## **HOUSE BILL No. 1104**

#### DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 3-5-4-1.7; IC 4-13-2-14.1; IC 5-14-3.8-9; IC 5-24; IC 5-28-26-1; IC 6-1.1; IC 6-8.1-3-11; IC 8-18-21-13; IC 8-22; IC 14-27-6-46; IC 14-30; IC 14-33-9-1; IC 16-23-1-40; IC 20-45; IC 36-7; IC 36-8; IC 36-9; IC 36-12-3-12.

Synopsis: Property tax matters. Specifies the deadlines for county auditors to submit property tax settlement and distribution information to the department of local government finance (DLGF). Repeals the electronic digital signature act. Amends the definition of "owner" (for purposes of the property tax statutes) to delete the provision specifying that an owner of tangible property includes the holder of a tenancy for a term of years. Deletes obsolete language in the statutes exempting certain business personal property with an acquisition cost of less than \$20,000. Specifies that a taxpayer eligible for such an exemption must include on the taxpayer's personal property tax return: (1) information concerning whether the taxpayer's business personal property within the county is in one location or multiple locations; and (2) an address for the location of the property. Provides that if a local service fee is imposed on a taxpayer claiming such an exemption, the county shall include the local service fee on a property tax bill associated with the tax district in which the majority value of the taxpayer's business personal property within the county is located. Provides that a taxpayer may be charged only one local service fee per county. Specifies that if a penalty is imposed on a taxpayer for failing to declare on the taxpayer's tax return that the taxpayer is entitled to the exemption for business personal property with an acquisition cost of less than \$20,000, the county shall include the penalty on a property tax bill associated with the tax district in which the majority value of the taxpayer's business personal property within the county is located. Provides that the appropriate county officer designated by the county (Continued next page)

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January 4, 2018, read first time and referred to Committee on Ways and Means.



executive (rather than the assessor, under current law) is responsible for: (1) maintaining data files of the geographic information system characteristics of each parcel in the county as of each assessment date; and (2) submitting those files to the geographic information office of the office of technology. Provides that if an assessing official determines that the owner of a parcel of property is unable to use the property to the owner's full and complete benefit because: (1) the parcel is completely surrounded by parcels owned by other owners; and (2) the owner does not possess and cannot obtain an easement granting ingress or egress into the property or the owner is otherwise incapable of having sufficient ingress or egress to the property; the assessing official shall apply an influence factor for limited access as prescribed in the rules of the DLGF. Requires that the budget notice that political subdivisions must publish on the DLGF's computer gateway must also include information concerning the percentage change between the current and proposed tax levies of each fund. Requires county auditors to submit data on deductions applicable to the current tax year to the homestead property data base on or before March 15 of each year, in a manner prescribed by the DLGF. Repeals the statute providing for a county board of tax adjustment. Repeals provisions related to the county board of tax adjustment and the local budgeting process. Specifies that a political subdivision shall file the budget adopted by the political subdivision with the county auditor and the DLGF not later than two days after the budget is adopted. Authorizes the DLGF to adopt rules for procedures related to local government budgeting. Specifies that the adoption, amendment, or repeal of such a rule by the DLGF may not take effect before March 1 or after July 31 of a particular year. Specifies: (1) that rules adopted by the DLGF for the appraisal of real property may not apply to any appraisal contemporaneously being conducted under a county's reassessment plan; and (2) that rules adopted by the DLGF may first apply to the reassessment phase beginning in the following calendar year under a county's reassessment plan. Specifies that for purposes of attributing the amount of a property tax deduction or exemption to the gross assessed value of a property: (1) a deduction or exemption that is specific to an improvement shall be applied only to the assessed value allocation pertaining to that improvement; and (2) to the extent that a deduction or exemption is not specific to an improvement; the deduction or exemption shall be applied in the order that will maximize the benefit of the deduction or exemption to the taxpayer. Provides a property tax exemption for property owned by a continuing care retirement community when all or a part of the property does not otherwise qualify for a property tax exemption. Specifies that, in order to qualify for the exemption, the owner of the community must: (1) limit admission to senior citizens and their spouses; (2) be a nonprofit organization; (3) have an obligation to give senior citizens who are residents of the community priority, should the need arise, to be moved to a facility within the community that provides higher levels of care; and (4) have a policy of providing assistance to senior citizens who are residents of the community who become unable to make their payment obligation. Specifies that the base assessed value for tax increment financing purposes includes the net residential assessed value within the allocation area, as finally determined for the current assessment date. Makes technical corrections.



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# **HOUSE BILL No. 1104**

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning taxation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 3-5-4-1.7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.74-2017,
SECTION 6, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 1.7. (a) Except as otherwise expressly authorized
or required under this title, a filing by a person with a commission, the
election division, an election board, or a county voter registration office
may not be made by fax or electronic mail.

(b) A petition of nomination filed with a county voter registration office under IC 3-8-2, IC 3-8-2.5, IC 3-8-3, or IC 3-8-6 or a petition to place a public question on the ballot, or any other petition filed that requires the county voter registration office to certify the validity of signatures, may not contain the electronic signature, (as defined in IC 5-24-2-1), digital signature, (as defined in IC 5-24-2-1), digital signature, or photocopied signature of a voter.

SECTION 2. IC 4-13-2-14.1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.113-2010, SECTION 8, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE



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1	JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 14.1. (a) A contract to which a state agency is a
2	party must be approved by the following persons:
3	(1) The commissioner of the Indiana department of
4	administration.
5	(2) The director of the budget agency. The director of the budget
6	agency is not required to approve a contract:
7	(A) for supplies under IC 5-22, unless the budget agency is
8	required to approve the contract under rules or written policies
9	adopted under IC 5-22; or
10	(B) for public works under IC 4-13.6, if the estimated cost of
11	the contract is less than one hundred thousand dollars
12	(\$100,000).
13	(3) The attorney general, as required by section 14.3 of this
14	chapter.
15	(b) Each of the persons listed in subsection (a) may delegate to
16	another person the responsibility to approve contracts under this
17	section. The delegation must be in writing and must be filed with the
18	Indiana department of administration.
19	(c) The Indiana department of administration may adopt rules under
20	IC 4-22-2 to provide for electronic approval of contracts. Electronic
21	approval may include obtaining the equivalent of a signature from all
22	contracting parties using an electronic method, that does not comply
23	with IC 5-24 (the electronic digital signature act), so long as the
24	method allows the party to read the terms of the contract and to
25	manifest the party's agreement to the contract by clicking on an "ok",
26	an "agree", or a similarly labeled button or allows the party to not agree
27	to the contract by clicking on a "cancel", "don't agree", "close window",
28	or similarly labeled button. Rules adopted under this subsection must
29	provide for the following:
30	(1) Security to prevent unauthorized access to the approval
31	process.
32	(2) The ability to convert electronic approvals into a medium
33	allowing persons inspecting or copying contract records to know
34	when approval has been given.
35	The rules adopted under this subsection may include any other
36	provisions the department considers necessary.
37	(d) The Indiana department of administration shall maintain a file
38	of information concerning contracts and leases to which a state agency
39	is a party.
40	SECTION 3. IC 5-14-3.8-9 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
41	AS A <b>NEW</b> SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
42	1, 2018]: Sec. 9. The county auditor of each county shall submit the



1	certification of tax distribution and settlement to the Indiana
2	transparency Internet web site biannually and not later than the
3	following dates:
4	(1) For the distribution and settlement to be completed by the
5	fifty-first day after May 10 of a year under IC 6-1.1-27-1, not
6	later than July 31 of the same year.
7	(2) For the distribution and settlement to be completed by the
8	fifty-first day after November 10 of a year under
9	IC 6-1.1-27-1, not later than January 31 of the following year.
10	SECTION 4. IC 5-24 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018].
1	(Electronic Digital Signature Act).
12	SECTION 5. IC 5-28-26-1, AS ADDED BY P.L.203-2005,
13	SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
14	JANUARY 1, 2019]: Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "base assessed
15	value" means:
16	(1) the net assessed value of all the taxable property located in a
17	global commerce center as finally determined for the assessment
18	date immediately preceding the effective date of the allocation
19	provision of a resolution adopted under section 18 of this chapter;
20	plus
21	(2) to the extent it is not included in subdivision (1), the net
22	residential assessed value of property that is assessed as
23 24	residential property under the rules of the department of local
24	government finance, within the global commerce center, as
25	finally determined for any the current assessment date. after the
26	effective date of the allocation provision.
27	SECTION 6. IC 6-1.1-1-9, AS AMENDED BY THE TECHNICAL
28	CORRECTIONS BILL OF THE 2018 GENERAL ASSEMBLY, IS
29	AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]:
30	Sec. 9. (a) For purposes of this article, the "owner" of tangible property
31	shall be determined by using the rules contained in this section.
32	(b) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the holder of the
33	legal title to personal property, or the legal title in fee to real property,
34	is:
35	(1) the owner of that property, regardless of whether the holder
36	of the legal title holds a fractional interest, a remainder interest,
37	or a life estate, or a tenancy for a term of years, if a title
38	document is not ordinarily issued to an owner for that type of
39	property; or
10	(2) the owner of that property who is designated as the grantee,
11	buyer, or other equivalent term in the title document or bureau of
12	motor vehicles affidavit of sale or disposal, if a title document is



