

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, Texas can only fund approximately 36 percent of needed transportation projects. The Texas Constitution dedicates vehicle registration fees and three-fourths of motor fuels taxes for the sole purpose of constructing, maintaining, and policing public roadways. Money is appropriated from the State Highway fund to administer certain programs, but the generated revenue from these programs flows back into the General Revenue Fund. As proposed, S.B. 870 directs the revenue generated from the state's driver's license fees to the credit of the Texas Mobility Fund.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 521.313, Transportation Code, by adding Subsection (c) to require each fee collected under this section to be deposited to the credit of the Texas Mobility Fund.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 521.3466, Transportation Code, by adding Subsection (e) to require each fee collected under this section to be deposited to the credit of the Texas Mobility Fund.

SECTION 3. Amends Chapter 521R, Transportation Code, by adding Section 521.428, as follows:

Sec. 521.428. DISPOSITION OF FEES. (a) Requires each fee collected under this section to be deposited to the credit of the Texas Mobility Fund, except as provided by Subsection (b) for Section 662.011(a) (Motorcycle Education Fund Account).

(b) Sets forth fees that are not applicable under Subsection (a).

SECTION 4. Effective date: September 1, 2003.
Makes application of this Act prospective.