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| 1 | A bill to be entitled |
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| 2 | An act relating to transportation funding; |
| 3 | amending s. 206.606, F.S.; eliminating the |
| 4 | deduction of service charges and administrative |
| 5 | costs from the proceeds of the fuel sales taxes |
| 6 | on motor fuel and diesel fuel deposited in the |
| 7 | Fuel Tax Collection Trust Fund; amending s. |
| 8 | 206.608, F.S.; eliminating the deduction of |
| 9 | service charges and administrative costs from |
| 10 | the proceeds of the State Comprehensive |
| 11 | Enhanced Transportation System Tax on motor |
| 12 | fuel and diesel fuel deposited in the Fuel Tax |
| 13 | Collection Trust Fund; providing for use of the |
| 14 | revenues derived from elimination of such costs |
| 15 | and service charges; amending ss. 215.20, |
| 16 | 215.22, F.S.; providing that the 7-percent |
| 17 | service charge for the cost of general |
| 18 | government and the additional 0.3-percent |
| 19 | service charge shall not be deducted from the |
| 20 | Fuel Tax Collection Trust Fund, the Local |
| 21 | Alternative Fuel User Fee Clearing Trust Fund, |
| 22 | the Local Option Fuel Tax Trust Fund, the State |
| 23 | Alternative Fuel User Fee Clearing Trust Fund, |
| 24 | and taxes on motor fuels other than gasoline |
| 25 | levied under s. 206.87(1)(a), F.S.; amending |
| 26 | ss. 206.875, 206.879, 206.9845, 206.9945, |
| 27 | 212.0501, F.S., to conform; amending s. |
| 28 | 320.072, F.S.; providing that a portion of the |
| 29 | revenues from the additional fee on certain |
| 30 | motor vehicle registration transactions shall |
| 31 | be used to fund the County Incentive Grant |
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| 1 | Program rather than deposited in the General |
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| 2 | Revenue Fund in certain fiscal years; amending |
| 3 | ss. 206.41, 336.021, 336.025, F.S.; providing |
| 4 | that the rates of the ninth-cent fuel tax on |
| 5 | motor fuel and the local option fuel tax on |
| б | motor fuel, if approved by counties through |
| 7 | referendum or adoption of a local ordinance, |
| 8 | may be adjusted annually based on the Consumer |
| 9 | Price Index; providing for notification of tax |
| 10 | rates by the Department of Revenue; eliminating |
| 11 | the deduction of administrative costs from the |
| 12 | proceeds of the local option fuel taxes on |
| 13 | motor fuel and diesel fuel; expanding the uses |
| 14 | of proceeds from local option fuel taxes on |
| 15 | motor fuel and diesel fuel; including governing |
| 16 | bodies of certain municipalities as authorized |
| 17 | users of certain proceeds; repealing s. |
| 18 | 215.211(3), F.S., which provides for future |
| 19 | reduction and elimination of the 7-percent |
| 20 | service charge deducted from proceeds of the |
| 21 | local option fuel tax distributed under s. |
| 22 | 336.025, F.S.; exempting funds generated by the |
| 23 | act from certain provisions requiring 15 |
| 24 | percent of transportation funds be earmarked |
| 25 | for public transportation; providing an |
| 26 | effective date. |
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| 28 | Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: |
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| 30 | Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 206.606, Florida |
| 31 | Statutes, is amended to read: |
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1 206.606 Distribution of certain proceeds.--2 (1) Moneys collected pursuant to ss. 206.41(1)(g) and 3 206.87(1)(e) shall be deposited in the Fuel Tax Collection Trust Fund. Such moneys, after deducting the service charges 4 imposed by s. 215.20, the refunds granted pursuant to s. 5 6 206.41, and the administrative costs incurred by the 7 department in collecting, administering, enforcing, and 8 distributing the tax, which administrative costs may not 9 exceed 2 percent of collections, shall be distributed monthly to the State Transportation Trust Fund, except that: 10 (a) \$6.30 million shall be transferred to the 11 12 Department of Environmental Protection in each fiscal year and 13 deposited in the Invasive Plant Control Trust Fund to be used for aquatic plant management, including nonchemical control of 14 aquatic weeds, research into nonchemical controls, and 15 enforcement activities. Beginning in fiscal year 1993-1994, 16 17 the department shall allocate at least \$1 million of such 18 funds to the eradication of melaleuca. (b) \$2.5 million shall be transferred to the State 19 Game Trust Fund in the Fish and Wildlife Conservation 20 21 Commission in each fiscal year and used for recreational 22 boating activities, and freshwater fisheries management and 23 research. The transfers must be made in equal monthly amounts beginning on July 1 of each fiscal year. The commission shall 2.4 annually determine where unmet needs exist for boating-related 25 26 activities, and may fund such activities in counties where, 27 due to the number of vessel registrations, sufficient 2.8 financial resources are unavailable. 1. A minimum of \$1.25 million shall be used to fund 29 30 local projects to provide recreational channel marking, public launching facilities, aquatic plant control, and other local 31 ٦

1 boating related activities. In funding the projects, the commission shall give priority consideration as follows: 2 a. Unmet needs in counties with populations of 100,000 3 or less. 4 b. Unmet needs in coastal counties with a high level 5 6 of boating related activities from individuals residing in 7 other counties. 2. The remaining \$1.25 million may be used for 8 recreational boating activities and freshwater fisheries 9 management and research. 10 3. The commission is authorized to adopt rules 11 12 pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to implement a Florida 13 Boating Improvement Program similar to the program administered by the Department of Environmental Protection and 14 established in rules 62D-5.031 - 62D-5.036, Florida 15 Administrative Code, to determine projects eligible for 16 17 funding under this subsection. 18 On February 1 of each year, the commission shall file an 19 annual report with the President of the Senate and the Speaker 20 21 of the House of Representatives outlining the status of its 22 Florida Boating Improvement Program, including the projects 23 funded, and a list of counties whose needs are unmet due to insufficient financial resources from vessel registration 2.4 25 fees. 0.65 percent of moneys collected pursuant to s. 26 (C) 27 206.41(1)(q) shall be transferred to the Agricultural 2.8 Emergency Eradication Trust Fund. 29 (d) A portion of the moneys attributable to the sale 30 of motor and diesel fuel at marinas shall be transferred from the Fuel Tax Collection Trust Fund to the Marine Resources 31 4

1 Conservation Trust Fund in the Fish and Wildlife Conservation 2 Commission as follows: 1. \$2.5 million in fiscal year 2003-2004; 3 2. \$5.0 million in fiscal year 2004-2005; 4 3. \$8.5 million in fiscal year 2005-2006; 5 б 4. \$10.9 million in fiscal year 2006-2007; and 7 5. \$13.4 million in fiscal year 2007-2008 and each 8 fiscal year thereafter. Section 2. Section 206.608, Florida Statutes, is 9 10 amended to read: 206.608 State Comprehensive Enhanced Transportation 11 12 System Tax; deposit of proceeds; distribution. -- Moneys 13 received pursuant to ss. 206.41(1)(f) and 206.87(1)(d) shall be deposited in the Fuel Tax Collection Trust Fund, and, after 14 deducting the service charge imposed in chapter 215 and 15 16 administrative costs incurred by the department in collecting, 17 administering, enforcing, and distributing the tax, which 18 administrative costs may not exceed 2 percent of collections, shall be distributed as follows: 19 (1) 0.65 percent of the proceeds of the tax levied 20 21 pursuant to s. 206.41(1)(f) shall be transferred to the 22 Agricultural Emergency Eradication Trust Fund. 23 (2) The remaining proceeds of the tax levied pursuant to s. 206.41(1)(f) and all of the proceeds from the tax 2.4 imposed by s. 206.87(1)(d) shall be transferred into the State 25 Transportation Trust Fund, and may be used only for projects 26 27 in the adopted work program in the district in which the tax 2.8 proceeds are collected and, to the maximum extent feasible, 29 such moneys shall be programmed for use in the county where collected. However, no revenue from the taxes imposed pursuant 30 to ss. 206.41(1)(f) and 206.87(1)(d) in a county shall be 31

