
362 clerk to the local hearing officer, at least 5 calendar days
363 before the day of the originally scheduled hearing. The
364 petitioner may cancel his or her appearance before the local
365 hearing officer by paying the penalty assessed under paragraph
366 (1)(b), plus \$50 in administrative costs, before the start of
367 the hearing.

368 (6)(a)1. A traffic infraction detector may not be used for
369 remote surveillance. The collection of evidence by a traffic
370 infraction detector to enforce violations of s. 316.074(1) or s.
371 316.075(1)(c)1. does not constitute remote surveillance.

372 2. Video and images recorded by a traffic infraction
373 detector may be used only for the enforcement of violations of
374 s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. and for purposes of
375 determining criminal or civil liability for incidents captured
376 by the traffic infraction detector incidental to the permissible
377 use of a traffic infraction detector.

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378 3. To the extent practicable, a traffic infraction detector
379 must use necessary technology to ensure that personal
380 identifying information contained in the video and images
381 recorded by the traffic infraction detector which is not
382 relevant to the alleged violation is sufficiently obscured so as
383 to not reveal such personal identifying information.

384 4. A notice of violation or a uniform traffic citation
385 issued under this section may not be dismissed solely because
386 the recorded video or images reveal personal identifying
387 information as provided in subparagraph 3. as long as a
388 reasonable effort has been made to comply with this subsection.

389 (b) Any recorded video or image obtained through the use of
390 a traffic infraction detector must be destroyed within 90 days
391 after the final disposition of the recorded event. The vendor of
392 the traffic infraction detector must provide the county or
393 municipality with written notice by December 31 of each year
394 that such records have been destroyed in accordance with this
395 paragraph.

396 (c) Notwithstanding any other law, motor vehicle
397 registration and owner information obtained as the result of the
398 operation of a traffic infraction detector is not the property
399 of the manufacturer or vendor of the traffic infraction detector
400 and may be used only for purposes authorized in this section.

401 Section 5. Section 316.00831, Florida Statutes, is
402 repealed.

403 Section 6. Section 316.07456, Florida Statutes, is amended
404 to read:

405 316.07456 Traffic infraction detectors; specifications
406 ~~Transitional implementation.~~ Any traffic infraction detector

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407 deployed on the highways, streets, and roads of this state must
408 meet specifications established by the Department of
409 Transportation, and must be tested at regular intervals
410 according to specifications prescribed by the Department of
411 Transportation. ~~The Department of Transportation must establish~~
412 ~~such specifications on or before December 31, 2010. However, any~~
413 ~~such equipment acquired by purchase, lease, or other arrangement~~
414 ~~under an agreement entered into by a county or municipality on~~
415 ~~or before July 1, 2011, or equipment used to enforce an~~
416 ~~ordinance enacted by a county or municipality on or before July~~
417 ~~1, 2011, is not required to meet the specifications established~~
418 ~~by the Department of Transportation until July 1, 2011.~~

419 Section 7. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) and subsection
420 (3) of section 316.0776, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
421 316.0776 Traffic infraction detectors; speed detection
422 systems; placement and installation.—

423 (2)

424 (b) If the department, county, or municipality begins a
425 traffic infraction detector program in a county or municipality
426 that has never conducted such a program, the respective
427 department, county, or municipality must ~~shall~~ also make a
428 public announcement and conduct a public awareness campaign of
429 the proposed use of traffic infraction detectors at least 30
430 days before commencing the enforcement program. During the 30-
431 day public awareness campaign, only a warning may be issued to
432 the registered owner of a motor vehicle for a violation of s.
433 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. enforced by a traffic
434 infraction detector, and a penalty may not be imposed pursuant
435 to s. 318.18(16)(a)2. or 3.

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436 (3) A speed detection system authorized by s. 316.008(9)
437 may be placed or installed in a school zone on a state road when
438 permitted by the Department of Transportation and in accordance
439 with placement and installation specifications developed by the
440 Department of Transportation. The speed detection system may be
441 placed or installed in a school zone on a street or highway
442 under the jurisdiction of a county or a municipality in
443 accordance with placement and installation specifications
444 established by the Department of Transportation. ~~The Department~~
445 ~~of Transportation must establish such placement and installation~~
446 ~~specifications by December 31, 2023.~~

447 (a) If a county or municipality places or installs a speed
448 detection system as authorized by s. 316.008(9), the county or
449 municipality must notify the public that a speed detection
450 system may be in use by posting signage indicating photographic
451 or video enforcement of the school zone speed limits. Such
452 signage must ~~shall~~ clearly designate the time period during
453 which the school zone speed limits are enforced using a speed
454 detection system and must meet the placement and installation
455 specifications established by the Department of Transportation.
456 For a speed detection system enforcing violations of s. 316.1895
457 ~~or s. 316.183~~ on a roadway maintained as a school zone, this
458 paragraph governs the signage notifying the public of the use of
459 a speed detection system.

460 (b) If a county or municipality begins a school zone speed
461 detection system program in a county or municipality that has
462 never conducted such a program, the respective county or
463 municipality must make a public announcement and conduct a
464 public awareness campaign of the proposed use of speed detection

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systems at least 30 days before commencing enforcement under the speed detection system program and must notify the public of the specific date on which the program will commence. During the 30-day public awareness campaign, only a warning may be issued to the registered owner of a motor vehicle for a violation of s. 316.1895 ~~or s. 316.183~~ enforced by a speed detection system, and liability may not be imposed for the civil penalty under s. 318.18(3)(d).

(c) A county or municipality that operates one or more school zone speed detection systems shall ~~must~~ annually report the results of all systems within the county's or municipality's jurisdiction by placing the report required under s. 316.1896(16)(a) as a single reporting item on the agenda of a regular or special meeting of the county's or municipality's governing body. Before a county or municipality contracts or renews a contract to place or install a speed detection system in a school zone pursuant to s. 316.008(9), the county or municipality must approve the contract or contract renewal at a regular or special meeting of the county's or municipality's governing body.

