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Abstract: Prohibits Transportation Trust Fund monies from being used by state police for traffic control purposes and limits the annual appropriations to the Parish Transportation Fund, the Statewide Flood-Control Program, ports, and transit to no more than the estimated revenue derived from the state taxes collected from fuel sales directly attributable to each of those programs.

Present constitution establishes the Transportation Trust Fund (TTF) as a special treasury fund and requires that all state taxes levied on gasoline and motor fuels be deposited annually into the fund. The current state excise taxes on gasoline and motor fuels total 20¢ per gallon. Monies in the fund are used to provide for construction and maintenance of roads and bridges of the state and federal highway systems, the Statewide Flood-Control Program, ports, airports, transit, state police for traffic control purposes, and the Parish Transportation Fund. Further, present constitution prohibits the levy of any state or local sales tax on gasoline and motor fuels.

Proposed constitutional amendment changes present constitution with respect to the use of the monies in (TTF) by prohibiting monies in the fund from being used by state police for traffic control purposes.

Proposed constitutional amendment limits the annual appropriation of monies from TTF to the Parish Transportation Fund, the Statewide Flood-Control Program, ports, and transit to no more than the annual estimated revenue derived from state taxes collected and received from fuel sales directly attributable to each of those programs.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held Oct. 14, 2017.

(Amends Const. Art. VII, §27(B))