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Senator Sachs moved the following:

## Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 41 and 42

4 insert:

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6 7 Section 1. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (1), paragraph (a) of subsection (5), and subsection (7) of section 336.025, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

8 336.025 County transportation system; levy of local option
9 fuel tax on motor fuel and diesel fuel.-

(1) (a) In addition to other taxes allowed by law, there may be levied as provided in ss. 206.41(1)(e) and 206.87(1)(c) a 1cent, 2-cent, 3-cent, 4-cent, 5-cent, or 6-cent local option fuel tax upon every gallon of motor fuel and diesel fuel sold in

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14 a county and taxed under the provisions of part I or part II of 15 chapter 206.

1. All impositions and rate changes of the tax shall be 16 17 levied before October July 1 to be effective January 1 of the 18 following year for a period not to exceed 30 years, and the applicable method of distribution shall be established pursuant 19 to subsection (3) or subsection (4). However, levies of the tax 20 which were in effect on July 1, 2002, and which expire on August 21 22 31 of any year may be reimposed at the current authorized rate 23 effective September 1 of the year of expiration. Upon 24 expiration, the tax may be relevied provided that a 25 redetermination of the method of distribution is made as provided in this section. 26

27 2. County and municipal governments shall utilize moneys
28 received pursuant to this paragraph only for transportation
29 expenditures.

30 3. Any tax levied pursuant to this paragraph may be 31 extended on a majority vote of the governing body of the county. 32 A redetermination of the method of distribution shall be 33 established pursuant to subsection (3) or subsection (4), if, 34 after July 1, 1986, the tax is extended or the tax rate changed, 35 for the period of extension or for the additional tax.

(b) In addition to other taxes allowed by law, there may be levied as provided in s. 206.41(1)(e) a 1-cent, 2-cent, 3-cent, 4-cent, or 5-cent local option fuel tax upon every gallon of motor fuel sold in a county and taxed under the provisions of part I of chapter 206. The tax shall be levied by an ordinance adopted by a majority plus one vote of the membership of the governing body of the county or by referendum.

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1. All impositions and rate changes of the tax shall be levied before <u>October</u> July 1, to be effective January 1 of the following year. However, levies of the tax which were in effect on July 1, 2002, and which expire on August 31 of any year may be reimposed at the current authorized rate effective September 1 of the year of expiration.

49 2. The county may, prior to levy of the tax, establish by 50 interlocal agreement with one or more municipalities located 51 therein, representing a majority of the population of the 52 incorporated area within the county, a distribution formula for 53 dividing the entire proceeds of the tax among county government 54 and all eligible municipalities within the county. If no interlocal agreement is adopted before the effective date of the 55 56 tax, tax revenues shall be distributed pursuant to the provisions of subsection (4). If no interlocal agreement exists, 57 58 a new interlocal agreement may be established prior to June 1 of any year pursuant to this subparagraph. However, any interlocal 59 agreement agreed to under this subparagraph after the initial 60 levy of the tax or change in the tax rate authorized in this 61 62 section shall under no circumstances materially or adversely 63 affect the rights of holders of outstanding bonds which are 64 backed by taxes authorized by this paragraph, and the amounts distributed to the county government and each municipality shall 65 66 not be reduced below the amount necessary for the payment of 67 principal and interest and reserves for principal and interest 68 as required under the covenants of any bond resolution 69 outstanding on the date of establishment of the new interlocal 70 agreement.

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3. County and municipal governments shall use moneys

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72 received pursuant to this paragraph for transportation 73 expenditures needed to meet the requirements of the capital 74 improvements element of an adopted comprehensive plan or for 75 expenditures needed to meet immediate local transportation 76 problems and for other transportation-related expenditures that 77 are critical for building comprehensive roadway networks by 78 local governments. For purposes of this paragraph, expenditures 79 for the construction of new roads, the reconstruction or 80 resurfacing of existing paved roads, or the paving of existing 81 graded roads shall be deemed to increase capacity and such 82 projects shall be included in the capital improvements element 83 of an adopted comprehensive plan. Expenditures for purposes of this paragraph shall not include routine maintenance of roads. 84

85 (5) (a) By October July 1 of each year, the county shall notify the Department of Revenue of the rate of the taxes levied 86 87 pursuant to paragraphs (1)(a) and (b), and of its decision to rescind or change the rate of a tax, if applicable, and shall 88 89 provide the department with a certified copy of the interlocal 90 agreement established under subparagraph (1) (b)2. or 91 subparagraph (3)(a)1. with distribution proportions established 92 by such agreement or pursuant to subsection (4), if applicable. A decision to rescind a tax may shall not take effect on any 93 date other than December 31 and requires shall require a minimum 94 95 of 60 days' notice to the Department of Revenue of such 96 decision.

97 (7) For the purposes of this section, "transportation
98 expenditures" means expenditures by the local government from
99 local or state shared revenue sources, excluding expenditures of
100 bond proceeds, for the following programs:

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101	(a) Public transportation operations and maintenance.
102	(b) Roadway and right-of-way maintenance and equipment and
103	structures used primarily for the storage and maintenance of
104	such equipment.
105	(c) Roadway and right-of-way drainage.
106	(d) Street lighting installation, operation, maintenance,
107	and repair.
108	(e) Traffic signs, traffic engineering, signalization, and
109	pavement markings, installation, operation, maintenance, and
110	<u>repair</u> .
111	(f) Bridge maintenance and operation.
112	(g) Debt service and current expenditures for
113	transportation capital projects in the foregoing program areas,
114	including construction or reconstruction of roads and sidewalks.
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117	And the title is amended as follows:
118	Delete line 3
119	and insert:
120	programs; amending s. 336.025, F.S.; revising the date
121	when impositions and rate changes of the local option
122	fuel tax shall be levied; revising the definition of
123	the term "transportation expenditures" for purposes of
124	specified provisions that restrict the use of local
125	option fuel tax funds by counties and municipalities;
126	amending s. 341.301, F.S.; revising the

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