1. Interested members of the public must be allowed to comment regarding the report, contract, or contract renewal under the county's or municipality's public comment policies or procedures ~~formats~~, and the report, contract, or contract renewal may not be considered as part of a consent agenda.

2. The report required under this paragraph must include a written summary, which must be read aloud at the regular or special meeting, and the summary must contain, for the same time period pertaining to the annual report to the department under

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494 s. 316.1896(16) (a), the number of notices of violation issued,
495 the number that were contested, the number that were upheld, the
496 number that were dismissed, the number that were issued as
497 uniform traffic citations, and the number that were paid and how
498 collected funds were distributed and in what amounts. The county
499 or municipality shall ~~must~~ report to the department that the
500 county's or municipality's annual report was considered in
501 accordance with this paragraph, including the date of the
502 regular or special meeting at which the annual report was
503 considered.

504 3. The compliance or sufficiency of compliance with this
505 paragraph may not be raised in a proceeding challenging a
506 violation of s. 316.1895 ~~or s. 316.183~~ enforced by a speed
507 detection system in a school zone.

508 4. A county or municipality that does not comply with this
509 paragraph may not operate a speed detection system under this
510 section until such noncompliance is corrected.

511 Section 8. Subsection (1), paragraph (c) of subsection (2),
512 and subsections (4), (6), (18), and (19) of section 316.173,
513 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

514 316.173 School bus infraction detection systems.—

515 (1) (a) A school district may install and operate a school
516 bus infraction detection system on a school bus for the purpose
517 of enforcing s. 316.172(1) (a) and (b) as provided in and
518 consistent with this section.

519 (b) A school district that desires to install one or more
520 school bus infraction detection systems on school buses in its
521 fleet must have specific authorization from the district school
522 board to place or install, or contract with a vendor to install,

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operate, and maintain, school bus infraction detection systems to enforce s. 316.172(1)(a) and (b). As part of a public hearing held by the school board on such authorization, the school board shall consider traffic data or other evidence supporting the installation and operation of each school bus infraction detection system, and the school board shall determine whether the school bus route for which each school bus infraction detection system is to be placed or installed constitutes a heightened safety risk that warrants additional enforcement measures. Interested members of the public must be allowed to comment regarding a contract or renewal of a contract for the installation, operation, and maintenance of school bus infraction detection systems under the school board's public comment policies or procedures, and the contract or contract renewal may not be considered as part of a consent agenda.

(c) After an affirmative vote from the school board authorizing such a contract, the school district may enter into a contract with a private vendor or manufacturer to install a school bus infraction detection system on any school bus in ~~within~~ its fleet, whether owned, contracted, or leased, and for services including, but not limited to, the installation, operation, and maintenance of the system. ~~The school district's decision to install school bus infraction detection systems must be based solely on the need to increase public safety.~~ An individual may not receive a commission from any revenue collected from violations detected through the use of a school bus infraction detection system. A private vendor or manufacturer may not receive a fee or remuneration based upon the number of violations detected through the use of a school

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bus infraction detection system. This paragraph may not be construed to prohibit a private vendor or manufacturer from receiving a fixed amount of collected proceeds for service rendered in relation to the installation, operation, or maintenance of school bus infraction detection systems.

(d)~~(e)~~ The school district shall ~~must~~ ensure that each school bus infraction detection system meets the requirements of subsection (19).

(e)~~(d)~~ Before beginning its school bus infraction detection system program, a ~~the~~ school district must enter into an interlocal agreement with one or more law enforcement agencies authorized to enforce violations of s. 316.172(1)(a) and (b) within the school district which jointly establishes the responsibilities of enforcement and the reimbursement of costs associated with school bus infraction detection systems consistent with this section.

(f) For purposes of administering this section, a law enforcement agency may authorize a traffic infraction enforcement officer under s. 316.640 to issue uniform traffic citations for violations of s. 316.172(1)(a) and (b). This paragraph does not prohibit the review of information from a school bus infraction detection system by an authorized employee or agent of the school district or law enforcement agency before issuance of the traffic citation by the traffic infraction enforcement officer. This paragraph does not prohibit the law enforcement agency or its designee from issuing a notification as provided in subsection (5) to the registered owner of the motor vehicle involved in the violation of s. 316.172(1)(a) or (b).

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(2)

~~(c) The sufficiency of signage or compliance with the signage requirements under this subsection may not be raised in a proceeding challenging a violation of s. 316.172(1)(a) or (b).~~

(4) Within 30 days after an alleged violation of s. 316.172(1)(a) or (b) is recorded by a school bus infraction detection system, the school district or the private vendor or manufacturer under paragraph (1)(c) ~~(1)(b)~~ must submit the following information to a law enforcement agency that has entered into an interlocal agreement with the school district pursuant to paragraph (1)(e) ~~(1)(d)~~ and has traffic infraction enforcement jurisdiction at the location where the 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 state of issuance of the motor vehicle's license plate.

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

(6)(a) A local hearing officer appointed by the school district or county shall administer a ~~an administrative~~ hearing process for a contested notice of violation. ~~The school district may appoint an attorney who is, and has been for the preceding 5 years, a member in good standing with The Florida Bar to serve as a local hearing officer.~~ The county in which a school district has entered into an interlocal agreement with a law enforcement agency to issue uniform traffic citations may designate by resolution existing staff to serve as clerk to the local hearing officer. At the ~~administrative~~ hearing, the local hearing officer shall determine whether a violation of s.

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316.172(1) (a) or (b) has occurred. If the local hearing officer finds ~~by a preponderance of the evidence~~ that a violation has occurred, the local hearing officer must uphold the notice of violation and require the petitioner to pay the penalty previously assessed under s. 318.18(5). The local hearing officer may ~~shall~~ also require the petitioner to pay costs consistent with this subsection.

