

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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C.S.S.B. 896  
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Committee Report (Substituted)

### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Currently, the state contributes \$7.3 million from the state highway fund to the County and Road District Highway Fund. This amount was established in 1954 and has not changed since its inception. C.S.S.B. 896 creates a new allocation formula for distribution of state funds.

### **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 Chapter 445, Local Government Code, by adding Subchapter D, as follows:

#### **SUBCHAPTER D. SPECIAL COUNTY ROAD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

Sec. 445.101. SPECIAL COUNTY ROAD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. Requires the comptroller, on or before October 15 of each year, to distribute to counties money appropriated for the special county road assistance program under this subchapter.

Sec. 445.102. USE OF MONEY. Authorizes money appropriated to the program under this subchapter to be used only for the support of the county road system, including uses specified by Section 256.003, Transportation Code.

Sec. 445.103. ALLOCATION FORMULA. Requires the comptroller to distribute money appropriated to the program under this subchapter among the counties by certain formula requirements.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 256.002, Transportation Code, by adding Subsection (d), to prohibit the comptroller, except as provided by Section 153.503(3)(A), Tax Code, from depositing tax receipts or other money to the credit of the county and road district highway fund.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2001.

### **SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE CHANGES**

Amends As Filed S.B. 896, by adding Chapter 445D, Local Government Code, rather than amending Sections 256.002 (b) and (c), Transportation Code.

Amends As Filed S.B. 896, by amending Section 256.002, Transportation Code, by adding subsection (d).