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S.B. No. 798

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
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;

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

15 (3) a county that has a population of more than 190,000
16 and not more than 1.5 million that is coterminous with a regional
17 mobility authority; and

18 (4) a county that is part of a regional mobility
19 authority created under Chapter 370 with at least two counties.

20 (b-1) The commissioners court of a county described by
21 Subsection (a)(1) or (3) ~~[(a)]~~ with a population of less than
22 700,000 may increase the additional fee to an amount that does not
23 exceed \$20 if approved by a majority of the qualified voters of the
24 county voting on the issue at a referendum election, which the

1 commissioners court may order and hold for that purpose.

2 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
3 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
4 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
5 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
6 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.