(b) Procedures for a ~~an administrative~~ hearing conducted under this subsection are as follows:

1. The department shall make available electronically to the school district ~~or its designee~~ or the county a Request for Hearing form to assist each district or county with administering this subsection.

2. A person, referred to in this paragraph as the petitioner, who elects to request a hearing under this subsection must ~~shall~~ be scheduled for a hearing. The hearing may be conducted either virtually through ~~via~~ live video conferencing or in person.

3. The clerk to the local hearing officer shall provide the petitioner with notice of the hearing, including the option for a virtual or in-person hearing, which must be sent ~~Within 120 days after receipt of a timely request for a hearing, the law enforcement agency or its designee shall provide a replica of the notice of violation data to the school district or county by manual or electronic transmission, and thereafter the school district or its designee or the county shall mail a notice of hearing, which shall include a hearing date and may at the discretion of the district or county include virtual and in-person hearing options, to the petitioner by first-class mail.~~

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639 Mailing of the notice of hearing constitutes notification. Upon
640 receipt of the notice ~~of hearing~~, the petitioner may reschedule
641 the hearing up to two times ~~once~~ by submitting a written request
642 to the local hearing officer at least 5 calendar days before the
643 day of the originally scheduled hearing. The petitioner may
644 cancel his or her hearing by paying the penalty assessed in the
645 notice of violation.

646 4. All testimony at the hearing must ~~shall~~ be under oath
647 and recorded. The local hearing officer shall take testimony
648 from a representative of the law enforcement agency and the
649 petitioner, and may take testimony from others. The local
650 hearing officer shall review the video and images recorded by a
651 school bus infraction detection system. Formal rules of evidence
652 do not apply, but due process shall be observed and govern the
653 proceedings.

654 5. At the conclusion of the hearing, the local hearing
655 officer shall determine ~~by a preponderance of the evidence~~
656 whether a violation has occurred and shall uphold or dismiss the
657 violation. The local hearing officer shall issue a final
658 administrative order including the determination and, if the
659 notice of violation is upheld, must require the petitioner to
660 pay the civil penalty previously assessed in the notice of
661 violation, and may ~~shall~~ also require the petitioner to pay
662 costs, not to exceed those established in s. 316.0083(5)(e), to
663 be used by the county for operational costs relating to the
664 hearing process or by the school district for technology and
665 operational costs relating to the hearing process as well as
666 school transportation safety-related initiatives. The final
667 administrative order must ~~shall~~ be mailed to the petitioner by

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first-class mail.

6. An aggrieved party may appeal a final administrative order consistent with the process provided in s. 162.11.

(c) Any hearing for a contested notice of violation that has not been conducted before July 1, 2025, may be conducted pursuant to the procedures in this subsection within 1 year after such date.

(18)(a)1. A school district that operates one or more school bus infraction detection systems shall annually report the results of all such systems operated within the school district by placing the annual report to the department required under paragraph (b) as a single reporting item on the agenda of a regular or special meeting of the school board.

2. Interested members of the public must be allowed to comment regarding the report under the school board's public comment policies or procedures, and the report may not be considered as part of a consent agenda.

3. The report required under this paragraph must include a written summary, which must be read aloud at the regular or special meeting, and the summary must contain, for the same time period as the annual report to the department under paragraph (b), 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; the number of notices of violations issued and the number that were contested, the number that were upheld, the number that were dismissed, the number that were issued as uniform traffic citations, and the number that were paid; and the manner in which collected funds were distributed and in what

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amounts.

4. The compliance or sufficiency of compliance with this paragraph may not be raised in a proceeding challenging a violation of s. 316.172(a) or (b) enforced by a school bus infraction detection system.

5. A school district that does not comply with this paragraph may not operate school bus infraction detection systems under this section until such noncompliance is corrected.

(b) By October 1, annually 2023, and quarterly thereafter, each school district operating a school bus infraction detection system shall ~~must~~ submit, in consultation with the law enforcement agencies with which it has interlocal agreements pursuant to this section, a report to the department which details the results of the school bus infraction detection systems in the school district during the preceding state fiscal year ~~in the preceding quarter~~. The information from the school districts must be submitted in a form and manner determined by the department, ~~which the department must make available to the school districts by August 1, 2023,~~ and 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.

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

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3. Data for each infraction to determine locations in need of safety improvements. Such data may 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.

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

The department shall publish on its website each report submitted by a school district pursuant to this paragraph.

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

(d)~~(e)~~ 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 House of Representatives regarding the use and operation of school bus infraction detection systems under this section, along with the department's recommendations and any recommended legislation. The summary report must include a review of the information submitted to the department by the school districts and must describe the enhancement of traffic safety and enforcement programs.

(19) A school bus infraction detection system must meet specifications established by the State Board of Education and must be tested at regular intervals according to specifications

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755 prescribed by state board rule. ~~The state board must establish~~
756 ~~such specifications by rule on or before December 31, 2023.~~
757 ~~However, any such equipment acquired by purchase, lease, or~~
758 ~~other arrangement under an agreement entered into by a school~~
759 ~~district on or before December 31, 2023, is not required to meet~~
760 ~~the specifications established by the state board until July 1,~~
761 ~~2024.~~

762 Section 9. Subsection (1), paragraphs (b) and (c) of
763 subsection (2), subsections (3), (5) through (9), (12), and
764 (13), paragraph (c) of subsection (14), paragraph (a) of
765 subsection (15), and paragraphs (a) and (c) of subsection (16)
766 of section 316.1896, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

767 316.1896 Roadways maintained as school zones; speed
768 detection system enforcement; penalties; appeal procedure;
769 privacy; reports.—

770 (1) For purposes of administering this section, a county or
771 municipality may authorize a traffic infraction enforcement
772 officer under s. 316.640 to issue uniform traffic citations for
773 violations of s. 316.1895 during the times listed in s.
774 316.1895(5) ~~ss. 316.1895 and 316.183~~ as authorized by s.
775 316.008(9), ~~as follows:~~

776 ~~(a) For a violation of s. 316.1895 in excess of 10 miles~~
777 ~~per hour over the school zone speed limit which occurs within 30~~
778 ~~minutes before through 30 minutes after the start of a regularly~~
779 ~~scheduled breakfast program.~~

780 ~~(b) For a violation of s. 316.1895 in excess of 10 miles~~
781 ~~per hour over the school zone speed limit which occurs within 30~~
782 ~~minutes before through 30 minutes after the start of a regularly~~
783 ~~scheduled school session.~~

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~~(c) For a violation of s. 316.183 in excess of 10 miles per hour over the posted speed limit during the entirety of a regularly scheduled school session.~~

~~(d) For a violation of s. 316.1895 in excess of 10 miles per hour over the school zone speed limit which occurs within 30 minutes before through 30 minutes after the end of a regularly scheduled school session.~~

Such violation must be evidenced by a speed detection system described in ss. 316.008(9) and 316.0776(3). This subsection does not prohibit a review of information from a speed detection system by an authorized employee or agent of a county or municipality before issuance of the uniform traffic citation by the traffic infraction enforcement officer. This subsection does not prohibit a county or municipality from issuing notices as provided in subsection (2) to the registered owner of the motor vehicle for a violation of s. 316.1895. The school zone speed limit may not be enforced through the use of a speed detection system if any flashing beacon used to provide notice of the times during which a restrictive school speed limit is being enforced in the school zone is not activated at the time of the violation ~~or s. 316.183.~~

(2) Within 30 days after a violation, notice must be sent to the registered owner of the motor vehicle involved in the violation specifying the remedies available under s. 318.14 and that the violator must pay the penalty under s. 318.18(3)(d) to the county or municipality, or furnish an affidavit in accordance with subsection (8), within 30 days after the date of the notice of violation in order to avoid court fees, costs, and

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the issuance of a uniform traffic citation. The notice of violation must:

(b) Include a photograph or other recorded image showing the license plate of the motor vehicle; the date, time, and location of the violation; the maximum speed at which the motor vehicle was traveling within the school zone; and the speed limit within the school zone ~~at the time of the violation.~~

(c) Include a notice that the owner has the right to review, in person or remotely, the photograph or video captured by the speed detection system and the evidence of the speed of the motor vehicle detected by the speed detection system which constitute a rebuttable presumption that the motor vehicle was used in violation of s. 316.1895 ~~or s. 316.183.~~

(3) Notwithstanding any other law, a person who receives a notice of violation under this section may request a hearing within 60 ~~30~~ days after the notice of violation or may pay the penalty pursuant to the notice of violation, but a payment or fee may not be required before the hearing requested by the person. The notice of violation must be accompanied by, or direct the person to a website that provides, information on the person's right to request a hearing and on all costs related thereto and a form used for requesting a hearing. As used in this subsection, the term "person" includes a natural person, the registered owner or co-owner of a motor vehicle, or the person identified in an affidavit as having actual care, custody, or control of the motor vehicle at the time of the violation.

(5) Penalties assessed and collected by the county or municipality authorized to collect the funds provided for in

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842 this section, less the amount retained by the county or
843 municipality pursuant to paragraphs (b) and (e) ~~paragraph (b)~~
844 ~~and paragraph (e)~~ and the amount remitted to the county school
845 district pursuant to paragraph (d), must be paid to the
846 Department of Revenue weekly. Such payment must be made by means
847 of electronic funds transfer. In addition to the payment, a
848 detailed summary of the penalties remitted must be reported to
849 the Department of Revenue. Penalties to be assessed and
850 collected by the county or municipality as established in s.
851 318.18(3)(d) must be remitted as follows:

852 (a) Twenty dollars must be remitted to the Department of
853 Revenue for deposit into the General Revenue Fund.

854 (b) Sixty dollars must be retained by the county or
855 municipality and must be used to administer speed detection
856 systems in school zones and other public safety initiatives.

857 (c) Three dollars must be remitted to the Department of
858 Revenue for deposit into the Department of Law Enforcement
859 Criminal Justice Standards and Training Trust Fund.

860 (d) Twelve dollars must be remitted to the county school
861 district in which the violation occurred and must be used for
862 school security initiatives, for student transportation, or to
863 improve the safety of student walking conditions. Funds remitted
864 under this paragraph must be shared with charter schools in the
865 district based on each charter school's proportionate share of
866 the district's total unweighted full-time equivalent student
867 enrollment and must be used for school security initiatives or
868 to improve the safety of student walking conditions.

869 (e) Five dollars must be retained by the county or
870 municipality for the School Crossing Guard Recruitment and

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Retention Program pursuant to s. 316.1894.

An individual may not receive a commission or per-ticket fee from any revenue collected from violations detected through the use of a speed detection system. A manufacturer or vendor of speed detection systems may not receive a fee or remuneration based upon the number of violations detected through the use of a speed detection system.

(6) A uniform traffic citation must be issued by mailing the uniform traffic citation by certified mail to the address of the registered owner of the motor vehicle involved in the violation if payment has not been made within 60 ~~30~~ days after notification under subsection (2), if the registered owner has not requested a hearing as authorized under subsection (3), and if the registered owner has not submitted an affidavit in accordance with subsection (8).

(a) Delivery of the uniform traffic citation constitutes notification of a violation under this subsection. If the registered owner or co-owner of the motor vehicle; the person identified as having care, custody, or control of the motor vehicle at the time of the violation; or a duly authorized representative of the owner, co-owner, or identified person initiates a proceeding to challenge the citation pursuant to this section, such person waives any challenge or dispute as to the delivery of the uniform traffic citation.

