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1	Senator Margolis moved the following substitute for amendment
2	(352748):
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4	Senate Amendment (with title amendment)
5	Between line(s) 2741 and 2742,
6	insert:
7	Section 66. Subsection (86) is added to section 316.003,
8	Florida Statutes, to read:
9	316.003 Definitions The following words and phrases, when
10	used in this chapter, shall have the meanings respectively
11	ascribed to them in this section, except where the context
12	otherwise requires:
13	(86) TRAFFIC INFRACTION DETECTORA device using a vehicle
14	sensor or sensors installed to work in conjunction with a traffic
15	control signal and a camera or cameras that are synchronized to
16	automatically record two or more sequenced photographic or
17	electronic images or streaming video of only the rear of a motor
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18	vehicle at the time the vehicle fails to stop behind the stop bar
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21	Section 67. Section 316.0083, Florida Statutes, as created
22	by this act, may be cited as the "Mark Wandall Traffic Safety
23	Program."
24	Section 68. Section 316.0083, Florida Statutes, is created
25	to read:
26	316.0083 Regulation and use of cameras for enforcement of
27	provisions of this chapter
28	(1) The regulation and use of cameras for enforcing the
29	provisions of this chapter are expressly preempted to the state.
30	(2) The department, the Department of Transportation,
31	counties, and municipalities may use traffic infraction detectors
32	to enforce s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when a driver
33	fails to stop at a traffic signal.
34	(3)(a) For purposes of administering this section, the
35	department, the Department of Transportation, counties, and
36	municipalities may by rule or ordinance authorize a traffic
37	infraction detector enforcement officer or a law enforcement
38	officer as defined in s. 943.10(1) to issue a uniform traffic
39	citation for a violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1.
40	If the driver of the motor vehicle receives a uniform traffic
41	citation for a violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1.
42	issued by a law enforcement officer, then a uniform traffic
43	citation may not be issued by a traffic infraction detector
44	enforcement officer. The term "traffic infraction detector
45	enforcement officer" means the designee of the department, the
46	Department of Transportation, a county, or a municipality who is



authorized to enforce s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when a 47 driver fails to stop at a traffic signal. The department, the 48 Department of Transportation, counties, and municipalities may 49 50 designate traffic infraction detector enforcement officers 51 pursuant to s. 316.640(1). 52 (b) A citation issued under this section shall be issued by 53 mailing the citation by first-class mail or certified mail, 54 return receipt requested, to the address of the registered owner 55 of the motor vehicle involved in the violation. Mailing the 56 citation to this address constitutes notification. In the case of 57 joint ownership of a motor vehicle, the traffic citation shall be mailed to the first name appearing on the registration, unless 58 the first name appearing on the registration is a business 59 organization, in which case the second name appearing on the 60 61 registration may be used. The citation must be mailed to the 62 registered owner of the motor vehicle involved in the violation 63 within 7 days after the date of the violation. Notice of and 64 instructions for accessing a secure website displaying a 10second video of the violation shall be provided with the 65 66 citation. 67 (c) The owner of the motor vehicle involved in the violation is responsible and liable for paying the citation 68 issued for a violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. 69 70 when the driver failed to stop at a traffic signal, unless the 71 owner can establish that the motor vehicle was, at the time of 72 the violation, in the care, custody, or control of another 73 person. In order to establish such facts, the owner of the motor 74 vehicle shall, within 14 days after the date of issuance of the 75 citation, furnish to the appropriate governmental entity an 76 affidavit setting forth:

