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## THE FRIDAY FILE

# Sorry, fellas, rules are rules in Winter Park

**W**inter Park firefighters hoping to raise \$5,000 for the Muscular Dystrophy Association had to cut short their solicitation campaign on Labor Day when they learned a hard lesson: A good cause can create trouble. For 2½ days, on-duty uniformed firefighters stationed themselves at two intersections and collected \$4,450 from passing motorists. But Monday morning a police officer ordered them to stop because they were standing on medians and walking into streets to collect money, a violation of state law. Firefighters thought they had obtained the proper permission: Public Safety Director Ray Beary, who oversees both police and fire departments, had okayed their fund-raising drive. But the police officer told them permission aside, they could not go into the roads. Disappointed firefighters, whose collections were halted about 10 a.m., said they would have needed just a little more time to meet their goal. "We could have made that by 3 p.m.," said Robert Roop.