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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

1 Representative(s) Grant offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 Between lines 98 and 99, insert:

5 Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 212.055, Florida
6 Statutes, is amended to read:

7 212.055 Discretionary sales surtaxes; legislative intent;
8 authorization and use of proceeds.--It is the legislative intent
9 that any authorization for imposition of a discretionary sales
10 surtax shall be published in the Florida Statutes as a
11 subsection of this section, irrespective of the duration of the
12 levy. Each enactment shall specify the types of counties
13 authorized to levy; the rate or rates which may be imposed; the
14 maximum length of time the surtax may be imposed, if any; the
15 procedure which must be followed to secure voter approval, if
16 required; the purpose for which the proceeds may be expended;

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17 and such other requirements as the Legislature may provide.

18 Taxable transactions and administrative procedures shall be as
19 provided in s. 212.054.

20 (1) CHARTER COUNTY TRANSPORTATION ~~TRANSIT~~ SYSTEM SURTAX.--

21 (a) Each charter county that has ~~which~~ adopted a charter
22 ~~prior to January 1, 1984~~, and each county the government of
23 which is consolidated with that of one or more municipalities,
24 may levy a discretionary sales surtax, subject to approval by a
25 majority vote of the electorate of the county or by a charter
26 amendment approved by a majority vote of the electorate of the
27 county.

28 (b) The rate shall be up to 1 percent.

29 (c) The proposal to adopt a discretionary sales surtax as
30 provided in this subsection and to create a trust fund within
31 the county accounts shall be placed on the ballot in accordance
32 with law at a time to be set at the discretion of the governing
33 body.

34 (d) Proceeds from the surtax shall be applied to as many
35 or as few of the uses enumerated below in whatever combination
36 the county commission deems appropriate:

37 1. Deposited by the county in the trust fund and shall be
38 used for the purposes of development, construction, equipment,
39 maintenance, operation, supportive services, including a
40 countywide bus system, and related costs of a fixed guideway
41 rapid transit system;

42 2. Remitted by the governing body of the county to an
43 expressway, transit, or transportation authority created by law
44 to be used, at the discretion of such authority, for the

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45 development, construction, operation, or maintenance of roads or
46 bridges in the county, for the operation and maintenance of a
47 bus system, for the payment of principal and interest on
48 existing bonds issued for the construction of such roads or
49 bridges, and, upon approval by the county commission, such
50 proceeds may be pledged for bonds issued to refinance existing
51 bonds or new bonds issued for the construction of such roads or
52 bridges;

53 3. Used by the charter county for the development,
54 construction, operation, and maintenance of roads and bridges in
55 the county; for the expansion, operation, and maintenance of bus
56 and fixed guideway systems; and for the payment of principal and
57 interest on bonds issued for the construction of fixed guideway
58 rapid transit systems, bus systems, roads, or bridges; and such
59 proceeds may be pledged by the governing body of the county for
60 bonds issued to refinance existing bonds or new bonds issued for
61 the construction of such fixed guideway rapid transit systems,
62 bus systems, roads, or bridges and no more than 25 percent used
63 for nontransit uses; and

64 4. Used by the charter county for the planning,
65 development, construction, operation, and maintenance of roads
66 and bridges in the county; for the planning, development,
67 expansion, operation, and maintenance of bus and fixed guideway
68 systems; and for the payment of principal and interest on bonds
69 issued for the construction of fixed guideway rapid transit
70 systems, bus systems, roads, or bridges; and such proceeds may
71 be pledged by the governing body of the county for bonds issued
72 to refinance existing bonds or new bonds issued for the

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73 construction of such fixed guideway rapid transit systems, bus
74 systems, roads, or bridges. Pursuant to an interlocal agreement
75 entered into pursuant to chapter 163, the governing body of the
76 charter county may distribute proceeds from the tax to a
77 municipality, or an expressway or transportation authority
78 created by law to be expended for the purpose authorized by this
79 paragraph.

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82 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

83 Remove line 6 and insert:

84 certain projects are not impacted; amending s. 212.055,
85 F.S.; renaming the charter county transit system surtax;
86 expanding the eligibility to levy the surtax to all
87 charter counties; amending s. 215.615,