

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 346

BY REPRESENTATIVE DESHOTEL

FUNDS/FUNDING: To establish the Local Infrastructure Fund

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 39:100.254, relative to special treasury funds; to establish the Local
3 Infrastructure Fund; to provide for the transfer, deposit, and use, as specified, of
4 monies in the Local Infrastructure Fund; to provide an effective date; and to provide
5 for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 39:100.254 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §100.254. Local Infrastructure Fund

9 A. There is hereby established in the state treasury, as a special fund, the
10 Local Infrastructure Fund, hereafter referred to in this Section as the "fund".

11 B. After allocation of money to the Bond Security and Redemption Fund as
12 provided in Article VII, Section (9)(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana, the treasurer
13 shall deposit into the fund the following:

14 (1) Revenues received from the state sales and use tax collected pursuant to
15 R.S. 47:301.1(F).

16 (2) Monies designated from the fund and received by the state treasurer from
17 donations, gifts, grants, appropriations, or other revenue.

18 C.(1) Monies in the fund shall be used for any of the following purposes:

1 (a) Repair, improvement, and consolidation of community water and sewer
2 systems for a parish or local governing authority that has not received a grant from
3 the Water Sector Program.

4 (b) Repair and construction of roads, streets, alleys, bridges, causeways,
5 dykes, dams, culverts, ditches, levees, and other drainage facilities situated within
6 and under the jurisdiction of a parish or local governing authority.

7 (2) Monies in the fund shall be used only by a specific appropriation made
8 in a bill enacted by the legislature.

9 D. Monies in the fund shall be invested in the same manner as monies in the
10 state general fund. Interest earned on investment of monies in the fund shall be
11 credited to the fund. Unexpended and unencumbered monies in the fund at the end
12 of the fiscal year shall remain in the fund.

13 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
14 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
15 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
16 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
17 effective on the day following such approval.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Establishes the Local Infrastructure Fund and provides for use of the monies in the fund

Proposed law establishes the Local Infrastructure Fund as a special fund in the state treasury. Revenues collected from the state sales and use tax on telecommunications services, cable television services, direct-to-home satellite services, video programming services, and satellite digital audio radio services shall be deposited into the fund. Any donations, gifts, grants, appropriations, or other revenue shall also be deposited into the fund.

Proposed law authorizes the monies in the fund for the following uses: (1) repair, improvement, and consolidation of community water and sewer systems for a parish or local governing authority that has not received a grant from the Water Sector Program; and (2) repair and construction of roads, streets, alleys, bridges, causeways, dykes, dams, culverts, ditches, levees, and other drainage facilities situated within and under the jurisdiction of a

parish or local governing authority. Proposed law restricts use of the monies in the fund to a specific appropriation made in a bill enacted by the legislature.

Proposed law provides that monies in the fund shall be invested in the same manner as monies in the state general fund. Interest earned on investment of monies in the fund shall be credited to the fund. Unexpended and unencumbered monies in the fund at the end of the fiscal year shall remain in the fund.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 39:100.254)