By the Committee on Transportation; and Senator Burgess

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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 usage 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; conforming provisions
23	and cross-references to changes made by the act;
24	making technical changes; amending s. 316.640, F.S.;
25	providing that a school safety officer who completes
26	certain training may be authorized by a county,
27	municipality, or school entity as a traffic infraction
28	enforcement officer and may issue certain notices and
29	citations; conforming cross-references; amending s.

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30	318.18, F.S.; requiring that certain civil penalties
31	be remitted to a school district, charter school, or
32	private school operating a school bus with a school
33	bus infraction detection system to be used for certain
34	purposes; providing an effective date.
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36	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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38	Section 1. Subsection (38) of section 316.003, Florida
39	Statutes, is amended to read:
40	316.003 DefinitionsThe following words and phrases, when
41	used in this chapter, shall have the meanings respectively
42	ascribed to them in this section, except where the context
43	otherwise requires:
44	(38) LOCAL HEARING OFFICER
45	(a) The person, designated by a department, county, or
46	municipality that elects to authorize traffic infraction
47	enforcement officers to issue traffic citations under ss.
48	316.0083(1)(a) and 316.1896(1), who is authorized to conduct
49	hearings related to a notice of violation issued pursuant to s.
50	316.0083 or s. 316.1896. The charter county, noncharter county,
51	or municipality may use its currently appointed code enforcement
52	board or special magistrate to serve as the local hearing
53	officer. The department may enter into an interlocal agreement
54	to use the local hearing officer of a county or municipality.
55	(b) The person, designated by a school district, charter
56	school, or private school that elects to authorize traffic
57	infraction enforcement officers or one or more law enforcement
58	agencies to issue traffic citations under s. 316.173, who is

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596-02663-24 2024994c1 59 authorized to conduct hearings related to a notice of violation 60 issued pursuant to s. 316.173. The school district, charter 61 school, or private school may use an attorney in good standing 62 with The Florida Bar for at least 5 years designated by the 63 governing board to serve as the local hearing officer. A local 64 hearing officer designated under this paragraph may serve in 65 such office for one or more school entities, and such service 66 does not constitute dual officeholding as prohibited by s. 5(a), Art. II of the State Constitution. The school district, charter 67 school, or private school may enter into an interlocal agreement 68 69 to use the local hearing officer of a county or municipality. 70 Section 2. Present subsections (6) through (19) of section 316.173, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (7) 71 72 through (20), respectively, a new subsection (6) is added to 73 that section, and subsection (1), paragraph (a) of subsection 74 (2), subsections (3), (4), and (5), and present subsections (7), 75 (8), (10), (11), (12), (16), and (17) of that section are 76 amended, to read: 77 316.173 School bus infraction detection systems.-78 (1) (a) A school district, charter school, or private school 79 may install and operate a school bus infraction detection system 80 on a school bus for the purpose of enforcing s. 316.172(1)(a) and (b) as provided in and consistent with this section. 81 82 (b) The school district, charter school, or private school may contract with a private vendor or manufacturer to install a 83 school bus infraction detection system on any school bus within 84 85 its fleet, whether owned, contracted, or leased, and for

86 services including, but not limited to, the installation, 87 operation, and maintenance of the system. The school district's,

