

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. _____

Offered by _____ of _____

Amend SS/Senate Bill No. 1207, Page 15, Section 143.071, Line 46,

2 by inserting after all of said line the following:

3 "321.905. 1. For the purposes of this section, the
4 term "political subdivision" shall mean:

5 (1) Any municipality located within a county with more
6 than one million inhabitants;

7 (2) Any county with more than four hundred thousand
8 but fewer than five hundred thousand inhabitants;

9 (3) Any county with more than two hundred thirty
10 thousand but fewer than two hundred sixty thousand
11 inhabitants;

12 (4) Any county with more than one hundred thousand but
13 fewer than one hundred twenty thousand inhabitants and with
14 a county seat with more than four thousand but fewer than
15 six thousand inhabitants; and

16 (5) Any county with more than two hundred sixty
17 thousand but fewer than three hundred thousand inhabitants.

18 2. The governing body of a political subdivision may,
19 by a majority vote of its governing body, levy and collect
20 ad valorem taxes on all real property located within the
21 political subdivision for the purposes of providing fire
22 protection services; provided that, no ordinance or order
23 enacted pursuant to this subsection shall be effective
24 unless the governing body submits to the voters of the
25 political subdivision a proposal to authorize the governing

26 body to impose such tax. The ballot of submission shall
 27 contain, but need not be limited to, the following language:

28 Shall the City/County of (insert city/county)
 29 be authorized to levy a tax of not more than twenty-
 30 five cents on the one hundred dollars assessed
 31 valuation to provide funds for fire protection
 32 services?

33 FOR THE PROPOSITION AGAINST THE PROPOSITION

34 (Place an X in the square opposite the one for which
 35 you wish to vote.)

36 If a majority of the votes cast on the proposal by the
 37 qualified voters voting thereon are in favor of the
 38 proposal, then the ordinance or order and any amendments
 39 thereto shall be in effect. If a majority of the votes cast
 40 by the qualified voters voting are opposed to the proposal,
 41 then the governing body of the political subdivision shall
 42 have no power to impose the property tax as herein
 43 authorized unless and until the governing body of the
 44 political subdivision shall again have submitted another
 45 proposal to authorize the governing body to impose the
 46 property tax.

47 3. The governing body of any fire protection district
 48 imposing a property tax pursuant to this chapter, or of any
 49 political subdivision imposing a property tax pursuant to
 50 subsection 1 of this section, may, by a majority vote of its
 51 governing body, impose a sales tax of up to one percent on
 52 all sales which are subject to taxation under the provisions
 53 of chapter 144, in conjunction with a property tax reduction
 54 for each year in which the sales tax is imposed, for the
 55 provision of fire protection services by the fire protection
 56 district or the political subdivision; provided that, no
 57 ordinance or order enacted pursuant to this section shall be

58 effective unless the governing body submits to the voters of
 59 the fire protection district or political subdivision, a
 60 proposal to authorize the governing body to impose a sales
 61 tax and reduce property taxes.

62 4. The ballot of submission shall contain, but need
 63 not be limited to, the following language:

64 Shall (insert governing body's name) impose a
 65 sales tax of (insert amount) and reduce its
 66 total property tax levy annually by the total amount
 67 of sales tax revenue collected in the same tax year?

68 YES NO

69 If you are in favor of the question, place an "X" in
 70 the box opposite "YES". If you are opposed to the
 71 question, place an "X" in the box opposite "NO".

72 If a majority of the votes cast on the proposal by the
 73 qualified voters voting thereon are in favor of the
 74 proposal, then the ordinance or order and any amendments
 75 thereto shall be in effect. If a majority of the votes cast
 76 by the qualified voters voting are opposed to the proposal,
 77 then the governing body of the district or political
 78 subdivision shall have no power to impose the sales tax and
 79 reduce the property tax as herein authorized unless and
 80 until the governing body of the district or political
 81 subdivision shall again have submitted another proposal to
 82 authorize the governing body to impose the sales tax and
 83 reduce the property tax.

84 5. The total property tax levy subject to reduction
 85 pursuant to this section shall not include those taxes
 86 levied to retire indebtedness.

87 6. Each year in which a sales tax is imposed pursuant
 88 to this section, the fire protection district or political
 89 subdivision shall, after determining its budget for the

90 provision of fire protection services within the limits set
91 by the constitution and laws of this state for the following
92 calendar year and the total property tax levy needed to
93 raise the revenues required by such budget, reduce the total
94 property tax levy imposed pursuant to this chapter in an
95 amount sufficient to decrease the total property taxes it
96 will collect by an amount equal to fifty percent of the
97 sales tax revenue collected pursuant to this section in the
98 tax year for which the property taxes are being levied. In
99 the event that in the immediately preceding year the fire
100 protection district or the political subdivision actually
101 collected more or less sales tax revenue, the fire
102 protection district or the political subdivision shall
103 adjust its total property tax levy for the current year to
104 reflect such increase or decrease."; and

105 Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.