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(Constitutional Amendment) Provides for the dedication and use of certain revenues in the Transportation Trust Fund to be used to fund construction of Interstate 49 North and South
The proposed constitutional amendment provides that one cent of the taxes levied on gasoline or motor fuel or on special fuels shall be dedicated for and appropriated each year to Interstate 49 North and South. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on November 7, 2006. If approved, the amendment will become effective on January 1, 2007.

Table with 7 columns: EXPENDITURES, 2005-06, 2006-07, 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10, 5-YEAR TOTAL. Rows include State Gen. Fd., Agy. Self-Gen., Ded./Other, Federal Funds, Local Funds, and Annual Total.

Table with 7 columns: REVENUES, 2005-06, 2006-07, 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10, 5-YEAR TOTAL. Rows include State Gen. Fd., Agy. Self-Gen., Ded./Other, Federal Funds, Local Funds, and Annual Total.

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated net effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. This legislation is merely a dedication of existing tax revenues generated on gasoline, motor fuels, and special fuels. The Revenue Estimating Conference (REC) (12/15/04) adopted estimates of gasoline, motor fuels and special fuels which implies that \$.01 of the these taxes would generate the following in future fiscal years:

- FY 06 \$28.8 million
FY 07 \$29 million
FY 08 \$29.3 million
FY 09 \$29.7 million
FY 10 \$30.1 million

Expenditures related to this dedication of the existing \$.01 will not begin until January 1, 2007. Therefore, based on the adopted estimates, approximately \$14.5 million would be available for expenditures related to the construction of Interstate 49 North and South. Subsequent years estimated revenues are shown above.

As noted earlier, these estimates were considered by the REC in December 2004. These estimates will be subject to revision at the next REC meeting which will likely be held in mid-May 2005.

NOTE: Passage of this legislation will result in a corresponding decrease in revenues available for other eligible expenses.

Article VII, Section 27 of the Louisiana Constitution currently provides that "the monies in the trust fund shall be appropriated or dedicated solely and exclusively for the costs for and associated with construction and maintenance of the roads and bridges of the state and federal highway systems, the Statewide Flood Control Program or its successors, ports, airports, transit, state police for traffic control purposes, and the Parish Transportation Fund...". Dedication of specific revenue amounts to the I-49 North and South projects necessarily diverts resources from other projects encapsulated in the Article VII, Section 27 language above.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

Senate

Dual Referral Rules

House

13.5.1 >= \$500,000 Annual Fiscal Cost

6.8(F) >= \$500,000 Annual Fiscal Cost

13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change

6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease

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