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88	charter school's, or private school's decision to install school
89	bus infraction detection systems must be based solely on the
90	need to increase public safety. An individual may not receive a
91	commission from any revenue collected from violations detected
92	through the use of a school bus infraction detection system. A
93	private vendor or manufacturer may not receive a fee or
94	remuneration based upon the number of violations detected
95	through the use of a school bus infraction detection system.
96	This paragraph may not be construed to prohibit a private vendor
97	or manufacturer from receiving a fixed percentage of collected
98	proceeds for service rendered in relation to the installation,
99	operation, or maintenance of school bus infraction detection
100	systems.
101	(c) The school district, charter school, or private school
102	must ensure that each school bus infraction detection system
103	meets the requirements of subsection $(19)$ $(18)$ .
104	(d) The school district, charter school, or private school
105	<u>may</u> must enter into an interlocal agreement with one or more law
106	enforcement agencies authorized to enforce violations of s.
107	316.172(1)(a) and (b) within the school district which jointly
108	establishes the responsibilities of enforcement and the
109	reimbursement of costs associated with school bus infraction
110	detection systems consistent with this section. For the purposes
111	of administering this section, a traffic infraction enforcement
112	officer who meets the requirements of s. 316.640 or a certified
113	school board security agency that employs law enforcement
114	officers may enforce violations of s. 316.172(1)(a) and (b) as
115	authorized by this section.
116	(2)(a) The school district, charter school, or private

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117	<u>school</u> must post high-visibility <del>reflective</del> signage on the rear
118	of each school bus in which a school bus infraction detection
119	system is installed and operational which indicates the use of
120	such system. The signage must be in the form of one or more
121	signs or stickers and must contain the following elements in
122	substantially the following form:
123	1. The words "STOP WHEN RED LIGHTS FLASH" or "DO NOT PASS
124	WHEN RED LIGHTS FLASH."
125	2. The words "CAMERA ENFORCED."
126	3. A graphic depiction of a camera.
127	(3) If a school district, charter school, or private school
128	that has never conducted a school bus infraction detection
129	system program begins such a program, the school district <u>,</u>
130	charter school, or private school must make a public
131	announcement and conduct a public awareness campaign of the
132	proposed use of school bus infraction detection systems at least
133	30 days before commencing enforcement under the school bus
134	infraction detection system program and notify the public of the
135	specific date on which the program will commence. During the 30-
136	day public awareness campaign, only a warning may be issued to
137	the registered owner of a motor vehicle for a violation of s.
138	316.172(1)(a) or (b) enforced by a school bus infraction
139	detection system, and a civil penalty may not be imposed under
140	chapter 318.
141	(4) Within 30 days after an alleged violation of s.
142	316.172(1)(a) or (b) is recorded by a school bus infraction
143	detection system, the school district, charter school, or
144	private school or the private vendor or manufacturer under
145	paragraph (1)(b) must submit the following information to a law

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146	enforcement agency or a traffic infraction enforcement officer
147	designated that has entered into an interlocal agreement with
148	the school district pursuant to paragraph (1)(d) and has traffic
149	infraction enforcement jurisdiction at the location where the
150	alleged violation occurred:
151	(a) A copy of the recorded video and images showing the
152	motor vehicle allegedly violating s. 316.172(1)(a) or (b).
153	(b) The motor vehicle's license plate number and the state
154	of issuance of the motor vehicle's license plate.
155	(c) The date, time, and location of the alleged violation.
156	(5) Within 30 days after receiving the information required
157	in subsection (4), the law enforcement agency <u>or its agent, or a</u>
158	traffic infraction enforcement officer, if it is determined
159	determines that the motor vehicle violated s. 316.172(1)(a) or
160	(b), must send $\underline{a}$ notice of violation to the registered owner of
161	the motor vehicle involved in the violation specifying the
162	remedies available under s. 318.14 and that the violator must
163	pay the penalty under s. 318.18(5) or furnish an affidavit in
164	accordance with subsection $(11)$ $(10)$ within 30 days after the
165	notice of violation is sent in order to avoid court fees, costs,
166	and the issuance of a uniform traffic citation. The notice of
167	violation must be sent by first-class mail and include all of
168	the following:
169	(a) A copy of one or more recorded images showing the motor
170	vehicle involved in the violation, including an image showing

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(b) The date, time, and location of the violation.

(c) The amount of the civil penalty, the date by which thecivil penalty must be paid, and instructions on how to pay the

the license plate of the motor vehicle.

