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S 568. LEE COUNTY LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX. Filed 3/6/07. TO AUTHORIZE LEE COUNTY TO LEVY A ONE-CENT LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX.

Adds a new Article 46 (Second One-Cent Local Government Sales and Use Tax Act) to GS Chapter 105 to authorize the Lee County Board of Commissioners to levy a one-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 county board of commissioners may levy the tax by resolution only after giving at least ten days' public notice and holding a public hearing on the issue. 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 be used only for public school capital outlay, community college plant fund 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.

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