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TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Elissa Nagy, Finance Director

THROUGH: Jeffrey R. Smith, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller

DATE: February 9, 2018

SUBJECT: Dori Slosberg Driver Education Safety Act

Indian River County Traffic Education Program Trust Fund Report

Cumulative Reporting Through 12/31/17

BACKGROUND

On August 20, 2002, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Ordinance Number 2002-026 creating the Indian River County Traffic Education Program Trust Fund (our Fund 137). This ordinance authorized a \$3 traffic ticket surcharge, which is collected by the Clerk of the Circuit Court. On September 19, 2006, the Board adopted Ordinance 2006-035 to repeal this fine.

Subsequently on February 17, 2015, the Board elected to reinstate and increase the driver education fee to \$5 under Ordinance Number 2015-003. The new fee was effective March 1, 2015 and is charged on each civil traffic penalty assessed in the County. As noted in the ordinance, these funds shall be used "to fund driver education programs in public and nonpublic schools".

Attached to this memo is a report of the revenues and expenditures from the inception of the initial \$3 fee (October 1, 2002) and includes the new \$5 fee commencing in March 2015. As of December 31, 2017, the balance in the Fund is \$77,820.

The Clerk's office will continue to provide a quarterly report of the traffic education trust activity.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board of County Commissioners accept the attached report.