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596-02663-24 2024994c1 175 civil penalty. 176 (d) Instructions on how to request a hearing to contest 177 liability or the notice of violation. In lieu of hearings 178 administered by a county traffic court, the governing board of a 179 school entity, by resolution, may establish the hearing 180 procedures provided in subsection (6). 181 (e) A notice that the owner has the right to review, in 182 person or remotely, the video and images recorded by the school bus infraction detection system which constitute a rebuttable 183 184 presumption that the motor vehicle was used in violation of s. 185 316.172(1)(a) or (b). 186 (f) The time when, and the place or website at which, the 187 recorded video and images may be examined and observed. 188 (q) A warning that failure to pay the civil penalty or to 189 contest liability within 30 days after the notice is sent will 190 result in the issuance of a uniform traffic citation. 191 (6) The governing board of a school entity, by resolution, 192 may establish the following procedures for a hearing under this 193 section: 194 (a) The department shall publish and make available 195 electronically to each school entity's governing board a model 196 Request for Hearing form to assist each school entity's 197 governing board administering this section. 198 (b) A school district, charter school, or private school 199 operating school bus infraction detection systems on school 200 buses which elects to authorize traffic infraction enforcement 201 officers or one or more law enforcement agencies to issue 202 traffic citations under this section shall designate by 203 resolution existing staff or a designated staff agent to serve

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596-02663-24 2024994c1 204 as the clerk to the local hearing officer. 205 (c) A person, referred to in this subsection as the 206 "petitioner," who elects to request a hearing under this section 207 must be scheduled for a hearing by the clerk to the local 208 hearing officer to appear before a local hearing officer with 209 notice to be sent by first-class mail. Upon receipt of the 210 notice, the petitioner may reschedule the hearing once by 211 submitting a written request to reschedule to the clerk to the 212 local hearing officer at least 5 calendar days before the day of 213 the originally scheduled hearing. The petitioner may cancel his 214 or her appearance before the local hearing officer by paying the 215 penalty assessed under s. 318.18, plus \$50 in administrative costs, before the start of the hearing. 216 217 (d) All testimony at the hearing must be under oath and 218 must be recorded. The local hearing officer shall take testimony 219 from a traffic infraction enforcement officer, or law 220 enforcement agency designee, and the petitioner, and may take 221 testimony from others. The local hearing officer shall review 222 the video and images made available under this section. Formal 223 rules of evidence do not apply, but due process and the 224 preponderance of evidence standard must be observed and govern 225 the proceedings. 226 (e) At the conclusion of the hearing, the local hearing 227 officer shall determine whether a violation under this section 228 has occurred, in which case the hearing officer shall uphold or 229 dismiss the violation. The local hearing officer shall issue a 230 final administrative order including the determination and, if the notice of violation is upheld, require the petitioner to pay 231 232 the penalty previously assessed under s. 318.18, and may also

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596-02663-24 2024994c1 233 require the petitioner to pay school entity costs, including 234 local hearing officer and hearing administrative costs, not to 235 exceed \$250. The final administrative order must be mailed to 236 the petitioner by first-class mail. 237 (f) An aggrieved party may appeal a final administrative 238 order consistent with the process provided under s. 162.11. 239 (8) (7) The civil penalties assessed and collected for a 240 violation of s. 316.172(1)(a) or (b) enforced by a school bus infraction detection system must be remitted to the school 241 242 district in which the violation occurred or to the charter 243 school or private school that reported the violation. Such civil 244 penalties must be used for the installation, operation, or 245 maintenance of school bus infraction detection systems on school 246 buses, including student transportation safety initiatives, driver recruitment and retention stipends, or other student 247 248 transportation safety enhancements for any other technology that 249 increases the safety of the transportation of students, or for 250 the administration and costs associated with the enforcement of 251 violations as described in this section.

252 <u>(9)(8)</u> A uniform traffic citation must be issued by mailing 253 the uniform traffic citation by certified mail to the address of 254 the registered owner of the motor vehicle involved in the 255 violation if payment has not been made within 30 days after 256 notification under subsection (5) and if the registered owner 257 has not submitted an affidavit in accordance with subsection 258 (11) <del>(10)</del>.

