1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to student transportation safety;
3	amending s. 316.003, F.S.; revising the definition of
4	the term "local hearing officer"; amending s. 316.173,
5	F.S.; authorizing charter schools and private schools
6	to install and operate school bus infraction detection
7	systems; providing construction; authorizing traffic
8	infraction enforcement officers who meet specified
9	requirements and school board security agencies to
10	enforce specified violations; revising requirements
11	for signage posted on the rear of a school bus
12	indicating use of a school bus infraction detection
13	system; authorizing the governing board of a school
14	entity to establish certain procedures for a hearing
15	to contest liability or a notice of violation;
16	revising the required uses for civil penalties
17	assessed and collected for certain violations;
18	prohibiting school bus infraction detection systems
19	from being used for remote surveillance; providing
20	construction; revising purposes for which video and
21	images recorded as part of a school bus infraction
22	detection system may be used; amending s. 316.640,
23	F.S.; providing that a school safety officer who
24	completes certain training may be authorized by a
25	county, municipality, or school entity as a traffic
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26 infraction enforcement officer and may issue certain 27 notices and citations; amending s. 318.18, F.S.; 28 requiring certain civil penalties to be remitted to a 29 school district, charter school, or private school 30 operating a school bus with a school bus infraction 31 detection system to be used for certain purposes; 32 providing an effective date.

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

36 Section 1. Subsection (38) of section 316.003, Florida 37 Statutes, is amended to read:

38 316.003 Definitions.—The following words and phrases, when 39 used in this chapter, shall have the meanings respectively 40 ascribed to them in this section, except where the context 41 otherwise requires:

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(38) LOCAL HEARING OFFICER.-

43 (a) The person, designated by a department, county, or 44 municipality that elects to authorize traffic infraction 45 enforcement officers to issue traffic citations under ss. 46 316.0083(1)(a) and 316.1896(1), who is authorized to conduct hearings related to a notice of violation issued pursuant to s. 47 48 316.0083 or s. 316.1896. The charter county, noncharter county, or municipality may use its currently appointed code enforcement 49 board or special magistrate to serve as the local hearing 50

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51 officer. The department may enter into an interlocal agreement 52 to use the local hearing officer of a county or municipality. 53 (b) The person, designated by a school district, charter school, or private school that elects to authorize traffic 54 55 infraction enforcement officers or one or more law enforcement 56 agencies to issue traffic citations under s. 316.173, who is 57 authorized to conduct hearings related to a notice of violation issued pursuant to s. 316.173. The school district, charter 58 59 school, or private school may use an attorney in good standing 60 with The Florida Bar for at least 5 years designated by the governing board to serve as the local hearing officer. A local 61 62 hearing officer designated under this paragraph may serve in such office for one or more school entities, and such service 63 64 does not constitute dual officeholding as prohibited by s. 5(a), 65 Art. II of the State Constitution. The school district, charter 66 school, or private school may enter into an interlocal agreement 67 to use the local hearing officer of a county or municipality. 68 Section 2. Subsections (6) through (19) of section 69 316.173, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (7) 70 through (20), respectively, subsection (1), paragraph (a) of subsection (2), subsections (3), (4), and (5), and present 71 subsections (7), (8), (10), (11), (12), (16), and (17) are 72 73 amended, and a new subsection (6) is added to that section, to 74 read: 75 316.173 School bus infraction detection systems.-

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76 (1) (a) A school district, charter school, or private 77 school may install and operate a school bus infraction detection 78 system on a school bus for the purpose of enforcing s. 79 316.172(1)(a) and (b) as provided in and consistent with this 80 section.

