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H.B. No. 957

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the use of sales tax revenue collected under certain
3 contracts.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter G, Chapter 54, Water Code, is amended
6 by adding Section 54.605 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 54.605. USE OF SALES TAX REVENUE UNDER CERTAIN
8 CONTRACTS. (a) This section applies only to:

9 (1) a district located in a county with a population of
10 550,000 or more and included in:

11 (A) the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District; or

12 (B) the Fort Bend Subsidence District;

13 (2) a municipality with a population of one million or
14 more that is included in the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District;
15 and

16 (3) money received by a municipality under Chapter
17 321, Tax Code, from sales or uses consummated within the district, a
18 percentage of which is distributed to the district by the
19 municipality under the terms of a contract with the municipality,
20 including a strategic partnership agreement authorized by Section
21 43.0751, Local Government Code.

22 (b) Except as provided by Subsection (c), the municipality
23 must use at least 50 percent of the municipality's share of the
24 money described by Subsection (a)(3) for drainage or road projects

1 that:

2 (1) are located or conducted within the district or
3 within five miles of the district's boundary;

4 (2) benefit residents of the district; and

5 (3) if they include a major thoroughfare, are
6 consistent with the major thoroughfare plan of the county in which
7 the project is located.

8 (c) This section applies to a contract or strategic
9 partnership agreement entered into before September 1, 2019, only
10 to the extent that the provisions of Subsection (b) do not impair
11 obligations under the provisions of the contract or agreement.

12 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.