

COMMITTEE REPORT

MADAM PRESIDENT:

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The Senate Committee on Tax and Fiscal Policy, to which was referred House Bill No. 1246, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 5, between lines 14 and 15, begin a new paragraph and insert:

2	"SECTION 4. IC 6-3.6-6-2.8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
3	AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
4	1, 2022]: Sec. 2.8. (a) As used in this section, "emergency medical
5	services" has the meaning set forth in IC 16-18-2-110.
6	(b) This section applies only to counties that:
7	(1) provide emergency medical services for all local units in
8	the county; and
9	(2) pay one hundred percent (100%) of the costs to provide
10	those services.
11	(c) The fiscal body of a county described in subsection (b) may
12	adopt an ordinance to impose a tax rate for emergency medical
13	services in the county. The tax rate must be in increments of
14	one-hundredth of one percent (0.01%) and may not exceed
15	one-tenth of one percent (0.1%) . The tax rate may not be in effect
16	for more than twenty-five (25) years. If a county fiscal body adopts
17	an ordinance under this section, but subsequently ceases to meet
18	the applicability provision under subsection (b), the tax rate
19	imposed under the ordinance shall expire on December 31 of the
20	year in which the county ceases to be eligible to enact the

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ordinance.

(d) The revenue generated by a tax rate imposed under this section must be distributed directly to the county before the remainder of the expenditure rate revenue is distributed. The revenue shall be maintained in a separate dedicated county fund and used by the county only for paying for operating costs incurred by the county for emergency medical services that are provided throughout the county.

SECTION 5. IC 6-3.6-6-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.184-2018, SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 3. (a) Revenue raised from a tax imposed under this chapter shall be treated as follows:

- (1) To make the following distributions:
 - (A) If an ordinance described in section 2.5 of this chapter is in effect in a county, to make a distribution to the county equal to the amount of revenue generated by the rate imposed under section 2.5 of this chapter.
 - (B) If an ordinance described in section 2.7 of this chapter is in effect in a county, to make a distribution to the county equal to the amount of revenue generated by the rate imposed under section 2.7 of this chapter.
 - (C) If an ordinance described in section 2.8 of this chapter is in effect in a county, to make a distribution to the county equal to the amount of revenue generated by the rate imposed under section 2.8 of this chapter.
- (2) After making the distributions described in subdivision (1), if any, to make distributions to school corporations and civil taxing units in counties that formerly imposed a tax under IC 6-3.5-1.1 (repealed). The revenue categorized from the next twenty-five hundredths percent (0.25%) of the rate for a former tax adopted under IC 6-3.5-1.1 (repealed) shall be allocated to school corporations and civil taxing units. The amount of the allocation to a school corporation or civil taxing unit shall be determined using the allocation amounts for civil taxing units and school corporations in the county.
- (3) After making the distributions described in subdivisions (1) and (2), the remaining revenue shall be treated as additional revenue (referred to as "additional revenue" in this chapter). Additional revenue may not be considered by the department of local government finance in determining:
 - (A) any taxing unit's maximum permissible property tax levy limit under IC 6-1.1-18.5; or

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(B) the approved property tax rate for any fund.

(b) In the case of a civil taxing unit that has pledged the tax from additional revenue for the payment of bonds, leases, or other obligations as reported by the civil taxing unit under IC 5-1-18, the adopting body may not, under section 4 of this chapter, reduce the proportional allocation of the additional revenue that was allocated in the preceding year if the reduction for that year would result in an amount less than the amount necessary for the payment of bonds, leases, or other obligations payable or required to be deposited in a sinking fund or other reserve in that year for the bonds, leases, or other obligations for which the tax from additional revenue has been pledged. To inform an adopting body with regard to allocations that affect the payment of bonds, leases, or other obligations, a taxing unit may provide the adopting body with information regarding any outstanding bonds, leases, or other obligations that are secured by additional revenue. The information must be provided before the date of the public hearing at which the adopting body may change the allocation of additional revenue under section 4 of this chapter.".

19 Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to HB 1246 as printed January 24, 2022.)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

Committee Vote: Yeas 13, Nays 0.

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Senator Holdman, Chairperson

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