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Proposed Committee Substitute by the Committee on Appropriations  
(Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and  
Economic Development)

1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to the Statewide Mobility Innovation  
3           Program; amending s. 201.15, F.S.; beginning in a  
4           specified fiscal year, revising the annual allocations  
5           in the State Transportation Trust Fund for the  
6           Transportation Regional Incentive Program; providing  
7           for future repeal of a provision that allocates funds  
8           annually to the Florida Rail Enterprise; providing for  
9           annual allocations to the Tampa Bay Area Regional  
10          Transit Authority and the Statewide Mobility  
11          Innovation Program for certain purposes; specifying  
12          requirements for matching funds for the Tampa Bay Area  
13          Regional Transit Authority; requiring the Department  
14          of Transportation to allocate specified funds under  
15          certain circumstances to projects in a certain 5-year  
16          work program in a certain area, in addition to  
17          currently scheduled work program commitments in that  
18          area; creating s. 339.84, F.S.; defining the term  
19          "innovative mobility system"; creating within the  
20          department the Statewide Mobility Innovation Program;  
21          providing goals for the program; beginning in a  
22          specified fiscal year, requiring the department to use  
23          specified funds in a county to fund the design and  
24          construction of a certain innovative mobility system;  
25          providing requirements for the use of specified funds  
26          by the department; requiring a county proposing the



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27 use of funds for an innovative mobility system to  
28 submit a request to the department, subject to certain  
29 requirements; authorizing the submission of joint  
30 proposals by two or more counties; requiring local or  
31 private matching funds for certain distributions,  
32 subject to certain requirements; prohibiting certain  
33 funds distributed from being used to subsidize  
34 projects with existing funding commitments as of a  
35 specified date; requiring each recipient of funds  
36 under the program to submit a quarterly report to the  
37 department regarding the development, implementation,  
38 and operation of the project; requiring the department  
39 to submit to the Legislature an annual report on the  
40 overall status of the program, by a specified date;  
41 providing for the future repeal of s. 341.303(5),  
42 F.S., relating to fund participation and the Florida  
43 Rail Enterprise; amending s. 343.58, F.S.; conforming  
44 a provision to changes made by the act; providing  
45 effective dates.

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

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49 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section  
50 201.15, Florida Statutes, is amended, and paragraph (b) of that  
51 subsection is republished, to read:

52 201.15 Distribution of taxes collected.—All taxes collected  
53 under this chapter are hereby pledged and shall be first made  
54 available to make payments when due on bonds issued pursuant to  
55 s. 215.618 or s. 215.619, or any other bonds authorized to be



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56 issued on a parity basis with such bonds. Such pledge and  
57 availability for the payment of these bonds shall have priority  
58 over any requirement for the payment of service charges or costs  
59 of collection and enforcement under this section. All taxes  
60 collected under this chapter, except taxes distributed to the  
61 Land Acquisition Trust Fund pursuant to subsections (1) and (2),  
62 are subject to the service charge imposed in s. 215.20(1).  
63 Before distribution pursuant to this section, the Department of  
64 Revenue shall deduct amounts necessary to pay the costs of the  
65 collection and enforcement of the tax levied by this chapter.  
66 The costs and service charge may not be levied against any  
67 portion of taxes pledged to debt service on bonds to the extent  
68 that the costs and service charge are required to pay any  
69 amounts relating to the bonds. All of the costs of the  
70 collection and enforcement of the tax levied by this chapter and  
71 the service charge shall be available and transferred to the  
72 extent necessary to pay debt service and any other amounts  
73 payable with respect to bonds authorized before January 1, 2017,  
74 secured by revenues distributed pursuant to this section. All  
75 taxes remaining after deduction of costs shall be distributed as  
76 follows:

77 (4) After the required distributions to the Land  
78 Acquisition Trust Fund pursuant to subsections (1) and (2) and  
79 deduction of the service charge imposed pursuant to s.  
80 215.20(1), the remainder shall be distributed as follows:

81 (a) The lesser of 24.18442 percent of the remainder or  
82 \$541.75 million in each fiscal year shall be paid into the State  
83 Treasury to the credit of the State Transportation Trust Fund.  
84 Of such funds, \$75 million for each fiscal year shall be



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85 transferred to the General Revenue Fund. Notwithstanding any  
86 other law, the remaining amount credited to the State  
87 Transportation Trust Fund shall be used for:

88 1. Capital funding for the New Starts Transit Program,  
89 authorized by Title 49, U.S.C. s. 5309 and specified in s.  
90 341.051, in the amount of 10 percent of the funds;

91 2. The Small County Outreach Program specified in s.  
92 339.2818, in the amount of 10 percent of the funds;

93 3. The Strategic Intermodal System specified in ss. 339.61,  
94 339.62, 339.63, and 339.64, in the amount of 75 percent of the  
95 funds after deduction of the payments required pursuant to  
96 subparagraphs 1. and 2.; and

97 4.a. The Transportation Regional Incentive Program  
98 specified in s. 339.2819, in the amount of 25 percent of the  
99 funds after deduction of the payments required pursuant to  
100 subparagraphs 1. and 2.

101 b. In fiscal years 2018-2019, 2019-2020, and 2020-2021 the  
102 first \$60 million of the funds allocated pursuant to this  
103 subparagraph ~~shall~~ must be allocated annually to the Florida  
104 Rail Enterprise for the purposes established in s. 341.303(5).  
105 This sub-subparagraph expires July 1, 2021.

106 c. Beginning in the 2021-2022 fiscal year, the first \$60  
107 million of the funds allocated pursuant to this subparagraph  
108 must be allocated annually as follows:

109 (I) Twenty-five million dollars on a matching basis to the  
110 Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority for the design and  
111 construction of an innovative mobility system, as defined in s.  
112 339.84. One dollar in local or private matching funds must be  
113 provided for each dollar distributed under this sub-sub-



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114 subparagraph. Federal funds may not be substituted for the local  
115 or private matching funds. In any fiscal year in which the Tampa  
116 Bay Area Regional Transit Authority notifies the Department of  
117 Transportation that the authority will not request all of the  
118 funds allocated under this subparagraph for an innovative  
119 mobility system, the Department of Transportation shall allocate  
120 such funds to projects in the 5-year work program under s.  
121 339.135 in the area described in s. 343.91(1)(a) and such funds  
122 shall be in addition to currently scheduled work program  
123 commitments in that area.

124 (II) Thirty-five million dollars to the Statewide Mobility  
125 Innovation Program for the purposes established in s. 339.84.

126 (b) The lesser of 0.1456 percent of the remainder or \$3.25  
127 million in each fiscal year shall be paid into the State  
128 Treasury to the credit of the Grants and Donations Trust Fund in  
129 the Department of Economic Opportunity to fund technical  
130 assistance to local governments.

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132 Moneys distributed pursuant to paragraphs (a) and (b) may not be  
133 pledged for debt service unless such pledge is approved by  
134 referendum of the voters.

135 Section 2. Section 339.84, Florida Statutes, is created to  
136 read:

137 339.84 Statewide Mobility Innovation Program.—

138 (1) As used in this section the term "innovative mobility  
139 system" means a system of infrastructure, appurtenances, and  
140 technology designed to move the greatest number of people in the  
141 least amount of time. The term includes, but is not limited to,  
142 autonomous vehicles as defined in s. 316.003, automated people



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143 movers, bus rapid transit networks, and transportation network  
144 companies as defined in s. 627.748. The term does not include  
145 other traditional uses of a roadway system for conveyance.

146 (2) The Statewide Mobility Innovation Program is created  
147 within the department. The goals of the program include, but are  
148 not limited to:

149 (a) Evaluating, financing, and overseeing proposals for  
150 innovative mobility systems in this state.

151 (b) Expending funds to publicize and promote innovative  
152 mobility systems and to contract with entities to accomplish  
153 these purposes.

154 (c) Soliciting proposals in accordance with chapter 287 for  
155 the design and construction of innovative mobility systems and  
156 contracting with entities to expend funds to accomplish this  
157 purpose.

158 (3) Beginning in the 2021-2022 fiscal year, the department  
159 shall use funds allocated pursuant to s. 201.15(4)(a)4.c.(II) in  
160 a county to fund the design and construction of an innovative  
161 mobility system based on a proposal that a county submits to the  
162 department which the department approves as being consistent  
163 with the requirements of this section.

164 (4) Of the \$35 million allocated under s.  
165 201.15(4)(a)4.c.(II), the department must use:

166 (a) Twenty-five million dollars for an innovative mobility  
167 system in a county as defined in s. 125.011(1). In any fiscal  
168 year in which a county as defined in s. 125.011(1) notifies the  
169 department that the county will not request all of the funds  
170 allocated under this paragraph for an innovative mobility  
171 system, the department shall allocate such funds to projects in



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172 the 5-year work program under s. 339.135 in the county as  
173 defined in s. 125.011(1) and such funds shall be in addition to  
174 currently scheduled work program commitments in that area.

175 (b) The remainder for such a system in any other county or  
176 counties in the state.

177 (5) A county proposing the use of funds for an innovative  
178 mobility system must submit a request to the department which  
179 must include a detailed project and financial plan. The funding  
180 request must specify the duration of the project and the total  
181 amount sought by state fiscal year. Two or more counties may  
182 submit a joint proposal to the department.

183 (6) One dollar in local or private matching funds must be  
184 provided for each dollar distributed under this section. Federal  
185 funds may not be substituted for the local or private matching  
186 funds.

187 (7) Funds distributed under this section may not be used to  
188 subsidize projects with existing funding commitments as of July  
189 1, 2018.

190 (8) Each recipient of funds under this program must submit  
191 a quarterly report to the department regarding the development,  
192 implementation, and operation of the project. The department  
193 must submit an annual report by September 1 to the President of  
194 the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives  
195 regarding the overall status of the program.

196 Section 3. Effective July 1, 2021, subsection (5) of  
197 section 341.303, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

198 Section 4. Effective July 1, 2021, paragraph (b) of  
199 subsection (4) of section 343.58, Florida Statutes, is amended  
200 to read:



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201           343.58 County funding for the South Florida Regional  
202 Transportation Authority.—

203           (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the  
204 contrary and effective July 1, 2010, until as provided in  
205 paragraph (d), the department shall transfer annually from the  
206 State Transportation Trust Fund to the South Florida Regional  
207 Transportation Authority the amounts specified in subparagraph  
208 (a)1. or subparagraph (a)2.

209           (b) Funding required by this subsection may not be provided  
210 from the funds dedicated to the Florida Rail Enterprise or the  
211 Statewide Mobility Innovation Program pursuant to s.  
212 201.15(4) (a)4.

213           Section 5. Except as otherwise provided, this act shall  
214 take effect July 1, 2018.