

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 31

BY REPRESENTATIVE MUSCARELLO

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

FUNDS/PARISH TRANSPORT: Authorizes use of Parish Transportation Fund monies for mass transit in Tangipahoa Parish

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 48:756(B)(1)(a) and (2)(a), relative to the Parish Transportation  
3 Fund; to include Tangipahoa Parish as a recipient of monies from the fund dedicated  
4 for mass transit purposes; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 48:756(B)(1)(a) and (2)(a) are hereby amended and reenacted to read  
7 as follows:

8 §756. Distribution formula

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10 B.(1)(a) Any funds specifically appropriated for transportation purposes  
11 other than those provided for in Subsection A of this Section shall be credited to the  
12 Parish Transportation ~~fund~~ Fund, after appropriating two and one-half percent of the  
13 amount allocated pursuant to this Section to the public transportation section of the  
14 Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for the sole purpose of  
15 capital acquisition for the transit providers operating under 49 U.S.C. 5310 and 5311,  
16 and after providing a base amount of seventy-five thousand dollars each for mass  
17 transit purposes as defined in the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century  
18 (TEA 21), or its successor, as amended, to the parish or municipal governing  
19 authority of Orleans, Jefferson, Kenner, East Baton Rouge, Monroe, Alexandria,

1 Lafayette, Lake Charles, Shreveport, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. Tammany,  
2 Tangipahoa, and Terrebonne.

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4 (2) The balance credited to the fund after the appropriations and other  
5 provisions required by Paragraph (1) of this Subsection shall be distributed as  
6 follows:

7 (a) Provided that Subparagraphs (b) and (c) of this Paragraph are applicable  
8 to them, one dollar per capita for each urbanized area as determined by the most  
9 current federal census for the parishes of Orleans, Jefferson, East Baton Rouge,  
10 Ouachita, Rapides, Lafayette, Calcasieu, Caddo, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St.  
11 Tammany, Tangipahoa, and Terrebonne.

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DIGEST

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HB 31 Engrossed

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**Abstract:** Adds Tangipahoa Parish to the list of parishes receiving monies from the Parish Transportation Fund for mass transit purposes.

Present law establishes the Parish Transportation Fund and provides for specific uses of the fund, including mass transit operating expenses incurred by parishes and municipalities.

Present law provides a list of parishes that receive monies from the fund for mass transit expenses. Each parish included in the list receives a base amount of \$75,000 and an additional amount based on population and passengers prorated among the parishes.

Proposed law adds Tangipahoa Parish to the list of parishes that receive monies from the fund for mass transit purposes.

(Amends R.S. 48:756(B)(1)(a) and (2)(a))