



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 453

LCO No. 2878



Referred to Committee on FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

Introduced by:
(FIN)

AN ACT CONCERNING REMISSION OF REVENUE FROM CERTAIN TRAFFIC FINES TO MUNICIPALITIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 51-56a of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2016*):

3 (a) Each clerk of the Supreme Court and Superior Court shall
4 account for and pay or deposit all fees, fines, forfeitures and
5 contributions made to the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund and
6 the proceeds of judgments of such clerk's office in the manner
7 provided by section 4-32. If any such clerk fails to so account and pay
8 or deposit, such failure shall be reported by the Treasurer to the Chief
9 Court Administrator who may thereupon remove the clerk. When any
10 such clerk dies before so accounting and paying or depositing, the
11 Treasurer shall require the executor of such clerk's will or
12 administrator of such clerk's estate to so account. If any such clerk is
13 removed from office, the Treasurer shall require such clerk to account
14 for any money of the state remaining in such clerk's hands at the time

15 of such removal and, if such clerk neglects to so account, the Treasurer
16 shall certify the neglect to the Chief Court Administrator.

17 (b) The state shall remit to (1) the municipalities in which the
18 violations occurred all amounts received in respect to the violation of
19 subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 14-12, sections 14-251, 14-
20 252, 14-253a and 14-305 to 14-308, inclusive, or any regulation adopted
21 thereunder or ordinance enacted in accordance therewith, and (2) the
22 three municipalities in the state (A) with the largest population based
23 on the most recent federal decennial census, and (B) in which the
24 violations occurred, fifty per cent of all amounts received in respect to
25 the violation of section 14-250b, or any ordinance enacted in
26 accordance therewith. Each clerk of the Superior Court or the Chief
27 Court Administrator, or any other official of the Superior Court
28 designated by the Chief Court Administrator, shall, on or before the
29 thirtieth day of January, April, July and October in each year, certify to
30 the Comptroller the amount due for the previous quarter under this
31 subsection to each municipality served by the office of the clerk or
32 official, provided prior to the institution of court proceedings, a city,
33 town or borough shall have the authority to collect and retain all
34 proceeds from parking violations committed within the jurisdiction of
35 such city, town or borough.

36 (c) For the purpose of providing additional funds for municipal and
37 state police training, each person who pays in any sum as (1) a fine or
38 forfeiture for any violation of section 14-12, 14-215, 14-219, 14-222, 14-
39 224, 14-225, 14-227a, 14-266, 14-267a, 14-269 or 14-283, or (2) a fine or
40 forfeiture for any infraction, shall pay an additional fee of one dollar
41 for each eight dollars or fraction thereof of the amount such person is
42 required to pay, except if such payment is made for violation of such a
43 section which is deemed to be an infraction, such additional fee shall
44 be only on the first eighty-eight dollars of such fine or forfeiture. Such
45 additional fee charged shall be deposited in the General Fund.

46 (d) Each person who pays in any sum as a fine or forfeiture for any

47 violation of sections 14-218a, 14-219, 14-222, 14-223, 14-227a, sections
48 14-230 to 14-240, inclusive, sections 14-241 to 14-249, inclusive, section
49 14-279 for the first offense, sections 14-289b, 14-299, 14-301 to 14-303,
50 inclusive, or any regulation adopted under said sections or ordinance
51 enacted in accordance with said sections shall pay an additional fee of
52 fifteen dollars. The state shall remit to the municipalities in which the
53 violations occurred the amounts paid under this subsection. Each clerk
54 of the Superior Court or the Chief Court Administrator, or any other
55 official of the Superior Court designated by the Chief Court
56 Administrator, on or before the thirtieth day of January, April, July
57 and October in each year, shall certify to the Comptroller the amount
58 due for the previous quarter under this subsection to each
59 municipality served by the office of the clerk or official.

60 (e) The state shall remit to the municipalities in which the violation
61 occurred all fine amounts received in respect to the violation of section
62 14-279 after crediting twelve per cent of such fine amounts to the
63 Special Transportation Fund established under section 13b-68 and
64 crediting eight per cent of such fine amounts to the General Fund. Each
65 clerk of the Superior Court or the Chief Court Administrator, or any
66 other official of the Superior Court designated by the Chief Court
67 Administrator, shall, on or before the thirtieth day of January, April,
68 July and October in each year, certify to the Comptroller the amount
69 due for the previous quarter under this subsection to each
70 municipality served by the office of the clerk or official.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2016</i>	51-56a

Statement of Purpose:

To require that fifty per cent of any fines paid for blocking an intersection in one of the three largest municipalities be remitted to the municipality in which such violation occurred.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]