The school district, charter school, or private school 81 (b) 82 may contract with a private vendor or manufacturer to install a school bus infraction detection system on any school bus within 83 84 its fleet, whether owned, contracted, or leased, and for 85 services including, but not limited to, the installation, operation, and maintenance of the system. The school district's, 86 87 charter school's, or private school's decision to install school bus infraction detection systems must be based solely on the 88 89 need to increase public safety. An individual may not receive a 90 commission from any revenue collected from violations detected 91 through the use of a school bus infraction detection system. A 92 private vendor or manufacturer may not receive a fee or 93 remuneration based upon the number of violations detected 94 through the use of a school bus infraction detection system. 95 This paragraph may not be construed to prohibit a private vendor 96 or manufacturer from receiving a fixed percentage of collected 97 proceeds for service rendered in relation to the installation, 98 operation, or maintenance of school bus infraction detection 99 systems. 100 The school district, charter school, or private school (C)

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101 must ensure that each school bus infraction detection system 102 meets the requirements of subsection (19) <del>(18)</del>.

103 The school district, charter school, or private school (d) 104 may must enter into an interlocal agreement with one or more law 105 enforcement agencies authorized to enforce violations of s. 316.172(1)(a) and (b) within the school district which jointly 106 107 establishes the responsibilities of enforcement and the reimbursement of costs associated with school bus infraction 108 109 detection systems consistent with this section. For the purposes of administering this section, a traffic infraction enforcement 110 officer who meets the requirements of s. 316.640 or a certified 111 school board security agency that employs law enforcement 112 officers may enforce violations of s. 316.172(1)(a) and (b) as 113 114 authorized by this section.

(2) (a) The school district, charter school, or private school must post high-visibility reflective signage on the rear of each school bus in which a school bus infraction detection system is installed and operational which indicates the use of such system. The signage must be in the form of one or more signs or stickers and must contain the following elements in substantially the following form:

The words "STOP WHEN RED LIGHTS FLASH" or "DO NOT PASS
 WHEN RED LIGHTS FLASH."

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2. The words "CAMERA ENFORCED."

125 3. A graphic depiction of a camera.

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126 If a school district, charter school, or private (3) 127 school that has never conducted a school bus infraction 128 detection system program begins such a program, the school 129 district, charter school, or private school must make a public 130 announcement and conduct a public awareness campaign of the 131 proposed use of school bus infraction detection systems at least 132 30 days before commencing enforcement under the school bus 133 infraction detection system program and notify the public of the 134 specific date on which the program will commence. During the 30-135 day public awareness campaign, only a warning may be issued to the registered owner of a motor vehicle for a violation of s. 136 137 316.172(1)(a) or (b) enforced by a school bus infraction 138 detection system, and a civil penalty may not be imposed under 139 chapter 318.

140 Within 30 days after an alleged violation of s. (4) 141 316.172(1)(a) or (b) is recorded by a school bus infraction 142 detection system, the school district, charter school, or 143 private school or the private vendor or manufacturer under 144 paragraph (1)(b) must submit the following information to a law 145 enforcement agency or a traffic infraction enforcement officer designated that has entered into an interlocal agreement with 146 147 the school district pursuant to paragraph (1)(d) and has traffic infraction enforcement jurisdiction at the location where the 148 149 alleged violation occurred:

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(a) A copy of the recorded video and images showing the

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151 motor vehicle allegedly violating s. 316.172(1)(a) or (b). 152 (b) The motor vehicle's license plate number and the state 153 of issuance of the motor vehicle's license plate. 154 (C) The date, time, and location of the alleged violation. 155 Within 30 days after receiving the information (5) 156 required in subsection (4), the law enforcement agency or its 157 agent, or a traffic infraction enforcement officer, if it is 158 determined determines that the motor vehicle violated s. 159 316.172(1)(a) or (b), must send a notice of violation to the 160 registered owner of the motor vehicle involved in the violation 161 specifying the remedies available under s. 318.14 and that the violator must pay the penalty under s. 318.18(5) or furnish an 162 affidavit in accordance with subsection (11) (10) within 30 days 163 164 after the notice of violation is sent in order to avoid court 165 fees, costs, and the issuance of a uniform traffic citation. The 166 notice of violation must be sent by first-class mail and include 167 all of the following: 168 (a) A copy of one or more recorded images showing the 169 motor vehicle involved in the violation, including an image 170 showing the license plate of the motor vehicle. 171 (b) The date, time, and location of the violation. 172 (C) The amount of the civil penalty, the date by which the 173 civil penalty must be paid, and instructions on how to pay the 174 civil penalty. 175 Instructions on how to request a hearing to contest (d) Page 7 of 25

176 liability or the notice of violation. In lieu of hearings 177 administered by a county traffic court, the governing board of a 178 school entity, by resolution, may establish the hearing 179 procedures provided in subsection (6). 180 A notice that the owner has the right to review, in (e) 181 person or remotely, the video and images recorded by the school 182 bus infraction detection system which constitute a rebuttable 183 presumption that the motor vehicle was used in violation of s. 184 316.172(1)(a) or (b). 185 The time when, and the place or website at which, the (f) 186 recorded video and images may be examined and observed. 187 A warning that failure to pay the civil penalty or to (q) contest liability within 30 days after the notice is sent will 188 189 result in the issuance of a uniform traffic citation. 190 The governing board of a school entity, by resolution, (6) 191 may establish the following procedures for a hearing under this 192 section: 193 (a) The department shall publish and make available 194 electronically to each school entity's governing board a model 195 request for hearing form to assist each school entity's 196 governing board administering this section. Such request for 197 hearing form must include the option for a person, referred to 198 in this subsection as the "petitioner," to choose whether to 199 attend the hearing in person or virtually. 200 (b) A school district, charter school, or private school

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201 operating school bus infraction detection systems on school 202 buses which elects to authorize traffic infraction enforcement 203 officers or one or more law enforcement agencies to issue 204 traffic citations under this section shall designate by 205 resolution existing staff or a designated staff agent to serve 206 as the clerk to the local hearing officer. 207 (c) A petitioner who elects to request a hearing under this section shall be scheduled for a hearing by the clerk to 208 209 the local hearing officer to appear before a local hearing 210 officer in person or virtually, with notice to be sent by first-211 class mail. Upon receipt of the notice, the petitioner may 212 reschedule the hearing once by submitting a written request to 213 reschedule to the clerk to the local hearing officer, at least 5 214 calendar days before the day of the originally scheduled 215 hearing. The petitioner may cancel his or her appearance before 216 the local hearing officer by paying the penalty assessed under 217 s. 318.18, plus \$50 in administrative costs, before the start of 218 the hearing. 219 (d) All testimony at the hearing shall be under oath and 220 shall be recorded. The local hearing officer shall take 221 testimony from a traffic infraction enforcement officer, or law enforcement agency designee, and the petitioner, and may take 222 testimony from others. The local hearing officer shall review 223 224 the video and images made available under this section. Formal 225 rules of evidence do not apply, but due process and the

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226	preponderance of evidence standard shall be observed and govern
227	the proceedings.
228	(e) At the conclusion of the hearing, the local hearing
229	officer shall determine whether a violation under this section
230	has occurred, in which case the hearing officer shall uphold or
231	dismiss the violation. The local hearing officer shall issue a
232	final administrative order including the determination and, if
233	the notice of violation is upheld, require the petitioner to pay
234	the penalty previously assessed under s. 318.18, and may also
235	require the petitioner to pay school entity costs, including
236	local hearing officer and hearing administrative costs, not to
237	exceed \$250. The final administrative order shall be mailed to
238	the petitioner by first-class mail.
239	(f) An aggrieved party may appeal a final administrative
240	order consistent with the process provided under s. 162.11.
241	(8) <del>(7)</del> The civil penalties assessed and collected for a
242	violation of s. 316.172(1)(a) or (b) enforced by a school bus
243	infraction detection system must be remitted to the school
244	district in which the violation occurred or to the charter
245	school or private school that reported the violation. Such civil
246	penalties must be used for the installation, operation, or
247	maintenance of school bus infraction detection systems on school
248	buses, <u>including student transportation safety initiatives,</u>
249	driver recruitment and retention stipends, or other student
250	transportation safety enhancements for any other technology that
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251 increases the safety of the transportation of students, or for 252 the administration and costs associated with the enforcement of 253 violations as described in this section.

