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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to traffic infraction detectors;
3	amending s. 316.003, F.S.; revising definition of the
4	term "traffic infraction detector" to remove
5	requirements for issuance of notifications and
6	citations; amending s. 316.008, F.S.; removing the
7	authority of counties and municipalities to install
8	and use traffic infraction detectors to enforce
9	specified provisions when a driver fails to stop at a
10	traffic signal; amending ss. 28.37, 316.640, 316.650,
11	318.14, 318.18, and 322.27, F.S., relating to the
12	distribution of fines, enforcement by such detectors,
13	procedures for disposition of citations, penalties,
14	and distribution of proceeds, to conform provisions to
15	changes made by the act; repealing ss. 316.0083,
16	316.00831, and 321.50, F.S., relating to the
17	installation and use of traffic infraction detectors
18	to enforce specified provisions when a driver fails to
19	stop at a traffic signal; removing provisions that
20	authorize the Department of Highway Safety and Motor
21	Vehicles, a county, or a municipality to use such
22	detectors; repealing s. 316.07456, F.S., relating to
23	transitional implementation of such detectors;
24	repealing s. 316.0776, F.S., relating to placement and
25	installation of traffic infraction detectors;
26	providing an effective date.
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28	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: Page1of12

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30 Section 1. Subsection (87) of section 316.003, Florida 31 Statutes, is amended to read:

32 316.003 Definitions.—The following words and phrases, when 33 used in this chapter, shall have the meanings respectively 34 ascribed to them in this section, except where the context 35 otherwise requires:

36 (87)TRAFFIC INFRACTION DETECTOR.-A vehicle sensor 37 installed to work in conjunction with a traffic control signal 38 and a camera or cameras synchronized to automatically record two 39 or more sequenced photographic or electronic images or streaming video of only the rear of a motor vehicle at the time the 40 41 vehicle fails to stop behind the stop bar or clearly marked stop 42 line when facing a traffic control signal steady red light. Any 43 notification under s. 316.0083(1)(b) or traffic citation issued 44 by the use of a traffic infraction detector must include a 45 photograph or other recorded image showing both the license tag 46 of the offending vehicle and the traffic control device being violated. 47

48 Section 2. Subsection (8) of section 316.008, Florida
49 Statutes, is amended to read:

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316.008 Powers of local authorities.-

51 (8) (a) A county or municipality may use traffic infraction 52 detectors to enforce s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when a 53 driver fails to stop at a traffic signal on streets and highways 54 under its jurisdiction under s. 316.0083. Only a municipality 55 may install or authorize the installation of any such detectors 56 within the incorporated area of the municipality. Only a county 57 Page 2 of 12

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57 may install or authorize the installation of any such detectors 58 within the unincorporated area of the county. 59 (b) Pursuant to paragraph (a), a municipality may install 60 or, by contract or interlocal agreement, authorize the 61 installation of any such detectors only within the incorporated 62 area of the municipality, and a county may install or, by 63 contract or interlocal agreement, authorize the installation of 64 any such detectors only within the unincorporated area of the 65 county. A county may authorize installation of any such detectors by interlocal agreement on roads under its 66 67 jurisdiction. 68 (c) Pursuant to s. 316.0083, a county or municipality may 69 use traffic infraction detectors to enforce s. 316.074(1) or 70 316.075(1)(c)1. when a driver fails to stop at a traffic signal 71 on state roads under the original jurisdiction of the Department 72 of Transportation when permitted by the Department of 73 Transportation. 74 Section 3. Subsection (2) of section 28.37, Florida 75 Statutes, is amended to read: 76 28.37 Fines, fees, service charges, and costs remitted to 77 the state.-78 (2)Except as otherwise provided in ss. 28.241 and 34.041, 79 all court-related fines, fees, service charges, and costs are considered state funds and shall be remitted by the clerk to the 80 Department of Revenue for deposit into the Clerks of the Court 81 Trust Fund within the Justice Administrative Commission. 82 83 However, 10 percent of all court-related fines collected by the 84 clerk, except for penalties or fines distributed to counties Page 3 of 12

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85 municipalities under s. 316.0083(1)(b)3. or s. 318.18(15)(a), 86 shall be deposited into the clerk's Public Records Modernization 87 Trust Fund to be used exclusively for additional clerk court-88 related operational needs and program enhancements.

89 Section 4. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) and paragraph 90 (a) of subsection (5) of section 316.640, Florida Statutes, are 91 amended to read:

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

(1) STATE.-

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95 (b)1. The Department of Transportation has authority to 96 enforce on all the streets and highways of this state all laws 97 applicable within its authority.

98 2.a. The Department of Transportation shall develop 99 training and qualifications standards for toll enforcement 100 officers whose sole authority is to enforce the payment of tolls 101 pursuant to s. 316.1001. Nothing in this subparagraph shall be 102 construed to permit the carrying of firearms or other weapons, 103 nor shall a toll enforcement officer have arrest authority.

