

RESOLUTION NO. 96- 35
RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE FLORIDA ASSOCIATION
OF COUNTIES TO SUPPORT THE
PROPOSED LEGISLATION ON CIVIL TRAFFIC PENALTIES

WHEREAS, the Florida Statutes do not provide adequate procedures for collection of unpaid penalties arising from traffic citations;

WHEREAS, counties, municipalities, the State of Florida, and other beneficiaries of traffic citation revenue are losing millions of dollars each year in uncollected revenue;

WHEREAS, it is unfair that some persons pay their civil penalties while others escape payment;

WHEREAS, the proposed legislation will establish a lien against the property owned by any violator who fails to pay when due a civil penalty for a traffic infraction, and provides for foreclosure procedures to enforce the liens;

WHEREAS, such liens will affect the credit ratings of violators which should be an additional incentive for payment;

WHEREAS, the proposed legislation allows persons who are indigent to avoid the lien by performing public works or community service;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY as follows:

The Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County recommends to the Florida Association of Counties that it support the passage of the proposed legislation (copy attached) by the Florida Legislature.

RESOLVED, PASSED AND ADOPTED at St. Johns County, Florida, this 27th day of February, 1996.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY

By: Donald Jordan
Its Chairman

ATTEST: CARL "BUD" MARKEL, CLERK

By: Rosemary Lewis
Deputy Clerk