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H.B. No. 2769

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to authorizing an increase in an optional county fee on
3 vehicle registration in certain counties.

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

5 SECTION 1. Sections 502.402(b-1) and (e), Transportation
6 Code, are amended to read as follows:

7 (b-1) The commissioners court of a county described by
8 Subsection (a)(1) [~~(a)~~] with a population of less than 700,000 or
9 more than 800,000 may increase the additional fee to an amount that
10 does not exceed \$20 if approved by a majority of the qualified
11 voters of the county voting on the issue at a referendum election,
12 which the commissioners court may order and hold for that purpose.

13 (e) The additional fee shall be collected for a vehicle when
14 other fees imposed under this chapter are collected. The fee
15 revenue collected shall be sent to a regional mobility authority
16 located in the county or, if the county has a population of more
17 than 800,000, to the metropolitan planning organization that serves
18 the county. The fee revenue may be used only to fund long-term
19 transportation projects in the county that are consistent with the
20 purposes specified by Section 7-a, Article VIII, Texas
21 Constitution.

22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
24 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.