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

111 3. For the purpose of enforcing s. 316.0083, the 112 department may designate employees as traffic infraction Page 4 of 12

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113 enforcement officers. A traffic infraction enforcement officer 114 must successfully complete instruction in traffic enforcement 115 procedures and court presentation through the Selective Traffic 116 Enforcement Program as approved by the Division of Criminal 117 Justice Standards and Training of the Department of Law 118 Enforcement, or through a similar program, but may not 119 necessarily otherwise meet the uniform minimum standards 120 established by the Criminal Justice Standards and Training 121 Commission for law enforcement officers or auxiliary law 122 enforcement officers under s. 943.13. This subparagraph does not 123 authorize the carrying of firearms or other weapons by a traffic 124 infraction enforcement officer and does not authorize a traffic infraction enforcement officer to make arrests. The department's 125 126 traffic infraction enforcement officers must be physically 127 located in the state.

(5) (a) Any sheriff's department or police department of a 128 municipality may employ, as a traffic infraction enforcement 129 130 officer, any individual who successfully completes instruction in traffic enforcement procedures and court presentation through 131 132 the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program as approved by the 133 Division of Criminal Justice Standards and Training of the 134 Department of Law Enforcement, or through a similar program, but 135 who does not necessarily otherwise meet the uniform minimum 136 standards established by the Criminal Justice Standards and 137 Training Commission for law enforcement officers or auxiliary 138 law enforcement officers under s. 943.13. Any such traffic infraction enforcement officer who observes the commission of a 139 traffic infraction or, in the case of a parking infraction, who 140 Page 5 of 12

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141 observes an illegally parked vehicle may issue a traffic 142 citation for the infraction when, based upon personal 143 investigation, he or she has reasonable and probable grounds to 144 believe that an offense has been committed which constitutes a noncriminal traffic infraction as defined in s. 318.14. In 145 146 addition, any such traffic infraction enforcement officer may 147 issue a traffic citation under s. 316.0083. For purposes of 148 enforcing s. 316.0083, any sheriff's department or police 149 department of a municipality may designate employees as traffic 150 infraction enforcement officers. The traffic infraction 151 enforcement officers must be physically located in the county of 152 the respective sheriff's or police department.

153 Section 5. Paragraphs (a) and (c) of subsection (3) of 154 section 316.650, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 155

316.650 Traffic citations.-

156 (3) (a) Except for a traffic citation issued pursuant to s. 157 316.1001 or s. 316.0083, each traffic enforcement officer, upon 158 issuing a traffic citation to an alleged violator of any 159 provision of the motor vehicle laws of this state or of any 160 traffic ordinance of any municipality or town, shall deposit the 161 original traffic citation or, in the case of a traffic 162 enforcement agency that has an automated citation issuance 163 system, the chief administrative officer shall provide by an electronic transmission a replica of the citation data to a 164 165 court having jurisdiction over the alleged offense or with its 166 traffic violations bureau within 5 days after issuance to the 167 violator.

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169	traffic infraction enforcement officer shall provide by
170	electronic transmission a replica of the traffic citation data
171	to the court having jurisdiction over the alleged offense or its
172	traffic violations bureau within 5 days after the date of
173	issuance of the traffic citation to the violator.
174	Section 6. Subsection (2) of section 318.14, Florida
175	Statutes, is amended to read:
176	318.14 Noncriminal traffic infractions; exception;
177	procedures
178	(2) Except as provided in <u>s.</u> ss. 316.1001(2) and 316.0083 ,
179	any person cited for a violation requiring a mandatory hearing
180	listed in s. 318.19 or any other criminal traffic violation
181	listed in chapter 316 must sign and accept a citation indicating
182	a promise to appear. The officer may indicate on the traffic
183	citation the time and location of the scheduled hearing and must
184	indicate the applicable civil penalty established in s. 318.18.
185	For all other infractions under this section, except for
186	infractions under s. 316.1001, the officer must certify by
187	electronic, electronic facsimile, or written signature that the
188	citation was delivered to the person cited. This certification
189	is prima facie evidence that the person cited was served with
190	the citation.
191	Section 7. Subsection (15) of section 318.18, Florida
192	Statutes, is amended to read:
193	318.18 Amount of penaltiesThe penalties required for a
194	noncriminal disposition pursuant to s. 318.14 or a criminal
195	offense listed in s. 318.17 are as follows:
196	(15) (a)1. One hundred and fifty-eight dollars for a Page7 of 12
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197 violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when a driver 198 has failed to stop at a traffic signal and when enforced by a 199 law enforcement officer. Sixty dollars shall be distributed as 200 provided in s. 318.21, \$30 shall be distributed to the General 201 Revenue Fund, \$3 shall be remitted to the Department of Revenue 202 for deposit into the Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Trust Fund, 203 and the remaining \$65 shall be remitted to the Department of 204 Revenue for deposit into the Emergency Medical Services Trust 205 Fund of the Department of Health.

