Hoyt Axton "Speed Trap"

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I'm the cop in a little bitty town And I don't get much pay Oh, but I caught seventeen out-of-state cars And four of my friends today

Yeah, I let the hometwon boys go home They paid five dollars bail Oh, but all the drivers in the out-of-sate cars Had to go to jail

Yeah, they hollered and they moaned, they cried and they groaned
They all swore that they'd sue
But the judge was high, and so was I
And we needed the money due

Yeah, the judge and me got a deal, you see We split the money fair 'Cept thirty percent to the county seat Keep the law out of our hair

And ol' Charlie's workin' out real good at down at the corner store where the red light is. He sees them out-of-state plates two blocks away. When they get right on top of that green light, ol' Charlie pushes that secret button underneath the corner drug store counter. And that yellow light only lasts for a tenth of a second.

Yeah, the county pays me about fourty a week Ain't that the livin' end If it wasn't for them tourists in them out-of-state cars I'd have no loot to spend

But the way it stands this year so far, I've made four hundred thou For a high school dropout, I'm doin' fine I'm makin' more than the president now

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So if you're drivin' down the road And a flashin' light you see If they're on top of a red Rolls-Royce You can bet your boots it's me

'Cause I'm the cop in a little bitty town And I'd sure like to see All you drivers in them out-of-state cars Try to get by me

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