1	ordinarily issued to an owner for that type of property.
2	(c) When title to tangible property passes on the assessment date of
3	any year, only the person obtaining title is the owner of that property on
4	the assessment date.
5	(d) When the mortgagee of real property is in possession of the
6	mortgaged premises, the mortgagee is the owner of that property.
7	(e) When personal property is security for a debt and the debtor is
8	in possession of the property, the debtor is the owner of that property.
9	(f) When a life tenant of real property or a holder of a tenancy for
0	a term of years in real property is in possession of the real property,
1	only the life tenant or the holder of a tenancy for a term of years is the
2	owner of that property.
3	(g) When the grantor of a qualified personal residence trust created
4	under United States Treasury Regulation 25.2702-5(c)(2) is:
5	(1) in possession of the real property transferred to the trust; and
6	(2) entitled to occupy the real property rent free under the terms
7	of the trust;
8	the grantor is the owner of that real property.
9	SECTION 7. IC 6-1.1-3-7.2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.199-2016,
20	SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
21	JANUARY 1, 2019]: Sec. 7.2. (a) This section applies to assessment
22	dates occurring after December 31, 2015.
23	(b) As used in this section, "affiliate" means an entity that
.4	effectively controls or is controlled by a taxpayer or is associated with
25	a taxpayer under common ownership or control, whether by
26	shareholdings or other means.
27	(c) As used in this section, "business personal property" means
28	personal property that:
.9	(1) is otherwise subject to assessment and taxation under this
0	article;
1	(2) is used in a trade or business or otherwise held, used, or
2	consumed in connection with the production of income; and
3	(3) was:
4	(A) acquired by the taxpayer in an arms length transaction
5	from an entity that is not an affiliate of the taxpayer, if the
6	personal property has been previously used in Indiana before
7	being placed in service in the county; or
8	(B) acquired in any manner, if the personal property has never
9	been previously used in Indiana before being placed in service
0	in the county.
-1	The term does not include mobile homes assessed under IC 6-1.1-7,
2	personal property held as an investment, or personal property that is



- assessed under IC 6-1.1-8 and is owned by a public utility subject to regulation by the Indiana utility regulatory commission. However, the term does include the personal property of a telephone company or a communications service provider if that personal property meets the requirements of subdivisions (1) through (3), regardless of whether that personal property is assessed under IC 6-1.1-8 and regardless of whether the telephone company or communications service provider is subject to regulation by the Indiana utility regulatory commission.
- (d) Notwithstanding section 7 of this chapter, if the acquisition cost of a taxpayer's total business personal property in a county is less than twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) for that assessment date, the taxpayer's business personal property in the county for that assessment date is exempt from taxation.
- (e) Except as provided in subsection (f), A taxpayer that is eligible for the exemption under this section for an assessment date shall indicate include the following information on the taxpayer's personal property tax return:
  - (1) A declaration that the taxpayer's business personal property in the county is exempt from property taxation. for the assessment date.
  - (2) Whether the taxpayer's business personal property within the county is in one (1) location or multiple locations.
  - (3) An address for the location of the property.
- If the property is in multiple locations within a county, the taxpayer shall provide an address for the location where the sum of acquisition costs for business personal property is greatest. If two (2) or more addresses contain the greatest equivalent sum of acquisition costs for business personal property within a given county, the taxpayer shall choose only one (1) address to list on the return.
- (f) For purposes of the January 1, 2016, assessment date, a taxpayer that is eligible for the exemption under this section may file with the county assessor before May 17, 2016, a certification of the taxpayer's eligibility for the exemption under this section instead of indicating the taxpayer's eligibility for the exemption on the taxpayer's personal property tax return.
- SECTION 8. IC 6-1.1-3-7.3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.199-2016, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019]: Sec. 7.3. (a) A county fiscal body may adopt an ordinance to impose a local service fee on each person that indicates declares on the person's personal property tax return or, for purposes of the January 1, 2016, assessment date, on the person's certification



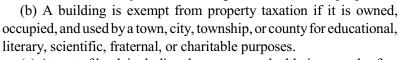
1	under section 7.2(f) of this chapter that the person's business personal
2	property in the county is exempt from taxation under section 7.2 of this
3	chapter. for an assessment date after December 31, 2015.
4	(b) The county fiscal body shall specify the amount of the local
5	service fee in the ordinance. A local service fee imposed on a person
6	under this section may not exceed fifty dollars (\$50).
7	(c) A local service fee imposed for an assessment date is due and
8	payable at the same time that property taxes for that assessment date
9	are due and payable. A county may collect a delinquent local service
10	fee in the same manner as delinquent property taxes are collected.
11	(d) A county shall include the local service fee on a property tax
12	bill associated with the tax district in which the majority value of
13	the taxpayer's business personal property within the county is
14	located, as determined by the county assessor. A taxpayer may be
15	charged only one (1) local service fee per county.
16	(d) (e) The revenue from a local service fee:
17	(1) shall be allocated in the same manner and proportion and at
18	the same time as property taxes are allocated to each taxing unit
19	in the county; and
20	(2) may be used by a taxing unit for any lawful purpose of the
21	taxing unit.
22	SECTION 9. IC 6-1.1-4-25, AS AMENDED BY P.L.203-2016,
23	SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
24	JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 25. (a) Each township assessor and each county
25	assessor shall keep the assessor's reassessment data and records current
26	by securing the necessary field data and by making changes in the
27	assessed value of real property as changes occur in the use of the real
28	property. The township or county assessor's records shall at all times
29	show the assessed value of real property in accordance with this
30	chapter. The township assessor shall ensure that the county assessor
31	has full access to the assessment records maintained by the township
32	assessor.
33	(b) The township assessor (if any) in a county having a consolidated
34	eity, the county assessor if there are no township assessors in a county
35	having a consolidated city, or the county assessor in every other county
36	shall:
37	(1) maintain an electronic data file of:
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	(A) the parcel characteristics and parcel assessments of all
39 40	parcels; and
40	(B) the personal property return characteristics and
41	assessments by return; <del>and</del>
42	(C) the geographic information system characteristics of each



1	<del>parcel;</del>
2	for each township in the county as of each assessment date;
3	(2) maintain the electronic file in a form that formats the
4	information in the file with the standard data, field, and record
5	coding required and approved by:
6	(A) the legislative services agency; and
7	(B) the department of local government finance;
8	(3) before September 1 of each year, transmit the data in the file
9	with respect to the assessment date of each that year before
10	October 1 of a year ending before January 1, 2016, and before
11	September 1 of a year beginning after December 31, 2015, to:
12	(A) the legislative services agency; and
13	(B) the department of local government finance. for data
14	described in subdivision (1)(A) and (1)(B); and
15	(B) the geographic information office of the office of
16	technology, for data described in subdivision (1)(C);
17	(c) The appropriate county officer, as designated by the county
18	executive, shall:
19	(1) maintain an electronic data file of the geographic
20	information system characteristics of each parcel for each
21	township in the county as of each assessment date;
22	(2) maintain the electronic file in a form that formats the
23	information in the file with the standard data, field, and
24	record coding required and approved by the office of
25	technology; and
26	(3) before September 1 of each year, transmit the data in the
27	file with respect to the assessment date of that year to the
28	geographic information office of the office of technology.
29	(d) An assessor under subsection (b) and an appropriate county
30	officer under subsection (c) shall do the following:
31	(1) Transmit the data in a manner that meets the data export and
32	transmission requirements in a standard format, as prescribed by
33	the office of technology established by IC 4-13.1-2-1 and
34	approved by the legislative services agency. and
35	(4) (2) Resubmit the data in the form and manner required under
36	this subsection (b) or (c) upon request of the legislative services
37	agency, the department of local government finance, or the
38	geographic information office of the office of technology, as
39	applicable, if data previously submitted under this subsection (b)
40	or (c) does not comply with the requirements of this subsection,
41	subsection (b) or (c), as determined by the legislative services
42	agency, the department of local government finance, or the



1	geographic information office of the office of technology, as
2	applicable.
3	An electronic data file maintained for a particular assessment date may
4	not be overwritten with data for a subsequent assessment date until a
5	copy of an electronic data file that preserves the data for the particular
6	assessment date is archived in the manner prescribed by the office of
7	technology established by IC 4-13.1-2-1 and approved by the
8	legislative services agency.
9	SECTION 10. IC 6-1.1-4-46 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
10	AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
11	1, 2018]: Sec. 46. (a) As used in this section, "landlocked property"
12	means a parcel of real property that meets all of the following
13	conditions:
14	(1) The parcel of the property is completely surrounded by
15	adjacent parcels.
16	(2) The owner of the property does not own any of the
17	adjacent parcels.
18	(3) The owner of the property is unable to use the property to
19	the owner's full and complete benefit because one (1) or both
20	of the following apply:
21	(A) The owner does not possess and cannot obtain an
22	easement granting ingress or egress to the property.
23	(B) The owner is otherwise incapable of having sufficient
24	ingress or egress to the property.
25	(b) The assessing official shall in the assessment of a parcel of
26	real property determine whether the property is landlocked
27	property. If the assessing official determines that the property is
28	landlocked property, the assessing official shall apply an influence
29	factor for limited access as prescribed in the rules of the
30	department of local government finance.
31	(c) A determination under subsection (b) is appealable under
32	IC 6-1.1-15.
33	SECTION 11. IC 6-1.1-10-16, AS AMENDED BY P.L.181-2016,
34	SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
35	JANUARY 1, 2019]: Sec. 16. (a) All or part of a building is exempt



(c) A tract of land, including the campus and athletic grounds of an educational institution, is exempt from property taxation if:

from property taxation if it is owned, occupied, and used by a person

for educational, literary, scientific, religious, or charitable purposes.



