



## LEGISLATOR REQUESTED OPTIONS TO INCREASE ANNUAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

The following list of funding options was requested by the Select Committee on Transportation Funding. TxDOT relied as much as possible on data reported by the Comptroller and the Legislative Budget Board in making these estimates.

### Split Revenue between the Economic Stabilization Fund and State Highway Fund

HB 1/HJR 1 send 50% of the oil and gas tax revenue eligible to be deposited to the Economic Stabilization Fund to the State Highway Fund. **\$900,000,000**  
(could rise)

### Redirect Transportation Fees to Transportation Purposes

**\$3,557,100,000**

Taxes and fees related to use of the state highway system but directed to General Revenue (GR):

Motor Vehicle Sales and Use Taxes	3,296,000,000
Motor Vehicle Rental Tax	220,200,000
Motor Vehicle Certificates	30,700,000
Personalized License Plate Fees	10,200,000

### Increase General Sales & Use Tax by 0.50%

**\$1,900,000,000**

Increase sales tax rate from 6.25% to 6.75% and direct additional revenue to transportation.

### Dedicate All Revenue from Motor Fuel Tax

**\$772,000,000**

Increase the share of state motor fuel tax for highways from 75% to 100%.

### Assess Weight-Distance Fee on Trucks

**\$560,000,000**

Use the Center for Transportation Research's (CTR) proposed fee structure from the report prepared in response to TxDOT Rider 36 – Study on Road Damage Caused by Oversized and Overweight Vehicles – from the FY 2012-2013 budget, that uses vehicle miles travelled (VMT) and vehicle characteristics that exceed legal limits (i.e., weight, height, width and length) to determine the permit fees. These proposed fees also include operational and safety cost components.

Adopt CTR's proposed alternative fee structure	410,000,000
Apply CTR's proposed fees to exempt vehicles	150,000,000

### Increase Motor Vehicle Sales & Use Tax by 0.50%

**\$260,000,000**

Increase sales tax rate on Motor Vehicle sales from 6.25% to 6.75% and direct additional revenue to transportation.

### Increase Vehicle Registration Fees

**\$209,000,000**

Increase registration fee for all vehicles by \$10.00

### Increase Diesel Tax Rate to \$0.25/gallon

**\$142,000,000**

Change only the state diesel fuel tax rate from \$0.20/gallon to \$0.25/gallon. An additional \$48.0M would be added to the Available School Fund.

### Increase the State Motor Fuel Tax Rate to \$0.21/gallon

**\$116,000,000**

A 1¢ increase to the state motor fuel tax rate would also add \$40M to the Available School Fund.

### Driver License

**\$100,000,000**

Either change the duration from a six-year to three-year period, or change the fee from current \$24 to \$48 for the six-year period. If the renewal period was shortened to three years, the increased revenue would not be realized until the fourth year. *Estimated*

<b>Vehicle Inspection</b>	<b>\$96,000,000</b>
Increase by the amount of fee directed to the Texas Mobility Fund; varies from \$3.50 increase (\$12.50 to \$16.00) for cars, trailer, motorcycles; \$5.50 increase (\$5.75 to \$11.25) for mopeds; \$10.75 increase (\$21.75 top \$32.75) for two-year inspection of new vehicles; \$100 increase (from \$100 to \$200) to operate as inspection station for two years; \$25 increase (\$25 to \$50) to be an inspector for two years; and \$40 increase (\$50 to \$90) for commercial vehicle inspection.	
<b>Deposit All State Receipts from Oversize Permits to the State Highway Fund</b>	<b>\$43,900,000</b>
Oversize/Overweight permits generated \$43.9 Million for GR in FY 2012.	
<b>Deposit receipts from Commercial Carrier Registration to the State Highway Fund</b>	<b>\$14,400,000</b>
The registration of commercial carriers generated \$14.4 Million for GR in FY 2012.	
<b>Deposit Revenue from DPS Citations</b>	<b>Unknown</b>
Revenue from traffic citations issued by DPS troopers retained by the locality where the traffic violation occurred. DPS trooper salaries are paid from the State Highway Fund, yet the revenue generated is not deposited to the fund.	
<b>Sales tax generated from the sale of tires and auto parts</b>	<b>\$843 million</b>
Direct tax revenue from sales, storing, and use of tires and auto parts to transportation.	
<b>Sales Tax on Motor Fuel</b>	
Levy a 6.25% sales tax on the sale of motor fuel. All to State Highway Fund:	<b>\$3.43 billion</b>
If split with the Available School Fund 75/25:	<b>\$2.58 billion</b>