

1-1 By: Perry S.J.R. No. 12
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed November 10, 2014; February 2, 2015,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Finance;
 1-4 April 22, 2015, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 12,
 1-5 Nays 0; April 22, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Nelson	X			
1-8 Hinojosa	X			
1-9 Bettencourt	X			
1-10 Eltife			X	
1-11 Hancock	X			
1-12 Huffman	X			
1-13 Kolthorst	X			
1-14 Nichols	X			
1-15 Schwertner	X			
1-16 Seliger			X	
1-17 Taylor of Galveston			X	
1-18 Uresti	X			
1-19 Watson	X			
1-20 West	X			
1-21 Whitmire	X			

1-23 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

1-24 proposing a constitutional amendment prescribing the purposes for
 1-25 which revenue from motor vehicle registration fees, certain motor
 1-26 vehicle-related taxes, and certain revenues received from the
 1-27 federal government may be used.

1-28 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-29 SECTION 1. Sections 7-a and 7-b, Article VIII, Texas
 1-30 Constitution, are amended to read as follows:

1-31 Sec. 7-a. Subject to legislative appropriation, allocation
 1-32 and direction, all net revenues remaining after payment of all
 1-33 refunds allowed by law and expenses of collection derived from
 1-34 motor vehicle registration fees, and all taxes, except gross
 1-35 production and ad valorem taxes, on motor fuels and lubricants used
 1-36 to propel motor vehicles over public roadways, shall be used for the
 1-37 sole purpose of acquiring rights-of-way and~~[7]~~ constructing and~~[7]~~
 1-38 maintaining~~[7, and policing]~~ such public roadways~~[7, and for the~~
 1-39 ~~administration of such laws as may be prescribed by the Legislature~~
 1-40 ~~pertaining to the supervision of traffic and safety on such roads,~~
 1-41 ~~and for the payment of the principal and interest on county and road~~
 1-42 ~~district bonds or warrants voted or issued prior to January 2, 1939,~~
 1-43 ~~and declared eligible prior to January 2, 1945, for payment out of~~
 1-44 ~~the County and Road District Highway Fund under existing law];~~
 1-45 provided, however, that one-fourth (1/4) of such net revenue from
 1-46 the motor fuel tax shall be allocated to the Available School Fund;
 1-47 and, provided, however, that the net revenue derived by counties
 1-48 from motor vehicle registration fees shall never be less than the
 1-49 maximum amounts allowed to be retained by each County and the
 1-50 percentage allowed to be retained by each County under the laws in
 1-51 effect on January 1, 1945. Nothing contained herein shall be
 1-52 construed as authorizing the pledging of the State's credit for any
 1-53 purpose.

1-54 Sec. 7-b. All revenues received from the federal government
 1-55 as reimbursement for state expenditures of funds that are
 1-56 themselves dedicated for acquiring rights-of-way and constructing
 1-57 and~~[7]~~ maintaining~~[7, and policing]~~ public roadways are also
 1-58 constitutionally dedicated and shall be used only for those
 1-59 purposes.

1-60 SECTION 2. The following temporary provision is added to
 1-61 the Texas Constitution:

2-1 TEMPORARY PROVISION. (a) This temporary provision applies
2-2 to the constitutional amendment proposed by the 84th Legislature,
2-3 Regular Session, 2015, prescribing the purposes for which revenue
2-4 from motor vehicle registration fees, taxes on motor fuels and
2-5 lubricants, and certain revenues received from the federal
2-6 government may be used.

2-7 (b) The amendments to Sections 7-a and 7-b, Article VIII, of
2-8 this constitution apply only in connection with a state fiscal
2-9 biennium that begins on or after September 1, 2017.

2-10 (c) This temporary provision expires September 2, 2017.

2-11 SECTION 3. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
2-12 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 3, 2015.
2-13 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
2-14 proposition: "The constitutional amendment prescribing the
2-15 purposes for which revenue from motor vehicle registration fees,
2-16 taxes on motor fuels and lubricants, and certain revenues received
2-17 from the federal government may be used."

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