1	(1) a building that is exempt under subsection (a) or (b) is situated
2	on it;
3	(2) a parking lot or structure that serves a building referred to in
4	subdivision (1) is situated on it; or
5	(3) the tract:
6	(A) is owned by a nonprofit entity established for the purpose
7	of retaining and preserving land and water for their natural
8	characteristics;
9	(B) does not exceed five hundred (500) acres; and
10	(C) is not used by the nonprofit entity to make a profit.
11	(d) A tract of land is exempt from property taxation if:
12	(1) it is purchased for the purpose of erecting a building that is to
13 14	be owned, occupied, and used in such a manner that the building
15	will be exempt under subsection (a) or (b); and (2) not more than four (4) years after the property is purchased,
16	and for each year after the four (4) year period, the owner
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18	demonstrates substantial progress and active pursuit towards the erection of the intended building and use of the tract for the
19	exempt purpose. To establish substantial progress and active
20	pursuit under this subdivision, the owner must prove the existence
	of factors such as the following:
21 22	(A) Organization of and activity by a building committee or
22	other oversight group.
23 24	(B) Completion and filing of building plans with the
25	appropriate local government authority.
26	(C) Cash reserves dedicated to the project of a sufficient
27	amount to lead a reasonable individual to believe the actual
28	construction can and will begin within four (4) years.
29	(D) The breaking of ground and the beginning of actual
30	construction.
31	(E) Any other factor that would lead a reasonable individual to
32	believe that construction of the building is an active plan and
33	that the building is capable of being completed within eight (8)
34	years considering the circumstances of the owner.
35	If the owner of the property sells, leases, or otherwise transfers a tract
36	of land that is exempt under this subsection, the owner is liable for the
37	property taxes that were not imposed upon the tract of land during the
38	period beginning January 1 of the fourth year following the purchase
39	of the property and ending on December 31 of the year of the sale,
10	lease, or transfer. The county auditor of the county in which the tract
<b>1</b> 1	of land is located may establish an installment plan for the repayment
12	of taxes due under this subsection. The plan established by the county



1	auditor may allow the repayment of the taxes over a period of years
2	equal to the number of years for which property taxes must be repaid
3	under this subsection.
4	(e) Personal property is exempt from property taxation if it is owned
5	and used in such a manner that it would be exempt under subsection (a)
6	or (b) if it were a building.
7	(f) A hospital's property that is exempt from property taxation under
8	subsection (a), (b), or (e) shall remain exempt from property taxation
9	even if the property is used in part to furnish goods or services to
10	another hospital whose property qualifies for exemption under this
11	section.
12	(g) Property owned by a shared hospital services organization tha
13	is exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501(c)(3) or
14	501(e) of the Internal Revenue Code is exempt from property taxation
15	if it is owned, occupied, and used exclusively to furnish goods or
16	services to a hospital whose property is exempt from property taxation
17	under subsection (a), (b), or (e).
18	(h) This section does not exempt from property tax an office or a
19	practice of a physician or group of physicians that is owned by a
20	hospital licensed under IC 16-21-2 or other property that is no
21	substantially related to or supportive of the inpatient facility of the
22	hospital unless the office, practice, or other property:
23	(1) provides or supports the provision of charity care (as defined
24	in IC 16-18-2-52.5), including providing funds or other financia
25	support for health care services for individuals who are indigen
26	(as defined in IC 16-18-2-52.5(b) and IC 16-18-2-52.5(c)); or
27	(2) provides or supports the provision of community benefits (as
28	defined in IC 16-21-9-1), including research, education, or
29	government sponsored indigent health care (as defined in
30	IC 16-21-9-2).
31	However, participation in the Medicaid or Medicare program alone
32	does not entitle an office, practice, or other property described in this
33	subsection to an exemption under this section.
34	(i) The exemption provided in this subsection applies only for ar
35	assessment date occurring before January 2, 2017. A tract of land or a
36	tract of land plus all or part of a structure on the land is exempt from
37	property taxation if:
38	(1) the tract is acquired for the purpose of erecting, renovating, or
39	improving a single family residential structure that is to be giver
40	away or sold:
41	(A) in a charitable manner;
42	(B) by a nonprofit organization; and



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1	(C) to low income individuals who will:
2	(i) use the land as a family residence; and
3	(ii) not have an exemption for the land under this section;
4	(2) the tract does not exceed three (3) acres; and
5	(3) the tract of land or the tract of land plus all or part of a
6	structure on the land is not used for profit while exempt under this
7	section.
8	This subsection expires January 1, 2028.
9	(j) An exemption under subsection (i) terminates:
10	(1) when the property is conveyed by the nonprofit organization
11	to another owner; or
12	(2) January 2, 2017;
13	whichever occurs first. This subsection expires January 1, 2028.
14	(k) When property that is exempt in any year under subsection (i) is
15	conveyed to another owner, the nonprofit organization receiving the
16	exemption must file a certified statement with the auditor of the county
17	notifying the auditor of the change not later than sixty (60) days after
18	the date of the conveyance. The county auditor shall immediately
19	forward a copy of the certified statement to the county assessor. A
20	nonprofit organization that fails to file the statement required by this
21	subsection is liable for the amount of property taxes due on the
22	property conveyed if it were not for the exemption allowed under this
23	chapter.
24	(1) If property is granted an exemption in any year under subsection
25	(i) and the owner:
26	(1) fails to transfer the tangible property within eight (8) years
27	after the assessment date for which the exemption is initially
28	granted; or
29	(2) transfers the tangible property to a person who:
30	(A) is not a low income individual; or
31	(B) does not use the transferred property as a residence for a
32	least one (1) year after the property is transferred;
33	the person receiving the exemption shall notify the county recorder and
34	the county auditor of the county in which the property is located no
35	later than sixty (60) days after the event described in subdivision (1) or
36	(2) occurs. The county auditor shall immediately inform the county
37	assessor of a notification received under this subsection. This
38	subsection expires January 1, 2028.
39	(m) If subsection (l)(1) or (l)(2) applies, the owner shall pay, no
40	later than the date that the next installment of property taxes is due, ar
41	amount equal to the sum of the following:

(1) The total property taxes that, if it were not for the exemption



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1	under subsection (i), would have been levied on the property in
2	each year in which an exemption was allowed.
3	(2) Interest on the property taxes at the rate of ten percent (10%)
4	per year.
5	This subsection expires January 1, 2028.
6	(n) The liability imposed by subsection (m) is a lien upon the
7	property receiving the exemption under subsection (i). An amount
8	collected under subsection (m) shall be collected as an excess levy. If
9	the amount is not paid, it shall be collected in the same manner that
10	delinquent taxes on real property are collected. This subsection expires
11	January 1, 2028.
12	(o) Property referred to in this section shall be assessed to the extent
13	required under IC 6-1.1-11-9.
14	(p) A for-profit provider of early childhood education services to
15	children who are at least four (4) but less than six (6) years of age on
16	the annual assessment date may receive the exemption provided by this
17	section for property used for educational purposes only if all the
18	requirements of section 46 of this chapter are satisfied. A for-profit
19	provider of early childhood education services that provides the
20	services only to children younger than four (4) years of age may not
21	receive the exemption provided by this section for property used for
22	educational purposes.
23	(q) Property that meets the requirements for an exemption
24	under section 48 of this chapter is exempt from property taxation
25	under this section.
26	SECTION 12. IC 6-1.1-10-48 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
27	CODE AS A <b>NEW</b> SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
28	[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019]: Sec. 48. (a) As used in this
29	section, "continuing care retirement community" refers to an
30	entity that serves the needs of the aging as follows:
31	(1) The entity provides residential facilities and services to
32	senior citizens that include:
33	(A) independent living apartments or facilities;
34	(B) assisted living facilities; and
35	(C) skilled nursing care or nursing home facilities;
36	that are all located on one (1) or more properties owned by
37	the entity.
38	(2) The residential facilities and services offered by the entity
39	are designed, constructed, or equipped to meet the unique
40	needs of the aging, which may include appropriate housing,
41	transportation, recreation, safety, well-being, emotional

stability, and attention to health problems.