(b) In the case of joint ownership of a motor vehicle, the uniform traffic citation must be mailed to the first name appearing on the motor vehicle registration, unless the first name appearing on the registration is a business organization,

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in which case the second name appearing on the registration may be used.

(c) The uniform traffic citation mailed to the registered owner of the motor vehicle involved in the infraction must be accompanied by the information described in paragraphs (2)(b)-(d).

(7) The registered owner of the motor vehicle involved in the violation is responsible and liable for paying the uniform traffic citation issued for a violation of s. 316.1895 ~~or s. 316.183~~ unless the owner can establish that:

(a) The motor vehicle was, at the time of the violation, in the care, custody, or control of another person;

(b) A uniform traffic citation was issued by law enforcement to the driver of the motor vehicle for the alleged violation of s. 316.1895 ~~or s. 316.183~~; or

(c) The motor vehicle's owner was deceased on or before the date of the alleged violation, as established by an affidavit submitted by the representative of the motor vehicle owner's estate or other identified person or family member.

(8) To establish such facts under subsection (7), the registered owner of the motor vehicle must, within 60 ~~30~~ days after the date of issuance of the notice of violation or the uniform traffic citation, furnish to the appropriate governmental entity an affidavit setting forth information supporting an exception under subsection (7).

(a) An affidavit supporting the exception under paragraph (7)(a) must include the name, address, date of birth, and, if known, the driver license number of the person who leased, rented, or otherwise had care, custody, or control of the motor

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vehicle at the time of the alleged violation. If the motor vehicle was stolen at the time of the alleged violation, the affidavit must include the police report indicating that the motor vehicle was stolen.

(b) If a uniform traffic citation for a violation of s. 316.1895 ~~or s. 316.183~~ 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.

(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:

1. 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.

2. Documented proof that the registered license plate belonging to the deceased owner's motor vehicle was returned to the department or any branch office or authorized agent of the department after his or her death but on or before the date of 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 60 ~~30~~ days after the date of issuance

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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 county or municipality must dismiss the notice or citation and provide proof of such dismissal to the person who submitted the affidavit. If, within 30 days after the date of a notice of violation sent to a person under subsection (9), the county or municipality receives an affidavit under subsection (10) from the person sent a notice of violation affirming that the person did not have care, custody, or control of the motor vehicle at the time of the violation, the county or municipality must notify the registered owner that the notice or citation will not be dismissed due to failure to establish that another person had care, custody, or control of the motor vehicle at the time of the violation.

(9) Upon receipt of an affidavit under paragraph (8)(a), the county or municipality may issue the person identified as having care, custody, or control of the motor vehicle at the time of the violation a notice of violation pursuant to subsection (2) for a violation of s. 316.1895 ~~or s. 316.183~~. The affidavit is admissible in a proceeding pursuant to this section for the purpose of providing evidence that the person identified in the affidavit was in actual care, custody, or control of the motor vehicle. The owner of a leased motor vehicle for which a uniform traffic citation is issued for a violation of s. 316.1895 ~~or s. 316.183~~ is not responsible for paying the uniform traffic citation and is not required to submit an affidavit as specified in subsection (8) if the motor vehicle involved in the violation is registered in the name of the lessee of such motor vehicle.

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(12) The photograph or video captured by a speed detection system and the evidence of the speed of the motor vehicle detected by a speed detection system which are attached to or referenced in the uniform traffic citation are evidence of a violation of s. 316.1895 ~~or s. 316.183~~ and are admissible in any proceeding to enforce this section. The photograph or video and the evidence of speed detected raise a rebuttable presumption that the motor vehicle named in the report or shown in the photograph or video was used in violation of s. 316.1895 ~~or s. 316.183~~.

(13) This section supplements the enforcement of s. 316.1895 ~~ss. 316.1895 and 316.183~~ by a law enforcement officer and does not prohibit a law enforcement officer from issuing a uniform traffic citation for a violation of s. 316.1895 ~~or s. 316.183~~.

(14) A hearing under this section must be conducted under the procedures established by s. 316.0083(5) and as follows:

(c) A person, referred to in this subsection as the "petitioner," who elects to request a hearing under subsection (3) must be scheduled for a hearing by the clerk to the local hearing officer. The hearing may be conducted either virtually through live video conferencing or in person. The clerk to the local hearing officer shall provide ~~must furnish~~ the petitioner with notice of the hearing, including the option for a virtual or in-person hearing, which must be sent by first-class mail. Upon receipt of the notice, the petitioner may reschedule the hearing up to two times by submitting a written request to reschedule to the clerk at least 5 calendar days before the day of the scheduled hearing. The petitioner may cancel his or her

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1016 appearance before the local hearing officer by paying the
1017 penalty assessed under subsection (2), plus the administrative
1018 costs established in s. 316.0083(5)(c), before the start of the
1019 hearing.

1020 (15)(a) A speed detection system in a school zone may not
1021 be used for remote surveillance. The collection of evidence by a
1022 speed detection system to enforce violations of s. 316.1895 ~~ss.~~
1023 ~~316.1895 and 316.183~~, or user-controlled pan or tilt adjustments
1024 of speed detection system components, do not constitute remote
1025 surveillance. Recorded video or photographs collected by ~~as part~~
1026 ~~of~~ a speed detection system in a school zone may only be used to
1027 document violations of s. 316.1895 ~~ss. 316.1895 and 316.183~~ and
1028 for purposes of determining criminal or civil liability for
1029 incidents captured by the speed detection system incidental to
1030 the permissible use of the speed detection system.

