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A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to Pickens County; to authorize the Pickens County Commission to levy and provide for the collection of an additional vehicle license and registration fee on each vehicle license and registration, transfer, renewal, or replacement tag on any vehicle in the county; to provide for distribution of the proceeds from the fees to the county general fund to be used only to provide ambulance service in the county; and to provide a referendum on this act.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. (a) The Pickens County Commission may levy and provide for the collection of an additional vehicle license and registration issuance fee in the amount of ten dollars (\$10) on each new registration, transfer, renewal, or replacement tag on any vehicle in the county. The judge of probate of the county shall collect the issuance fee on each new registration, transfer, renewal, or replacement tag on a vehicle in the county. The fee shall be in addition to all other fees, taxes, and other charges provided for the license and registration of a vehicle.

(b) The proceeds from the additional issuance fees upon



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29 collection shall be distributed on a monthly basis by the
30 judge of probate to the general fund of the county to be
31 earmarked and used only to provide ambulance service in the
32 county.

33 Section 2. Section 1 of this act shall become operative
34 only if approved by the qualified electors who reside within
35 the county who vote in a referendum election to be held on the
36 date of the first primary election in the county in 2026. The
37 order setting the election shall be entered by the judge of
38 probate. The notice of the election shall be given by the
39 Judge of Probate of Pickens County, and the election shall be
40 held, conducted, and the results canvassed in the manner
41 prescribed by law. The question shall be, "Do you favor the
42 adoption of Act _____ of the 2025 Regular Session of the
43 Alabama Legislature which authorizes the Pickens County
44 Commission to levy an additional issuance fee on the issuance
45 of each vehicle license and registration in Pickens County
46 with the proceeds earmarked and used only to provide ambulance
47 service in the county? Yes () No ()." If a majority of the
48 votes cast in the election are "Yes," Section 1 of this act
49 shall become operative immediately. If the majority of the
50 votes are "No," this act shall have no further effect.

51 Section 3. This act shall become effective on June 1,
52 2025.