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Abstract: Beginning in Fiscal Year 2021-2022, provides for incremental reductions and an eventual prohibition on the Department of Transportation and Development's use of Transportation Trust Fund monies for payment of current employee salaries.

Present constitution requires monies deposited in the Transportation Trust Fund (TTF) to be appropriated or dedicated solely and exclusively for costs associated with construction and maintenance of roads and bridges of the state and federal highway systems, the Statewide Flood-Control Program, ports, airports, transit, and the Parish Transportation Fund.

Proposed constitutional amendment adds the following prohibitions to utilization of the fund by the Dept. of Transportation and Development (DOTD):

- (1) In FY 2021-2022, DOTD shall not use TTF monies to pay for more than 75% of annual salary costs for current employees.
- (2) In FY 2022-2023, DOTD shall not use TTF monies to pay for more than 50% of annual salary costs for current employees.
- (3) In FY 2023-2024, DOTD shall not use TTF monies to pay for more than 25% of annual salary costs for current employees.
- (4) Beginning in FY 2024-2025, and each fiscal year thereafter, DOTD shall not use TTF monies to pay for any annual salary costs for current employees.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held November 3, 2020.

(Amends Const. Art. VII, §27(B))