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77	1. The name, address, date of birth, and, if known, the
78	driver's license number of the person who leased, rented, or
79	otherwise had care, custody, or control of the motor vehicle at
80	the time of the alleged violation;
81	2. If the vehicle was stolen at the time of the alleged
82	offense, the police report indicating that the vehicle was
83	stolen; or
84	3. If a citation for a violation of s. 316.074(1) or s.
85	316.075(1)(c)1. was issued at the location of the violation by a
86	law enforcement officer, the serial number of the uniform traffic
87	citation.
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89	Upon receipt of an affidavit, the person designated as having
90	care, custody, and control of the motor vehicle at the time of
91	the violation may be issued a citation for a violation of s.
92	316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when the driver failed to stop
93	at a traffic signal. The affidavit is admissible in a proceeding
94	pursuant to this section for the purpose of providing proof that
95	the person identified in the affidavit was in actual care,
96	custody, or control of the motor vehicle. The owner of a leased
97	vehicle for which a citation is issued for a violation of s.
98	316.074(1) or s. $316.075(1)(c)1$. when the driver failed to stop
99	at a traffic signal is not responsible for paying the citation
100	and is not required to submit an affidavit as specified in this
101	subsection if the motor vehicle involved in the violation is
102	registered in the name of the lessee of such motor vehicle.
103	(d) A written report of a traffic infraction detector
104	enforcement officer, along with photographic or electronic images
105	or streaming video evidence that a violation of s. 316.074(1) or
106	s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when the driver failed to stop at a traffic
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107	signal has occurred, is admissible in any proceeding to enforce
108	this section and raises a rebuttable presumption that the motor
109	vehicle named in the report or shown in the photographic or
110	electronic images or streaming video evidence was used in
111	violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when the driver
112	failed to stop at a traffic signal.
113	(4) The submission of a false affidavit is a misdemeanor of
114	the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s.
115	775.083.
116	(5) This section supplements the enforcement of s.
117	316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. by law enforcement officers when
118	a driver fails to stop at a traffic signal, and this section does
119	not prohibit a law enforcement officer from issuing a citation
120	for a violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when a
121	driver fails to stop at a traffic signal in accordance with
122	normal traffic-enforcement techniques.
123	(6)(a) The Department of Transportation shall, on or before
124	October 1, 2008, adopt and publish minimum specifications for the
125	operation and implementation of traffic infraction detectors on
126	the streets and highways of the state. The minimum specifications
127	shall, insofar as is practicable, conform to the Traffic
128	Engineering Manual of the Department of Transportation and shall
129	be revised from time to time to include changes necessary to
130	conform to any uniform national system or to meet local or state
131	needs. The specifications shall include, but need not be limited
132	to, the size and purpose of stop bars, the duration time of
133	signal phases, signage and other public awareness requirements,
134	the amount of before and after photographic or electronic imaging
135	or streaming video needed, yellow light duration time, and
136	location of the rear tires in relation to the stop bar. The
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137	Department of Transportation shall require mandatory reporting of
138	all accidents at the intersections using traffic infraction
139	detectors and shall provide information relating to those
140	accidents to the Legislature by March 1, 2010. The Department of
141	Transportation may call upon representatives of local authorities
142	to assist in preparing or revising the uniform specifications of
143	traffic infraction detectors.
144	(b) All traffic infraction detectors operated or
145	implemented in this state by any public body or official must
146	conform to the specifications for operation and implementation of
147	traffic infraction detectors published by the Department of
148	Transportation pursuant to this subsection.
149	(c) A public body or official may not operate or implement
150	a traffic infraction detector in this state unless it conforms to
151	the specifications published by the Department of Transportation.
152	A public body may not sell a traffic infraction detector to any
153	nongovernmental entity or person.
154	(d) Before installing a traffic infraction detector at an
155	intersection, a municipality, county, or Department of
156	Transportation traffic engineer must review and certify that all
157	other applicable safety-related engineering measures have been
158	considered. Unless the manufacturer or vendor is furnishing the
159	traffic infraction detectors to a county or municipality pursuant
160	to a contract entered into on or before April 1, 2008, any
161	manufacturer or vendor that operates or implements a traffic
162	infraction detector without such certification is ineligible to
163	bid or furnish traffic infraction detectors to any public body or
164	official for such period of time as may be established by the
165	Department of Transportation; however, such period of time may



166 not be less than 1 year following the date of notification of 167 ineligibility. 168 (e) The Department of Transportation may, after a hearing 169 pursuant to 14 days' notice, direct the removal of any traffic 170 infraction detector wherever located which purportedly fails to meet the specifications of this subsection. The public agency 171 172 operating or implementing a traffic infraction detector shall 173 immediately remove the traffic infraction detector upon the 174 direction of the Department of Transportation and may not, for a 175 period of 5 years, install any replacement traffic infraction 176 detector unless written prior approval is received from the 177 Department of Transportation. Any additional violation by a public body or official is cause for withholding state funds for 178 179 traffic control purposes until such public body or official 180 demonstrates to the Department of Transportation that it is 181 complying with this subsection. 182 (f) The Department of Transportation may authorize the 183 installation of traffic infraction detectors that are not in 184 conformity with the published specifications upon a showing of 185 good cause. (g) Any traffic infraction detector acquired under a 186 187 contract entered into by a county or municipality that has entered into a RFP or negotiation process on or before April 1, 188 2008, is not required to meet the specifications for operation 189 190 and implementation of traffic infraction detectors published by 191 the Department of Transportation pursuant to this subsection 192 until July 1, 2013. 193 (7) Any manufacturer or vendor desiring to bid for the performance of operating or implementing a traffic infraction 194 195 detector must first be qualified by the Department of