254 <u>(9)(8)</u> A uniform traffic citation must be issued by 255 mailing the uniform traffic citation by certified mail to the 256 address of the registered owner of the motor vehicle involved in 257 the violation if payment has not been made within 30 days after 258 notification under subsection (5) and if the registered owner 259 has not submitted an affidavit in accordance with subsection 260 <u>(11)</u> <del>(10)</del>.

261 <u>(11)(10)</u> To establish such facts under subsection <u>(10)</u>262 (9), the registered owner of the motor vehicle must, within 30263 days after the date of issuance of the notice of violation or264 the uniform traffic citation, furnish to the law enforcement265 agency <u>or its agent who</u> that issued the notice of violation or266 uniform traffic citation an affidavit setting forth information267 supporting an exception under subsection <u>(10)</u> (9).

268 (a) An affidavit supporting the exception under paragraph 269 (10) (a) (9) (a) must include the name, address, date of birth, 270 and, if known, the driver license number of the person who 271 leased, rented, or otherwise had care, custody, or control of 272 the motor vehicle at the time of the alleged violation. If the 273 motor vehicle was stolen at the time of the alleged violation, 274 the affidavit must include the police report indicating that the motor vehicle was stolen. 275

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(b) If a uniform traffic citation for a violation of s.
316.172(1)(a) or (b) 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:

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.

289 2. Documented proof that the registered license plate 290 belonging to the deceased owner's motor vehicle was returned to 291 the department or any branch office or authorized agent of the 292 department after his or her death but on or before the date of 293 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.

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299 Upon receipt of the affidavit and documentation required under 300 paragraphs (b) and (c), or 30 days after the date of issuance of

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301 a notice of violation sent to a person identified as having 302 care, custody, or control of the motor vehicle at the time of 303 the violation under paragraph (a), the law enforcement agency or 304 its agent, or traffic infraction enforcement officer must 305 dismiss the notice or citation and provide proof of such 306 dismissal to the person who submitted the affidavit. If, within 307 30 days after the date of a notice of violation sent to a person 308 under subsection (12) (11), the law enforcement agency or its 309 agent, or traffic infraction enforcement officer receives an affidavit under subsection (13) (12) from the person who was 310 311 sent a notice of violation affirming that the person did not 312 have care, custody, or control of the motor vehicle at the time 313 of the violation, the law enforcement agency or its agent, or 314 traffic infraction enforcement officer must notify the 315 registered owner that the notice or citation will not be 316 dismissed due to failure to establish that another person had 317 care, custody, or control of the motor vehicle at the time of 318 the violation.

319 <u>(12)(11)</u> Upon receipt of an affidavit under paragraph 320 <u>(10)(a)</u>(9)(a), the law enforcement agency may issue the person 321 identified as having care, custody, or control of the motor 322 vehicle at the time of the violation a notice of violation 323 pursuant to subsection (5) for a violation of s. 316.172(1)(a) 324 or (b). The affidavit is admissible in a proceeding pursuant to 325 this section for the purpose of providing evidence that the

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326 person identified in the affidavit was in actual care, custody, 327 or control of the motor vehicle. The owner of a leased motor 328 vehicle for which a uniform traffic citation is issued for a 329 violation of s. 316.172(1)(a) or (b) is not responsible for 330 paying the uniform traffic citation and is not required to 331 submit an affidavit as specified in subsection (11) (10) if the 332 motor vehicle involved in the violation is registered in the 333 name of the lessee of such motor vehicle.

334 (13) (12) If a law enforcement agency or traffic infraction 335 enforcement officer receives an affidavit under paragraph 336 (10) (a) (9) (a), the notice of violation required under 337 subsection (5) must be sent to the person identified in the 338 affidavit within 30 days after receipt of the affidavit. The 339 person identified in an affidavit and sent a notice of violation 340 may also affirm he or she did not have care, custody, or control 341 of the motor vehicle at the time of the violation by furnishing 342 to the appropriate law enforcement agency or traffic infraction 343 enforcement officer within 30 days after the date of the notice 344 of violation an affidavit stating such.