 $\begin{array}{c} 259 \\ \underline{(11)} (10) \\ \hline \end{array} \text{To establish such facts under subsection } \underline{(10)} (9), \\ 260 \\ \text{the registered owner of the motor vehicle must, within 30 days} \\ 261 \\ \text{after the date of issuance of the notice of violation or the} \end{array}$ 

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596-02663-24 2024994c1 262 uniform traffic citation, furnish to the law enforcement agency 263 or its agent who that issued the notice of violation or uniform 264 traffic citation an affidavit setting forth information 265 supporting an exception under subsection (10)  $\frac{(9)}{(9)}$ . 266 (a) An affidavit supporting the exception under paragraph 267 (10) (a) (9) (a) must include the name, address, date of birth, 268 and, if known, the driver license number of the person who 269 leased, rented, or otherwise had care, custody, or control of 270 the motor vehicle at the time of the alleged violation. If the 271 motor vehicle was stolen at the time of the alleged violation, the affidavit must include the police report indicating that the 272 273 motor vehicle was stolen. 274 (b) If a uniform traffic citation for a violation of s. 275 316.172(1)(a) or (b) was issued at the location of the violation by a law enforcement officer, the affidavit must include the 276 277 serial number of the uniform traffic citation. 278 (c) If the motor vehicle's owner to whom a notice of 279 violation or a uniform traffic citation has been issued is 280 deceased, the affidavit must include a certified copy of the 281 owner's death certificate showing that the date of death 282 occurred on or before the date of the alleged violation and one 283 of the following:

1. 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.

287 2. Documented proof that the registered license plate 288 belonging to the deceased owner's motor vehicle was returned to 289 the department or any branch office or authorized agent of the 290 department after his or her death but on or before the date of

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596-02663-24 2024994c1 the alleged violation. 291 292 3. A copy of the police report showing that the deceased 293 owner's registered license plate or motor vehicle was stolen 294 after his or her death but on or before the date of the alleged 295 violation. 296 297 Upon receipt of the affidavit and documentation required under 298 paragraphs (b) and (c), or 30 days after the date of issuance of 299 a notice of violation sent to a person identified as having 300 care, custody, or control of the motor vehicle at the time of 301 the violation under paragraph (a), the law enforcement agency or its agent, or traffic infraction enforcement officer must 302 303 dismiss the notice or citation and provide proof of such 304 dismissal to the person who submitted the affidavit. If, within 305 30 days after the date of a notice of violation sent to a person 306 under subsection (12) (11), the law enforcement agency or its 307 agent, or traffic infraction enforcement officer receives an 308 affidavit under subsection (13) (12) from the person who was 309 sent a notice of violation affirming that the person did not 310 have care, custody, or control of the motor vehicle at the time 311 of the violation, the law enforcement agency or its agent, or 312 traffic infraction enforcement officer must notify the 313 registered owner that the notice or citation will not be 314 dismissed due to failure to establish that another person had 315 care, custody, or control of the motor vehicle at the time of 316 the violation. 317 (12) (11) Upon receipt of an affidavit under paragraph

 $\frac{(12)}{(11)} (a) = \frac{(12)}{(11)} (a) (a)$ , the law enforcement agency may issue the person identified as having care, custody, or control of the motor

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596-02663-24 2024994c1 320 vehicle at the time of the violation a notice of violation 321 pursuant to subsection (5) for a violation of s. 316.172(1)(a)322 or (b). The affidavit is admissible in a proceeding pursuant to 323 this section for the purpose of providing evidence that the 324 person identified in the affidavit was in actual care, custody, 325 or control of the motor vehicle. The owner of a leased motor 326 vehicle for which a uniform traffic citation is issued for a 327 violation of s. 316.172(1)(a) or (b) is not responsible for 328 paying the uniform traffic citation and is not required to submit an affidavit as specified in subsection (11) (10) if the 329 motor vehicle involved in the violation is registered in the 330 331 name of the lessee of such motor vehicle.

