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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Limits Transportation Trust Fund monies from being used to fund Dept. of Transportation and Development (DOTD) employees' and retirees' salaries and benefits.

Present constitution requires monies deposited in the Transportation Trust Fund (TTF) to be appropriated or dedicated solely and exclusively for costs associated with construction and maintenance of roads and bridges of the state and federal highway systems, the Statewide Flood-Control Program, ports, airports, transit, and the Parish Transportation Fund.

Proposed law retains present constitution but adds a limitation on DOTD, beginning in FY 2019-2020, from using monies deposited into the TTF to pay for expenses related to retired and current employees as follows:

- (1) For FY 2019-2020, and each fiscal year thereafter, DOTD shall not use TTF monies to pay for the benefits of retired employees.
- (2) For FY 2020-2021, and each fiscal year thereafter, DOTD shall not use TTF monies to pay for the benefits of current employees.
- (3) For FY 2021-2022, and each fiscal year thereafter, DOTD shall not use TTF monies to pay for more than 50% of the annual salary costs for current employees.
- (4) For FY 2022-2023, and each fiscal year thereafter, DOTD shall not use TTF monies to pay for the annual salary costs for current employees.

Eff. July 1, 2019.

(Adds R.S. 48:78(D))