1031 (16)(a) Each county or municipality that operates one or
1032 more speed detection systems shall ~~must~~ submit a report by
1033 ~~October 1, 2024, and~~ annually ~~thereafter~~, to the department
1034 which identifies the public safety objectives used to identify a
1035 school zone for enforcement under this section, reports
1036 compliance with s. 316.0776(3)(c), and details the results of
1037 the speed detection system in the school zone during the
1038 preceding state fiscal year and the procedures for enforcement.
1039 The information from counties and municipalities must be
1040 submitted in a form and manner determined by the department,
1041 ~~which the department must make available to the counties and~~
1042 ~~municipalities by August 1, 2023, and the department may require~~
1043 ~~data components to be submitted quarterly.~~ The report must
1044 include at least the following:

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1. Information related to the location of each speed detection system, including the geocoordinates of the school zone, the directional approach of the speed detection system, the school name, the school level, the times the speed detection system was active, the restricted school zone speed limit enforced pursuant to s. 316.1895(5), ~~the posted speed limit enforced at times other than those authorized by s. 316.1895(5),~~ the date the systems were activated to enforce violations of s. 316.1895 ~~ss. 316.1895 and 316.183~~, and, if applicable, the date the systems were deactivated.

2. The number of notices of violation issued, the number that were contested, the number that were upheld, the number that were dismissed, the number that were issued as uniform traffic citations, and the number that were paid.

3. Any other statistical data and information related to the procedures for enforcement which is required by the department to complete the report required under paragraph (c).

The department shall publish on its website each report submitted by a county or municipality pursuant to this paragraph.

(c) On or before December 31, ~~2024,~~ and annually ~~thereafter,~~ the department shall ~~must~~ submit a summary report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives regarding the use of speed detection systems under this section, along with any recommended legislation ~~legislative recommendations from the department~~. The summary report must include a review of the information submitted to the department by the counties and municipalities

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and must describe the enhancement of safety and enforcement programs.

Section 10. Paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section 316.1906, Florida Statutes, is reordered and amended, and subsection (3) of that section is amended, to read:

316.1906 Radar speed-measuring devices; speed detection systems; evidence, admissibility.—

(1) DEFINITIONS.—

(d) "Officer" means any:

2.1. "Law enforcement officer" who is elected, appointed, or employed full time by any municipality or the state or any political subdivision thereof; who is vested with the authority to bear arms and make arrests; and whose primary responsibility is the prevention and detection of crime or the enforcement of the penal, criminal, traffic, or highway laws of the state;

3.2. "Part-time law enforcement officer" who is employed or appointed less than full time, as defined by an employing agency, with or without compensation; who is vested with authority to bear arms and make arrests; and whose primary responsibility is the prevention and detection of crime or the enforcement of the penal, criminal, traffic, or highway laws of the state; or

1.3. "Auxiliary law enforcement officer" who is employed or appointed, with or without compensation; who aids or assists a full-time or part-time law enforcement officer; and who, while under the direct supervision of a full-time or part-time law enforcement officer, has the authority to arrest and perform law enforcement functions; ~~or~~

4. "Traffic infraction enforcement officer" who is employed

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or appointed, with or without compensation, and satisfies the requirements of s. 316.640(5) and is vested with authority to enforce violations of s. 316.1895 ~~ss. 316.1895 and 316.183~~ pursuant to s. 316.1896.

(3) A speed detection system is exempt from the design requirements for radar or LiDAR units established by the department. A speed detection system must have the ability to perform self-tests as to its detection accuracy. The system must perform a self-test at least once every 30 days. The law enforcement agency, or an agent acting on behalf of the law enforcement agency, operating a speed detection system must maintain a log of the results of the system's self-tests. The law enforcement agency, or an agent acting on behalf of the law enforcement agency, operating a speed detection system must also perform an independent calibration test on the speed detection system at least once every 12 months. The self-test logs, as well as the results of the annual calibration test, are admissible in any court proceeding for a uniform traffic citation issued for a violation of s. 316.1895 ~~or s. 316.183~~ enforced pursuant to s. 316.1896. Notwithstanding subsection (2), evidence of the speed of a motor vehicle detected by a speed detection system compliant with this subsection and the determination by a traffic infraction enforcement officer that a motor vehicle is operating in excess of the applicable speed limit is admissible in any proceeding with respect to an alleged violation of law regulating the speed of motor vehicles in school zones.

Section 11. Paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of section 316.640, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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1132 316.640 Enforcement.—The enforcement of the traffic laws of
1133 this state is vested as follows:

1134 (5)(a) Any sheriff's department or police department of a
1135 municipality may employ, as a traffic infraction enforcement
1136 officer, any individual who successfully completes instruction
1137 in traffic enforcement procedures and court presentation through
1138 the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program as approved by the
1139 Division of Criminal Justice Standards and Training of the
1140 Department of Law Enforcement, or through a similar program, but
1141 who does not necessarily otherwise meet the uniform minimum
1142 standards established by the Criminal Justice Standards and
1143 Training Commission for law enforcement officers or auxiliary
1144 law enforcement officers under s. 943.13. Any such traffic
1145 infraction enforcement officer who observes the commission of a
1146 traffic infraction or, in the case of a parking infraction, who
1147 observes an illegally parked vehicle may issue a traffic
1148 citation for the infraction when, based upon personal
1149 investigation, he or she has reasonable and probable grounds to
1150 believe that an offense has been committed which constitutes a
1151 noncriminal traffic infraction as defined in s. 318.14. In
1152 addition, any such traffic infraction enforcement officer may
1153 issue a traffic citation under ss. 316.0083, 316.173, and
1154 316.1896 ~~ss. 316.0083 and 316.1896~~. For purposes of enforcing
1155 ss. 316.074(1), 316.075(1)(c)1., 316.172(1)(a) and (b), and
1156 316.1895(10) ~~ss. 316.0083, 316.1895, and 316.183~~, any sheriff's
1157 department or police department of a municipality may designate
1158 employees as traffic infraction enforcement officers. The
1159 traffic infraction enforcement officers must be physically
1160 located in the county of the respective sheriff's or police

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department.