332 (13) (12) If a law enforcement agency or traffic infraction 333 enforcement officer receives an affidavit under paragraph 334 (10) (a) (9) (a), the notice of violation required under 335 subsection (5) must be sent to the person identified in the 336 affidavit within 30 days after receipt of the affidavit. The 337 person identified in an affidavit and sent a notice of violation 338 may also affirm he or she did not have care, custody, or control 339 of the motor vehicle at the time of the violation by furnishing 340 to the appropriate law enforcement agency or traffic infraction 341 enforcement officer within 30 days after the date of the notice 342 of violation an affidavit stating such.

343 <u>(17) (a)1. (16) (a)1. Notwithstanding any other law, equipment</u> 344 deployed as part of A school bus infraction detection system as 345 provided under this section may not be <u>used for</u> capable of 346 automated or user-controlled remote surveillance. <u>The collection</u> 347 <u>of evidence by a school bus infraction detection system to</u> 348 enforce violations of s. 316.172 does not constitute remote

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349 surveillance.

350 2. Video and images recorded as part of a the school bus 351 infraction detection system may only be used for traffic 352 enforcement and for purposes of determining criminal or civil 353 liability for incidents captured by the school bus infraction 354 detection system incidental to the permissible use of the school 355 bus infraction detection system to document violations of s. 356 316.172(1)(a) and (b) and may not be used for any other 357 surveillance purposes.

358 2.3. To the extent practicable, a school bus infraction 359 detection system must use necessary technology to ensure that 360 personal identifying information contained in the video or still 361 images recorded by the system which is not relevant to the 362 alleged violation, including, but not limited to, the identity 363 of the driver and any passenger of a motor vehicle, the interior 364 or contents of a motor vehicle, the identity of an uninvolved 365 person, a number identifying the address of a private residence, 366 and the contents or interior of a private residence, is 367 sufficiently obscured so as not to reveal such personal 368 identifying information.

369 <u>3.4.</u> A notice of a violation or uniform traffic citation 370 issued under this section may not be dismissed solely because a 371 recorded video or still images reveal personal identifying 372 information as provided in subparagraph <u>2.</u> <del>3.</del> as long as a 373 reasonable effort has been made to comply with this subsection.

(b) Any recorded video or still image obtained through the use of a school bus infraction detection system must be destroyed within 90 days after the final disposition of the recorded event. The vendor of the school bus infraction

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404 infraction detection system installed, including the date of 406 installation and, if applicable, the date the systems were

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

- 412 3. Data for each infraction to determine locations in need 413 of safety improvements. Such data may must include, but is not 414 limited to, global positioning system coordinates of the 415 infraction, the date and time of the infraction, and the name of 416 the school that the school bus was transporting students to or 417 from.
- 418 4. Any other statistical data and information required by 419 the department to complete the report required by paragraph (c).

420 (b) Each school district, charter school, or private school that operates a school bus infraction detection system is 421 422 responsible for and must maintain its respective data for 423 reporting purposes under this subsection for at least 2 years 424 after such data is reported to the department.

425 (c) On or before December 31, 2024, and annually 426 thereafter, the department shall submit a summary report to the 427 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the 428 House of Representatives regarding the use and operation of 429 school bus infraction detection systems under this section, 430 along with the department's recommendations and any recommended legislation. The summary report must include a review of the 431 information submitted to the department by the school districts, 432 433 charter schools, and private schools and must describe the 434 enhancement of traffic safety and enforcement programs. 435 Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1), paragraph (a)