345 <u>(17) (16) (a)1. Notwithstanding any other law, equipment</u> 346 deployed as part of A school bus infraction detection system as 347 provided under this section may not be <u>used for</u> capable of 348 automated or user-controlled remote surveillance. <u>The collection</u> 349 <u>of evidence by a school bus infraction detection system to</u> 350 enforce violations of s. 316.172 does not constitute remote

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351 surveillance.

352 2. Video and images recorded as part of a the school bus 353 infraction detection system may only be used for traffic 354 enforcement and for purposes of determining criminal or civil 355 liability for incidents captured by the school bus infraction 356 detection system incidental to the permissible use of the school 357 bus infraction detection system to document violations of s. 358 316.172(1)(a) and (b) and may not be used for any other 359 surveillance purposes.

360 2.3. To the extent practicable, a school bus infraction 361 detection system must use necessary technology to ensure that 362 personal identifying information contained in the video or still 363 images recorded by the system which is not relevant to the 364 alleged violation, including, but not limited to, the identity 365 of the driver and any passenger of a motor vehicle, the interior 366 or contents of a motor vehicle, the identity of an uninvolved 367 person, a number identifying the address of a private residence, 368 and the contents or interior of a private residence, is 369 sufficiently obscured so as not to reveal such personal 370 identifying information.

371 <u>3.4.</u> A notice of a violation or uniform traffic citation 372 issued under this section may not be dismissed solely because a 373 recorded video or still images reveal personal identifying 374 information as provided in subparagraph <u>2.</u> <del>3.</del> as long as a 375 reasonable effort has been made to comply with this subsection.

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376 Any recorded video or still image obtained through the (b) 377 use of a school bus infraction detection system must be 378 destroyed within 90 days after the final disposition of the 379 recorded event. The vendor of the school bus infraction 380 detection system must provide the school district, charter 381 school, or private school with written notice by December 31 of 382 each year that such records have been destroyed in accordance 383 with this section. 384 (C) Notwithstanding any other law, registered motor 385 vehicle owner information obtained as a result of the operation 386 of a school bus infraction detection system is not the property 387 of the manufacturer or vendor of the system and may be used only 388 for the purposes of this section. 389 (18) (17) (a) By October 1, 2023, and quarterly thereafter, 390 each school district, charter school, or private school, - in 391 consultation with the law enforcement agencies with which it has 392 interlocal agreements pursuant to this section, operating a 393 school bus infraction detection system must submit, in 394 consultation with the law enforcement agencies with which it has 395 interlocal agreements pursuant to this section or with traffic infraction enforcement officers designated pursuant to paragraph 396 397 (1)(d), a report to the department which details the results of the school bus infraction detection systems in the school 398 399 district, charter school, or private school in the preceding quarter. The information from the school districts, charter 400

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401 <u>schools, or private schools</u> must be submitted in a form and 402 manner determined by the department, which the department must 403 make available to the school districts by August 1, 2023, <u>and to</u> 404 <u>the charter schools and private schools by August 1, 2024,</u> and 405 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.

410 2. The number of notices of violations issued, the number 411 that were contested, the number that were upheld, the number 412 that were dismissed, the number that were issued as uniform 413 traffic citations, and the number that were paid.

3. Data for each infraction to determine locations in need of safety improvements. Such data <u>may must</u> 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.

420 4. Any other statistical data and information required by 421 the department to complete the report required by paragraph (c).

(b) Each school district, charter school, or private
school that operates a school bus infraction detection system is
responsible for and must maintain its respective data for
reporting purposes under this subsection for at least 2 years

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426 after such data is reported to the department.

427 (c) On or before December 31, 2024, and annually 428 thereafter, the department shall submit a summary report to the 429 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the 430 House of Representatives regarding the use and operation of 431 school bus infraction detection systems under this section, 432 along with the department's recommendations and any recommended 433 legislation. The summary report must include a review of the 434 information submitted to the department by the school districts, 435 charter schools, and private schools and must describe the 436 enhancement of traffic safety and enforcement programs.

