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1 2	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE SUPPLEMENTAL SOURCES OF REVENUE FOR
3	LOCAL GOVERNMENT TRANSIT FINANCING.
4	The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
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6	PART I. MECKLENBURG COUNTY SALES TAX
7	Section 1. (a) This section applies only to Mecklenburg County.
8	(b) Subchapter VIII of Chapter 105 of the General Statutes is amended by
9	adding a new Article to read:
10	" <u>ARTICLE 43.</u>
11	<u>"LOCAL GOVERNMENT SALES AND USE TAXES FOR PUBLIC</u>
12	TRANSPORTATION.
13	" <u>§ 105-505. Short title; purpose.</u>
14	This Article is the Local Government Public Transportation Sales Tax Act and may
15	be cited by that name. This Article gives the counties of this State an opportunity to
16	obtain an additional source of revenue with which to meet their needs for financing local
17	public transportation systems. It provides counties with authority to levy one-half
18	percent $(1/2\%)$ sales and use taxes.

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" <u>§ 105-506. D</u>	
	ons in G.S. 105-164.3 and the following definitions apply in this Article:
<u>(1)</u>	Net proceeds Gross proceeds less the cost of administering and
	collecting the tax.
<u>(2)</u>	Public transportation system. – Any combination of real and personal
	property established for purposes of public transportation. The systems
	may include one or more of the following: structures, improvements,
	buildings, equipment, vehicle parking or passenger transfer facilities,
	railroads and railroad rights-of-way, rights-of-way, bus services, shared-
	ride services, high-occupancy vehicle facilities, car-pool and vanpool
	programs, voucher programs, telecommunications and information
	systems, integrated fare systems, bus lanes, and busways. The term
	does not include, however, streets, roads, or highways except to the
	extent they are dedicated to public transportation vehicles or to the
	extent they are necessary for access to vehicle parking or passenger
	transfer facilities.
" <u>§ 105-507. L</u>	imitations.
<u>A county m</u>	ay not levy a tax under this Article unless the county or at least one unit of
local governme	ent in the county operates a public transportation system. In addition, a
ounty may no	t levy a tax under this Article unless it has developed a financial plan and
istributed it to	each unit of local government in the county that operates a local public
ansportation s	system. The financial plan must provide for equitable allocation of the net
roceeds distri	buted to the county in consideration of the identified needs of local public
ansportation	systems in the county, countywide human service transportation systems,
nd expansion	of public transportation service to unserved areas in the county.
' <u>§ 105-508. L</u>	ocal election on adoption of sales and use tax.
(a) <u>Resc</u>	lution The board of commissioners of a county may direct the county
board of electi	ons to conduct an advisory referendum within the county on the question
of whether a lo	cal sales and use tax at the rate of one-half percent (1/2%) may be levied
in accordance	with this Article. The election shall be held on a date jointly agreed upon
by the boards a	and shall be held in accordance with the procedures of G.S. 163-287. The
board of comm	nissioners shall hold a public hearing on the question at least 30 days
before the date	the election is to be held.
(b) Balle	ot Question The form of the question to be presented on a ballot for a
	concerning the levy of a tax authorized by this Article shall be:
*	<u>'[]FOR []AGAINST</u>
One-half perce	nt (1/2%) local sales and use taxes, in addition to the current two percent
(2%) local sale	s and use taxes, to be used only for public transportation systems.'
'§ 105-509. L	evy and collection of sales and use tax.
If the majo	rity of those voting in a referendum held pursuant to this Article vote for
	tax, the board of commissioners of the county may, by resolution, levy
	nt (1/2%) local sales and use taxes in addition to any other State and local
-	taxes levied pursuant to law. Except as provided in this Article, the

adoption, levy, collection, administration, and repeal of these additional taxes shall be in 1 2 accordance with Article 39 of this Chapter. In applying the provisions of Article 39 of 3 this Chapter to this Article, references to 'this Article' mean 'Article 43 of Chapter 105 of 4 the General Statutes'. 5 A tax levied under this Article does not apply to the sales price of food that is not 6 otherwise exempt from tax pursuant to G.S. 105-164.13 but would be exempt from the State sales and use tax pursuant to G.S. 105-164.13 if it were purchased with coupons 7 8 issued under the Food Stamp Program, 7 U.S.C. § 51. 9 "§ 105-510. Distribution and use of taxes. Distribution. - The Secretary shall, on a quarterly basis, allocate to each taxing 10 (a) county the net proceeds of the tax levied under this Article by that county. If the 11 12 Secretary collects taxes under this Article in a month and the taxes cannot be identified as being attributable to a particular taxing county, the Secretary shall allocate these taxes 13 14 among the taxing counties, in proportion to the amount of taxes collected in each county under this Article in that month and shall include them in the quarterly distribution. 15 The Secretary shall distribute the net proceeds of the tax levied by a county on a per 16 17 capita basis among the county and the units of local government in the county that 18 operate public transportation systems. No proceeds shall be distributed to a county that does not operate a public transportation system or to a unit of local government that does 19 20 not operate a public transportation system. 21 (b) Use. – A county must allocate the net proceeds distributed to it in accordance with its financial plan adopted pursuant to G.S. 105-507 and use the net proceeds only for 22 23 financing, constructing, operating, and maintaining local public transportation systems. 24 Any other unit of local government may use the net proceeds distributed to it under this Article only for financing, constructing, operating, and maintaining local public 25 transportation systems. Every unit of government shall use the net proceeds to 26 supplement and not to supplant or replace existing funds or other resources for public 27 transportation systems." 28 29 30 PART II. MUNICIPAL VEHICLE REGISTRATION TAX Section 2. G.S. 20-97 reads as rewritten: 31 32 "§ 20-97. Taxes compensatory; no additional tax. credited to Highway Fund; 33 municipal vehicle taxes. State Taxes to Highway Fund. – All taxes levied under the provisions of this 34 (a) 35 Article are intended as compensatory taxes for the use and privileges of the public highways of this State, and shall be paid by the Commissioner to the State Treasurer, to-State. 36 The taxes collected shall be credited by him to the State Highway Fund; and no-to the State 37 38 Highway Fund. Except as provided in this section, no county or municipality shall levy any license or privilege tax upon any motor vehicle licensed by the State of North Carolina, 39 40 except that cities State. General Municipal Vehicle Tax. – Cities and towns may levy a tax of not more 41 (b)42 than five dollars (\$5.00) per year upon any vehicle resident therein. Provided, further, that

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1 cities and towns may levy, in addition to the amounts hereinabove provided for, a sum not to 2 exceed in the city or town. The proceeds of the tax may be used for any lawful purpose. Municipal Vehicle Tax for Public Transportation. - A city or town that 3 (c) operates a public transportation system as defined in G.S. 105-506 may levy a tax of not 4 more than five dollars (\$5.00) per year upon any vehicle resident in the city or town. The 5 tax authorized by this subsection is in addition to the tax authorized by subsection (b) of 6 7 this section. A city or town may not levy a tax under this section, however, to the extent the rate of tax, when added to the general motor vehicle taxes levied by the city or town 8 9 under subsection (b) of this section and under any local legislation, would exceed thirty 10 dollars (\$30.00) per year. The proceeds of the tax may be used only for financing, constructing, operating, and maintaining local public transportation systems. Cities and 11 towns shall use the proceeds of the tax to supplement and not to supplant or replace 12 existing funds or other resources for public transportation systems. This subsection does 13 not apply to the City of Durham. 14 Municipal Taxi Tax. - Cities and towns may levy a tax of not more than fifteen 15 (d)dollars (\$15.00) per year upon each vehicle operated in such the city or town as a taxicab. 16 The proceeds of the tax may be used for any lawful purpose. 17 to (a5). Repealed by Session Laws 1983, c. 188, s. 2. 18 (a1) (e) No Additional Local Tax. - No additional franchise tax, license tax, or 19 (b) 20 other fee shall be imposed by the State against any franchise motor vehicle carrier taxed 21 under this Article nor shall any county, city or town may impose a franchise tax-tax, license tax, or other fee upon them, except that cities and towns may levy a license tax 22 not in excess of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per year on each vehicle operated in such city as 23 a taxicab as provided in subsection (a) hereof. a motor carrier unless the tax is authorized 24 25 by this section. Repealed by Session Laws 1993, c. 321, s. 146." 26 (c) 27 PART III. REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY VEHICLE RENTAL TAX 28 29 Section 3. Chapter 105 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new 30 Subchapter to read: "SUBCHAPTER IX. MULTICOUNTY TAXES. 31 "ARTICLE 50. 32 "REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY VEHICLE RENTAL TAX. 33 34 "§ 105-550. Definitions. The definitions in G.S. 105-164.3 and the following definitions apply in this Article: 35 Authority. - A regional public transportation authority or a regional 36 (1)37 transportation authority created pursuant to Article 26 or Article 27 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes. 38 Long-term lease or rental. – Defined in G.S. 105-187.1. 39 (2)Motorcycle. – Defined in G.S. 20-4.01. 40 (3) Private passenger vehicle. – Defined in G.S. 20-4.01. 41 (4) Public transportation system. - Any combination of real and personal 42 (5) property established for purposes of public transportation. The systems 43

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1	may include one or more of the following: structures, improvements,
2	buildings, equipment, vehicle parking or passenger transfer facilities,
3	railroads and railroad rights-of-way, rights-of-way, bus services, shared-
4	ride services, high-occupancy vehicle facilities, car-pool and vanpool
5	programs, voucher programs, telecommunications and information
6 7	systems, integrated fare systems, bus lanes, and busways. The term does not include, however, streets, roads, or highways except to the
8	extent they are dedicated to public transportation vehicles or to the
o 9	extent they are necessary for access to vehicle parking or passenger
9 10	transfer facilities.
10	(6) <u>Short-term lease or rental. – A lease or rental that is not a long-term</u>
11	lease or rental.
12	" <u>§ 105-551. Tax on gross receipts authorized.</u>
13 14	(a) Tax. – The board of trustees of an Authority may levy a privilege tax on a
15	retailer who is engaged in the business of leasing or renting private passenger vehicles or
16	motorcycles based on the gross receipts derived by the retailer from the short-term lease
17	or rental of these vehicles. The tax rate must be a percentage and may not exceed five
18	percent (5%). A tax levied under this section applies to short-term leases or rentals made
19	by a retailer whose place of business or inventory is located within the territorial
20	jurisdiction of the Authority. This tax is in addition to all other taxes.
21	(b) <u>Restrictions. – The board of trustees of an Authority may not levy a tax under</u>
22	this section or increase the tax rate of a tax levied under this section until all of the
23	following requirements have been met:
24	(1) The board of trustees has held a public hearing on the tax or the increase
25	in the tax rate after giving at least 10 days' notice of the hearing.
26	(2) If the Authority has a special tax board, the special tax board has
27	adopted a resolution approving the levy of the tax or the increase in the
28	tax rate.
29	(3) The board of commissioners of each county included in the territorial
30	jurisdiction of the Authority has adopted a resolution approving the levy
31	of the tax or the increase in the tax rate.
32	" <u>§ 105-552. Collection and administration of gross receipts tax.</u>
33	(a) Effective Date. – A tax or a tax increase levied under this Article becomes
34	effective on the date set by the board of trustees in the resolution levying the tax or the
35	tax increase. The effective date must be the first day of a month and may not be earlier
36	than the first day of the second month after the board of trustees adopts the resolution.
37	(b) <u>Collection. – A tax levied by an Authority under this Article shall be collected</u>
38	by the Authority but shall otherwise be administered in the same manner as the optional
39	gross receipts tax levied by G.S. 105-187.5. Like the optional gross receipts tax, a tax
40	levied under this Article is to be added to the lease or rental price of a private passenger
41	vehicle or motorcycle and thereby be paid by the person to whom it is leased or rented.
42	<u>A tax levied under this Article applies regardless of whether the retailer who leases or</u>
43	rents the private passenger vehicle or motorcycle has elected to pay the optional gross

