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3 By Representative Wood (R) (N & P)
4 RFD: Local Legislation
5 First Read: 18-Mar-25



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A BILL

TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

Relating to Talladega County; to amend Section 11 of Act 91-533 of the 1991 Regular Session (Acts 1991, p. 948), as last amended by Act 2023-393 of the 2023 Regular Session, to further provide for the distribution of the special county sales and use tax; and to repeal Act 2023-393 of the 2023 Regular Session, relating to the distribution of the special sales and use tax.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Section 11 of Act 91-533 of the 1991 Regular Session (Acts 1991, p. 948), as last amended by Act 2023-393 of the 2023 Regular Session, is amended to read as follows:

"Section 11. (a) All revenues arising from the taxes ~~herein levied in this act~~ shall be deposited in a ~~special fund, designated as the Talladega County Special Tax Fund~~. An amount up to fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) annually, plus any existing funds on deposit in the fund for professional services on ~~the effective date of the act adding this amendatory language~~ May 31, 2023, shall be used as deemed necessary by the Talladega County Commission. The remaining amount shall be distributed by the county commission in the



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following manner:

(1) Twelve percent to be further distributed equally among the certified volunteer fire departments whose principal fire station is located in the county.

(2) Twelve percent, plus any existing funds in the bridge fund on ~~the effective date of the act adding this language~~ May 31, 2023, to the bridge fund to be used at the discretion of the county commission for costs related to rural county roads and bridges, to include Cheaha Road.

(3) Ten percent to fund the commitment made by the Talladega County Commission to the Honda project.

(4) Four percent for maintenance and repairs of the health department building. Notwithstanding the distribution in this subdivision, the amount of one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) from the existing funds on deposit in the Health Department Fund on ~~the effective date of the act adding this language~~ May 31, 2023, shall be allocated to the East Alabama Rural Innovation and Training Hub.

(5) Ten percent to the Talladega County Economic Development Authority.

(6) Ten percent for development of water lines to serve Talladega County residents and industry for improved fire protection and rural development. ~~The Talladega Economic Development Authority shall make recommendations to the Talladega County Commission as to the expenditure of these funds. Approval by the Talladega County legislative delegation is required prior to the expenditure of any funds. If the Talladega Economic Development Authority fails to make a~~



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~~recommendation acceptable to the Talladega County legislative delegation, then final disposition of the funds shall be at the sole discretion of the Talladega County legislative delegation. The term "approval by the Talladega County legislative delegation" as used in this subdivision and for purposes of this act, shall mean the approval of the members of the House of Representatives who reside within Talladega County. Distribution of these discretionary funds shall be approved by the Talladega County legislative delegation, as defined above.~~
All monies disbursed pursuant to this subdivision shall conform to subsection (b).

(7) Five percent to the public libraries in Talladega County located in Childersburg, Lincoln, Munford, Sylacauga, and Talladega to be distributed on a pro rata basis by population of each municipality.

(8) Five percent to the Talladega County Commission fund that is used to match federal and state funds for roads and bridges in Talladega County.

(9) Five percent for the maintenance and renovation of county-owned buildings as needed and as determined by the county commission.

(10) Four percent to be used to improve the supply and quality of the water in North Talladega County, particularly to enhance water supplies and capacities for communities within North Talladega County in and around the Talladega Municipal Airport, including, but not limited to, the addition and maintenance of water towers. ~~The Talladega Economic Development Authority shall make recommendations to the~~



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~~Talladega County Commission as to the expenditure of these funds. Approval by the Talladega County legislative delegation, as defined above, is required prior to the expenditure of any funds. If the Talladega Economic Development Authority fails to make a recommendation acceptable to the Talladega County legislative delegation, then final disposition of the funds shall be at the sole approval of the Talladega County legislative delegation. Distribution of these discretionary funds shall be approved by the Talladega County legislative delegation, as defined above~~
All monies disbursed pursuant to this subdivision shall conform to subsection (b).

~~(11) Ten percent to be used to hire personnel for the public safety radio system or for other law enforcement purposes, to include salaries, in the county, at the commission determination of the county commission and sheriff.~~

(12) Two percent divided equally and distributed to the ARC programs of North and South Talladega County located in Sylacauga and Talladega.

(13) Two percent to the Talladega ~~Childrens~~ Children's Rehabilitation Office for rehabilitation services in Talladega County.

(14) Any remaining revenue proceeds shall be deposited into a trust fund called the Talladega County Special Tax Trust Fund. The amount of three million five hundred thousand dollars (\$3,500,000) from existing funds on deposit on ~~the effective date of the act adding this amendatory language~~ May 31, 2023, in the Talladega County Special Trust Fund shall be



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allocated to the East Alabama Rural Training and Innovation Hub. Thereafter, any remaining funds and future revenues shall be used for rural Talladega County projects, at the discretion of the Talladega County Commission, subject to approval of the members of the Alabama House of Representatives who reside in Talladega County~~legislative delegation~~.

(b) For the disbursements made pursuant to subdivisions (a) (6) and (a) (10), the Talladega Economic Development Authority shall make recommendations to the Talladega County Legislative Delegation regarding expenditure of the funds. However, the Talladega County Legislative Delegation shall have the sole discretion regarding expenditure of those funds.

Section 2. Act 2023-393 of the 2023 Regular Session, relating to the distribution of a portion of the special sales and use tax, is repealed.

Section 3. This act shall become effective on June 1, 2025.



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House of Representatives

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134 to the House of Representatives
135 committee on Local Legislation
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143 Yeas 12
144 Nays 0
145 Abstains 89
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John Treadwell
Clerk