Sponsor: Berry

This bill changes the laws regarding the distribution of fines and court costs for traffic violations. Currently, if a city, town, or village receives more than 35% of its total annual revenue from fines and court costs for traffic violations, all revenue from these violations in excess of 35% must be sent to the Director of the Department of Revenue. The bill changes the requirement to apply only to a city, town, or village with less than \$2 million in general revenue excluding fines and court costs collected for cited moving violations whether the violations are finally adjudicated as a moving or nonmoving violation and with fines and court costs from cited moving violations in excess of \$70,000, whether the violations are finally adjudicated as a moving or nonmoving violation. The governing body of the city, town, or village must prepare and send to the department an annual report of the fines and court costs collected and the entity's general revenue for the year. If the fines and court costs exceed the 35% limit, the entity must include the payment of any excess revenues with the report. The department director is required to annually disburse the excess revenues to the schools of that county in the same manner that proceeds of all penalties, forfeitures, and fines collected for any breach of the laws of the state are distributed. Failure to send the annual report or excess revenue to the department director will result in the city, town, or village being subject to a civil penalty of up to \$1,000.