206 2. One hundred and fifty-eight dollars for a violation of s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when a driver has failed to 207 208 stop at a traffic signal and when enforced by the department's traffic infraction enforcement officer. One hundred dollars 209 shall be remitted to the Department of Revenue for deposit into 210 211 the General Revenue Fund, \$45 shall be distributed to the county 212 for any violations occurring in any unincorporated areas of the county or to the municipality for any violations occurring in 213 214 the incorporated boundaries of the municipality in which the infraction occurred, \$10 shall be remitted to the Department of 215 216 Revenue for deposit into the Department of Health Emergency 217 Medical Services Trust Fund for distribution as provided in s. 218 395.4036(1), and \$3 shall be remitted to the Department of 219 Revenue for deposit into the Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Trust 220 Fund.

221 3. One hundred and fifty-eight dollars for a violation of 222 s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when a driver has failed to 223 stop at a traffic signal and when enforced by a county's or 224 municipality's traffic infraction enforcement officer. Seventy-Page 8 of 12

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225 five dollars shall be distributed to the county or municipality 226 issuing the traffic citation, \$70 shall be remitted to the 227 Department of Revenue for deposit into the General Revenue Fund, 228 \$10 shall be remitted to the Department of Revenue for deposit 229 into the Department of Health Emergency Medical Services Trust 230 Fund for distribution as provided in s. 395.4036(1), and \$3 231 shall be remitted to the Department of Revenue for deposit into 232 the Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Trust Fund. 233 (b) Amounts deposited into the Brain and Spinal Cord 234 Injury Trust Fund pursuant to this subsection shall be 235 distributed quarterly to the Miami Project to Cure Paralysis and 236 shall be used for brain and spinal cord research. 237 (c) If a person who is cited for a violation of s. 238 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1., as enforced by a traffic 239 infraction enforcement officer under s. 316.0083, presents 240 documentation from the appropriate governmental entity that the 241 traffic citation was in error, the clerk of court may dismiss

243 (d) An individual may not receive a commission or per-244 ticket fee from any revenue collected from violations detected 245 through the use of a traffic infraction detector. A manufacturer 246 or vendor may not receive a fee or remuneration based upon the 247 number of violations detected through the use of a traffic 248 infraction detector.

the case. The clerk of court shall not charge for this service.

249 (e) Funds deposited into the Department of Health 250 Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund under this subsection 251 shall be distributed as provided in s. 395.4036(1).

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252 Section 8. Paragraph (d) of subsection (3) of section 253 322.27, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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

256 (3)There is established a point system for evaluation of 257 convictions of violations of motor vehicle laws or ordinances, 258 and violations of applicable provisions of s. 403.413(6)(b) when 259 such violations involve the use of motor vehicles, for the 260 determination of the continuing qualification of any person to 261 operate a motor vehicle. The department is authorized to suspend 262 the license of any person upon showing of its records or other 263 good and sufficient evidence that the licensee has been convicted of violation of motor vehicle laws or ordinances, or 264 265 applicable provisions of s. 403.413(6)(b), amounting to 12 or 266 more points as determined by the point system. The suspension 267 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:

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1. Reckless driving, willful and wanton-4 points.

272 2. Leaving the scene of a crash resulting in property273 damage of more than \$50-6 points.

274 3. Unlawful speed resulting in a crash-6 points.
275 4. Passing a stopped school bus-4 points.
276 5. Unlawful speed:

a. Not in excess of 15 miles per hour of lawful or postedspeed-3 points.

279 b. In excess of 15 miles per hour of lawful or posted Page 10 of 12

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280 speed-4 points.

281 6. A violation of a traffic control signal device as 282 provided in s. 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1.-4 points. 283 However, no points shall be imposed for a violation of s. 284 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when a driver has failed to 285 stop at a traffic signal and when enforced by a traffic 286 infraction enforcement officer. In addition, a violation of s. 287 316.074(1) or s. 316.075(1)(c)1. when a driver has failed to 288 stop at a traffic signal and when enforced by a traffic 289 infraction enforcement officer may not be used for purposes of 290 setting motor vehicle insurance rates.

7. All other moving violations (including parking on a highway outside the limits of a municipality)-3 points. However, no points shall be imposed for a violation of s. 316.0741 or s. 316.2065(11); and points shall be imposed for a violation of s. 316.1001 only when imposed by the court after a hearing pursuant to s. 318.14(5).

297 8. Any moving violation covered above, excluding unlawful298 speed, resulting in a crash-4 points.

299 9. Any conviction under s. 403.413(6)(b)-3 points. 300 10. Any conviction under s. 316.0775(2)-4 points. 301 Section 9. Sections 316.0083, 316.00831, and 321.50, 302 Florida Statutes, are repealed. 303 Section 10. Section 316.07456, Florida Statutes, is 304 repealed. 305 Section 11. Section 316.0776, Florida Statutes, is 306 repealed.

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