437 Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1), paragraph (a)
438 of subsection (3), and paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of
439 section 316.640, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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

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(1) STATE.-

(a)1.a. The Division of Florida Highway Patrol of the 443 444 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; the Division of 445 Law Enforcement of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission; the Division of Law Enforcement of the Department of 446 447 Environmental Protection; and the agents, inspectors, and 448 officers of the Department of Law Enforcement each have authority to enforce all of the traffic laws of this state on 449 all the streets and highways thereof and elsewhere throughout 450

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451 the state wherever the public has a right to travel by motor 452 vehicle.

453 b. University police officers may enforce all of the 454 traffic laws of this state when violations occur on or within 455 1,000 feet of any property or facilities that are under the 456 quidance, supervision, regulation, or control of a state 457 university, a direct-support organization of such state 458 university, or any other organization controlled by the state 459 university or a direct-support organization of the state 460 university, or when such violations occur within a specified 461 jurisdictional area as agreed upon in a mutual aid agreement 462 entered into with a law enforcement agency pursuant to s. 463 23.1225(1). Traffic laws may also be enforced off-campus when 464 hot pursuit originates on or within 1,000 feet of any such 465 property or facilities, or as agreed upon in accordance with the 466 mutual aid agreement.

467 с. Florida College System institution police officers may 468 enforce all the traffic laws of this state only when such 469 violations occur on or within 1,000 feet of any property or 470 facilities that are under the guidance, supervision, regulation, 471 or control of the Florida College System institution, or when such violations occur within a specified jurisdictional area as 472 473 agreed upon in a mutual aid agreement entered into with a law 474 enforcement agency pursuant to s. 23.1225. Traffic laws may also be enforced off-campus when hot pursuit originates on or within 475

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476 1,000 feet of any such property or facilities, or as agreed upon 477 in accordance with the mutual aid agreement.

d. Police officers employed by an airport authority may
enforce all of the traffic laws of this state only when such
violations occur on any property or facilities that are owned or
operated by an airport authority.

482 (I) An airport authority may employ as a parking 483 enforcement specialist any individual who successfully completes 484 a training program established and approved by the Criminal 485 Justice Standards and Training Commission for parking enforcement specialists but who does not otherwise meet the 486 487 uniform minimum standards established by the commission for law 488 enforcement officers or auxiliary or part-time officers under s. 489 943.12. This sub-sub-subparagraph may not be construed to permit 490 the carrying of firearms or other weapons, nor shall such 491 parking enforcement specialist have arrest authority.

(II) A parking enforcement specialist employed by an airport authority may enforce all state, county, and municipal laws and ordinances governing parking only when such violations are on property or facilities owned or operated by the airport authority employing the specialist, by appropriate state, county, or municipal traffic citation.

e. The Office of Agricultural Law Enforcement of the
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services may enforce
traffic laws of this state.

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501 f. School safety officers may enforce all of the traffic laws of this state when such violations occur on or about any 502 503 property or facilities that are under the guidance, supervision, 504 regulation, or control of the district school board. A school 505 safety officer who successfully completes instruction in traffic 506 enforcement procedures and court presentation as specified in 507 paragraph (5)(a) may be authorized by a county, municipality, or 508 applicable school entity as a traffic infraction enforcement 509 officer and may issue notices of violation and uniform traffic 510 citations under s. 316.173 within the county in which the school district, charter school, or private school is located. 511

512 2. Any disciplinary action taken or performance evaluation 513 conducted by an agency of the state as described in subparagraph 514 1. of a law enforcement officer's traffic enforcement activity 515 must be in accordance with written work-performance standards. 516 Such standards must be approved by the agency and any collective 517 bargaining unit representing such law enforcement officer. A 518 violation of this subparagraph is not subject to the penalties 519 provided in chapter 318.