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1 expended unless the projects funded with such revenues have 2 been included in the work program adopted pursuant to s. 3 339.135. 4 Section 3. Use of revenue derived from elimination of deduction of administrative costs on certain taxes.--Beginning 5 б July 1, 2005, the increased revenues derived from the 7 elimination of the deduction of administrative costs from the 8 proceeds of the fuel sales taxes on motor fuel and diesel fuel under section 206.606, Florida Statutes, the State 9 10 Comprehensive Enhanced Transportation System Tax under section 206.608, Florida Statutes, and the local option fuel taxes on 11 12 motor fuel and diesel fuel under section 336.025, Florida 13 Statutes, shall be deposited in the State Transportation Trust Fund and used to fund the County Incentive Grant Program, with 14 50 percent of the funds collected to be spent in the county of 15 16 origin. 17 Section 4. Paragraph (p) of subsection (4) of section 18 215.20, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 215.20 Certain income and certain trust funds to 19 contribute to the General Revenue Fund .--2.0 21 (4) The income of a revenue nature deposited in the 22 following described trust funds, by whatever name designated, 23 is that from which the appropriations authorized by subsection (3) shall be made: 2.4 (p) Within the Department of Revenue: 25 26 1. The Additional Court Cost Clearing Trust Fund. 27 2. The Administrative Trust Fund. 2.8 3. The Apalachicola Bay Oyster Surcharge Clearing 29 Trust Fund. 30 4. The Certification Program Trust Fund. 5. The Fuel Tax Collection Trust Fund. 31

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1 5.6. The Land Reclamation Trust Fund. 2 7. The Local Alternative Fuel User Fee Clearing Trust 3 Fund. 4 8. The Local Option Fuel Tax Trust Fund. 5 6.9. The Motor Vehicle Rental Surcharge Clearing Trust б Fund. 7 7.10. The Motor Vehicle Warranty Trust Fund. 8 8.11. The Oil and Gas Tax Trust Fund. 9 9.12. The Secondhand Dealer and Secondary Metals Recycler Clearing Trust Fund. 10 10.13. The Severance Tax Solid Mineral Trust Fund. 11 12 14. The State Alternative Fuel User Fee Clearing Trust 13 Fund. 15. All taxes levied on motor fuels other than 14 15 gasoline levied pursuant to the provisions of s. 206.87(1)(a). 16 17 The enumeration of the foregoing moneys or trust funds shall not prohibit the applicability thereto of s. 215.24 should the 18 Governor determine that for the reasons mentioned in s. 215.24 19 the money or trust funds should be exempt herefrom, as it is 20 21 the purpose of this law to exempt income from its force and 22 effect when, by the operation of this law, federal matching 23 funds or contributions or private grants to any trust fund would be lost to the state. 2.4 Section 5. Paragraphs (v), (w), (x), (y), and (z) are 25 added to subsection (1) of section 215.22, Florida Statutes, 26 27 to read: 28 215.22 Certain income and certain trust funds 29 exempt. --30 31

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1 (1) The following income of a revenue nature or the 2 following trust funds shall be exempt from the appropriation required by s. 215.20(1): 3 4 (v) The Fuel Tax Collection Trust Fund created by s. 5 206.875. б (w) All taxes levied on motor fuels other than 7 gasoline pursuant to s. 206.87(1)(a). 8 (x) The State Alternative Fuel User Fee Clearing Trust Fund established pursuant to s. 206.879(1). 9 10 (y) The Local Alternative Fuel User Fee Clearing Trust Fund established pursuant to s. 206.879(2). 11 12 (z) The Local Option Fuel Tax Trust Fund created 13 pursuant to s. 336.025. Section 6. Use of revenues derived from elimination of 14 deduction of service charges. -- Beginning July 1, 2005, the 15 increased revenues derived from the elimination of the 16 17 deduction of the service charges imposed under section 18 215.20(1) and (3), Florida Statutes, from the Fuel Tax Collection Trust Fund, all taxes on motor fuels other than 19 gasoline levied under section 206.87(1)(a) and part IV of 20 21 chapter 206, Florida Statutes, the State Alternative Fuel User Fee Clearing Trust Fund, the Local Alternative Fuel User Fee 2.2 23 Clearing Trust Fund, and the Local Option Fuel Tax Trust Fund shall be deposited in the State Transportation Trust Fund and 2.4 25 used to fund the County Incentive Grant Program, except that the increased revenues derived from the elimination of the 26 27 deduction of the service charge imposed under section 2.8 215.20(1), Florida Statutes, from the proceeds of any tax levied by a county under section 336.025(1)(b), Florida 29 Statutes, shall be returned directly to the county levying 30 31 <u>such tax.</u>

