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SENATE BILL NO. 573

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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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Section A. Section 231.444, RSMo, is repealed and one new section
2 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
2 body of:

3 **(1) Any county of the third classification without a township form of**
4 **government having a population of less than six thousand inhabitants according**
5 **to the most recent decennial census;**

6 **(2) Any county of the third classification without a township**
7 **form of government and with more than six thousand but fewer than**
8 **seven thousand inhabitants and with a city of the fourth classification**
9 **with more than five hundred fifty but fewer than six hundred fifty**
10 **inhabitants as the county seat; or**

11 **(3) Any county of the third classification without a township**
12 **form of government and with more than eight thousand but fewer than**
13 **nine thousand inhabitants and with a city of the fourth classification**
14 **with more than one thousand two hundred but fewer than one thousand**
15 **three hundred fifty inhabitants as the county seat;**

16 may by ordinance levy and impose a tax pursuant to this section which shall not
17 exceed the rate of one dollar on each acre of real property in the county which is
18 classified as agricultural and horticultural property pursuant to section 137.016.

19 2. The proceeds of the tax authorized pursuant to this section shall be
20 collected by the county collector and remitted to the county treasurer who shall

21 deposit such proceeds in a special fund to be known as the "Special Road Rock
22 Fund". All moneys in the special road rock fund shall be appropriated by the
23 county governing body for the sole purpose of purchasing road rock to be placed
24 on county roads within the boundaries of the county.

25 3. The ordinance levying and imposing a tax pursuant to subsection 1 of
26 this section shall not be effective unless the county governing body submits to the
27 qualified voters of the county a proposal to authorize the county governing body
28 to levy and impose the tax at an election permitted pursuant to section
29 115.123. The ballot of submission proposing the tax shall be in substantially the
30 following form:

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

37 ☐ YES ☐ NO

38 4. If a majority of the qualified voters of the county voting on the proposal
39 vote "YES", then the governing body of the county may by ordinance levy and
40 impose the tax authorized by this section in an amount not to exceed the rate
41 proposed in the ballot of submission. If a majority of the qualified voters of the
42 county voting on the proposal vote "NO", then the governing body of the county
43 shall not levy and impose such tax. Nothing in this section shall prohibit a
44 rejected proposal from being resubmitted to the qualified voters of the county at
45 an election permitted pursuant to section 115.123.