

1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 3

2 **52ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2015**

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10 A JOINT RESOLUTION

11 PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 8 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF NEW  
12 MEXICO TO LIMIT THE USE OF MONEY RAISED FROM TAXES AND FEES ON  
13 MOTOR VEHICLES AND MOTOR VEHICLE FUELS SOLELY FOR PUBLIC ROAD  
14 PROJECTS AND OTHER CURRENT USES.

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16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

17 SECTION 1. It is proposed to amend Article 8 of the  
18 constitution of New Mexico by adding a new section to read:

19 "Money derived by the state, a county or a municipality  
20 from a tax, surcharge or fee imposed on motor vehicle fuels or  
21 on the purchase, registration or operation of a motor vehicle  
22 on a public highway shall be appropriated only for:

23 A. administration of a law imposing the tax,  
24 surcharge or fee;

25 B. payment of debt service on highway bonds;

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1 C. complying with federal highway aid requirements;

2 D. planning, engineering, construction, improvement  
3 or maintenance of public highways, roads, streets or bridges;  
4 or

5 E. another purpose pursuant to a law in effect on  
6 the date of adoption of this amendment; provided that the rate  
7 of tax or the amount of surcharge or fees from which the money  
8 for the purpose is derived and appropriated shall be no more  
9 than the rate or amount then in effect."

10 SECTION 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution  
11 shall be submitted to the people for their approval or  
12 rejection at the next general election or at any special  
13 election prior to that date that may be called for that  
14 purpose.