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1 Section 7. Subsection (1) of section 206.875, Florida 2 Statutes, is amended to read: 3 206.875 Allocation of tax.--4 (1) All moneys derived from the taxes imposed by this 5 part shall be paid into the State Treasury by the department 6 for deposit in the Fuel Tax Collection Trust Fund, from which 7 the following transfers shall be made: After withholding 8 \$10,000 from the proceeds of 4 cents of such tax, to be used as a revolving cash balance, all other moneys shall be 9 transferred in the same manner and for the same purpose as 10 provided by law for allocation of the taxes levied in part I, 11 12 including deduction of the service charges provided for in s. 13 215.20 and the administrative costs incurred by the department in collecting, administering, enforcing, and distributing the 14 tax, which administrative costs may not exceed 2 percent of 15 16 collections. 17 Section 8. Section 206.879, Florida Statutes, is 18 amended to read: 206.879 State and local alternative fuel user fee 19 clearing trust funds; distribution. --20 21 (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 206.875, the 2.2 revenues from the state alternative fuel fees imposed by s. 23 206.877 shall be deposited into the State Alternative Fuel User Fee Clearing Trust Fund, which is hereby created. After 2.4 25 deducting the service charges provided in s. 215.20, The 26 proceeds in this trust fund shall be distributed as follows: 27 one-fifth of the proceeds in calendar year 1991, one-third of 2.8 the proceeds in calendar year 1992, three-sevenths of the proceeds in calendar year 1993, and one-half of the proceeds 29 in each calendar year thereafter shall be transferred to the 30 State Transportation Trust Fund; the remainder shall be 31

1 distributed as follows: 50 percent shall be transferred to 2 the State Board of Administration for distribution according to the provisions of s. 16, Art. IX of the State Constitution 3 of 1885, as amended; 25 percent shall be transferred to the 4 Revenue Sharing Trust Fund for Municipalities; and the 5 6 remaining 25 percent shall be distributed using the formula 7 contained in s. 206.60(1). (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 206.875, the 8 revenues from the local alternative fuel fees imposed in lieu 9 of s. 206.87(1)(b) or (c) shall be deposited into the Local 10 Alternative Fuel User Fee Clearing Trust Fund, which is hereby 11 12 created. After deducting the service charges provided in s. 13 215.20, The proceeds in this trust fund shall be returned monthly to the appropriate county. 14 Section 9. Section 206.9845, Florida Statutes, is 15 16 amended to read: 17 206.9845 Distribution of proceeds.--Moneys collected 18 pursuant to this part shall be deposited in the Fuel Tax Collection Trust Fund. Such moneys, after deducting the 19 service charges imposed by s. 215.20, the refunds granted 20 pursuant to s. 206.9855, and the administrative costs incurred 21 22 by the department in collecting, administering, enforcing, and 23 distributing the tax, which administrative costs may not exceed 2 percent of collections, shall be distributed monthly 2.4 to the State Transportation Trust Fund. 25 Section 10. Subsection (1) of section 206.9945, 26 27 Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 2.8 206.9945 Funds collected; disposition; department 29 authority.--30 (1) The department shall deposit all funds received and collected by it under this part into the Fuel Tax 31

1 Collection Trust Fund to be transferred, less the costs of 2 administration and less the service charges to be deducted pursuant to s. 215.20, as follows: 3 (a) Moneys collected pursuant to s. 206.9935(1) shall 4 be transferred to the Florida Coastal Protection Trust Fund as 5 6 provided in s. 376.11; 7 (b) Moneys collected pursuant to s. 206.9935(2) shall 8 be transferred to the Water Quality Assurance Trust Fund as provided in s. 376.307; and 9 (c) Moneys collected pursuant to s. 206.9935(3), less 10 any refunds granted under s. 206.9942, shall be transferred to 11 12 the Inland Protection Trust Fund as provided in s. 376.3071. 13 Section 11. Subsection (6) of section 212.0501, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 14 212.0501 Tax on diesel fuel for business purposes; 15 16 purchase, storage, and use .--17 (6) All taxes required to be paid on fuel used in 18 self-propelled off-road equipment shall be deposited in the Fuel Tax Collection Trust Fund, to be distributed, after 19 deduction of the general revenue service charge pursuant to s. 20 21 215.20, to the State Transportation Trust Fund. The 22 department shall, each month, make a transfer, from general 23 revenue collections, equal to such use tax reported on dealers' sales and use tax returns. 2.4 Section 12. Subsection (4) of section 320.072, Florida 25 Statutes, is amended to read: 26 27 320.072 Additional fee imposed on certain motor 2.8 vehicle registration transactions.--(4) A tax collector or other duly authorized agent of 29 30 the department shall promptly remit all moneys collected pursuant to this section, less any refunds granted pursuant to 31 11

