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H.B. No. 245

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the disposition by counties of motor vehicle
3 registration fees and sales tax revenue.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 502.102, Transportation Code, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 Sec. 502.102. DISPOSITION OF FEES GENERALLY. (a) Except
8 as provided by Sections 502.103 and 502.104, this section applies
9 to all fees collected by a county assessor-collector under this
10 chapter.

11 (b) Each Monday, a county assessor-collector shall credit
12 to the county road and bridge fund an amount equal to the net
13 collections made during the preceding week until the amount so
14 credited for the calendar year equals the total of:

15 (1) \$60,000; and

16 (2) \$350 for each mile of county road maintained by the
17 county, according to the most recent information available from the
18 department, not to exceed 500 miles[+

19 ~~[(3) an amount equal to five percent of the tax and~~
20 ~~penalties collected by the assessor-collector under Chapter 152,~~
21 ~~Tax Code, in the preceding calendar year, and~~

22 ~~[(4) an amount equal to five percent of the tax and~~
23 ~~penalties collected by the comptroller under Section 152.047, Tax~~
24 ~~Code, in the preceding calendar year].~~

1 (c) If [~~After~~] the credits to the county road and bridge
2 fund equal or exceed the maximum annual amount that a county may
3 credit to the fund [~~total computed~~] under Subsection (b), each
4 Monday the county assessor-collector shall:

5 (1) credit to the county road and bridge fund an
6 additional amount equal to 50 percent of the net collections made
7 during the preceding week, until the amount [~~so~~] credited under
8 this subdivision for the calendar year equals \$125,000; and

9 (2) send to the department an amount equal to 50
10 percent of those collections.

11 (d) If [~~After~~] the credits to the county road and bridge
12 fund equal or exceed the maximum annual [~~total~~] amounts that a
13 county may credit to the fund [~~computed~~] under Subsections (b) and
14 (c)(1), each Monday the county assessor-collector shall credit to
15 the county road and bridge fund an additional amount equal to the
16 net collections made during the preceding week until the amount
17 credited for the calendar year under this subsection equals five
18 percent of the amount of tax and penalties collected in the county
19 in the preceding calendar year by:

20 (1) the assessor-collector under Chapter 152, Tax
21 Code; and

22 (2) the comptroller under Section 152.047, Tax Code.

23 (e) If the credits to the county road and bridge fund equal
24 the maximum amounts that a county may credit to the fund under
25 Subsections (b), (c)(1), and (d), each Monday the county
26 assessor-collector shall send to the department all collections
27 made during the preceding week.

1 (f) [~~(e)~~] Each Monday the county assessor-collector shall
2 send to the department a copy of each receipt issued the previous
3 week for a registration fee under this chapter.

4 (g) If the amount of collections under this chapter is
5 insufficient to cover the amount that a county is authorized to
6 retain under Subsection (d), on request of the county
7 assessor-collector the comptroller shall remit to the county the
8 amount of the deficiency from the money collected under this
9 chapter.

10 SECTION 2. Section 152.121(c), Tax Code, is repealed.

11 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect January 1, 2004.