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1	(3) The entity provides a continuum of care that allows senior
2	citizens to:
3	(A) carry out their lives with as much independence as
4	their strength will permit; and
5	(B) transition through increasing levels of care at the entity
6	without the need to relocate outside the community.
7	(b) As used in this section, "senior citizen" means an individual
8	who is:
9	(1) at least sixty (60) years of age; and
10	(2) not employed on a full-time basis.
11	(c) Tangible property or properties owned by a continuing care
12	retirement community that is not otherwise exempt under section
13	16(a) through 16(p) of this chapter is exempt under section 16(q)
14	of this chapter if all the following requirements are satisfied:
15	(1) Admission to the continuing care retirement community is
16	limited to:
17	(A) senior citizens; and
18	(B) the spouse of a senior citizen who is a resident of the
19	continuing care retirement community.
20	(2) The owner is an organization exempt from taxation under
21	Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
22	(3) The owner is contractually obligated to give senior citizens
23	who are residents of the continuing care retirement
24	community priority, should the need arise, to be moved to a
25	facility within the continuing care retirement community that
26	provides higher levels of care.
27	(4) The owner maintains a written policy or is otherwise
28	committed to providing assistance to senior citizens who are
29	residents of the continuing care retirement community who
30	become unable to make their payment obligation to the
31	owner. For purposes of this subdivision, assistance may
32	include:
33	(A) helping the resident obtain financial assistance
34	available under state, local, and federal welfare programs;
35	(B) soliciting financial assistance from other organizations,
36	foundations, or the general public; or
37	(C) reducing the resident's payment obligation.
38	(d) The exemption under subsection (c) applies regardless of
39	whether the continuing care retirement community:
40	(1) makes expenditures:
41	(A) for advertising; or
42	(B) to employ a real estate agent;



1	for the purpose of filling vacancies at the continuing care
2 3	retirement community; or
3	(2) owns tangible property that is located outside the
4	boundaries of the continuing care retirement community
5	property or properties and used as a restaurant that is open
6	to the general public, if:
7	(A) either:
8	(i) the restaurant is used primarily to serve the residents
9	of the continuing care retirement community; or
10	(ii) the majority of the customers of the restaurant are
11	continuing care retirement community residents; and
12	(B) the restaurant does not make a profit of more than one
13	thousand dollars (\$1,000) in any taxable year.
14	The exemption under subsection (c) also applies to the
15	continuing care retirement community's tangible property
16	described in this subdivision.
17	SECTION 13. IC 6-1.1-12-37, AS AMENDED BY P.L.255-2017,
18	SECTION 13, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
19	JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 37. (a) The following definitions apply throughout
20	this section:
21	(1) "Dwelling" means any of the following:
22	(A) Residential real property improvements that an individual
23	uses as the individual's residence, including a house or garage.
24	(B) A mobile home that is not assessed as real property that an
25	individual uses as the individual's residence.
26	(C) A manufactured home that is not assessed as real property
27	that an individual uses as the individual's residence.
28	(2) "Homestead" means an individual's principal place of
29	residence:
30	(A) that is located in Indiana;
31	(B) that:
32	(i) the individual owns;
33	(ii) the individual is buying under a contract recorded in the
34	county recorder's office, or evidenced by a memorandum of
35	contract recorded in the county recorder's office under
36	IC 36-2-11-20, that provides that the individual is to pay the
37	property taxes on the residence, and that obligates the owner
38	to convey title to the individual upon completion of all of the
39	individual's contract obligations;
40	(iii) the individual is entitled to occupy as a
41	tenant-stockholder (as defined in 26 U.S.C. 216) of a
42	cooperative housing corporation (as defined in 26 U.S.C.



1	216); or
2 3	(iv) is a residence described in section 17.9 of this chapter
3	that is owned by a trust if the individual is an individual
4	described in section 17.9 of this chapter; and
5	(C) that consists of a dwelling and the real estate, not
6	exceeding one (1) acre, that immediately surrounds that
7	dwelling.
8	Except as provided in subsection (k), the term does not include
9	property owned by a corporation, partnership, limited liability
0	company, or other entity not described in this subdivision.
1	(b) Each year a homestead is eligible for a standard deduction from
2	the assessed value of the homestead for an assessment date. Except as
3	provided in subsection (p), the deduction provided by this section
4	applies to property taxes first due and payable for an assessment date
5	only if an individual has an interest in the homestead described in
6	subsection (a)(2)(B) on:
7	(1) the assessment date; or
8	(2) any date in the same year after an assessment date that a
9	statement is filed under subsection (e) or section 44 of this
0	chapter, if the property consists of real property.
1	If more than one (1) individual or entity qualifies property as a
2	homestead under subsection (a)(2)(B) for an assessment date, only one
3	(1) standard deduction from the assessed value of the homestead may
4	be applied for the assessment date. Subject to subsection (c), the
5	auditor of the county shall record and make the deduction for the
6	individual or entity qualifying for the deduction.
7	(c) Except as provided in section 40.5 of this chapter, the total
8	amount of the deduction that a person may receive under this section
9	for a particular year is the lesser of:
0	(1) sixty percent (60%) of the assessed value of the real property,
1	mobile home not assessed as real property, or manufactured home
2	not assessed as real property; or
3	(2) forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000).
4	(d) A person who has sold real property, a mobile home not assessed
5	as real property, or a manufactured home not assessed as real property
6	to another person under a contract that provides that the contract buyer
7	is to pay the property taxes on the real property, mobile home, or
8	manufactured home may not claim the deduction provided under this
9	section with respect to that real property, mobile home, or
0	manufactured home.
1	(e) Except as provided in sections 17.8 and 44 of this chapter and
2	subject to section 45 of this chapter, an individual who desires to claim



1	the deduction provided by this section must file a certified statement on
2	forms prescribed by the department of local government finance, with
3	the auditor of the county in which the homestead is located. The
4	statement must include:
5	(1) the parcel number or key number of the property and the name
6	of the city, town, or township in which the property is located;
7	(2) the name of any other location in which the applicant or the
8	applicant's spouse owns, is buying, or has a beneficial interest in
9	residential real property;
10	(3) the names of:
11	(A) the applicant and the applicant's spouse (if any):
12	(i) as the names appear in the records of the United States
13	Social Security Administration for the purposes of the
14	issuance of a Social Security card and Social Security
15	number; or
16	(ii) that they use as their legal names when they sign their
17	names on legal documents;
18	if the applicant is an individual; or
19	(B) each individual who qualifies property as a homestead
20	under subsection (a)(2)(B) and the individual's spouse (if any):
21 22	(i) as the names appear in the records of the United States
22	Social Security Administration for the purposes of the
23 24	issuance of a Social Security card and Social Security
24	number; or
25 26	(ii) that they use as their legal names when they sign their
26	names on legal documents;
27	if the applicant is not an individual; and
28	(4) either:
29	(A) the last five (5) digits of the applicant's Social Security
30	number and the last five (5) digits of the Social Security
31	number of the applicant's spouse (if any); or
32	(B) if the applicant or the applicant's spouse (if any) does not
33	have a Social Security number, any of the following for that
34	individual:
35	(i) The last five (5) digits of the individual's driver's license
36	number.
37	(ii) The last five (5) digits of the individual's state
38	identification card number.
39	(iii) The last five (5) digits of a preparer tax identification
40	number that is obtained by the individual through the
41	Internal Revenue Service of the United States.
42	(iv) If the individual does not have a driver's license, a state



identification card, or an Internal Revenue Service preparer tax identification number, the last five (5) digits of a control number that is on a document issued to the individual by the United States government.

If a form or statement provided to the county auditor under this section, IC 6-1.1-22-8.1, or IC 6-1.1-22.5-12 includes the telephone number or part or all of the Social Security number of a party or other number described in subdivision (4)(B) of a party, the telephone number and the Social Security number or other number described in subdivision (4)(B) included are confidential. The statement may be filed in person or by mail. If the statement is mailed, the mailing must be postmarked on or before the last day for filing. The statement applies for that first year and any succeeding year for which the deduction is allowed. With respect to real property, the statement must be completed and dated in the calendar year for which the person desires to obtain the deduction and filed with the county auditor on or before January 5 of the immediately succeeding calendar year. With respect to a mobile home that is not assessed as real property, the person must file the statement during the twelve (12) months before March 31 of the year for which the person desires to obtain the deduction.

- (f) Except as provided in subsection (n), if a person who is receiving, or seeks to receive, the deduction provided by this section in the person's name:
  - (1) changes the use of the individual's property so that part or all of the property no longer qualifies for the deduction under this section; or
  - (2) is not eligible for a deduction under this section because the person is already receiving:
    - (A) a deduction under this section in the person's name as an individual or a spouse; or
    - (B) a deduction under the law of another state that is equivalent to the deduction provided by this section;

the person must file a certified statement with the auditor of the county, notifying the auditor of the person's ineligibility, not more than sixty (60) days after the date of the change in eligibility. A person who fails to file the statement required by this subsection may, under IC 6-1.1-36-17, be liable for any additional taxes that would have been due on the property if the person had filed the statement as required by this subsection plus a civil penalty equal to ten percent (10%) of the additional taxes due. The civil penalty imposed under this subsection is in addition to any interest and penalties for a delinquent payment that might otherwise be due. One percent (1%) of the total civil penalty



- collected under this subsection shall be transferred by the county to the department of local government finance for use by the department in establishing and maintaining the homestead property data base under subsection (i) and, to the extent there is money remaining, for any other purposes of the department. This amount becomes part of the property tax liability for purposes of this article.
- (g) The department of local government finance may adopt rules or guidelines concerning the application for a deduction under this section.
- (h) This subsection does not apply to property in the first year for which a deduction is claimed under this section if the sole reason that a deduction is claimed on other property is that the individual or married couple maintained a principal residence at the other property on the assessment date in the same year in which an application for a deduction is filed under this section or, if the application is for a homestead that is assessed as personal property, on the assessment date in the immediately preceding year and the individual or married couple is moving the individual's or married couple's principal residence to the property that is the subject of the application. Except as provided in subsection (n), the county auditor may not grant an individual or a married couple a deduction under this section if:
  - (1) the individual or married couple, for the same year, claims the deduction on two (2) or more different applications for the deduction; and
  - (2) the applications claim the deduction for different property.
- (i) The department of local government finance shall provide secure access to county auditors to a homestead property data base that includes access to the homestead owner's name and the numbers required from the homestead owner under subsection (e)(4) for the sole purpose of verifying whether an owner is wrongly claiming a deduction under this chapter or a credit under IC 6-1.1-20.4, IC 6-1.1-20.6, or IC 6-3.6-5 (after December 31, 2016). Each county auditor shall submit data on deductions applicable to the current tax year on or before March 15 of each year in a manner prescribed by the department of local government finance.
- (j) A county auditor may require an individual to provide evidence proving that the individual's residence is the individual's principal place of residence as claimed in the certified statement filed under subsection (e). The county auditor may limit the evidence that an individual is required to submit to a state income tax return, a valid driver's license, or a valid voter registration card showing that the residence for which the deduction is claimed is the individual's principal place of residence.



