

SECOND REGULAR SESSION  
SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

# SENATE BILL NO. 573

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Reported from the Committee on Jobs, Economic Development and Local Government, February 20, 2014, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass and be placed on the Consent Calendar.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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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.

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*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Section A. Section 231.444, RSMo, is repealed and one new section  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 any county of the third **or fourth** classification [without a township form  
3 of government having a population of less than six thousand inhabitants  
4 according to the most recent decennial census] may by ordinance levy and impose  
5 a tax pursuant to this section which shall not exceed the rate of one dollar on  
6 each acre of real property in the county which is classified as agricultural and  
7 horticultural property pursuant to section 137.016.

8 2. The proceeds of the tax authorized pursuant to this section shall be  
9 collected by the county collector and remitted to the county treasurer who shall  
10 deposit such proceeds in a special fund to be known as the "Special Road Rock  
11 Fund". All moneys in the special road rock fund shall be appropriated by the  
12 county governing body for the sole purpose of purchasing road rock to be placed  
13 on county roads within the boundaries of the county.

14 3. The ordinance levying and imposing a tax pursuant to subsection 1 of  
15 this section shall not be effective unless the county governing body submits to the  
16 qualified voters of the county a proposal to authorize the county governing body  
17 to levy and impose the tax at an election permitted pursuant to section  
18 115.123. The ballot of submission proposing the tax shall be in substantially the

**EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

19 following form:

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

26                             YES                             NO

27            4. If a majority of the qualified voters of the county voting on the proposal  
28 vote "YES", then the governing body of the county may by ordinance levy and  
29 impose the tax authorized by this section in an amount not to exceed the rate  
30 proposed in the ballot of submission. If a majority of the qualified voters of the  
31 county voting on the proposal vote "NO", then the governing body of the county  
32 shall not levy and impose such tax. Nothing in this section shall prohibit a  
33 rejected proposal from being resubmitted to the qualified voters of the county at  
34 an election permitted pursuant to section 115.123.

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