1	receipts tax on the lease or rental receipts from the vehicle. A tax levied under this
2	Article must be paid to the Authority that levied the tax by the date an optional gross
3	receipts tax would be payable to the Secretary of Revenue under G.S. 105-187.5 if the
4	retailer who leases or rents the private passenger vehicle or motorcycle had elected to pay
5	the optional gross receipts tax.
6	(c) <u>Penalties and Remedies. – The penalties and remedies that apply to local sales</u>
7	and use taxes levied under Subchapter VIII of this Chapter apply to a tax levied under
8	this Article. The board of trustees of an Authority may exercise any power the Secretary
9	of Revenue or a board of county commissioners may exercise in collecting local sales and
10	use taxes.
11	" <u>§ 105-553. Exemptions and refunds.</u>
12	No exemptions are allowed from a tax levied under this Article. No refunds are
13	allowed for a tax lawfully levied under this Article.
14	" <u>§ 105-554. Use of tax proceeds.</u>
15	An Authority that levies a tax under this Article may use the proceeds of the tax for
16	any purpose for which the Authority is authorized to use funds. An Authority shall use
17	the tax proceeds to supplement and not to supplant or replace existing funds or other
18	resources for public transportation systems. Authorized purposes for which an Authority
19	may use funds include the following:
20	(1) Pledging funds in connection with the financing of a public
21	transportation system or any part of a public transportation system.
22	(2) Paying a note, bond, or other obligation entered into by the Authority
23	pursuant to Article 26 or Article 27 of Chapter 160A of the General
24	Statutes.
25	" <u>§ 105-555. Repeal of tax or decrease in tax rate.</u>
26	The board of trustees of an Authority may repeal a tax levied under this Article or
27	decrease the tax rate of a tax levied under this Article. The same restrictions that apply to
28	the levy of a tax or an increase in a tax rate under this Article apply to the repeal of the
29	tax or a decrease in the tax rate.
30	A tax repeal or a tax decrease becomes effective on the date set by the board of
31	trustees in the resolution repealing or decreasing the tax. The effective date must be on
32	the first day of a month and may not be earlier than the first day of the second month
33	after the board of trustees adopts the resolution. Repeal or decrease of a tax levied under
34	this Article does not affect the rights or liabilities of an Authority, a taxpayer, or another
35	person arising before the repeal or decrease."
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37	PART IV. REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY REGISTRATION TAX
38	Section 4. Subchapter IX of Chapter 105 of the General Statutes, as enacted by
39	this act, is amended by adding a new Article to read:
40	"ARTICLE 51.
41	"REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY REGISTRATION TAX.
42	" <u>§ 105-560. Definitions.</u>
43	(1) Authority. – Any of the following:

1		2	A multiple transmentation with write anoted mummum to Article 25
1		<u>a.</u>	A public transportation authority created pursuant to Article 25
2			of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes that includes two or
3		h	more counties.
4		<u>b.</u>	<u>A regional public transportation authority created pursuant to</u>
5		0	Article 26 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes.
6		<u>C.</u>	<u>A regional transportation authority created pursuant to Article 27</u>
7	(2)	Deems	of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes.
8	$\frac{(2)}{(2)}$		l of trustees. – The governing body of an Authority.
9	(3)		<u>c transportation system. – Defined in G.S. 105-550.</u>
10			<u>y registration tax authorized.</u>
11			zed. – The board of trustees of an Authority may, by resolution,
12			tax in accordance with this Article upon any motor vehicle with a
13			torial jurisdiction. The purpose of the tax levied under this Article
14			capital and operating expenses of an Authority in providing public
15	-	-	The rate of tax levied under this Article must be a full dollar
16			<u>sceed five dollars (\$5.00) a year.</u>
17	• •		- The board of trustees of an Authority may not levy a tax under
18			the tax rate until all of the following requirements have been met:
19	<u>(1)</u>		oard of trustees has held a public hearing on the tax or the increase
20			tax rate after giving at least 10 days' notice of the hearing.
21	<u>(2)</u>		e Authority has a special tax board, the special tax board has
22		_	ed a resolution approving the levy of the tax or the increase in the
23		tax ra	
24	<u>(3)</u>	-	ot where the levy or increase in tax is necessary for debt service on
25			or notes that each of the boards of county commissioners had
26			ously approved under G.S. 159-51, the board of commissioners of
27		_	county included in the territorial jurisdiction of the Authority has
28		<u>adopt</u>	ed a resolution approving the levy of the tax or the increase in the
29		tax ra	
30			- The board of trustees and the board of county commissioners,
31			olution pursuant to this section, shall cause a certified copy of the
32		e delive	ered immediately to the Authority and to the Division of Motor
33	Vehicles.		
34	" <u>§ 105-562. Co</u>		
35			- A tax or a tax increase levied under this Article becomes effective
36			e board of trustees in the resolution levying the tax or the tax
37			e date must be the first day of a month and may not be earlier than
38	the first day of	the thir	d calendar month after the board of trustees adopts the resolution.
39			pplies to vehicles whose tax situs is in a county the entire area of
40		•	risdiction of the Authority, the Division of Motor Vehicles shall
41			the tax. To the extent the tax applies to vehicles whose tax situs is
42	in a county that	is only	partially within the jurisdiction of the county, the Authority shall