subsection (3), to the department to be deposited into the 1 2 State Transportation Trust Fund. Thirty percent of such moneys shall be used to fund the County Incentive Grant Program 3 4 provided for under s. 339.2817, of which half must be allocated to the county of origin. 5 б Section 13. Paragraphs (d), (e), and (f) of subsection 7 (1) of section 206.41, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 8 206.41 State taxes imposed on motor fuel.--9 (1) The following taxes are imposed on motor fuel 10 under the circumstances described in subsection (6): (d)1. An additional tax of 1 cent per net gallon may 11 12 be imposed by each county on motor fuel, which shall be 13 designated as the "ninth-cent fuel tax." This tax shall be levied and used as provided in s. 336.021. 14 2. Beginning January 1, 2006, and on January 1 of each 15 year thereafter, counties may, by referendum or by a super 16 17 majority vote of the county commission, provide that the tax 18 rate set forth in subparagraph 1. be adjusted by the percentage change in the average of the Consumer Price Index 19 issued by the United States Department of Labor for the most 20 21 recent 12-month period ending September 30 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a cent, as determined by the Department of 22 23 Revenue. However, the tax rate may not be less than 1 cent a 2.4 gallon. 25 3. All impositions and rate changes of the tax shall be levied before July 1, to be effective January 1 of the 26 27 following year. 2.8 4. A certified copy of the referendum placed on the ballot by the board of county commissioners or of the 29 ordinance that authorizes the indexing of the tax authorized 30 by this section must be furnished by the county to the 31

1 Department of Revenue within 10 days after the approval of the referendum or the adoption of the ordinance indexing the tax. 2 3 5. The department shall notify each terminal supplier, 4 position holder, wholesaler, and importer of the tax rate 5 applicable under this paragraph for the 12-month period 6 beginning January 1. 7 (e)1. An additional tax of between 1 cent and 11 cents 8 per net gallon may be imposed on motor fuel by each county, 9 which shall be designated as the "local option fuel tax." 10 This tax shall be levied and used as provided in s. 336.025. 2. Beginning January 1, 2006, and on January 1 of each 11 12 year thereafter, counties may, by referendum or by a super majority vote of the county commission, provide that the tax 13 rate set forth in s. 336.025(1)(a) and (b) be adjusted by the 14 percentage change in the average of the Consumer Price Index 15 issued by the United States Department of Labor for the most 16 17 recent 12-month period ending September 30 and rounded to the 18 nearest tenth of a cent, as determined by the Department of Revenue. However, the tax rate may not be less than the rate 19 per gallon levied pursuant to subparagraph 1. 2.0 21 3. All impositions and rate changes of the tax shall be levied before July 1, to be effective January 1 of the 2.2 23 following year. 4. A certified copy of the referendum placed on the 2.4 ballot by the board of county commissioners or of the 25 ordinance that authorizes the indexing of the tax authorized 26 27 by this section must be furnished by the county to the 2.8 Department of Revenue within 10 days after the approval of the referendum or the adoption of the ordinance indexing the tax. 29 30 5. The department shall notify each terminal supplier, position holder, wholesaler, and importer of the tax rate 31

1 applicable under this paragraph for the 12-month period 2 <u>beginning January 1.</u> (f)1. An additional tax designated as the State 3 Comprehensive Enhanced Transportation System Tax is imposed on 4 each net gallon of motor fuel in each county. This tax shall 5 6 be levied and used as provided in s. 206.608. 7 2. The rate of the tax in each county shall be equal 8 to two-thirds of the lesser of the sum of the taxes imposed on motor fuel pursuant to paragraphs (d) and (e) in such county 9 after the adjustments made pursuant to subparagraphs (d)2. and 10 (e)2. or 6 cents, rounded to the nearest tenth of a cent. 11 3. Beginning January 1, 1992, and on January 1 of each 12 13 year thereafter, the tax rate provided in subparagraph 2. shall be adjusted by the percentage change in the average of 14 the Consumer Price Index issued by the United States 15 Department of Labor for the most recent 12-month period ending 16 17 September 30, compared to the base year average, which is the 18 average for the 12-month period ending September 30, 1990, and rounded to the nearest tenth of a cent. 19 20 4. The department shall notify each terminal supplier, 21 position holder, wholesaler, and importer of the tax rate 22 applicable under this paragraph for the 12-month period 23 beginning January 1. Section 14. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 2.4 336.021, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 25 336.021 County transportation system; levy of 26 27 ninth-cent fuel tax on motor fuel and diesel fuel.--2.8 (1)(a)<u>1.</u> Any county in the state, by extraordinary vote of the membership of its governing body or subject to a 29 referendum, may levy the tax imposed by ss. 206.41(1)(d) and 30 206.87(1)(b). 31

