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S.B. No. 1078

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to authorizing an optional county fee on vehicle
3 registration in certain counties to be used for transportation
4 projects.

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

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

8 (a) This section applies only to:

9 (1) a county that:

10 (A) borders the United Mexican States; and

11 (B) has a population of more than 250,000; ~~and~~

12 (2) a county that has a population of more than 1.5
13 million that is coterminous with a regional mobility authority; and

14 (3) a county that is part of a regional mobility
15 authority created under Chapter 370 with at least two counties.

16 (b-1) The commissioners court of a county described by
17 Subsection (a)(1) or (2) ~~[(a)]~~ with a population of less than
18 700,000 may increase the additional fee to an amount that does not
19 exceed \$20 if approved by a majority of the qualified voters of the
20 county voting on the issue at a referendum election, which the
21 commissioners court may order and hold for that purpose.

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.