

HOUSE BILL NO. 2721

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE KORMAN.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 238, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the I-70 regional transportation district.

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

Section A. Chapter 238, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 238.290, to read as follows:

238.290. 1. There is hereby created the "I-70 Regional Transportation District", which shall comprise areas in an interstate corridor of:

(1) Any county with a population greater than twelve thousand two hundred thirty and less than twelve thousand three hundred;

(2) Any county with a population greater than seventeen thousand six hundred and less than eighteen thousand;

(3) Any county of the fourth classification with a population greater than twenty-three thousand three hundred and less than twenty-three thousand four hundred;

(4) Any county with a population greater than thirty-two thousand five hundred and less than thirty-five thousand;

(5) Any county with a population greater than forty-four thousand three hundred and less than forty-five thousand;

(6) Any county with a population greater than one hundred sixty thousand and less than two hundred thousand;

(7) Any county with a population greater than three hundred fifty thousand and less than four hundred thousand; or

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.

17 **(8) Any county with a charter form of government and with more than six hundred**
18 **thousand but fewer than seven hundred thousand inhabitants.**

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20 **The district may fund, promote, plan, design, construct, improve, maintain, and operate**
21 **one or more projects or assist in such activity. The district shall be a political subdivision**
22 **of the state. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, sections 238.200 to 238.280**
23 **shall apply to the district.**

24 **2. The I-70 regional transportation district shall be governed by a board. The**
25 **board shall comprise three members from each county in the district. The governing body**
26 **of each county shall decide the method of selection and term of office of its board members.**

27 **3. If approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting on the question in the I-**
28 **70 regional transportation district, the district may charge and collect a tax or fee in the**
29 **district to provide matching funds for projects concerning the construction, expansion, or**
30 **maintenance of Interstate 70, its service roads, its bypasses, or its interchanges.**

31 **4. The ballot of submission shall be substantially in the following form:**

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33 **Shall the I-70 Regional Transportation District be authorized to impose a (tax/fee)**
34 **on (insert a description of the tax or fee) at a rate of (insert the rate**
35 **percentage or fee amount) for the purpose of providing revenue for the development of a**
36 **project (or projects) in the district (insert general description of the project or**
37 **projects if necessary)?**

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39 **YES** **NO**

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41 **If you are in favor of the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "YES". If you are**
42 **opposed to the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "NO".**

43 **5. For the purpose of federal funds, projects of the I-70 regional transportation**
44 **district shall take priority over other projects in the state.**

45 **6. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no toll shall be charged or collected**
46 **for the access or use of Interstate 70 by the I-70 regional transportation district; the**
47 **department of transportation or any of its partners, contractors, or agents; or any other**
48 **agency or entity.**

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