

St. Louis City Ordinance 64111

FLOOR SUBSTITUTE

BOARD BILL NO. [97] 73

INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN JAMES SHREWSBURY , FRANCIS G. SLAY

An ordinance under and by the authority of Section 94.660 RSMo (the **◆Act◆**); proposing for submission to the voters of the City of St. Louis a one-fourth of one percent (1/4%) transportation sales tax on the receipts from the sale at retail of all tangible personal property or taxable services within the City of St. Louis if such property and services are subject to taxation by the State of Missouri under the provisions of Sections 144.010 to 144.525 RSMo, for the purpose of providing a source of funds for public transportation purposes, in addition to any and all other sales taxes allowed by law, including but not limited to the one-fourth of one percent sales tax for public transportation purposes imposed pursuant to Ordinance 63168; submitting to the qualified voters of the City of St. Louis at an election to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 1997 the question whether the City shall impose such one-fourth of one percent (1/4%) sales tax, for such purpose; providing that if such question shall receive the votes of a majority of the voters voting thereon that such tax shall be authorized and in effect as and for as long as provided in the Act; incorporating by reference the provisions of the Act; providing that the tax imposed pursuant to the provisions of this ordinance shall be a tax upon all sellers for the privilege of engaging in the business of selling tangible personal property or rendering taxable services at retail to the extent and in the manner provided in Sections 144.100 to 144.525 RSMo, and the rules and regulations of the director of revenue issued pursuant thereto; providing for an election and the manner of voting thereat; providing that the revenues derived from such tax shall be used only for the planning, development, acquisition, construction, maintenance and operation of public transit facilities and systems other than highways or as otherwise provided by the Act or other applicable law or ordinance; with an emergency clause.

WHEREAS, the Act authorizes the City of St. Louis and St. Louis County to propose for submission to their voters and impose, upon approval of the voters, sales taxes of up to one-half of one percent (1/2%) for the purpose of providing a source of funds for public transportation purposes; and

WHEREAS, in 1994 the City and the County imposed, upon approvals of their respective voters, sales taxes of one fourth of one percent pursuant to the Act; and

WHEREAS, additional funding for public transportation purposes is presently needed;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:

Section One. Under and by the authority of Section 94.660 RSMo (the Act) there is hereby proposed for submission to the qualified voters as hereinafter provided, a sales tax of one-fourth of one percent (1/4%) in the City of St. Louis for the purpose of providing a source of funds for public transportation purposes, in addition to any and all other sales taxes allowed by law, including but not limited to the one-fourth of one percent sales tax for public transportation purposes imposed pursuant to Ordinance 63168.

Section Two. The following question is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of the City of St. Louis and shall be voted upon at an election to be held as hereinafter provided. The question shall read in words and figures as follows:

Shall the City of St. Louis impose a city-wide sales tax of one-fourth of one percent (1/4%) for the purpose of providing a source of funds for public transportation purposes, in addition to an existing city-wide sales tax of one-fourth of one percent for the same purpose?

Yes No

If you are in favor of the question, place an X in the box opposite Yes.

If you are opposed to the question, place an X in the box opposite No.

Section Three. The foregoing question shall be submitted the qualified voters at an election to be held on Tuesday, the 4th day of November, 1997, and if the question shall receive in its favor the votes of a majority of the voters voting thereon, the tax shall be authorized and shall become effective as and for as long as provided in the Act. The qualified voters may, at such election, vote a ballot in substantially the following form:

Shall the City of St. Louis impose a city-wide sales tax of one-fourth of one percent (1/4%) for the purpose of providing a source of funds for public

transportation purposes, in addition to an existing city-wide sales tax of one-fourth of one percent for the same purpose?

Yes [] No []

If you are in favor of the question, place an X in the box opposite Yes.

If you are opposed to the question, place an X in the box opposite No.

Section Four. Upon approval of this ordinance the City Counselor shall prepare a notice of election and City Register shall transmit the same to and direct the Board of Election Commissioners to place the question on the ballot on November 4, 1997. The Board of Election Commissioners of the City of St. Louis shall provide the ballots or voting machines, or both, and conduct the election and shall ascertain the results thereof according to the laws regulating such elections. Upon approval of this ordinance it shall be published once in the City Journal. Proof of publication of this ordinance shall be made by affidavit of the City Register and such affidavit shall be filed in the office of the City Register and a copy of said publication shall be attached thereto.

Section Five. The provisions of the Act are adopted and incorporated herein by reference as if fully herein set forth.

Section Six. The tax imposed pursuant to the provisions of this ordinance shall be a tax upon all sellers for the privilege of engaging in the business of selling tangible personal property or rendering taxable services at retail to the extent and in the manner provided in Sections 144.010 to 144.525 RSMo., and the rules and regulations of the director of revenue issued pursuant thereto. Section Seven. All revenue derived by the City from the tax proposed by this ordinance shall be used only for the planning, development, acquisition, construction, maintenance and operation of public transit facilities and systems other than highways, or as otherwise provided by the Act or other applicable law or ordinance. Section Eight. This being an ordinance providing for the submission of a question to the voters, it is hereby declared to be an emergency ordinance as provided by Article IV, Section 20 of the Charter of the City of St. Louis, and shall be effective immediately upon approval by the Mayor or its approval over his veto.

Legislative History

1ST READING	REF TO COMM	COMMITTEE	COMM SUB	COMM AMEND
05/02/97	05/02/97	LEG	05/08/97	05/08/97
2ND READING	FLOOR AMEND	FLOOR SUB	PERFECTN	PASSAGE
06/27/97			07/11/97	07/18/97
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