

By Representative Romeo

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to the charter county transit  
3           surtax; amending s. 212.055, F.S.; removing a  
4           limitation on which charter counties may levy a  
5           charter county transit surtax; providing an  
6           effective date.

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8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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10           Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section  
11   212.055, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

12           212.055 Discretionary sales surtaxes; legislative  
13   intent; authorization and use of proceeds.--It is the  
14   legislative intent that any authorization for imposition of a  
15   discretionary sales surtax shall be published in the Florida  
16   Statutes as a subsection of this section, irrespective of the  
17   duration of the levy. Each enactment shall specify the types  
18   of counties authorized to levy; the rate or rates which may be  
19   imposed; the maximum length of time the surtax may be imposed,  
20   if any; the procedure which must be followed to secure voter  
21   approval, if required; the purpose for which the proceeds may  
22   be expended; and such other requirements as the Legislature  
23   may provide. Taxable transactions and administrative  
24   procedures shall be as provided in s. 212.054.

25           (1) CHARTER COUNTY TRANSIT SYSTEM SURTAX.--

26           (a) Each charter county ~~which adopted a charter prior~~  
27   ~~to June 1, 1976~~, and each county the government of which is  
28   consolidated with that of one or more municipalities, may levy  
29   a discretionary sales surtax, subject to approval by a  
30   majority vote of the electorate of the county or by a charter  
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1 amendment approved by a majority vote of the electorate of the  
2 county.

3 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a  
4 law.

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7 HOUSE SUMMARY

8 Removes a charter county transit surtax limitation  
9 operating to authorize only those charter counties which  
10 adopted a charter before June 1, 1976, to levy the  
11 surtax.

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