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| 1 | 2. The rate of the ninth-cent fuel tax on motor fuel |
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| 2 | shall be adjusted each January 1 as provided in s. |
| 3 | 206.41(1)(d)2. The rate of any such tax being levied on that |
| 4 | date shall be automatically adjusted. Any referendum or |
| 5 | ordinance levying such a tax which was adopted on or after |
| 6 | July 1, 2005, must specify that the rate of the tax is subject |
| 7 | to adjustment as provided in s. 206.41(1)(d)2. |
| 8 | 3. County and municipal governments may use the moneys |
| 9 | received under this paragraph only for transportation |
| 10 | expenditures as defined in s. 336.025(7). |
| 11 | Section 15. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (1), |
| 12 | paragraph (a) of subsection (2), and subsections (7) and (8) |
| 13 | of section 336.025, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: |
| 14 | 336.025 County transportation system; levy of local |
| 15 | option fuel tax on motor fuel and diesel fuel |
| 16 | (1)(a) In addition to other taxes allowed by law, |
| 17 | there may be levied as provided in ss. 206.41(1)(e) and |
| 18 | 206.87(1)(c) a 1-cent, 2-cent, 3-cent, 4-cent, 5-cent, or |
| 19 | 6-cent local option fuel tax upon every gallon of motor fuel |
| 20 | and diesel fuel sold in a county and taxed under the |
| 21 | provisions of part I or part II of chapter 206. <u>The rates of</u> |
| 22 | the local option fuel tax on motor fuel authorized by this |
| 23 | paragraph shall be adjusted each January 1 as provided in s. |
| 24 | 206.41(1)(e)2. The rate of any such tax being levied on that |
| 25 | date shall be automatically adjusted. Any referendum or |
| 26 | ordinance levying such a tax which was adopted on or after |
| 27 | July 1, 2005, must specify that the rate of tax is subject to |
| 28 | adjustment as provided in s. 206.41(1)(e)2. |
| 29 | 1. All impositions and rate changes of the tax shall |
| 30 | be levied before July 1 to be effective January 1 of the |
| 31 | following year for a period not to exceed 30 years, and the |
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1 applicable method of distribution shall be established 2 pursuant to subsection (3) or subsection (4). However, levies of the tax which were in effect on July 1, 2002, and which 3 expire on August 31 of any year may be reimposed at the 4 current authorized rate effective September 1 of the year of 5 6 expiration. Upon expiration, the tax may be relevied provided 7 that a redetermination of the method of distribution is made 8 as provided in this section. 2. County and municipal governments shall utilize 9 moneys received pursuant to this paragraph only for 10 transportation expenditures. 11 12 3. Any tax levied pursuant to this paragraph may be 13 extended on a majority vote of the governing body of the county. A redetermination of the method of distribution shall 14 be established pursuant to subsection (3) or subsection (4), 15 if, after July 1, 1986, the tax is extended or the tax rate 16 17 changed, for the period of extension or for the additional 18 tax. 19 (b) In addition to other taxes allowed by law, there may be levied as provided in s. 206.41(1)(e) a 1-cent, 2-cent, 20 21 3-cent, 4-cent, or 5-cent local option fuel tax upon every 2.2 gallon of motor fuel sold in a county and taxed under the 23 provisions of part I of chapter 206. The tax shall be levied by an ordinance adopted by a majority plus one vote of the 2.4 membership of the governing body of the county or by 25 26 referendum. The rate of the local option fuel tax on motor 27 fuel authorized by this paragraph shall be adjusted each 2.8 January 1 as provided in s. 206.41(1)(e)2. The rate of any such tax being levied on that date shall be automatically 29 adjusted. Any referendum or ordinance levying such a tax which 30 was adopted on or after July 1, 2005, must specify that the 31