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The department of local government finance shall work with county auditors to develop procedures to determine whether a property owner that is claiming a standard deduction or homestead credit is not eligible for the standard deduction or homestead credit because the property owner's principal place of residence is outside Indiana.  (k) As used in this section, "homestead" includes property that satisfies each of the following requirements:  (1) The property is located in Indiana and consists of a dwelling
and the real estate, not exceeding one (1) acre, that immediately surrounds that dwelling.
(2) The property is the principal place of residence of an individual.

- (3) The property is owned by an entity that is not described in subsection (a)(2)(B).
- (4) The individual residing on the property is a shareholder, partner, or member of the entity that owns the property.
- (5) The property was eligible for the standard deduction under this section on March 1, 2009.
- (1) If a county auditor terminates a deduction for property described in subsection (k) with respect to property taxes that are:
  - (1) imposed for an assessment date in 2009; and
  - (2) first due and payable in 2010;

on the grounds that the property is not owned by an entity described in subsection (a)(2)(B), the county auditor shall reinstate the deduction if the taxpayer provides proof that the property is eligible for the deduction in accordance with subsection (k) and that the individual residing on the property is not claiming the deduction for any other property.

- (m) For assessment dates after 2009, the term "homestead" includes:
  - (1) a deck or patio;
  - (2) a gazebo; or
  - (3) another residential yard structure, as defined in rules adopted by the department of local government finance (other than a swimming pool);

that is assessed as real property and attached to the dwelling.

(n) A county auditor shall grant an individual a deduction under this section regardless of whether the individual and the individual's spouse claim a deduction on two (2) different applications and each application claims a deduction for different property if the property owned by the individual's spouse is located outside Indiana and the individual files an affidavit with the county auditor containing the following information:



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1	(1) The names of the county and state in which the individual's
2	spouse claims a deduction substantially similar to the deduction
3	allowed by this section.
4	(2) A statement made under penalty of perjury that the following
5	are true:
6	(A) That the individual and the individual's spouse maintain
7	separate principal places of residence.
8	(B) That neither the individual nor the individual's spouse has
9	an ownership interest in the other's principal place of
10	residence.
11	(C) That neither the individual nor the individual's spouse has,
12	for that same year, claimed a standard or substantially similar
13	deduction for any property other than the property maintained
14	as a principal place of residence by the respective individuals.
15	A county auditor may require an individual or an individual's spouse to
16	provide evidence of the accuracy of the information contained in an
17	affidavit submitted under this subsection. The evidence required of the
18	individual or the individual's spouse may include state income tax
19	returns, excise tax payment information, property tax payment
20	information, driver license information, and voter registration
21	information.
22	(o) If:
23	(1) a property owner files a statement under subsection (e) to
24	claim the deduction provided by this section for a particular
25	property; and
26	(2) the county auditor receiving the filed statement determines
27	that the property owner's property is not eligible for the deduction;
28	the county auditor shall inform the property owner of the county
29	auditor's determination in writing. If a property owner's property is not
30	eligible for the deduction because the county auditor has determined
31	that the property is not the property owner's principal place of
32	residence, the property owner may appeal the county auditor's
33	determination to the county property tax assessment board of appeals
34	as provided in IC 6-1.1-15. The county auditor shall inform the
35	property owner of the owner's right to appeal to the county property tax
36	assessment board of appeals when the county auditor informs the
37	property owner of the county auditor's determination under this
38	subsection.
39	(p) An individual is entitled to the deduction under this section for
40	a homestead for a particular assessment date if:
41	(1) either:
42	(A) the individual's interest in the homestead as described in
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1	subsection (a)(2)(B) is conveyed to the individual after the
2	assessment date, but within the calendar year in which the
2 3	assessment date occurs; or
4	(B) the individual contracts to purchase the homestead after
5	the assessment date, but within the calendar year in which the
6	assessment date occurs;
7	(2) on the assessment date:
8	(A) the property on which the homestead is currently located
9	was vacant land; or
10	(B) the construction of the dwelling that constitutes the
11	homestead was not completed; and
12	(3) either:
13	(A) the individual files the certified statement required by
14	subsection (e); or
15	(B) a sales disclosure form that meets the requirements of
16	section 44 of this chapter is submitted to the county assessor
17	on or before December 31 of the calendar year for the
18	individual's purchase of the homestead.
19	An individual who satisfies the requirements of subdivisions (1)
20	through (3) is entitled to the deduction under this section for the
21	homestead for the assessment date, even if on the assessment date the
22	property on which the homestead is currently located was vacant land
23	or the construction of the dwelling that constitutes the homestead was
24	not completed. The county auditor shall apply the deduction for the
25	assessment date and for the assessment date in any later year in which
26	the homestead remains eligible for the deduction. A homestead that
27	qualifies for the deduction under this section as provided in this
28	subsection is considered a homestead for purposes of section 37.5 of
29	this chapter and IC 6-1.1-20.6.
30	(q) This subsection applies to an application for the deduction
31	provided by this section that is filed for an assessment date occurring
32	after December 31, 2013. Notwithstanding any other provision of this
33	section, an individual buying a mobile home that is not assessed as real
34	property or a manufactured home that is not assessed as real property
35	under a contract providing that the individual is to pay the property
36	taxes on the mobile home or manufactured home is not entitled to the
37	deduction provided by this section unless the parties to the contract
38	comply with IC 9-17-6-17.
39	(r) This subsection:
40	(1) applies to an application for the deduction provided by this
41	section that is filed for an assessment date occurring after
42	December 31, 2013; and



- (2) does not apply to an individual described in subsection (q). The owner of a mobile home that is not assessed as real property or a manufactured home that is not assessed as real property must attach a copy of the owner's title to the mobile home or manufactured home to the application for the deduction provided by this section.
- (s) For assessment dates after 2013, the term "homestead" includes property that is owned by an individual who:
  - (1) is serving on active duty in any branch of the armed forces of the United States;
  - (2) was ordered to transfer to a location outside Indiana; and
  - (3) was otherwise eligible, without regard to this subsection, for the deduction under this section for the property for the assessment date immediately preceding the transfer date specified in the order described in subdivision (2).

For property to qualify under this subsection for the deduction provided by this section, the individual described in subdivisions (1) through (3) must submit to the county auditor a copy of the individual's transfer orders or other information sufficient to show that the individual was ordered to transfer to a location outside Indiana. The property continues to qualify for the deduction provided by this section until the individual ceases to be on active duty, the property is sold, or the individual's ownership interest is otherwise terminated, whichever occurs first. Notwithstanding subsection (a)(2), the property remains a homestead regardless of whether the property continues to be the individual's principal place of residence after the individual transfers to a location outside Indiana. The property continues to qualify as a homestead under this subsection if the property is leased while the individual is away from Indiana and is serving on active duty, if the individual has lived at the property at any time during the past ten (10) years. Otherwise, the property ceases to qualify as a homestead under this subsection if the property is leased while the individual is away from Indiana. Property that qualifies as a homestead under this subsection shall also be construed as a homestead for purposes of section 37.5 of this chapter.

SECTION 14. IC 6-1.1-17-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.184-2016, SECTION 6, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 3. (a) The proper officers of a political subdivision shall formulate its estimated budget and its proposed tax rate and tax levy on the form prescribed by the department of local government finance and approved by the state board of accounts. In formulating a political subdivision's estimated budget under this section, the proper officers of the political subdivision must consider the net property tax



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revenue that will be collected by the political subdivision during the ensuing year, after taking into account the estimate by the department of local government finance under IC 6-1.1-20.6-11.1 of the amount by which the political subdivision's distribution of property taxes will be reduced by credits under IC 6-1.1-20.6-9.5 in the ensuing year, and after taking into account the estimate by the department of local government finance under section 0.7 of this chapter of the maximum amount of net property tax revenue and miscellaneous revenue that the political subdivision will receive in the ensuing year. The political subdivision or appropriate fiscal body, if the political subdivision is subject to section 20 of this chapter, shall submit the following information to the department's computer gateway:

(1) The estimated budget.

- (2) The estimated maximum permissible levy, as provided by the department under IC 6-1.1-18.5-24.
- (3) The current and proposed tax levies of each fund.
- (4) The percentage change between the current and proposed tax levies of each fund.
- (4) (5) The amount by which the political subdivision's distribution of property taxes may be reduced by credits granted under IC 6-1.1-20.6, as estimated by the department of local government finance under IC 6-1.1-20.6-11.
- (5) (6) The amounts of excessive levy appeals to be requested.
- (6) (7) The time and place at which the political subdivision or appropriate fiscal body will hold a public hearing on the items described in subdivisions (1) through (5). (6).

