

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate House

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The Committee on Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations (Hill) recommended the following substitute for amendment (582890):

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 52 and 53

and insert:

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Section 1. Section 212.0606, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

212.0606 Rental car surcharge; discretionary local rental car surcharge. --

(1)A surcharge of \$2 \$2.00 per day or any part of a day is imposed upon the lease or rental of a motor vehicle licensed for hire and designed to carry fewer less than nine passengers, regardless of whether such motor vehicle is licensed in Florida. The surcharge applies to only the first 30 days of the term of

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any lease or rental and. The surcharge is subject to all applicable taxes imposed by this chapter.

- (2) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 212.20, and less costs of administration, 80 percent of the proceeds of the this surcharge imposed under subsection (1) shall be deposited in the State Transportation Trust Fund, 15.75 percent of the proceeds of this surcharge shall be deposited in the Tourism Promotional Trust Fund created in s. 288.122, and 4.25 percent of the proceeds of this surcharge shall be deposited in the Florida International Trade and Promotion Trust Fund. As used in For the purposes of this subsection, "proceeds" of the surcharge means all funds collected and received by the department under subsection (1) this section, including interest and penalties on delinquent surcharges. The department shall provide the Department of Transportation rental car surcharge revenue information for the previous state fiscal year by September 1 of each year.
- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in fiscal year 2007-2008 and each year thereafter, the proceeds deposited in the State Transportation Trust Fund shall be allocated on an annual basis in the Department of Transportation's work program to each department district, except the Turnpike District. The amount allocated for each district shall be based upon the amount of proceeds attributed to the counties within each respective district.
- (3) (a) In addition to the surcharge imposed under subsection (1), each county containing an international airport may levy a discretionary local surcharge pursuant to county ordinance and subject to approval by a majority vote of the electorate of the county voting in a referendum on the local

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- (b) If the ordinance authorizing the imposition of the surcharge is approved by such referendum, a certified copy of the ordinance shall be furnished by the county to the department within 10 days after such approval, but no later than November 16 prior to the effective date. The notice must specify the time period during which the surcharge will be in effect and must include a copy of the ordinance and such other information as the department requires by rule. Failure to timely provide such notification to the department shall result in delay of the effective date for a period of 1 year. The effective date for any county to impose the surcharge shall be January 1 following the year in which the ordinance was approved by referendum. A local surcharge may not terminate on a date other than December 31.
- (c) Any dealer that collects the local surcharge but fails to report surcharge collections by county, as required by paragraph (4)(b), shall have the surcharge proceeds deposited into the Solid Waste Management Trust Fund and then transferred to the Local Option Fuel Tax Trust Fund, which is separate from the county surcharge collection accounts. The department shall distribute funds in this account, less the cost of administration, using a distribution factor determined for each county that levies a surcharge based on the county's latest official population determined pursuant to s. 186.901 and

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multiplied by the amount of funds in the account and available for distribution.

- (d) Notwithstanding s. 212.20, and less the costs of administration, the proceeds of the local surcharge imposed under paragraph (a) shall be transferred to the Local Option Fuel Tax Trust Fund and distributed monthly by the department under s. 336.025(3)(a)1. or (4)(a) and used solely for costs associated with the construction, reconstruction, operation, maintenance, and repair of facilities under a commuter rail service program provided by the state or other governmental entity. As used in this subsection, "proceeds" of the local surcharge means all funds collected and received by the department under this subsection, including interest and penalties on delinquent surcharges.
- $(4) \frac{(3)}{(3)}$ (a) Except as provided in this section, the department shall administer, collect, and enforce the surcharge and local surcharge as provided in this chapter.
- The department shall require dealers to report surcharge collections according to the county to which the surcharge and local surcharge was attributed. For purposes of this section, the surcharge and local surcharge shall be attributed to the county where the rental agreement was entered into.
- Dealers who collect a the rental car surcharge shall report to the department all surcharge and local surcharge revenues attributed to the county where the rental agreement was entered into on a timely filed return for each required reporting period. The provisions of this chapter which apply to interest and penalties on delinquent taxes shall apply to the surcharge and local surcharge. The surcharge and local surcharge shall not



be included in the calculation of estimated taxes pursuant to s. 212.11. The dealer's credit provided in s. 212.12 shall not apply to any amount collected under this section.

(5) (4) The surcharge and any local surcharge imposed by this section does not apply to a motor vehicle provided at no charge to a person whose motor vehicle is being repaired, adjusted, or serviced by the entity providing the replacement motor vehicle.

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And the title is amended as follows:

On line 2, after the semicolon, insert:

> amending s. 212.0606, F.S.; providing for the imposition by countywide referendum of an additional surcharge on the lease or rental of a motor vehicle; providing for the proceeds of the surcharge to be transferred to the Local Option Fuel Tax Trust Fund and used for the construction and maintenance of commuter rail service facilities; providing definitions relating to commuter rail service, rail corridors, and railroad operation for purposes of the rail program within the department;