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1 rate of tax is subject to adjustment as provided in s. 2 <u>206.41(1)(e)2.</u> 1. All impositions and rate changes of the tax shall 3 be levied before July 1, to be effective January 1 of the 4 following year. However, levies of the tax which were in 5 6 effect on July 1, 2002, and which expire on August 31 of any 7 year may be reimposed at the current authorized rate effective 8 September 1 of the year of expiration. 2. The county may, prior to levy of the tax, establish 9 by interlocal agreement with one or more municipalities 10 located therein, representing a majority of the population of 11 12 the incorporated area within the county, a distribution 13 formula for dividing the entire proceeds of the tax among county government and all eligible municipalities within the 14 county. If no interlocal agreement is adopted before the 15 effective date of the tax, tax revenues shall be distributed 16 17 pursuant to the provisions of subsection (4). If no interlocal 18 agreement exists, a new interlocal agreement may be established prior to June 1 of any year pursuant to this 19 subparagraph. However, any interlocal agreement agreed to 20 21 under this subparagraph after the initial levy of the tax or 22 change in the tax rate authorized in this section shall under 23 no circumstances materially or adversely affect the rights of holders of outstanding bonds which are backed by taxes 2.4 authorized by this paragraph, and the amounts distributed to 25 the county government and each municipality shall not be 26 27 reduced below the amount necessary for the payment of 2.8 principal and interest and reserves for principal and interest 29 as required under the covenants of any bond resolution 30 outstanding on the date of establishment of the new interlocal agreement. 31

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| 1 | 3. County and municipal governments shall use moneys |
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| 2 | received pursuant to this paragraph for transportation |
| 3 | expenditures needed to meet the requirements of the capital |
| 4 | improvements element of an adopted comprehensive plan or for |
| 5 | expenditures needed to meet immediate local transportation |
| 6 | problems and for other transportation-related expenditures |
| 7 | that are critical for building comprehensive roadway networks |
| 8 | by local governments. For purposes of this paragraph, |
| 9 | expenditures for the construction of new roads, the |
| 10 | reconstruction or resurfacing of existing paved roads, or the |
| 11 | paving of existing graded roads shall be deemed to increase |
| 12 | capacity and such projects shall be included in the capital |
| 13 | improvements element of an adopted comprehensive plan. |
| 14 | Expenditures for purposes of this paragraph shall not include |
| 15 | routine maintenance of roads. |
| 16 | (2)(a) The tax levied pursuant to paragraph (1)(a) |
| 17 | shall be collected and remitted in the same manner provided by |
| 18 | ss. $206.41(1)(e)$ and $206.87(1)(c)$. The tax levied pursuant to |
| 19 | paragraph (1)(b) shall be collected and remitted in the same |
| 20 | manner provided by s. 206.41(1)(e). The taxes remitted |
| 21 | pursuant to this section shall be transferred to the Local |
| 22 | Option Fuel Tax Trust Fund, which fund is created for |
| 23 | distribution to the county and eligible municipal governments |
| 24 | within the county in which the tax was collected and which |
| 25 | fund is subject to the service charge imposed in chapter 215. |
| 26 | The tax shall be distributed monthly by the department in the |
| 27 | same manner provided by s. $336.021(1)(c)$ and (d). The |
| 28 | department shall deduct the administrative costs incurred by |
| 29 | it in collecting, administering, enforcing, and distributing |
| 30 | back to the counties the tax, which administrative costs may |
| 31 | not exceed 2 percent of collections authorized by this |