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596-02663-24 2024994c1 436 of subsection (3), and paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of 437 section 316.640, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 438 316.640 Enforcement.-The enforcement of the traffic laws of 439 this state is vested as follows: 440 (1) STATE.-441 (a)1.a. The Division of Florida Highway Patrol of the 442 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; the Division of Law Enforcement of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation 443 444 Commission; the Division of Law Enforcement of the Department of 445 Environmental Protection; and the agents, inspectors, and 446 officers of the Department of Law Enforcement each have 447 authority to enforce all of the traffic laws of this state on 448 all the streets and highways thereof and elsewhere throughout 449 the state wherever the public has a right to travel by motor 450 vehicle. 451 b. University police officers may enforce all of the traffic laws of this state when violations occur on or within 452 453 1,000 feet of any property or facilities that are under the 454 quidance, supervision, regulation, or control of a state 455 university, a direct-support organization of such state 456 university, or any other organization controlled by the state 457 university or a direct-support organization of the state 458 university, or when such violations occur within a specified 459 jurisdictional area as agreed upon in a mutual aid agreement 460 entered into with a law enforcement agency pursuant to s. 461 23.1225(1). Traffic laws may also be enforced off-campus when 462 hot pursuit originates on or within 1,000 feet of any such 463 property or facilities, or as agreed upon in accordance with the 464 mutual aid agreement.

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465 c. Florida College System institution police officers may 466 enforce all the traffic laws of this state only when such 467 violations occur on or within 1,000 feet of any property or 468 facilities that are under the guidance, supervision, regulation, 469 or control of the Florida College System institution, or when 470 such violations occur within a specified jurisdictional area as 471 agreed upon in a mutual aid agreement entered into with a law 472 enforcement agency pursuant to s. 23.1225. Traffic laws may also 473 be enforced off-campus when hot pursuit originates on or within 474 1,000 feet of any such property or facilities, or as agreed upon 475 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.

480 (I) An airport authority may employ as a parking 481 enforcement specialist any individual who successfully completes 482 a training program established and approved by the Criminal 483 Justice Standards and Training Commission for parking 484 enforcement specialists but who does not otherwise meet the 485 uniform minimum standards established by the commission for law 486 enforcement officers or auxiliary or part-time officers under s. 487 943.12. This sub-sub-subparagraph may not be construed to permit 488 the carrying of firearms or other weapons, nor shall such parking enforcement specialist have arrest authority. 489

(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

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596-02663-24 2024994c1 494 authority employing the specialist, by appropriate state, 495 county, or municipal traffic citation. 496 e. The Office of Agricultural Law Enforcement of the 497 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services may enforce 498 traffic laws of this state. 499 f. School safety officers may enforce all of the traffic 500 laws of this state when such violations occur on or about any 501 property or facilities that are under the guidance, supervision, 502 regulation, or control of the district school board. A school 503 safety officer who successfully completes instruction in traffic 504 enforcement procedures and court presentation as specified in 505 paragraph (5)(a) may be authorized by a county, municipality, or 506 applicable school entity as a traffic infraction enforcement 507 officer and may issue notices of violation and uniform traffic citations under s. 316.173 within the county in which the school 508 509 district, charter school, or private school is located. 510 2. Any disciplinary action taken or performance evaluation 511 conducted by an agency of the state as described in subparagraph 1. of a law enforcement officer's traffic enforcement activity 512

513 must be in accordance with written work-performance standards. 514 Such standards must be approved by the agency and any collective 515 bargaining unit representing such law enforcement officer. A 516 violation of this subparagraph is not subject to the penalties 517 provided in chapter 318.