196 Transportation and without such qualification is ineligible to 197 bid or furnish traffic infraction detectors to any public body or 198 official in this state unless the manufacturer or vendor is 199 furnishing the traffic infraction detectors to a county or 200 municipality pursuant to a contract entered into on or before 201 April 1, 2008. A manufacturer or vendor may not receive a fee 202 based upon the number of citations issued unless the manufacturer 203 or vendor entered into a contract with a municipality or county 204 to furnish traffic infraction detectors prior to April 1, 2008. 205 As of July 1, 2013, no contract in effect on or before April 1, 206 2008, relating to the operation or implementation of traffic 207 infraction detectors, may authorize a vendor or manufacturer to receive a fee based upon the number of citations issued. 208 Section 69. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 209

210 316.640, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

211 316.640 Enforcement.--The enforcement of the traffic laws 212 of this state is vested as follows:

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(b)1. The Department of Transportation has authority to enforce on all the streets and highways of this state all laws applicable within its authority.

217 2.a. The Department of Transportation shall develop 218 training and qualifications standards for toll enforcement 219 officers whose sole authority is to enforce the payment of tolls 220 pursuant to s. 316.1001. Nothing in this subparagraph shall be 221 construed to permit the carrying of firearms or other weapons, 222 nor shall a toll enforcement officer have arrest authority.

223 b. For the purpose of enforcing s. 316.1001, governmental 224 entities, as defined in s. 334.03, which own or operate a toll 225 facility may employ independent contractors or designate

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employees as toll enforcement officers; however, any such toll enforcement officer must successfully meet the training and qualifications standards for toll enforcement officers established by the Department of Transportation.

230 3.a. The Department of Transportation shall develop 231 training and qualifications standards for traffic infraction 232 detector enforcement officers whose sole authority is to enforce 233 s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when a driver fails to stop 234 at a traffic signal pursuant to s. 316.0083. This subparagraph 235 does not authorize the carrying of firearms or other weapons by a 236 traffic infraction enforcement officer and does not authorize a 237 traffic infraction detector enforcement officer to make arrests.

b. For the purpose of enforcing s. 316.0083, the 238 239 department, the Department of Transportation, counties, and 240 municipalities may designate employees as traffic infraction 241 detector enforcement officers; however, any such traffic 242 infraction detector enforcement officer must successfully meet 243 the training and qualifications standards for traffic infraction 244 detector enforcement officers established by the Department of 245 Transportation.

246 Section 70. Subsection (15) of section 318.18, Florida 247 Statutes, is amended to read:

248 318.18 Amount of penalties.--The penalties required for a 249 noncriminal disposition pursuant to s. 318.14 or a criminal 250 offense listed in s. 318.17 are as follows:

(15) (a) One hundred twenty-five dollars 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 <u>and when enforced by a law enforcement</u> <u>officer</u>. Sixty dollars shall be distributed as provided in s. 318.21, and the remaining \$65 shall be remitted to the Department

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256 of Revenue for deposit into the Administrative Trust Fund of the 257 Department of Health. 258 (b) Seventy dollars for each violation of s. 316.074(1) or 259 s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when a driver has failed to stop at a traffic 260 signal and when enforced by a traffic infraction detector enforcement officer and, notwithstanding any other provision of 261 262 law, \$60 shall be distributed in the same manner as the 263 applicable municipal or county parking ordinance, and the 264 remaining \$10 shall be remitted to the Department of Revenue for 265 deposit into the Administrative Trust Fund of the Department of 266 Health and distributed pursuant to s. 395.4036. 267 Except for s. 318.121 and 318.1215, no other fees may be charged 268 269 by any entity for a violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 270 316.075(1)(c)1. when enforced by a traffic infraction detector 271 enforcement officer. 272 Section 71. Paragraph (d) of subsection (3) of section 273 322.27, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 274 322.27 Authority of department to suspend or revoke 275 license.--276 (3) There is established a point system for evaluation of 277 convictions of violations of motor vehicle laws or ordinances, 278 and violations of applicable provisions of s. 403.413(6)(b) when such violations involve the use of motor vehicles, for the 279 280 determination of the continuing qualification of any person to 281 operate a motor vehicle. The department is authorized to suspend the license of any person upon showing of its records or other 282 283 good and sufficient evidence that the licensee has been convicted 284 of violation of motor vehicle laws or ordinances, or applicable 285 provisions of s. 403.413(6)(b), amounting to 12 or more points as