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1 section. The total administrative costs shall be prorated 2 among those counties levying the tax according to the following formula, which shall be revised on July 1 of each 3 4 Two thirds of the amount deducted shall be based on the vear: 5 county's proportional share of the number of dealers who are б registered for purposes of chapter 212 on June 30 of the 7 preceding state fiscal year, and one third of the amount 8 deducted shall be based on the county's share of the total 9 amount of the tax collected during the preceding state fiscal year. The department has the authority to prescribe and 10 publish all forms upon which reports shall be made to it and 11 12 other forms and records deemed to be necessary for proper 13 administration and collection of the taxes levied by any county and shall adopt promulgate such rules as may be 14 necessary for the enforcement of this section, which rules 15 shall have the full force and effect of law. The provisions 16 17 of ss. 206.026, 206.027, 206.028, 206.051, 206.052, 206.054, 206.055, 206.06, 206.07, 206.075, 206.08, 206.09, 206.095, 18 206.10, 206.11, 206.12, 206.13, 206.14, 206.15, 206.16, 19 206.17, 206.175, 206.18, 206.199, 206.20, 206.204, 206.205, 20 21 206.21, 206.215, 206.22, 206.24, 206.27, 206.28, 206.41, 22 206.416, 206.44, 206.45, 206.48, 206.49, 206.56, 206.59, 23 206.626, 206.87, 206.872, 206.873, 206.8735, 206.874, 206.8741, 206.94, and 206.945 shall, as far as practicable, be 2.4 applicable to the levy and collection of taxes imposed 25 26 pursuant to this section as if fully set out in this section. 27 (7) For the purposes of this section, the term 2.8 "transportation expenditures" means expenditures by the local government from local or state shared revenue sources, 29 30 excluding expenditures of bond proceeds, for the following 31 programs:

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1 (a) Public transportation operations and maintenance. 2 (b) Roadway and right-of-way maintenance and equipment and structures used primarily for the storage and maintenance 3 4 of such equipment. (c) Roadway and right-of-way drainage. 5 б (d) Street lighting. 7 (e) Traffic signs, traffic engineering, signalization, 8 and pavement markings. (f) Bridge maintenance and operation. 9 10 (g) Debt service and current expenditures for transportation capital projects in the foregoing program 11 12 areas, including construction or reconstruction of roads and 13 sidewalks. In addition to the uses specified in subsection 14 (8) (7), the governing body of a county with a population of 15 50,000 or fewer less on April 1, 1992, or the governing body 16 17 of a municipality within such a county, may use the proceeds of the tax levied pursuant to paragraph (1)(a) in any fiscal 18 year to fund infrastructure projects, if such projects are 19 consistent with the local government's approved comprehensive 20 21 plan or, if the approval or denial of the plan has not become 22 final, consistent with the plan last submitted to the state 23 land planning agency. In addition, no more than an amount equal to the proceeds from 4 cents per gallon of the tax 2.4 imposed pursuant to paragraph (1)(a) may be used by such 25 county for the express and limited purpose of paying for a 26 27 court-ordered refund of special assessments. Except as 2.8 provided in subsection (7), such funds shall not be used for 29 the operational expenses of any infrastructure. Such funds may be used for infrastructure projects under this subsection only 30 after the local government, prior to the fiscal year in which 31

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| 1 | the funds are proposed to be used, or if pledged for bonded |
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| 2 | indebtedness, prior to the fiscal year in which the bonds will |
| 3 | be issued, has held a duly noticed public hearing on the |
| 4 | proposed use of the funds and has adopted a resolution |
| 5 | certifying that the local government has met all of the |
| 6 | transportation needs identified in its approved comprehensive |
| 7 | plan or, if the approval or denial of the plan has not become |
| 8 | final, consistent with the plan last submitted to the state |
| 9 | land planning agency. The proceeds shall not be pledged for |
| 10 | bonded indebtedness for a period exceeding 10 years, except |
| 11 | that, for the express and limited purpose of using such |
| 12 | proceeds in any fiscal year to pay a court-ordered refund of |
| 13 | special assessments, the proceeds may be pledged for bonded |
| 14 | indebtedness not exceeding 15 years. For the purposes of this |
| 15 | subsection, <u>the term</u> "infrastructure" has the same meaning as |
| 16 | provided in s. 212.055. |
| 17 | Section 16. <u>Subsection (3) of section 215.211, Florida</u> |
| 18 | Statutes, is repealed. |
| 19 | Section 17. Notwithstanding any other law to the |
| 20 | contrary, the requirements of sections 206.46(3) and |
| 21 | 206.606(2), Florida Statutes, do not apply to any funding |
| 22 | contained in this act. |
| 23 | Section 18. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005. |
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| 26 | SENATE SUMMARY |
| 27 | Eliminates the deduction of service charges from sales of motor fuels and diesel fuel. Provides for the use and |
| 28 | distribution of the funds made available thereby. Authorizes certain counties to index the tax on motor |
| 29 | fuel and diesel fuel. |
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