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11	Senator McKay moved the following amendment:
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13	Senate Amendment (with title amendment)
14	On page 5, between lines 7 and 8,
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16	insert:
17	Section 2. Paragraph (d) of subsection (2) of section
18	212.055, Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, is amended, and
19	subsection (8) is added to that section, to read:
20	212.055 Discretionary sales surtaxes; legislative
21	intent; authorization and use of proceedsIt is the
22	legislative intent that any authorization for imposition of a
23	discretionary sales surtax shall be published in the Florida
24	Statutes as a subsection of this section, irrespective of the
25	duration of the levy. Each enactment shall specify the types
26	of counties authorized to levy; the rate or rates which may be
27	imposed; the maximum length of time the surtax may be imposed,
28	if any; the procedure which must be followed to secure voter
29	approval, if required; the purpose for which the proceeds may
30	be expended; and such other requirements as the Legislature
31	may provide. Taxable transactions and administrative

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procedures shall be as provided in s. 212.054.

(2) LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE SURTAX. --

(d)1. The proceeds of the surtax authorized by this subsection and any interest accrued thereto shall be expended by the school district or within the county and municipalities within the county, or, in the case of a negotiated joint county agreement, within another county, to finance, plan, and construct infrastructure and to acquire land for public recreation or conservation or protection of natural resources and to finance the closure of county-owned or municipally owned solid waste landfills that are already closed or are required to close by order of the Department of Environmental Protection. Any use of such proceeds or interest for purposes of landfill closure prior to July 1, 1993, is ratified. Neither the proceeds nor any interest accrued thereto shall be used for operational expenses of any infrastructure, except that any county with a population of less than 75,000 that is required to close a landfill by order of the Department of Environmental Protection may use the proceeds or any interest accrued thereto for long-term maintenance costs associated with landfill closure. Counties, as defined in s. 125.011(1), and charter counties may, in addition, use the proceeds and any interest accrued thereto to retire or service indebtedness incurred for bonds issued prior to July 1, 1987, for infrastructure purposes, and for bonds subsequently issued to refund such bonds. Any use of such proceeds or interest for purposes of retiring or servicing indebtedness incurred for such refunding bonds prior to July 1, 1999, is ratified.

- 2. For the purposes of this paragraph,
 "infrastructure" means:
 - a. Any fixed capital expenditure or fixed capital

outlay associated with the construction, reconstruction, or improvement of public facilities which have a life expectancy of 5 or more years and any land acquisition, land improvement, design, and engineering costs related thereto.

- b. A fire department vehicle, an emergency medical service vehicle, a sheriff's office vehicle, a police department vehicle, or any other vehicle, and such equipment necessary to outfit the vehicle for its official use or equipment that has a life expectancy of at least 5 years.
- 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of this subsection, a discretionary sales surtax imposed or extended after the effective date of this act may provide for an amount not to exceed 15 percent of the local option sales surtax proceeds to be allocated for deposit to a trust fund within the county's accounts created for the purpose of funding economic development projects of a general public purpose targeted to improve local economies, including the funding of operational costs and incentives related to such economic development. The ballot statement must indicate the intention to make an allocation under the authority of this subparagraph.
 - (8) MUNICIPAL CAPITAL OUTLAY SURTAX. --
- (a) The governing body of any municipality may levy, pursuant to resolution conditioned to take effect only upon approval by a majority vote of the electors of the municipality voting in a referendum, a discretionary sales surtax at a rate that may not exceed 0.5 percent.
- (b) The resolution shall include a statement that provides a brief and general description of the capital outlay projects to be funded by the surtax. The statement shall conform to the requirements of s. 101.161 and shall be placed

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on the ballot by the governing body of the municipality. The 2 following question shall be placed on the ballot: 3 4FOR THECENTS TAX 5AGAINST THECENTS TAX 6 7 (c) The resolution providing for the imposition of the surtax shall set forth a plan for use of the surtax proceeds 8 9 for fixed capital expenditures or fixed capital costs 10 associated with the construction, reconstruction, or improvement of municipal facilities that have a useful life 11 12 expectancy of 5 or more years, and any land acquisition, land improvement, design, and engineering costs related thereto. 13 Surtax revenues may be used for the purpose of servicing bond 14 15 indebtedness to finance projects authorized by this 16 subsection, and any interest accrued thereto may be held in 17 trust to finance such projects. Neither the proceeds of the 18 surtax nor any interest accrued thereto shall be used for operational expenses. 19 (d) Surtax revenues collected by the Department of 20 21 Revenue pursuant to this subsection shall be distributed to the municipality imposing the surtax in accordance with law. 22 Section 3. Subsection (7) of section 212.054, Florida 23 24 Statutes, 1998 Supplement, is amended to read: 25 212.054 Discretionary sales surtax; limitations, administration, and collection. --26 27 (7)(a) The governing body of any county levying a 28 discretionary sales surtax, or the school board of any county levying the school capital outlay surtax authorized by s. 29

31 the capital outlay surtax authorized by s. 212.055(8)shall

212.055(7), or the governing body of any municipality levying

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notify the department within 10 days after final adoption by ordinance or referendum of an imposition, termination, or rate change of the surtax, but no later than November 16 prior to the effective date. The notice must specify the time period during which the surtax will be in effect and the rate and must include a copy of the ordinance and such other information as the department requires by rule. Failure to timely provide such notification to the department shall result in the delay of the effective date for a period of 1 year.

(b) In addition to the notification required by paragraph (a), the governing body of any county proposing to levy a discretionary sales surtax, or the school board of any county proposing to levy the school capital outlay surtax authorized by s. 212.055(7), or the governing body of any municipality proposing to levy the capital outlay surtax authorized by s. 212.055(8)shall notify the department by October 1 if the referendum or consideration of the ordinance that would result in imposition, termination, or rate change of the surtax is scheduled to occur on or after October 1 of that year. Failure to timely provide such notification to the department shall result in the delay of the effective date for a period of 1 year.

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25 (Redesignate subsequent sections.) 26

And the title is amended as follows:

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30 On page 1, lines 2 and 3, delete those lines 31

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and insert:

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An act relating to taxes; amending s. 212.055, F.S.; revising provisions which authorize certain counties to use tax proceeds to retire or service indebtedness for bonds issued before July 1, 1987, for infrastructure purposes; including charter counties within such authorization; authorizing use of interest accrued on tax proceeds for such purpose; extending such authorization to bonds subsequently issued to refund such bonds; ratifying prior use of tax proceeds and interest for such refunding bonds; authorizing municipalities to impose a capital outlay surtax; providing for a referendum; amending s. 15 16 212.054, F.S.; providing for the governing body of a municipality levying the surtax to notify the Department of Revenue; amending s. 212.04, F.S.;

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