1	collect and administer the tax. The Authority may contract with one or more local
2	governments in its jurisdiction to collect the tax on its behalf.
3	Upon receipt of the resolutions under G.S. 105-561, the Division of Motor Vehicles
4	shall proceed to collect and administer the tax as provided in this Article. The tax is due
5	at the same time and subject to the same restrictions as in G.S. 20-87(1), (2), (4), (5), (6),
6	and (7) and G.S. 20-88. The Division of Motor Vehicles may adopt rules to carry out its
7	responsibilities under this Article.
8	(b) Scope. – Only vehicles required to pay a tax under G.S. 20-87(1), (2) , (4) , (5) ,
9	(6), and (7) and G.S. 20-88 shall be subject to the tax provided by this Article. Taxes
10	shall be prorated in accordance with G.S. 20-95.
11	(c) <u>Tax Situs. – The tax situs of a motor vehicle for the purpose of this Article is</u>
12	its ad valorem tax situs. If the vehicle is exempt from ad valorem tax, its tax situs for the
13	purpose of this Article is the ad valorem tax situs it would have if it were not exempt
14	from ad valorem tax.
15	" <u>§ 105-563. Modification or repeal of tax.</u>
16	The Board of Trustees may, by resolution, repeal the levy of the tax under this Article
17	or decrease the amount of the tax, under the same procedures and subject to the same
18	limitations as provided in G.S. 105-561. A tax repeal or a tax decrease becomes effective
19	on the date set by the board of trustees in the resolution repealing or decreasing the tax.
20	The effective date must be on the first day of a month and may not be earlier than the first
21	day of the third calendar month after the board of trustees adopts the resolution. Repeal
22	or decrease of a tax levied under this Article does not affect the rights or liabilities of an
23	Authority, a taxpayer, or another person arising before the repeal or decrease.
24	" <u>§ 105-564. Distribution and use of proceeds.</u>
25	The Authority shall retain the net proceeds of taxes it collects under this Article.
26	Taxes collected by the Division of Motor Vehicles under this Article shall be credited to
27	a special fund and the net proceeds disbursed quarterly to the appropriate Authority.
28	Interest credited to the fund shall be disbursed quarterly to the Highway Fund to
29	reimburse the Division of Motor Vehicles for the cost of collecting and administering the
30	tax.
31	An Authority that levies a tax under this Article may use the proceeds of the tax for
32	any purpose for which the Authority is authorized to use funds. An Authority shall use
33	the tax proceeds to supplement and not to supplant or replace existing funds or other
34	resources for public transportation systems."
35	Section 6. G.S. 160A-623 reads as rewritten:
36	"§ 160A-623. Regional Transportation Authority registration tax.
37	(a) Tax Authorized.—In accordance with this section, Article 51 of Chapter 105 of
38	the General Statutes, an Authority organized under this Article may levy an annual
39	license tax upon any motor vehicle with a tax situs within its territorial jurisdiction as
40	defined by G.S. 160A-602. A tax levied under this section before the enactment of
41	Article 51 of Chapter 105 of the General Statutes is considered a tax levied under Article
10	51 of Chapter 105 of the Congred Statutes

