

1 contrary, adjustments to any constitutionally protected or mandated allocations or
 2 appropriations, and transfer of monies associated with such adjustments, are
 3 authorized when state general fund allocations or appropriations have been reduced
 4 in an aggregate amount equal to at least seven-tenths of one percent of the total of
 5 such allocations and appropriations for a fiscal year. **Thereafter, any reductions**
 6 **necessary to eliminate a deficit in a fiscal year shall be accomplished to require**
 7 **the same pro rata reduction to any constitutionally protected or mandated**
 8 **allocations or appropriations, and transfer of monies associated with such**
 9 **adjustments, as well as to any fund established by law, and transfer of monies**
 10 **associated with such reductions, as shall be done to the state general fund**
 11 **allocations or appropriations to eliminate the projected deficit.** Such
 12 adjustments may not exceed five percent of the total appropriation or allocation from
 13 a fund for the fiscal year. For purposes of this Subsubparagraph, reductions to
 14 expenditures required by Article VIII, Section 13(B) of this constitution shall not
 15 exceed one percent and such reductions shall not be applicable to instructional
 16 activities included within the meaning of instruction pursuant to the Minimum
 17 Foundation Program formula. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this
 18 constitution to the contrary, monies transferred as a result of such budget adjustments
 19 are deemed available for appropriation and expenditure in the year of the transfer
 20 from one fund to another, but in no event shall the aggregate amount of any transfers
 21 exceed the amount of the deficit.

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23 (4) The provisions of Subparagraphs (1) and (2) of this Paragraph shall not
 24 be applicable to, nor affect:

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26 **(h) The Transportation Trust Fund as created under the provisions of**
 27 **Article VII, Section 27 of this constitution.**

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29 Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted

1 to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on November 4,
2 2014.

3 Section 3. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at said election
4 there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted
5 to vote YES or NO, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as
6 follows:

7 Do you support an amendment to provide that after state general fund
8 appropriations or allocations have been reduced by seven-tenths of one
9 percent to eliminate a projected deficit in a fiscal year, any further reductions
10 shall require the same pro rata reduction to any constitutionally protected or
11 mandated allocations or appropriations and any fund established by law as
12 shall be done to the state general fund allocations or appropriations to
13 eliminate the projected deficit; and to exclude the Transportation Trust Fund
14 from funds subject to adjustments in the event of a projected deficit?

15 (Adds Article VII, Section 10(F)(4)(h) and amends Article VII, Section
16 10(F)(2)(a))

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Jay R. Lueckel.

DIGEST

Present constitution provides that notwithstanding any other provision of this constitution to the contrary, adjustments to any constitutionally protected or mandated allocations or appropriations, and transfer of monies associated with such adjustments, are authorized when state general fund allocations or appropriations have been reduced in an aggregate amount equal to at least seven-tenths of one percent of the total of such allocations and appropriations for a fiscal year.

Proposed constitutional amendment provides that, thereafter, any reductions necessary to eliminate a deficit in a fiscal year shall be done to require the same pro rata reduction to any constitutionally protected or mandated allocations or appropriations, and transfer of monies associated with such adjustments, as well as to any fund established by law, and transfer of monies associated with such reductions, as shall be done to the state general fund allocations or appropriations to eliminate the projected deficit.

Present constitution further provides that such adjustments may not exceed five percent of the total appropriation or allocation from a fund for the fiscal year. Reductions to expenditures required the Minimum Foundation Formula shall not exceed one percent and such reductions shall not be applicable to instructional activities included within the meaning of instruction pursuant to the Minimum Foundation Program formula. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this constitution to the contrary, monies transferred as a result of such

budget adjustments are deemed available for appropriation and expenditure in the year of the transfer from one fund to another, but in no event shall the aggregate amount of any transfers exceed the amount of the deficit.

Proposed constitutional amendment retains present constitutional provisions.

Present constitution provides for six exceptions from the provisions relative to allocations or appropriations subject to adjustments in the event of a projected deficit.

Proposed constitutional amendment extends an exception to the Transportation Trust Fund.

Specifies submission of the amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held on November 4, 2014.

(Adds Art. VII, Sec. 10(F)(4)(h) and amends Art. VII, Sec. 10(F)(2)(a))