HOUSE BILL No. 6322

July 23, 2008, Introduced by Rep. Knollenberg and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

A bill to provide for a specific tax on motor fuel by certain counties; to describe powers of certain counties and state agencies; and to authorize direct local elections pertaining to specific motor fuel taxes.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the
 "county motor fuel tax act".
- 3 Sec. 2. No county shall impose a specific tax on motor fuels
- 4 except as provided under this act. Beginning January 1, 2009, a
- 5 county that has obtained direct voter approval under section 25 of
- 6 article IX of the state constitution of 1963 may impose a specific
- 7 tax on motor fuel sold or used in the county or counties. In
- 8 addition to any other requirements imposed by law, the ballot
- 9 question that proposes the authorization of the tax shall

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- 1 specifically state how the proceeds of the tax are distributed. The
- 2 rate of tax imposed under this act shall be up to 3 cents per
- 3 gallon of motor fuel if a single county is imposing the tax. Two
- 4 adjacent counties may combine to impose a tax of up to 5 cents per
- 5 gallon, and 3 adjacent counties may combine to impose a tax of up
- 6 to 7 cents per gallon. If 2 or more adjacent counties combine to
- 7 impose taxes higher than 3 cents per gallon, they shall enter into
- 8 a contract that sets forth agreements on the use and distribution
- 9 of revenue and the procedure the counties will use to determine
- 10 projects that will be funded. The adjacent counties may provide for
- 11 additional agreements in a contract entered into under this
- 12 section.
- Sec. 3. The governing body of a county or counties may provide
- 14 a means of collection of the tax. The tax collected shall be
- 15 deposited into the Michigan transportation fund for use in road
- 16 construction, preservation, and maintenance, public transportation
- 17 and related infrastructure, and nonmotorized transportation
- 18 infrastructure as approved by the voters in the county or counties
- 19 where the tax was collected.
- 20 Sec. 4. A county or counties that impose a tax on motor fuel
- 21 under this act may enter into an agreement with the department of
- 22 treasury, under which the department of treasury shall administer,
- 23 enforce, and collect the county income tax on behalf of the county.
- Sec. 5. As used in this act, "motor fuel" means that term as
- 25 defined in section 4 of the motor fuel tax act, 2000 PA 403, MCL
- 26 207.1004.