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H 952. FRANKLIN COUNTY LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX. Filed 3/21/07. TO AUTHORIZE FRANKLIN COUNTY TO LEVY A ONE-HALF CENT LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL OUTLAY PURPOSES, IF APPROVED BY THE VOTERS OF THE COUNTY.

Adds a new Article 46 (Fourth One-Half Cent Local Government Sales and Use Tax Act) to GS Chapter 105 to authorize the Franklin County Board of Commissioners to levy a one-half cent sales and use tax in addition to the existing 2½ cents of local sales taxes under GS Chapter 105, Articles 39, 40, 42, and 44. The commissioners may levy the tax only after the tax is approved by a majority of the voters in a referendum. Levy, collection, and administration of the tax are governed by GS Chapter 105, Article 39, except that the tax does not apply to food. The tax proceeds will be distributed to the taxing county on a point-of-origin basis and may only be used for public school capital outlay purposes and to retire indebtedness incurred for these purposes. Funds are meant to increase spending for these purposes and not to supplant funds. The tax does not apply to construction contracts entered into, awarded, or bid before the effective date of its levy.

Intro. by Allen.

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