

Act 371 of the 1989 Regular Session.

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SB311

By: Senator Bradford

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 27-70-207 TO PROVIDE THAT NO MORE THAN TWENTY PERCENT (20%) OF THE HIGHWAY REVENUES DISTRIBUTED TO COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES DURING ANY FISCAL YEAR MAY ALSO BE USED FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION PURPOSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 27-70-207(a) and (b) is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(a) All highway revenues transferred to the County Aid Fund under this subchapter shall be paid over by the State Treasurer to the treasurers of the respective counties of this state for credit to the County Highway Fund, there to be used for the maintenance, construction, and reconstruction of roads and bridges in the county highway system, provided, however, that no more than twenty percent (20%) of the revenues received by a county during any fiscal year may also be used for public transportation. The State Treasurer shall, on or before the tenth day next following the last day of each calendar month, make distribution of the revenues on the following basis:

(1) Thirty-one percent (31%) of the amount according to area, with each county to receive the proportion that its area bears to the area of the state;

(2) Seventeen and one-half percent (17½%) of the amount according to the amount of state motor vehicle license fees collected in the calendar year next preceding any such distribution, as certified to the State Treasurer by the Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, with each county to receive the proportion that the total of fees collected from the county bears to the total of fees collected in the state;

(3) Seventeen and one-half percent (17½%) of the amount according to population based upon the most recent decennial federal census, with each county to receive the proportion that its population bears to the population of the state;

(4) Thirteen and one-half percent (13½%) of the amount according to rural population based upon the most recent decennial federal census, with each county to receive the proportion that its rural population bears to the rural population of the state;

(5) Twenty and one-half percent (20½%) of the amount shall be divided equally among the seventy-five (75) counties.

(b) All highway revenues transferred to the Municipal Aid Fund under the provisions of this subchapter shall be paid over by the State Treasurer to the treasurers of the respective cities of the first and second class and incorporated towns for credit to the Street Fund, there to be used for the maintenance, construction, and reconstruction of streets which are not continuations of state highways, provided, however, that cities with a population in excess of 50,000 inhabitants may use no more than ten percent (10%) of the revenues for public transportation, and all other cities may use no more than twenty percent (20%) of the revenues for public transportation. The State Treasurer shall, on or before the tenth day next following the last day of each calendar month, make distribution of the funds on the basis of population according to the most recent federal census, with the amount

to be paid over to each such city or incorporated town in the proportion that its population bears to the total population of all such cities and towns."

SECTION 2. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 3. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

APPROVED: March 7, 1989

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