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1 HB433
2 L7SXAWY-1
3 By Representative Wood (R) (N & P)
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4 A BILL

5 TO BE ENTITLED

6 AN ACT

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9 Relating to Talladega County; to amend Section 11 of
10 Act 91-533 of the 1991 Regular Session (Acts 1991, p. 948), as
11 last amended by Act 2023-393 of the 2023 Regular Session, to
12 further provide for the distribution of the special county
13 sales and use tax; and to repeal Act 2023-393 of the 2023
14 Regular Session, relating to the distribution of the special
15 sales and use tax.

16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

17 Section 1. Section 11 of Act 91-533 of the 1991 Regular
18 Session (Acts 1991, p. 948), as last amended by Act 2023-393
19 of the 2023 Regular Session, is amended to read as follows:

20 "Section 11. (a) All revenues arising from the taxes
21 ~~herein~~ levied in this act shall be deposited in a ~~special~~
22 ~~fund, designated as~~ the Talladega County Special Tax Fund. An
23 amount up to fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) annually, plus
24 any existing funds on deposit in the fund for professional
25 services on ~~the effective date of the act adding this~~
26 ~~amendatory language~~May 31, 2023, shall be used as deemed
27 necessary by the Talladega County Commission. The remaining
28 amount shall be distributed by the county commission in the



29 following manner:

30 (1) Twelve percent to be further distributed equally
31 among the certified volunteer fire departments whose principal
32 fire station is located in the county.

33 (2) Twelve percent, plus any existing funds in the
34 bridge fund on ~~the effective date of the act adding this~~
35 ~~language~~May 31, 2023, to the bridge fund to be used at the
36 discretion of the county commission for costs related to rural
37 county roads and bridges, to include Cheaha Road.

38 (3) Ten percent to fund the commitment made by the
39 Talladega County Commission to the Honda project.

40 (4) Four percent for maintenance and repairs of the
41 health department building. Notwithstanding the distribution
42 in this subdivision, the amount of one million five hundred
43 thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) from the existing funds on
44 deposit in the Health Department Fund on ~~the effective date of~~
45 ~~the act adding this language~~May 31, 2023, shall be allocated
46 to the East Alabama Rural Innovation and Training Hub.

47 (5) Ten percent to the Talladega County Economic
48 Development Authority.

49 (6) Ten percent for development of water lines to serve
50 Talladega County residents and industry for improved fire
51 protection and rural development. ~~The Talladega Economic~~
52 ~~Development Authority shall make recommendations to the~~
53 ~~Talladega County Commission as to the expenditure of these~~
54 ~~funds. Approval by the Talladega County legislative delegation~~
55 ~~is required prior to the expenditure of any funds. If the~~
56 ~~Talladega Economic Development Authority fails to make a~~



57 recommendation acceptable to the Talladega County legislative
58 delegation, then final disposition of the funds shall be at
59 the sole discretion of the Talladega County legislative
60 delegation. The term "approval by the Talladega County
61 legislative delegation" as used in this subdivision and for
62 purposes of this act, shall mean the approval of the members
63 of the House of Representatives who reside within Talladega
64 County. Distribution of these discretionary funds shall be
65 approved by the Talladega County legislative delegation, as
66 defined above. All monies disbursed pursuant to this subdivision
67 shall conform to subsection (b).

68 (7) Five percent to the public libraries in Talladega
69 County located in Childersburg, Lincoln, Munford, Sylacauga,
70 and Talladega to be distributed on a pro rata basis by
71 population of each municipality.

72 (8) Five percent to the Talladega County Commission
73 fund that is used to match federal and state funds for roads
74 and bridges in Talladega County.

75 (9) Five percent for the maintenance and renovation of
76 county-owned buildings as needed and as determined by the
77 county commission.

78 (10) Four percent to be used to improve the supply and
79 quality of the water in North Talladega County, particularly
80 to enhance water supplies and capacities for communities
81 within North Talladega County in and around the Talladega
82 Municipal Airport, including, but not limited to, the addition
83 and maintenance of water towers. The Talladega Economic
84 Development Authority shall make recommendations to the



85 Talladega County Commission as to the expenditure of these
86 funds. Approval by the Talladega County legislative
87 delegation, as defined above, is required prior to the
88 expenditure of any funds. If the Talladega Economic
89 Development Authority fails to make a recommendation
90 acceptable to the Talladega County legislative delegation,
91 then final disposition of the funds shall be at the sole
92 approval of the Talladega County legislative delegation.
93 Distribution of these discretionary funds shall be approved by
94 the Talladega County legislative delegation, as defined above
95 All monies disbursed pursuant to this subdivision shall
96 conform to subsection (b).

97 (11) Ten percent to be used to hire personnel for the
98 public safety radio system or the Sheriff of Talladega County
99 for other law enforcement purposes, to include salaries, in
100 the county, at the determination needed by the county
101 commissionsole discretion of the sheriff.

102 (12) Two percent divided equally and distributed to the
103 ARC programs of North and South Talladega County located in
104 Sylacauga and Talladega.

105 (13) Two percent to the Talladega ChildrensChildren's
106 Rehabilitation Office for rehabilitation services in Talladega
107 County.

108 (14) Any remaining revenue proceeds shall be deposited
109 into a trust fund called the Talladega County Special Tax
110 Trust Fund. The amount of three million five hundred thousand
111 dollars (\$3,500,000) from existing funds on deposit on the
112 effective date of the act adding this amendatory languageMay

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113 31, 2023, in the Talladega County Special Trust Fund shall be
114 allocated to the East Alabama Rural Training and Innovation
115 Hub. Thereafter, any remaining funds and future revenues shall
116 be used for rural Talladega County projects, at the discretion
117 of the Talladega County Commission, subject to approval of the
118 members of the Alabama House of Representatives who reside in
119 Talladega County legislative delegation.

120 (b) For the disbursements made pursuant to subdivisions
121 (a) (6) and (a) (10), the Talladega Economic Development
122 Authority shall make recommendations to the Talladega County
123 Legislative Delegation regarding expenditure of the funds.
124 However, the Talladega County Legislative Delegation shall
125 have the sole discretion regarding expenditure of those funds.

126 Section 2. Act 2023-393 of the 2023 Regular Session,
127 relating to the distribution of a portion of the special sales
128 and use tax, is repealed.

129 Section 3. This act shall become effective on June 1,
130 2025.