

## CHAPTER 75

## S.B. No. 662

An Act relating to the appropriation of state highway funds to the Department of Public Safety; amending Section 5, Chapter 186, General Laws, Acts of the 39th Legislature, Regular Session, 1925, as amended (Article 6674e, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes).

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

**SECTION 1.** Section 5, Chapter 186, General Laws, Acts of the 39th Legislature, Regular Session, 1925, as amended (Article 6674e, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read as follows:

"Section 5. All moneys now or hereafter deposited in the State Treasury to credit of the 'State Highway Fund', including all Federal aid moneys deposited to the credit of said fund under the terms of the Federal Highway Act and all county aid moneys deposited to the credit of said fund under the terms of this Act shall be subject to appropriation for the specific purpose of the improvement of said system of State Highways by the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation. However, direct appropriations in an amount not to exceed \$60 million [~~\$30 million~~] each fiscal year shall be made from the State Highway Fund to the Department of Public Safety for policing the State Highway System and for the administration of laws prescribed by the Legislature pertaining to the supervision of traffic and safety on public roads. There shall be subtracted from the \$60 million [~~\$30 million~~] maximum which may be appropriated to the Department of Public Safety the amount of appropriations for each fiscal year from the State Highway Fund to the State Employee's Retirement System to provide for the state's share of retirement contributions, social security taxes, and state paid health insurance for employees and officers of the Department of Public Safety."

**SECTION 2.** The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed the Senate on March 18, 1985, by the following vote: Yeas 28, Nays 0; passed the House on April 23, 1985, by a non-record vote.

Approved: May 3, 1985

Effective: August 26, 1985