518 3. The Division of the Florida Highway Patrol may employ as 519 a traffic accident investigation officer any individual who 520 successfully completes instruction in traffic accident 521 investigation and court presentation through the Selective 522 Traffic Enforcement Program as approved by the Criminal Justice

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596-02663-24 2024994c1 523 Standards and Training Commission and funded through the 524 National Highway Traffic Safety Administration or a similar 525 program approved by the commission, but who does not necessarily 526 meet the uniform minimum standards established by the commission 527 for law enforcement officers or auxiliary law enforcement 528 officers under chapter 943. Any such traffic accident 529 investigation officer who makes an investigation at the scene of 530 a traffic accident may issue traffic citations, based upon 531 personal investigation, when he or she has reasonable and 532 probable grounds to believe that a person who was involved in 533 the accident committed an offense under this chapter, chapter 534 319, chapter 320, or chapter 322 in connection with the 535 accident. This subparagraph does not permit the officer to carry 536 firearms or other weapons, and such an officer does not have 537 authority to make arrests. 538

(3) MUNICIPALITIES.-

539 (a) The police department of each chartered municipality 540 shall enforce the traffic laws of this state on all the streets 541 and highways thereof and elsewhere throughout the municipality 542 wherever the public has the right to travel by motor vehicle, 543 including by the use of school bus infraction detection systems. 544 In addition, the police department may be required by a 545 municipality to enforce the traffic laws of this state on any 546 private or limited access road or roads over which the 547 municipality has jurisdiction pursuant to a written agreement 548 entered into under s. 316.006(2)(b). However, nothing in this 549 chapter shall affect any law, general, special, or otherwise, in 550 effect on January 1, 1972, relating to "hot pursuit" without the boundaries of the municipality. 551

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596-02663-24 2024994c1 552 (5) (a) Any sheriff's department or police department of a 553 municipality may employ, as a traffic infraction enforcement 554 officer, any individual who successfully completes instruction 555 in traffic enforcement procedures and court presentation through 556 the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program as approved by the 557 Division of Criminal Justice Standards and Training of the 558 Department of Law Enforcement, or through a similar program, but 559 who does not necessarily otherwise meet the uniform minimum 560 standards established by the Criminal Justice Standards and 561 Training Commission for law enforcement officers or auxiliary 562 law enforcement officers under s. 943.13. Any such traffic 563 infraction enforcement officer who observes the commission of a traffic infraction or, in the case of a parking infraction, who 564 565 observes an illegally parked vehicle may issue a traffic 566 citation for the infraction when, based upon personal 567 investigation, he or she has reasonable and probable grounds to believe that an offense has been committed which constitutes a 568 noncriminal traffic infraction as defined in s. 318.14. In 569 570 addition, any such traffic infraction enforcement officer may 571 issue a traffic citation under ss. 316.0083, 316.173, and 572 316.1896. For purposes of enforcing ss. 316.0083, 316.173, 573 316.1895, and 316.183, any sheriff's department or police 574 department of a municipality may designate employees as traffic infraction enforcement officers. The traffic infraction 575 576 enforcement officers must be physically located in the county of 577 the respective sheriff's or police department. 578 Section 4. Paragraph (c) of subsection (5) of section 579 318.18, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 580 318.18 Amount of penalties.-The penalties required for a

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581	noncriminal disposition pursuant to s. 318.14 or a criminal
582	offense listed in s. 318.17 are as follows:
583	(5)
584	(c) In addition to the penalty under paragraph (a) or
585	paragraph (b), \$65 for a violation of s. 316.172(1)(a) or (b).
586	If the alleged offender is found to have committed the offense,
587	the court shall impose the civil penalty under paragraph (a) or
588	paragraph (b) plus an additional \$65. The additional \$65
589	collected under this paragraph shall be remitted to the
590	Department of Revenue for deposit into the Emergency Medical
591	Services Trust Fund of the Department of Health to be used as
592	provided in s. 395.4036. If a violation of s. 316.172(1)(a) or
593	(b) is enforced by a school bus infraction detection system
594	pursuant to s. 316.173, the additional amount imposed on $\underline{a}$
595	notice of violation, on a the uniform traffic citation, or by
596	the court under this paragraph must be \$25, in lieu of the
597	additional \$65, and must be remitted to the participating school
598	district, charter school, or private school operating the school
599	bus with a school bus infraction detection system. Such amounts
600	must be used pursuant to s. 316.173(8).
601	Section 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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