

## **SENATE BILL 217: Distribution of Highway Use Tax and Fees**

## 2015-2016 General Assembly

**Committee:** Senate Re-ref to Transportation. If fav, re-ref **Date:** April 14, 2015

to Finance

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SUMMARY: Senate Bill 217 provides that highway use taxes collected on the short term lease or rental of a motor vehicle be credited to the Highway Fund, appropriates of \$35 million to the North Carolina State Ports Authority, and \$21 million to the Division of Aviation of the Department of Transportation, for the purposes specified.

**CURRENT LAW:** Current law provides that the current 8% highway use taxes collected on the short term lease or rental of a motor vehicle be credited to the General Fund.

## **BILL ANALYSIS:** Senate Bill 217:

- Provides that highway use taxes collected on the short term lease or rental of a motor vehicle be credited to the Highway Fund.
- Appropriates \$35 million of these funds are annually appropriated from the Highway Fund to a reserve fund for use by the North Carolina State Ports Authority for prioritized capital improvements to State Port infrastructure and facilities.
- Appropriates \$21 million of these funds are annually appropriated from the Highway Fund to the
  Division of Aviation of the Department of Transportation for prioritized capital improvements to
  public airports and time sensitive aviation capital improvement projects for economic
  development purposes.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** July 1, 2015, and applies to taxes collected on or after that date.

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