

Senate Bill 73

By: Senators Albers of the 56th, Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd, Tippins of the 37th, Hill of the 6th and Hill of the 32nd

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 48-8-244 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the election and procedures for implementing the special district transportation sales and use tax, so as to provide for a short title; to modify the provisions increasing the local match for transportation projects in regions that did not approve the levy of the tax; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Anti T-SPLOST Penalty Act."

SECTION 2.

Code Section 48-8-244 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the election and procedures for implementing the special district transportation sales and use tax, is amended by revising subsection (d) as follows:

~~"(d) In the event a special district sales and use tax election is held and the voters in a special district do not approve the levy of the special district transportation sales and use tax, the local governments in such special district shall be required to provide a 30 percent match for any local maintenance and improvement grants by the Department of Transportation for transportation projects and programs for at least 24 months and until such time as a special district sales and use tax is approved. In the event Whether the voters in a special district approve or do not approve the levy of the special district transportation sales and use tax, the local governments in such special district shall be required to provide a 10 percent match for any local maintenance and improvement grants by the Department of Transportation for transportation projects and programs for the duration of the levy of the special district transportation sales and use tax."~~

25 **SECTION 3.**

26 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
27 without such approval.

28 **SECTION 4.**

29 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed