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3 By Senator Beasley (N & P)  
4 RFD: Local Legislation No. 1  
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9 A BILL  
10 TO BE ENTITLED  
11 AN ACT  
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13 Relating to Macon County; to authorize the Little  
14 Texas Volunteer Fire Department to assess a service charge for  
15 fire protection services; to provide for collection of the  
16 service charge; and to provide for a referendum on the service  
17 charge by the registered voters residing in the fire district.  
18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

19 Section 1. (a) In Macon County, the Little Texas  
20 Volunteer Fire Department may assess and collect a service  
21 charge by action of the board on all property served by the  
22 department for fire protection services. The service charge  
23 shall not exceed seven and one-half percent of the total ad  
24 valorem taxes due and payable on the property on an annual  
25 basis. The proceeds of the service charge shall be used solely  
26 for equipment and expenses relating to the delivery of fire  
27 protection services and operation of the volunteer fire

1 department. No portion of the service charge may be used for  
2 salaries, entertainment, or food.

3 (b) The service charge provided for in subsection  
4 (a) shall be assessed and collected by the Macon County  
5 Revenue Commissioner on an annual basis at the same time as ad  
6 valorem taxes are collected. The service charge shall be  
7 collected in the same manner as municipal assessments.

8 (c) Subsections (a) and (b) providing for the  
9 assessment and collection of the fire protection service  
10 charge shall not be effective unless approved by a majority of  
11 the registered voters residing in the Little Texas Volunteer  
12 Fire Department district who vote a referendum held for that  
13 purpose at the November 2014 general election.

14 Section 2. This act shall become effective  
15 immediately following its passage and approval by the  
16 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.