The political subdivision or appropriate fiscal body shall submit this information to the department's computer gateway at least ten (10) days before the public hearing required by this subsection in the manner prescribed by the department. The department shall make this information available to taxpayers, at least ten (10) days before the public hearing, through its computer gateway and provide a telephone number through which taxpayers may request mailed copies of a political subdivision's information under this subsection. The department's computer gateway must allow a taxpayer to search for the information under this subsection by the taxpayer's address. The department shall review only the submission to the department's computer gateway for compliance with this section.

- (b) The board of directors of a solid waste management district established under IC 13-21 or IC 13-9.5-2 (before its repeal) may conduct the public hearing required under subsection (a):
  - (1) in any county of the solid waste management district; and



1	(2) in accordance with the annual notice of meetings published
2	under IC 13-21-5-2.
3	(c) The trustee of each township in the county shall estimate the
4	amount necessary to meet the cost of township assistance in the
5	township for the ensuing calendar year. The township board shall adopt
6	with the township budget a tax rate sufficient to meet the estimated cost
7	of township assistance. The taxes collected as a result of the tax rate
8	adopted under this subsection are credited to the township assistance
9	fund.
10	(d) A political subdivision for which any of the information under
11	subsection (a) is not submitted to the department's computer gateway
12	in the manner prescribed by the department shall have its most recent
13	annual appropriations and annual tax levy continued for the ensuing
14	budget year.
15	(e) If a political subdivision or appropriate fiscal body timely
16	submits the information under subsection (a) but subsequently
17	discovers the information contains an error, the political subdivision or
18	appropriate fiscal body may submit amended information to the
19	department's computer gateway. However, submission of amended
20	information must occur at least ten (10) days before the public hearing
21	held under subsection (a).
22	SECTION 15. IC 6-1.1-17-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.119-2012,
23	SECTION 30, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
24	JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 5. (a) The officers of political subdivisions shall
25	meet each year to fix the budget, tax rate, and tax levy of their
26	respective subdivisions for the ensuing budget year as follows:
27	(1) The board of school trustees of a school corporation that is
28	located in a city having a population of more than one hundred
29	thousand (100,000) but less than one hundred ten thousand
30	(110,000), not later than:
31	(A) the time required in section 5.6(b) of this chapter; or
32	(B) November 1 if a resolution adopted under section 5.6(d) of
33	this chapter is in effect.
34	(2) The proper officers of all other political subdivisions that are
35	not school corporations, not later than November 1.
36	(3) The governing body of a school corporation (other than a
37	school corporation described in subdivision (1)) that elects to
38	adopt a budget under section 5.6 of this chapter for budget years
39	beginning after June 30, 2011, not later than the time required
40	under section 5.6(b) of this chapter for budget years beginning

(4) The governing body of a school corporation that is not



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described in subdivision (1) or (3), not later than November 1. Except in a consolidated city and county and in a second class city, the public hearing required by section 3 of this chapter must be completed at least ten (10) days before the proper officers of the political subdivision meet to fix the budget, tax rate, and tax levy. In a consolidated city and county and in a second class city, that public hearing, by any committee or by the entire fiscal body, may be held at any time after introduction of the budget.

- (b) Ten (10) or more taxpayers may object to a budget, tax rate, or tax levy of a political subdivision fixed under subsection (a) by filing an objection petition with the proper officers of the political subdivision not more than seven (7) days after the hearing. The objection petition must specifically identify the provisions of the budget, tax rate, and tax levy to which the taxpayers object.
- (c) If a petition is filed under subsection (b), the fiscal body of the political subdivision shall adopt with its budget a finding concerning the objections in the petition and any testimony presented at the adoption hearing.
- (d) This subsection does not apply to a school corporation. Each year at least two (2) days before the first meeting of the county board of tax adjustment held under IC 6-1.1-29-4, a political subdivision shall file with the county auditor:
  - (1) a statement of the tax rate and levy fixed by the political subdivision for the ensuing budget year;
  - (2) two (2) copies of the budget adopted by the political subdivision for the ensuing budget year; and
- (3) two (2) copies of any findings adopted under subsection (c). Each year the county auditor shall present these items to the county board of tax adjustment at the board's first meeting under IC 6-1.1-29-4. A political subdivision shall file the budget adopted by the political subdivision with the county auditor and the department of local government finance not later than two (2) days after the budget is adopted under subsection (a). The filing with the department of local government finance must be in a manner prescribed by the department.
- (e) In a consolidated city and county and in a second class city, the clerk of the fiscal body shall, notwithstanding subsection (d), file the adopted budget and tax ordinances with the county board of tax adjustment auditor and the department of local government finance within two (2) days after the ordinances are signed by the executive, or within two (2) days after action is taken by the fiscal body to override a veto of the ordinances, whichever is later.



(f) If a fiscal body does not fix the budget, tax rate, and tax levy of the political subdivisions for the ensuing budget year as required under this section, the most recent annual appropriations and annual tax levy are continued for the ensuing budget year.

SECTION 16. IC 6-1.1-17-5.6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.184-2016, SECTION 10, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 5.6. (a) Each school corporation may elect to adopt a budget under this section that applies from July 1 of the year through June 30 of the following year. In the initial budget adopted by a school corporation under this section, the first six (6) months of that initial budget must be consistent with the last six (6) months of the budget adopted by the school corporation for the calendar year in which the school corporation elects by resolution to begin adopting budgets that correspond to the state fiscal year. A corporation shall submit a copy of the resolution to the department of local government finance and the department of education not more than thirty (30) days after the date the governing body adopts the resolution.

- (b) Before April 1 of each year, the officers of the school corporation shall meet to fix the budget for the school corporation for the ensuing budget year, with notice given by the same officers. However, if a resolution adopted under subsection (d) is in effect, the officers shall meet to fix the budget for the ensuing budget year before November 1.
- (c) Each year, at least two (2) days before the first meeting of the county board of tax adjustment held under IC 6-1.1-29-4, the school corporation shall file with the county auditor:
  - (1) a statement of the tax rate and tax levy fixed by the school corporation for the ensuing budget year;
  - (2) two (2) copies of the budget adopted by the school corporation for the ensuing budget year; and
  - (3) any written notification from the department of local government finance under section 16(1) of this chapter that specifies a proposed revision, reduction, or increase in the budget adopted by the school corporation for the ensuing budget year.

Each year the county auditor shall present these items to the county board of tax adjustment at the board's first meeting under IC 6-1.1-29-4. A school corporation that adopts a budget as provided in this section shall file the budget adopted by the school corporation with the county auditor and the department of local government finance not later than two (2) days after the budget is adopted under subsection (b). The filing with the department of local government finance must be in a manner prescribed by the



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- (d) The governing body of the school corporation may adopt a resolution to cease using a school year budget year and return to using a calendar year budget year. A resolution adopted under this subsection must be adopted after January 1 and before July 1. The school corporation's initial calendar year budget year following the adoption of a resolution under this subsection begins on January 1 of the year following the year the resolution is adopted. The first six (6) months of the initial calendar year budget for the school corporation must be consistent with the last six (6) months of the final school year budget fixed by the department of local government finance before the adoption of a resolution under this subsection.
- (e) A resolution adopted under subsection (d) may be rescinded by a subsequent resolution adopted by the governing body. If the governing body of the school corporation rescinds a resolution adopted under subsection (d) and returns to a school year budget year, the school corporation's initial school year budget year begins on July 1 following the adoption of the rescinding resolution and ends on June 30 of the following year. The first six (6) months of the initial school year budget for the school corporation must be consistent with the last six (6) months of the last calendar year budget fixed by the department of local government finance before the adoption of a rescinding resolution under this subsection.

SECTION 17. IC 6-1.1-17-6 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]. See. 6: (a) The county board of tax adjustment shall review the budget, tax rate, and tax levy of each political subdivision filed with the county auditor under section 5 or 5.6 of this chapter. The board shall revise or reduce, but not increase, any budget, tax rate, or tax levy in order:

- (1) to limit the tax rate to the maximum amount permitted under IC 6-1.1-18; and
- (2) to limit the budget to the amount of revenue to be available in the ensuing budget year for the political subdivision.
- (b) The county board of tax adjustment shall make a revision or reduction in a political subdivision's budget only with respect to the total amounts budgeted for each office or department within each of the major budget classifications prescribed by the state board of accounts.
- (c) When the county board of tax adjustment makes a revision or reduction in a budget, tax rate, or tax levy, it shall file with the county auditor a written order which indicates the action taken. If the board reduces the budget, it shall also indicate the reason for the reduction in the order. The chairman of the county board shall sign the order.



SECTION 18. IC 6-1.1-17-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 152, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 7. If the boundaries of a political subdivision cross one (1) or more county lines, the budget, tax levy, and tax rate fixed by the political subdivision shall be filed with the county auditor of each affected county in the manner prescribed in section 5 or 5.6 of this chapter. The board of tax adjustment of the county which contains the largest portion of the value of property taxable by the political subdivision, as determined from the abstracts of taxable values last filed with the auditor of state, has jurisdiction over the budget, tax rate, and tax levy to the same extent as if the property taxable by the political subdivision were wholly within the county. The secretary of the county board of tax adjustment shall notify the county auditor of each affected county of the action of the board. Appeals from actions of the county board of tax adjustment may be initiated in any affected county.