Section 12. Paragraph (c) of subsection (3) of section 316.650, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

316.650 Traffic citations.—

(3)

(c) If a traffic citation is issued under s. 316.0083, s. 316.173, or s. 316.1896, the traffic infraction enforcement officer must ~~shall~~ provide by electronic transmission a replica of the traffic citation data to the court having jurisdiction over the alleged offense or its traffic violations bureau within 5 business days after the date of issuance of the traffic citation to the violator. If a hearing is requested, the traffic infraction enforcement officer must ~~shall~~ provide a replica of the ~~traffic~~ notice of violation data to the clerk to ~~for~~ the local hearing officer having jurisdiction over the alleged offense within 14 days.

Section 13. Subsection (3) of section 318.15, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

318.15 Failure to comply with civil penalty or to appear; penalty.—

(3) The clerk shall notify the department of persons who were mailed a notice of violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. pursuant to s. 316.0083, of s. 316.172(1)(a) or (b) pursuant to s. 316.173, or of s. 316.1895(10) pursuant to s. 316.1896, and who failed to enter into, or comply with the terms of, a penalty payment plan, or order with the clerk to the local hearing officer or failed to appear at a scheduled hearing within 10 days after such failure, and shall reference the person's driver license number, or in the case of a business

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entity, vehicle registration number.

(a) Upon receipt of such notice, the department, or authorized agent thereof, may not issue a license plate or revalidation sticker for any motor vehicle owned or co-owned by that person pursuant to s. 320.03(8) until the amounts assessed have been fully paid.

(b) After the issuance of the person's license plate or revalidation sticker is withheld pursuant to paragraph (a), the person may challenge the withholding of the license plate or revalidation sticker only on the basis that the outstanding fines and civil penalties have been paid pursuant to s. 320.03(8).

Section 14. Paragraph (d) of subsection (3), paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (5), and subsection (23) of section 318.18, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

318.18 Amount of penalties.—The penalties required for a noncriminal disposition pursuant to s. 318.14 or a criminal offense listed in s. 318.17 are as follows:

(3)

(d)1. Notwithstanding paragraphs (b) and (c), a person cited for a violation of s. 316.1895(10) ~~or s. 316.183~~ for exceeding the speed limit in force at the time of the violation on a roadway maintained as a school zone as provided in s. 316.1895, when enforced by a traffic infraction enforcement officer pursuant to s. 316.1896, must pay a fine of \$100. Fines collected under this paragraph must be distributed as follows:

a. Twenty dollars must be remitted to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the General Revenue Fund.

b. Seventy-seven dollars must be distributed to the county

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for any violations occurring in any unincorporated areas of the county or to the municipality for any violations occurring in the incorporated boundaries of the municipality in which the infraction occurred, to be used as provided in s. 316.1896(5).

c. Three dollars must be remitted to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the Department of Law Enforcement Criminal Justice Standards and Training Trust Fund to be used as provided in s. 943.25.

2. If a person who is mailed a notice of violation or a uniform traffic citation for a violation of s. 316.1895(10) ~~or~~ ~~s. 316.183~~, as enforced by a traffic infraction enforcement officer under s. 316.1896, presents documentation from the appropriate governmental entity that the notice of violation or uniform traffic citation was in error, the clerk of court or clerk to the local hearing officer may dismiss the case. The clerk of court or clerk to the local hearing officer may not charge for this service.

3. An individual may not receive a commission or per-ticket fee from any revenue collected from violations detected through the use of a speed detection system. A manufacturer or vendor may not receive a fee or remuneration based upon the number of violations detected through the use of a speed detection system.

(5)(a)1. Except as provided in subparagraph 2., \$200 for a violation of s. 316.172(1)(a), failure to stop for a school bus. If, at a hearing, the alleged offender is found to have committed this offense, the court shall impose a minimum civil penalty of \$200. In addition to this penalty, for a second or subsequent offense within a period of 5 years, the department shall suspend the driver license of the person for not less than

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1248 180 days and not more than 1 year.

1249 2. If a violation of s. 316.172(1)(a) is enforced by a
1250 school bus infraction detection system pursuant to s. 316.173,
1251 the penalty of \$200 shall be imposed. If, at ~~a an administrative~~
1252 hearing contesting a notice of violation or uniform traffic
1253 citation, the alleged offender is found to have committed this
1254 offense, a minimum civil penalty of \$200 shall be imposed.
1255 Notwithstanding any other provision of law except s. 28.37(6),
1256 the civil penalties assessed under this subparagraph resulting
1257 from a notice of violation or uniform traffic citation shall be
1258 remitted to the school district at least monthly and used
1259 pursuant to s. 316.173(8).

1260 (b)1. Except as provided in subparagraph 2., \$400 for a
1261 violation of s. 316.172(1)(b), passing a school bus on the side
1262 that children enter and exit when the school bus displays a stop
1263 signal. If, at a hearing, the alleged offender is found to have
1264 committed this offense, the court shall impose a minimum civil
1265 penalty of \$400.

1266 2. If a violation of s. 316.172(1)(b) is enforced by a
1267 school bus infraction detection system pursuant to s. 316.173,
1268 the penalty under this subparagraph is a minimum of \$200. If, at
1269 a hearing contesting a notice of violation or uniform traffic
1270 citation, the alleged offender is found to have committed this
1271 offense, the court shall impose a minimum civil penalty of \$200.
1272 Notwithstanding any other provision of law except s. 28.37(6),
1273 the civil penalties assessed under this subparagraph resulting
1274 from notice of violation or uniform traffic citation shall be
1275 remitted to the school district at least monthly and used
1276 pursuant to s. 316.173(8).

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3. In addition to this penalty, for a second or subsequent offense within a period of 5 years, the department shall suspend the driver license of the person for not less than 360 days and not more than 2 years.

(23) In addition to the penalty prescribed under s. 316.0083, s. 316.173, or s. 316.1895 for violations enforced under those sections ~~s. 316.0083~~ which are upheld by the local hearing officer, the local hearing officer may also order the payment of county, ~~or~~ municipal, or school district costs, not to exceed \$250.