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286	determined by the point system. The suspension shall be for a
287	period of not more than 1 year.
288	(d) The point system shall have as its basic element a
289	graduated scale of points assigning relative values to
290	convictions of the following violations:
291	1. Reckless driving, willful and wanton4 points.
292	2. Leaving the scene of a crash resulting in property
293	damage of more than \$506 points.
294	3. Unlawful speed resulting in a crash6 points.
295	4. Passing a stopped school bus4 points.
296	5. Unlawful speed:
297	a. Not in excess of 15 miles per hour of lawful or posted
298	speed3 points.
299	b. In excess of 15 miles per hour of lawful or posted
300	speed4 points.
301	6. A violation of a traffic control signal device as
302	provided in s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)14 points.
303	However, no points shall be imposed for a violation of s.
304	316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when a driver has failed to stop
305	at a traffic signal and when enforced by a traffic infraction
306	detector enforcement officer.
307	7. All other moving violations (including parking on a
308	highway outside the limits of a municipality)3 points. However,
309	no points shall be imposed for a violation of s. 316.0741 or s.
310	316.2065(12).
311	8. Any moving violation covered above, excluding unlawful
312	speed, resulting in a crash4 points.
313	9. Any conviction under s. 403.413(6)(b)3 points.
314	10. Any conviction under s. 316.0775(2)4 points.
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315	Section 72. The Department of Highway Safety and Motor
316	Vehicles and the Department of Transportation shall jointly
317	submit a report on the efficacy of traffic infraction detectors
318	in enhancing public safety to the Governor, the President of the
319	Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives on or
320	before January 1, 2013.
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322	========== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ===============
323	And the title is amended as follows:
324	On line(s) 3048, after the semicolon,
325	insert:
326	amending s. 316.003, F.S.; defining the term "traffic
327	infraction detector"; providing a short title; creating s.
328	316.0083, F.S.; preempting to the state the use of cameras
329	to enforce traffic laws; authorizing the use of traffic
330	infraction detectors and traffic infraction detector
331	enforcement officers by the Department of Highway Safety
332	and Motor Vehicles, the Department of Transportation,
333	counties, and municipalities; providing requirements for
334	notifying a driver of the issuance of a citation;
335	providing that the owner of the motor vehicle involved in
336	a violation is responsible and liable for payment of the
337	fine assessed; providing exceptions; establishing
338	admissibility of evidence as a rebuttable presumption of a
339	violation; providing that submission of a false affidavit
340	constitutes a second-degree misdemeanor; requiring the
341	Department of Transportation to adopt and publish
342	specifications relating to the operation and
343	implementation of traffic infraction detectors; requiring
344	that the specifications conform to certain minimum
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345 requirements; requiring the certification of a location by 346 a traffic engineer before a detector is installed; 347 authorizing the Department of Transportation to direct the 348 removal of a detector that fails to meet the required 349 specifications; authorizing the department to allow the 350 installation of a detector that does not conform to the 351 required specification upon a showing of good cause; 352 exempting certain existing traffic infraction detectors 353 from the requirements for meeting the department's 354 specifications for a specified period; requiring the 355 qualification of vendors by the Department of 356 Transportation; amending s. 316.640, F.S.; directing the 357 Department of Transportation to develop training and 358 qualifications for traffic infraction detector enforcement officers; amending s. 318.18, F.S.; providing for 359 360 penalties and distribution of fines for failing to stop at 361 a traffic signal when such violation is enforced by a 362 traffic infraction detector enforcement officer; amending 363 s. 322.27, F.S.; prohibiting the imposition of points 364 against a violator's driver's license for infractions 365 enforced by a traffic infraction detector enforcement 366 officer; directing the Department of Highway Safety and 367 Motor Vehicles and the Department of Transportation to 368 jointly report the efficacy of traffic infraction 369 detectors on or before a specified date;

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