42 <u>51 of Chapter 105 of the General Statutes.</u>

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- (b) Purpose. The purpose of the tax levied under this section is to raise revenue for capital and operating expenses of an Authority in providing a public transportation system.
- 3 system.
 4 (c) Amount of Tax. The annual levy under this section must be a full dollar
 5 amount, but may not exceed five dollars (\$5.00) per year.
- Procedure for Levy. The Board of Trustees of an Authority may levy the tax 6 (d) 7 provided by this section by passage of a resolution, after not less than 10 days' public 8 notice and after a public hearing. Collection of the tax, and liability therefor, shall begin 9 and continue only on and after the first day of a calendar month set by the Board of 10 Trustees in the resolution levying the tax, which shall in no case be earlier than the first day of the third calendar month after the adoption of the resolution. The Board of 11 12 Trustees, upon adoption of the resolution, shall cause a certified copy of the resolution to 13 be delivered immediately to the Division of Motor Vehicles.
- (e) Collection of Tax. Upon receipt of the resolutions under subsections (d) and
 (j), the Division of Motor Vehicles shall proceed to collect and administer the tax. The
 tax is due at the same time and subject to the same restrictions as in G.S. 20-87 (1), (2),
 (4), (5), (6), and (7) and G.S. 20-88. The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles may adopt
 such rules as are necessary and proper to implement this section.
- 19 Modification or Repeal of Tax. The Board of Trustees may, by resolution, (f) 20 terminate the levy of the tax under this section, or increase or decrease the amount of the 21 tax, under the same procedures as provided in subsection (d) of this section, and subject 22 to the limitations provided in subsections (c) and (j) of this section. Collection of the increased or decreased tax, and liability therefor, shall begin and continue only on and 23 24 after the first day of a calendar month set by the Board of Trustees in the resolution 25 increasing or reducing the tax, which shall in no case be earlier than the first day of the third calendar month after the adoption of the resolution. The effective date of the 26 termination of the tax shall be only on and after the first day of a calendar month set by 27 28 the Board of Trustees in the resolution terminating the tax, which shall in no case be 29 earlier than the first day of the third calendar month after the adoption of the resolution. 30 No liability for any tax levied under this section which shall have attached prior to the 31 effective date on which a levy is terminated or reduced shall be discharged as a result of 32 such termination or reduction, and no right to a refund of tax or otherwise, which shall 33 have accrued prior to the effective date on which a levy is terminated or reduced shall be 34 denied as a result of such termination.
- 35 (g) Vehicles Subject to Tax. Only vehicles required to pay a tax under G.S. 20 36 87(1), (2), (4), (5), (6), and (7) and G.S. 20-88 shall be subject to the tax provided by this
 37 section. Taxes shall be prorated in accordance with G.S. 20-95.
- (h) Tax Situs. The tax situs of a motor vehicle for the purpose of this section is
 its ad valorem tax situs. If the vehicle is exempt from ad valorem tax, its tax situs for the
 purpose of this section is the ad valorem tax situs it would have if it were not exempt
 from ad valorem tax.
- 42 (i) Distribution of Proceeds. Taxes paid under this section shall be credited to a 43 special fund, and the net proceeds disbursed quarterly to the appropriate Authority.

1	Interest credited to the fund shall be disbursed quarterly to the Highway Fund to
2	reimburse the Division of Motor Vehicles for the cost of collecting and administering the
3	tax.
4	(i1) Repealed by Session Laws 1993, c. 382, s. 1.
5	(j) When Special Tax Board and Board of County Commissioners Authorization
6	Necessary. No Authority may adopt a resolution to levy any tax under this section, or to
7	increase the amount of the levy, unless the special tax board of that Authority and the
8	board of county commissioners of each county organizing the Authority have first passed
9	a resolution approving the levy or increase, except where the levy or increase in tax is
10	necessary for debt service on bonds or notes that special tax board and each of the boards
11	of county commissioners had previously approved under G.S. 159-51. The Special Tax
12	Board and Board of County Commissioners, upon adoption of the resolution, shall cause
13	a certified copy of the resolution to be delivered immediately to the Authority and to the
14	Division of Motor Vehicles."
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16	PART V. EFFECTIVE DATES
17	Section 6. This act is effective when it becomes law.
18	Section 7. A tax levied under Article 43 of Chapter 105 of the General
19	Statutes, as enacted by this act, does not apply to construction materials purchased to
20	fulfill a lump sum or unit price contract entered into or awarded before the effective date
21	of the levy or entered into or awarded pursuant to a bid made before the effective date of
22	the levy when the construction materials would otherwise be subject to the tax levied

23 under Article 43 of Chapter 105 of the General Statutes.