

AN ACT

relating to authorizing an optional county fee on vehicle registration in certain counties.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 502.402(a) and (e), Transportation Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) This section applies only to:

(1) a county:

(A) [~~(1)~~] that borders the United Mexican States;

(B) [~~(2)~~] that has a population of more than 300,000; and

(C) [~~(3)~~] in which the largest municipality has a population of less than 300,000; and

(2) a county that has a population of more than 1.5 million that is coterminous with a regional mobility authority.

(e) The additional fee shall be collected for a vehicle when other fees imposed under this chapter are collected. The fee revenue collected shall be sent to the regional mobility authority of the county to fund long-term transportation projects in the county that are consistent with the purposes specified by Section 7-a, Article VIII, Texas Constitution.

SECTION 2. Section 502.402, Transportation Code, as amended by this Act, applies only to the fee for a registration period

1 beginning on or after the effective date of this Act. A fee for a
2 registration period beginning before the effective date of this Act
3 is governed by the law in effect when the registration period began,
4 and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

5 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1573 was passed by the House on May 8, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 128, Nays 19, 2 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1573 on May 23, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 129, Nays 15, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1573 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 21, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 20, Nays 11.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor