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HOUSE BILL NO. 324

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE SHUMAKE.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 231.444, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the special road rock fund.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 231.444, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 231.444, to read as follows:

231.444. 1. In addition to other levies authorized by law, the governing body of any county of the third classification without a township form of government having a population of less than six thousand inhabitants according to the most recent decennial census **and county of the third classification without a township form of government and with more than six thousand but fewer than seven thousand inhabitants and with a city of the fourth classification with more than five hundred fifty but fewer than six hundred fifty inhabitants as the county seat** may by ordinance levy and impose a tax pursuant to this section which shall not exceed the rate of one dollar on each acre of real property in the county which is classified as agricultural and horticultural property pursuant to section 137.016.

2. The proceeds of the tax authorized pursuant to this section shall be collected by the county collector and remitted to the county treasurer who shall deposit such proceeds in a special fund to be known as the "Special Road Rock Fund". All moneys in the special road rock fund shall be appropriated by the county governing body for the sole purpose of purchasing road rock to be placed on county roads within the boundaries of the county.

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

15 3. The ordinance levying and imposing a tax pursuant to subsection 1 of this section shall
16 not be effective unless the county governing body submits to the qualified voters of the county
17 a proposal to authorize the county governing body to levy and impose the tax at an election
18 permitted pursuant to section 115.123. The ballot of submission proposing the tax shall be in
19 substantially the following form:

20 Shall the county of (county's name) be authorized to levy and impose a tax on all
21 real property in the county which is classified as agricultural or horticultural property at a rate
22 not to exceed (rate of tax) cents per acre with all the proceeds of the tax to be placed in
23 the "Special Road Rock Fund" and used solely for the purpose of purchasing road rock to be
24 placed on county roads within the boundaries of the county?

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26 ☐ YES ☐ NO

27 4. If a majority of the qualified voters of the county voting on the proposal vote "YES",
28 then the governing body of the county may by ordinance levy and impose the tax authorized by
29 this section in an amount not to exceed the rate proposed in the ballot of submission. If a
30 majority of the qualified voters of the county voting on the proposal vote "NO", then the
31 governing body of the county shall not levy and impose such tax. Nothing in this section shall
32 prohibit a rejected proposal from being resubmitted to the qualified voters of the county at an
33 election permitted pursuant to section 115.123.

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