520 3. The Division of the Florida Highway Patrol may employ 521 as a traffic accident investigation officer any individual who 522 successfully completes instruction in traffic accident 523 investigation and court presentation through the Selective 524 Traffic Enforcement Program as approved by the Criminal Justice 525 Standards and Training Commission and funded through the

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526 National Highway Traffic Safety Administration or a similar 527 program approved by the commission, but who does not necessarily 528 meet the uniform minimum standards established by the commission 529 for law enforcement officers or auxiliary law enforcement 530 officers under chapter 943. Any such traffic accident 531 investigation officer who makes an investigation at the scene of 532 a traffic accident may issue traffic citations, based upon personal investigation, when he or she has reasonable and 533 534 probable grounds to believe that a person who was involved in 535 the accident committed an offense under this chapter, chapter 536 319, chapter 320, or chapter 322 in connection with the 537 accident. This subparagraph does not permit the officer to carry firearms or other weapons, and such an officer does not have 538 539 authority to make arrests.

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(3) MUNICIPALITIES.-

541 (a) The police department of each chartered municipality 542 shall enforce the traffic laws of this state on all the streets 543 and highways thereof and elsewhere throughout the municipality 544 wherever the public has the right to travel by motor vehicle, 545 including by the use of school bus infraction detection systems. 546 In addition, the police department may be required by a 547 municipality to enforce the traffic laws of this state on any 548 private or limited access road or roads over which the 549 municipality has jurisdiction pursuant to a written agreement entered into under s. 316.006(2) (b). However, nothing in this 550

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551 chapter shall affect any law, general, special, or otherwise, in 552 effect on January 1, 1972, relating to "hot pursuit" without the 553 boundaries of the municipality.

554 (5) (a) Any sheriff's department or police department of a 555 municipality may employ, as a traffic infraction enforcement 556 officer, any individual who successfully completes instruction 557 in traffic enforcement procedures and court presentation through 558 the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program as approved by the 559 Division of Criminal Justice Standards and Training of the 560 Department of Law Enforcement, or through a similar program, but who does not necessarily otherwise meet the uniform minimum 561 562 standards established by the Criminal Justice Standards and 563 Training Commission for law enforcement officers or auxiliary 564 law enforcement officers under s. 943.13. Any such traffic 565 infraction enforcement officer who observes the commission of a 566 traffic infraction or, in the case of a parking infraction, who 567 observes an illegally parked vehicle may issue a traffic 568 citation for the infraction when, based upon personal 569 investigation, he or she has reasonable and probable grounds to believe that an offense has been committed which constitutes a 570 noncriminal traffic infraction as defined in s. 318.14. In 571 addition, any such traffic infraction enforcement officer may 572 573 issue a traffic citation under ss. 316.0083, 316.173, and 316.1896. For purposes of enforcing ss. 316.0083, <u>316.173</u>, 574 575 316.1895, and 316.183, any sheriff's department or police

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576 department of a municipality may designate employees as traffic 577 infraction enforcement officers. The traffic infraction 578 enforcement officers must be physically located in the county of 579 the respective sheriff's or police department.

580 Section 4. Paragraph (c) of subsection (5) of section 581 318.18, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

582 318.18 Amount of penalties.—The penalties required for a 583 noncriminal disposition pursuant to s. 318.14 or a criminal 584 offense listed in s. 318.17 are as follows:

(5)

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586 (C) In addition to the penalty under paragraph (a) or 587 paragraph (b), \$65 for a violation of s. 316.172(1)(a) or (b). 588 If the alleged offender is found to have committed the offense, 589 the court shall impose the civil penalty under paragraph (a) or 590 paragraph (b) plus an additional \$65. The additional \$65 591 collected under this paragraph shall be remitted to the 592 Department of Revenue for deposit into the Emergency Medical 593 Services Trust Fund of the Department of Health to be used as 594 provided in s. 395.4036. If a violation of s. 316.172(1)(a) or 595 (b) is enforced by a school bus infraction detection system 596 pursuant to s. 316.173, the additional amount imposed on a 597 notice of violation, on a the uniform traffic citation, or by 598 the court under this paragraph must be \$25, in lieu of the 599 additional \$65, and must be remitted to the participating school district, charter school, or private school operating the school 600

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601	bus with a school bus infraction detection system. Such amounts			
602	must be used pursuant to s. 316.173(8).			
603	Section 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.			
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