SECTION 19. IC 6-1.1-17-8 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]. Sec. 8. (a) If the county board of tax adjustment determines that the maximum aggregate tax rate permitted within a political subdivision under IC 6-1.1-18 is inadequate, the county board shall, subject to the limitations prescribed in IC 20-45-4 (before January 1, 2009), file its written recommendations in duplicate with the county auditor. The board shall include with its recommendations:

- (1) an analysis of the aggregate tax rate within the political subdivision;
- (2) a recommended breakdown of the aggregate tax rate among the political subdivisions whose tax rates compose the aggregate tax rate within the political subdivision; and
- (3) any other information that the county board considers relevant to the matter.
- (b) The county auditor shall forward one (1) copy of the county board's recommendations to the department of local government finance and shall retain the other copy in the county auditor's office. The department of local government finance shall, in the manner prescribed in section 16 of this chapter, review the budgets by fund, tax rates, and tax levies of the political subdivisions described in subsection (a)(2).

SECTION 20. IC 6-1.1-17-9 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]. Sec. 9. (a) The county board of tax adjustment shall complete the duties assigned to it under this chapter on or before November 2 of each year, except that in a consolidated city and county and in a county containing a second class city, the duties of this board need not be



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1	completed until December 1 of each year.
2	(b) If the county board of tax adjustment fails to complete the duties
3	assigned to it within the time prescribed in this section or to reduce
4	aggregate tax rates so that they do not exceed the maximum rates
5	permitted under IC 6-1.1-18, the county auditor shall calculate and fix
6	the tax rate within each political subdivision of the county so that the
7	maximum rate permitted under IC 6-1.1-18 is not exceeded.
8	(c) When the county auditor calculates and fixes tax rates, the
9	county auditor shall send a certificate notice of those rates to each
10	political subdivision of the county. The county auditor shall send these
11	notices within five (5) days after:
12	(1) publication of the notice required by section 12 of this
13	<del>chapter; or</del>
14	(2) the tax rates are calculated and fixed by the county auditor;
15	whichever applies.
16	(d) When the county auditor calculates and fixes tax rates, that
17	action shall be treated as if it were the action of the county board of tax
18	adjustment.
19	SECTION 21. IC 6-1.1-17-10 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY
20	1, 2018]. Sec. 10. When the aggregate tax rate within a political
21	subdivision, as approved or modified by the county board of tax
22	adjustment (before January 1, 2009), exceeds the maximum aggregate
23	tax rate prescribed in IC 6-1.1-18-3(a), the county auditor shall certify
24	the budgets, tax rates, and tax levies of the political subdivisions whose
25	tax rates compose the aggregate tax rate within the political
26	subdivision, as approved or modified by the county board, to the
27	department of local government finance for final review. For purposes
28	of this section, the maximum aggregate tax rate limit exceptions
29	provided in IC 6-1.1-18-3(b) do not apply.
30	SECTION 22. IC 6-1.1-17-11 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY
31	1, 2018]. Sec. 11. A budget, tax rate, or tax levy of a political
32	subdivision, as approved or modified by the county board of tax
33	adjustment, is final unless:
34	(1) action is taken by the county auditor in the manner provided
35	under section 9 of this chapter;
36	(2) the action of the county board is subject to review by the
37	department of local government finance under section 8 or 10 of
38	this chapter; or
39	(3) an appeal to the department of local government finance is
40	initiated with respect to the budget, tax rate, or tax levy.
41	SECTION 23. IC 6-1.1-17-12 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY
42	1, 2018]. Sec. 12. If the budgets, tax rates, or tax levies are modified by



the county board of tax adjustment or county auditor, the county auditor shall within fifteen (15) days of the modification prepare a notice of the tax rates to be charged on each one hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed valuation for the various funds in each taxing district. The notice shall also inform the taxpayers of the manner in which they may initiate an appeal of the modification by the county board or county auditor. The county auditor shall post the notice at the county courthouse and publish it in two (2) newspapers which represent different political parties and which have a general circulation in the county.

SECTION 24. IC 6-1.1-17-13 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]. Sec. 13. (a) Ten (10) or more taxpayers or one (1) taxpayer that owns property that represents at least ten percent (10%) of the taxable assessed valuation in the political subdivision may initiate an appeal from the county board of tax adjustment's or county auditor's modification of a political subdivision's budget, tax rate, or tax levy by filing a statement of their objections with the county auditor. The statement must be filed not later than ten (10) days after the publication of the notice required by section 12 of this chapter. The statement shall specifically identify the provisions of the budget, tax rate, or tax levy to which the taxpayers object. The county auditor shall forward the statement, with the budget, to the department of local government finance.

- (b) The department of local government finance shall:
  - (1) subject to subsection (c), give notice to the first ten (10) taxpayers whose names appear on the petition, or to the taxpayer that owns property that represents at least ten percent (10%) of the taxable assessed valuation in the political subdivision in the case of an appeal initiated by that taxpayer, of the date, time, and location of the hearing on the objection statement filed under subsection (a);
  - (2) conduct a hearing on the objection; and
- (3) after the hearing:
  - (A) consider the testimony and evidence submitted at the hearing; and
  - (B) mail the department's:
    - (i) written determination; and
    - (ii) written statement of findings;

to the first ten (10) taxpayers whose names appear on the petition, or to the taxpayer that owns property that represents at least ten percent (10%) of the taxable assessed valuation in the political subdivision in the case of an appeal initiated by



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1	that taxpayer.
2 3	The department of local government finance may hold the hearing in
	conjunction with the hearing required under IC 6-1.1-17-16.
4	(c) The department of local government finance shall provide
5	written notice to:
6	(1) the first ten (10) taxpayers whose names appear on the
7	petition; or
8	(2) the taxpayer that owns property that represents at least ten
9	percent (10%) of the taxable assessed valuation in the political
10	subdivision, in the case of an appeal initiated by that taxpayer;
11	at least five (5) days before the date of the hearing.
12	SECTION 25. IC 6-1.1-17-14 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY
13	1, 2018]. Sec. 14. The county auditor shall initiate an appeal to the
14	department of local government finance if the county fiscal body or the
15	county board of tax adjustment reduces a township assistance tax rate
16	below the rate necessary to meet the estimated cost of township
17	<del>assistance.</del>
18	SECTION 26. IC 6-1.1-17-15 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY
19	1, 2018]. Sec. 15. A political subdivision may appeal to the department
20	of local government finance for an increase in its tax rate or tax levy as
21	modified by the county board of tax adjustment or the county auditor.
22	To initiate the appeal, the political subdivision must file a statement
23	with the department of local government finance not later than ten (10)
24	days after publication of the notice required by section 12 of this
25	chapter. The legislative body of the political subdivision must authorize
26	the filing of the statement by adopting a resolution. The resolution must
27	be attached to the statement of objections, and the statement must be
28	signed by the following officers:
29	(1) In the case of counties, by the board of county commissioners
30	and by the president of the county council.
31	(2) In the case of all other political subdivisions, by the highest
32	executive officer and by the presiding officer of the legislative
33	<del>body.</del>
34	SECTION 27. IC 6-1.1-17-16, AS AMENDED BY P.L.184-2016,
35	SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
36	JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 16. (a) The department of local government
37	finance shall certify the tax rates and tax levies for all funds of political
38	subdivisions subject to the department of local government finance's
39	review.
40	(b) For a fund of a political subdivision subject to levy limits under
41	IC 6-1.1-18.5-3, the department of local government finance shall
42	calculate and certify the allowable budget of the fund if the political



subdivision adopts a tax levy that exceeds the estimated maximum levy limits as provided by the department of local government finance under IC 6-1.1-18.5-24.

- (c) For a fund of a political subdivision subject to levy limits under IC 6-1.1-18.5-3 and for which the political subdivision adopts a tax levy that is not more than the levy limits under IC 6-1.1-18.5-3, the department of local government finance shall review the fund to ensure the adopted budget is fundable based on the unit's adopted tax levy and estimates of available revenues. If the adopted budget is fundable, the department of local government finance shall use the adopted budget as the approved appropriation for the fund for the budget year. As needed, the political subdivision may complete the additional appropriation process through IC 6-1.1-18-5 for these funds during the budget year.
- (d) For a fund of the political subdivision subject to levy limits under IC 6-1.1-18.5-3 and for which the political subdivision adopts a tax levy that is not more than the levy limits under IC 6-1.1-18.5-3, if the department of local government finance has determined the adopted budget is not fundable based on the unit's adopted tax levy and estimates of available revenues, the department of local government finance shall calculate and certify the allowable budget that is fundable based on the adopted tax levy and the department's estimates of available revenues.
- (e) For all other funds of a political subdivision not described in subsections (b), (c), and (d), the department of local government finance shall certify a budget for the fund.
- (f) Except as provided in section 16.1 of this chapter, the department of local government finance is not required to hold a public hearing before the department of local government finance reviews, revises, reduces, or increases a political subdivision's budget by fund, tax rate, or tax levy under this section.
- (g) Except as provided in subsection (l), IC 20-46, or IC 6-1.1-18.5, the department of local government finance may not increase a political subdivision's budget by fund, tax rate, or tax levy to an amount which exceeds the amount originally fixed by the political subdivision. However, if the department of local government finance determines that IC 5-3-1-2.3(b) (before its expiration) applies to the tax rate, tax levy, or budget of the political subdivision, the maximum amount by which the department may increase the tax rate, tax levy, or budget is the amount originally fixed by the political subdivision, and not the amount that was incorrectly published or omitted in the notice described in IC 5-3-1-2.3(b) (before its expiration). The department of



local government finance shall give the political subdivision
notification electronically in the manner prescribed by the department
of local government finance specifying any revision, reduction, or
increase the department proposes in a political subdivision's tax levy
or tax rate. The political subdivision has ten (10) calendar days from
the date the political subdivision receives the notice to provide a
response electronically in the manner prescribed by the department of
local government finance. The response may include budget
reductions, reallocation of levies, a revision in the amount of
miscellaneous revenues, and further review of any other item about
which, in the view of the political subdivision, the department is in
error. The department of local government finance shall consider the
adjustments as specified in the political subdivision's response if the
response is provided as required by this subsection and shall deliver a
final decision to the political subdivision.

