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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to traffic offenses; amending
s. 318.18, F.S.; limiting the amount for court
costs imposed for noncriminal traffic offenses;
specifying what constitutes court costs;
providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (11) of section 318.18, Florida
Statutes, is amended to read:

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

(11) The court costs for noncriminal traffic
infractions are in addition to any fines imposed under chapter
316 or this chapter. The total amount of those court costs
must not exceed \$30, and the court costs must be collected in
the following order of priority:

(a) Costs that must be imposed under this subsection,
which include:

- 1. Three dollars for an infraction of pedestrian
regulations;
- 2. Six dollars for a nonmoving traffic infraction; or
- 3. Ten dollars for a moving traffic infraction;

(b) Any court costs imposed in accordance with chapter
938;

(c) Costs imposed for a regional criminal justice
assessment center or other local criminal justice access and
assessment center; and

1 (d) Any other costs that the local circuit is
2 authorized to impose. ~~(a) Court costs which are to be in~~
3 ~~addition to the stated fine shall be imposed by the court in~~
4 ~~an amount not less than the following:~~

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6 ~~For pedestrian infractions.....\$ 3.~~
7 ~~For nonmoving traffic infractions.....\$ 6.~~
8 ~~For moving traffic infractions.....\$10.~~

9 ~~(b) In addition to the court cost assessed under~~
10 ~~paragraph (a), the court shall impose a \$3 court cost for each~~
11 ~~infraction to be distributed as provided in s. 943.25(3).~~

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13 ~~In no event may court costs imposed under this subsection~~
14 ~~exceed \$30. A regional criminal justice assessment center or~~
15 ~~other local criminal justice access and assessment center may~~
16 ~~be funded from these court costs.~~

17 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1998.

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20 SENATE SUMMARY

21 Provides that the maximum aggregate amount of court costs
22 for a noncriminal traffic offense is \$30. Specifies what
23 types of court costs may be collected.