Section 15. Subsection (12) of section 320.02, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.02 Registration required; application for registration; forms.—

(12) The department is authorized to withhold registration or reregistration of any motor vehicle if the owner, or one of the co-owners of the vehicle:—

(a) Has a driver license which is under suspension for the failure to remit payment of any fines levied in this state pursuant to chapter 318 or chapter 322; or

(b) Received a traffic citation for a violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1., s. 316.172(1)(a) or (b), or s. 316.1895(10), as enforced by s. 316.0083, s. 316.173, or s. 316.1896, respectively, and did not request a hearing, submit an affidavit claiming an exception, or pay the traffic citation.

Section 16. Paragraph (d) of subsection (3) of section 322.27, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

322.27 Authority of department to suspend or revoke driver license or identification card.—

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(3) There is established a point system for evaluation of convictions of violations of motor vehicle laws or ordinances, and violations of applicable provisions of s. 403.413(6)(b) when such violations involve the use of motor vehicles, for the determination of the continuing qualification of any person to operate a motor vehicle. The department is authorized to suspend the license of any person upon showing of its records or other good and sufficient evidence that the licensee has been convicted of violation of motor vehicle laws or ordinances, or applicable provisions of s. 403.413(6)(b), amounting to 12 or more points as determined by the point system. The suspension shall be for a period of not more than 1 year.

(d) The point system shall have as its basic element a graduated scale of points assigning relative values to convictions of the following violations:

1. Reckless driving, willful and wanton—4 points.
2. Leaving the scene of a crash resulting in property damage of more than \$50—6 points.
3. Unlawful speed, or unlawful use of a wireless communications device, resulting in a crash—6 points.
4. Passing a stopped school bus:
 - a. Not causing or resulting in serious bodily injury to or death of another—4 points.
 - b. Causing or resulting in serious bodily injury to or death of another—6 points.
 - c. Points may not be imposed for a violation of passing a stopped school bus as provided in s. 316.172(1)(a) or (b) when enforced by a school bus infraction detection system pursuant to s. 316.173. In addition, a violation of s. 316.172(1)(a) or (b)

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when enforced by a school bus infraction detection system pursuant to s. 316.173 may not be used for purposes of setting motor vehicle insurance rates.

5. Unlawful speed:

a. Not in excess of 15 miles per hour of lawful or posted speed—3 points.

b. In excess of 15 miles per hour of lawful or posted speed—4 points.

c. Points may not be imposed for a violation of unlawful speed as provided in s. 316.1895 ~~or s. 316.183~~ when enforced by a traffic infraction enforcement officer pursuant to s. 316.1896. In addition, a violation of s. 316.1895 ~~or s. 316.183~~ when enforced by a traffic infraction enforcement officer pursuant to s. 316.1896 may not be used for purposes of setting motor vehicle insurance rates.

6. A violation of a traffic control signal device as provided in s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1.—4 points. However, points may not be imposed for a violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when a driver has failed to stop at a traffic signal and when enforced by a traffic infraction enforcement officer. In addition, a violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when a driver has failed to stop at a traffic signal and when enforced by a traffic infraction enforcement officer may not be used for purposes of setting motor vehicle insurance rates.

7. Unlawfully driving a vehicle through a railroad-highway grade crossing—6 points.

8. All other moving violations (including parking on a highway outside the limits of a municipality)—3 points. However,

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points may not be imposed for a violation of s. 316.2065(11);
and points may be imposed for a violation of s. 316.1001 only
when imposed by the court after a hearing pursuant to s.
318.14(5).

9. Any moving violation covered in this paragraph,
excluding unlawful speed and unlawful use of a wireless
communications device, resulting in a crash—4 points.

10. Any conviction under s. 403.413(6)(b)—3 points.

11. Any conviction under s. 316.0775(2)—4 points.

12. A moving violation covered in this paragraph which is
committed in conjunction with the unlawful use of a wireless
communications device within a school safety zone—2 points, in
addition to the points assigned for the moving violation.

Section 17. Subsection (23) is added to section 775.15,
Florida Statutes, to read:

775.15 Time limitations; general time limitations;
exceptions.—

(23) For a traffic violation enforced pursuant to s.
316.0083, s. 316.173, or s. 316.1896, the 1-year period of
limitation for a noncriminal violation pursuant to paragraph
(2)(d) resets upon receipt by the appropriate county,
municipality, or law enforcement agency of an affidavit
indicating that the motor vehicle was in the care, custody, and
control of another person at the time of the violation, as
authorized in s. 316.0083, s. 316.173, or s. 316.1896,
respectively.

Section 18. Paragraph (h) of subsection (3) of section
1006.21, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1006.21 Duties of district school superintendent and

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1393 district school board regarding transportation.—

1394 (3) District school boards, after considering
1395 recommendations of the district school superintendent:

1396 (h) Upon an affirmative vote of the school board
1397 authorizing the use of school bus infraction detection systems,
1398 may install and operate, or enter into an agreement with a
1399 private vendor or manufacturer to install, operate, and maintain
1400 ~~provide~~, a school bus infraction detection system pursuant to s.
1401 316.173.

1402 Section 19. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment
1403 made by this act to section 318.18, Florida Statutes, in a
1404 reference thereto, section 318.121, Florida Statutes, is
1405 reenacted to read:

1406 318.121 Preemption of additional fees, fines, surcharges,
1407 and costs.—Notwithstanding any general or special law, or
1408 municipal or county ordinance, additional fees, fines,
1409 surcharges, or costs other than the court costs and surcharges
1410 assessed under s. 318.18(12), (14), (19), (20), and (23) may not
1411 be added to the civil traffic penalties assessed under this
1412 chapter.

1413 Section 20. This act shall take effect October 1, 2026.