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A BILL  
TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

Relating to Coosa County; to authorize the Coosa County Commission to levy an additional issuance fee on the issuance or renewal of a motor vehicle or other vehicle license and registration with certain exceptions; to provide for the distribution of the proceeds from the fee to the county general fund to be used for ambulance service; to provide a referendum on this act; and to provide for termination of the fee under certain conditions.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. This act shall apply only in Coosa County.

Section 2.(a) The Coosa County Commission may levy an additional vehicle tag issuance fee in the amount of fifteen dollars (\$15) on the issuance or renewal of each motor vehicle or other vehicle license and registration except for the license and registration of a commercial motor vehicle as defined in Section 32-6-49.3 of the Code of Alabama 1975. The vehicle license tag issuance fee shall be levied by the county commission prior to October 1 of a calendar year and shall be effective January 1 of the next tag year.

(b) The motor vehicle or other vehicle tag issuance fee



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29 shall be collected by the judge of probate at the same time as  
30 the issuance or renewal of vehicle license tags. The proceeds  
31 of the fee shall be deposited in the county general fund and  
32 used only to pay for the operational expenses of a county  
33 ambulance service based in the county as approved by the  
34 county commission.

35 (c) In the event the county commission finds that a  
36 county ambulance service is not in operation, any vehicle  
37 license tag issuance fee levied pursuant to this act shall be  
38 automatically terminated effective the first day of the second  
39 month after that finding. The balance of any proceeds in the  
40 county general fund from the tag issuance fee remaining when  
41 the fee is terminated may be used for general county purposes.

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43 Section 3. This act shall be operative only if it is  
44 approved by a majority of the qualified electors in Coosa  
45 County who vote thereon at a referendum held for that purpose.  
46 The election shall be held and conducted as nearly as may be  
47 in the same way as elections on amendments to the constitution  
48 and shall be held on the same day as the next primary election  
49 after the effective date of this act. Notice of election shall  
50 be given by the Judge of Probate of Coosa County, which notice  
51 shall be published once a week for three successive weeks  
52 before the day of the election. On the ballots to be used at  
53 the election, the proposition to be voted on shall be stated  
54 substantially as follows:

55 "Do you favor the adoption of this Act \_\_\_\_ of the 2023  
56 Regular Session of the Alabama Legislature authorizing the



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57 Coosa County Commission to levy an additional vehicle tag  
58 issuance fee to be used to fund a county ambulance service?

59 "Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_."

60 If a majority of the votes cast at the election are  
61 affirmative votes, this act shall be in full force and effect  
62 immediately thereafter. If a majority of the votes cast are in  
63 the negative, the act shall have no further effect. The Judge  
64 of Probate of Coosa County shall certify the results of the  
65 election to the Secretary of State. The cost of the election  
66 shall be paid out of the county general fund.

67 Section 4. This act shall become effective immediately  
68 following its passage and approval by the Governor, or its  
69 otherwise becoming law.