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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

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House

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1 Senator Alexander moved the following **amendment to amendment**
2 **(844108)** :

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4 **Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

5 Between line(s) 36 and 37,
6 insert:

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8 Section 3. Subsection (1) of section 212.055, Florida
9 Statutes, is amended to read:

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



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18 be followed to secure voter approval, if required; the purpose
19 for which the proceeds may be expended; and such other
20 requirements as the Legislature may provide. Taxable transactions
21 and administrative procedures shall be as provided in s. 212.054.

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

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

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

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

34 (d) Proceeds from the surtax shall be applied to as many or
35 as few of the uses enumerated below in whatever combination the
36 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
45 development, construction, operation, or maintenance of roads or
46 bridges in the county, for the operation and maintenance of a bus
47 system, for the payment of principal and interest on existing



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48 | bonds issued for the construction of such roads or bridges, and,
49 | upon approval by the county commission, such proceeds may be
50 | pledged for bonds issued to refinance existing bonds or new bonds
51 | issued for the construction of such roads or bridges;

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

63 | 4. Used by the charter county for the planning,
64 | development, construction, operation, and maintenance of roads
65 | and bridges in the county; for the planning, development,
66 | expansion, operation, and maintenance of bus and fixed guideway
67 | systems; and for the payment of principal and interest on bonds
68 | issued for the construction of fixed guideway rapid transit
69 | systems, bus systems, roads, or bridges; and such proceeds may be
70 | pledged by the governing body of the county for bonds issued to
71 | refinance existing bonds or new bonds issued for the construction
72 | of such fixed guideway rapid transit systems, bus systems, roads,
73 | or bridges. Pursuant to an interlocal agreement entered into
74 | pursuant to chapter 163, the governing body of the charter county
75 | may distribute proceeds from the tax to a municipality, or an
76 | expressway or transportation authority created by law to be
77 | expended for the purpose authorized by this paragraph.



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

80 And the title is amended as follows:

81 On line(s) 2755, after the first semicolon,
82 insert:

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84 amending s. 212.055, F.S., relating to discretionary sales
85 surtaxes; renaming a surtax; expanding the eligibility to
86 levy the surtax for transportation systems to all charter
87 counties;