

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senator Garcia

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the disposition of traffic
3 infractions; amending s. 318.21, F.S.; authorizing
4 local governments to impose surcharges on violations
5 of s. 316.1895, F.S., relating to school speed zones;
6 requiring that the surcharges be imposed pursuant to
7 an ordinance requiring public hearings; providing an
8 effective date.

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

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12 Section 1. Subsection (11) of section 318.21, Florida
13 Statutes, is amended to read:

14 318.21 Disposition of civil penalties by county courts.—All
15 civil penalties received by a county court pursuant to the
16 provisions of this chapter shall be distributed and paid monthly
17 as follows:

18 (11) (a) A county or municipality may, by majority vote of
19 the governing board of the respective county or municipality,
20 impose a surcharge on parking fines and violations of s.
21 316.1895 for the sole purpose of funding school crossing guard
22 programs; however, the governing body may set aside funds from
23 this surcharge to pay for startup costs and recurring
24 administrative costs related to printing new tickets or other
25 means of implementing the program. The surcharge must be
26 authorized by ordinance requiring public hearings.

27 ~~(b)~~ The proceeds of this surcharge must be placed in a
28 trust fund established by the governing body of the county or
29 municipality called the School Crossing Guard Trust Fund. Funds

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30 collected from this surcharge must be distributed quarterly to
31 fund the school crossing guard programs provided in subsection
32 (3).

33 (b)~~(e)~~ If a county government is operating a school
34 crossing guard program in the exercise of its municipal
35 responsibilities, the county may, by majority vote of its
36 governing board, impose a countywide surcharge on parking fines
37 and violations of s. 316.1895 for the sole purpose of funding
38 school crossing guard programs throughout the county; however,
39 the governing body may set aside funds from this surcharge to
40 pay for startup costs and recurring administrative costs related
41 to printing new tickets or other means of implementing the
42 program. The surcharge must be authorized by an ordinance
43 requiring public hearings. This surcharge, established by the
44 governing body of the county, must be placed in a trust fund
45 called the School Crossing Guard Trust Fund. Funds collected
46 from this surcharge must be distributed quarterly to
47 jurisdictions to fund school crossing guard programs based on
48 each jurisdiction's percentage of the school crossing guards in
49 the county school district.

50 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012.