- (h) The department of local government finance may not approve a levy for lease payments by a city, town, county, library, or school corporation if the lease payments are payable to a building corporation for use by the building corporation for debt service on bonds and if:
  - (1) no bonds of the building corporation are outstanding; or
  - (2) the building corporation has enough legally available funds on hand to redeem all outstanding bonds payable from the particular lease rental levy requested.
- (i) The department of local government finance shall certify its action to:
  - (1) the county auditor;
  - (2) the political subdivision if the department acts pursuant to an appeal initiated by the political subdivision;
  - (3) the taxpayer that initiated an appeal under section 13 of this chapter, or, if the appeal was initiated by multiple taxpayers, the first ten (10) taxpayers whose names appear on the statement filed to initiate the appeal; and
  - (4) (3) a taxpayer that owns property that represents at least ten percent (10%) of the taxable assessed valuation in the political subdivision.
- (j) The following may petition for judicial review of the final determination of the department of local government finance under subsection (i):
  - (1) If the department acts under an appeal initiated by a political subdivision, the political subdivision.
  - (2) If the department:
    - (A) acts under an appeal initiated by one (1) or more taxpayers



1	under section 13 of this chapter; or
2	(B) fails to act on the appeal before the department certifies its
3	action under subsection (i);
4	a taxpayer who signed the statement filed to initiate the appeal.
5	(3) If the department acts under an appeal initiated by the county
6	auditor under section 14 of this chapter, the county auditor.
7	(4) (2) A taxpayer that owns property that represents at least ten
8	percent (10%) of the taxable assessed valuation in the political
9	subdivision.
10	The petition must be filed in the tax court not more than forty-five (45)
11	days after the department certifies its action under subsection (i).
12	(k) The department of local government finance is expressly
13	directed to complete the duties assigned to it under this section as
14	follows:
15	(1) For each budget year before 2019, not later than February 15
16	of that budget year.
17	(2) For each budget year after 2018, not later than December 31
18	of the year preceding that budget year, unless a taxing unit in a
19	county is issuing debt after December 1 in the year preceding the
20	budget year or intends to file a shortfall appeal under
21	IC 6-1.1-18.5-16.
22	(3) For each budget year after 2018, not later than January 15 of
23	the budget year if a taxing unit in a county is issuing debt after
24	December 1 in the year preceding the budget year or intends to
25	file a shortfall appeal under IC 6-1.1-18.5-16.
26	(l) Subject to the provisions of all applicable statutes, and
27	notwithstanding IC 6-1.1-18-1, the department of local government
28	finance shall, unless the department finds extenuating circumstances,
29	increase a political subdivision's tax levy to an amount that exceeds the
30	amount originally advertised or adopted by the political subdivision if:
31	(1) the increase is requested in writing by the officers of the
32	political subdivision;
33	(2) the requested increase is published on the department's
34	advertising Internet web site and (before January 1, 2015) is
35	published by the political subdivision according to a notice
36	provided by the department; and
37	(3) notice is given to the county fiscal body of the department's
38	correction.
39	If the department increases a levy beyond what was advertised or
40	adopted under this subsection, it shall, unless the department finds
41	extenuating circumstances, reduce the certified levy affected below the
42	maximum allowable levy by the lesser of five percent (5%) of the



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1	difference between the advertised or adopted levy and the increased
2	levy, or one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000).
3	SECTION 28. IC 6-1.1-18-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.233-2015,
4	SECTION 17, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
5	JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 3. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), the
6	sum of all tax rates for all political subdivisions imposed on tangible
7	property within a political subdivision may not exceed:
8	(1) forty-one and sixty-seven hundredths cents (\$0.4167) on each
9	one hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed valuation in territory
10	outside the corporate limits of a city or town; or
11	(2) sixty-six and sixty-seven hundredths cents (\$0.6667) on each
12	one hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed valuation in territory
13	inside the corporate limits of a city or town.
14	(b) The proper officers of a political subdivision shall fix tax rates
15	which are sufficient to provide funds for the purposes itemized in this
16	subsection. The portion of a tax rate fixed by a political subdivision
17	shall not be considered in computing the tax rate limits prescribed in
18	subsection (a) if that portion is to be used for one (1) of the following
19	purposes:
20	(1) To pay the principal or interest on a funding, refunding, or
21	judgment funding obligation of the political subdivision.
22	(2) To pay the principal or interest upon:
23	(A) an obligation issued by the political subdivision to meet an
24	emergency which results from a flood, fire, pestilence, war, or
25	any other major disaster; or
26	(B) a note issued under IC 36-2-6-18, IC 36-3-4-22,
27	IC 36-4-6-20, or IC 36-5-2-11 to enable a city, town, or county
28	to acquire necessary equipment or facilities for municipal or
29	county government.
30	(3) To pay the principal or interest upon an obligation issued in
31	the manner provided in:
32	(A) IC 6-1.1-20-3 (before its repeal);
33	(B) IC 6-1.1-20-3.1 through IC 6-1.1-20-3.2; or
34	(C) IC 6-1.1-20-3.5 through IC 6-1.1-20-3.6.
35	(4) To pay a judgment rendered against the political subdivision.
36	(c) Except as otherwise provided in IC 6-1.1-19 (before January 1,
37	2009), IC 6-1.1-18.5, IC 20-45 (before January 1, 2009), or IC 20-46,
38	a county board of tax adjustment, a county auditor or the department of
39	local government finance may review the portion of a tax rate
40	described in subsection (b) only to determine if it exceeds the portion
41	actually needed to provide for one (1) of the purposes itemized in that



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1	SECTION 29. IC 6-1.1-29 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
2	2018]. (County Board of Tax Adjustment).
3	SECTION 30. IC 6-1.1-31-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008,
4	SECTION 269, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
5	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 1. (a) The department of local
6	government finance shall do the following:
7	(1) Prescribe the property tax forms and returns which taxpayers
8	are to complete and on which the taxpayers' assessments will be
9	based.
10	(2) Prescribe the forms to be used to give taxpayers notice of
11	assessment actions.
12	(3) Adopt rules concerning the assessment of tangible property.
13	(4) Develop specifications that prescribe state requirements for
14	computer software and hardware to be used by counties for
15	assessment purposes. The specifications developed under this
16	subdivision apply only to computer software and hardware
17	systems purchased for assessment purposes after July 1, 1993.
18	The specifications, including specifications in a rule or other
19	standard adopted under IC 6-1.1-31.5, must provide for:
20	(A) maintenance of data in a form that formats the information
21	in the file with the standard data, field, and record coding
22	jointly required and approved by the department of local
23	government finance and the legislative services agency;
24	(B) data export and transmission that is compatible with the
25	data export and transmission requirements in a standard format
26	prescribed by the office of technology established by
27	IC 4-13.1-2-1 and jointly approved by the department of local
28	government finance and legislative services agency; and
29	(C) maintenance of data in a manner that ensures prompt and
30	accurate transfer of data to the department of local government
31	finance and the legislative services agency, as jointly approved
32	by the department of local government finance and legislative
33	services agency.
34	(5) Adopt rules establishing criteria for the revocation of a
35	certification under IC 6-1.1-35.5-6.
36	(b) The department of local government finance may adopt rules
37	that are related to property taxation or the duties or the procedures of
38	the department.
39	(c) The department of local government finance may adopt rules
40	for procedures related to local government budgeting.
41	Notwithstanding any contrary provision in IC 4-22-2, the adoption,
42	amendment, or repeal of a rule by the department of local



1	government finance under this subsection may not take effect
2	before March 1 or after July 31 of a particular year.
3	(e) (d) Rules of the state board of tax commissioners are for all
4	purposes rules of the department of local government finance and the
5	Indiana board until the department and the Indiana board adopt rules
6	to repeal or supersede the rules of the state board of tax commissioners.
7	SECTION 31. IC 6-1.1-31-9, AS AMENDED BY THE
8	TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS BILL OF THE 2018 GENERAL
9	ASSEMBLY, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
10	JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 9. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) or (c),
11	Subject to subsections (b) and (c), the department of local
12	government finance may not adopt rules for the appraisal of real
13	property
14	(1) in a general reassessment under IC 6-1.1-4-4; or
15	(2) in a reassessment under a county's reassessment plan prepared
16	under IC 6-1.1-4-4.2
17	after July 1 of the year before the year in which the reassessment is
18	scheduled to begin. at any time after a reassessment has begun
19	under a county's reassessment plan.
20	(b) If rules described in subsection (a) are timely adopted under
21	subsection (a) and are then disapproved by the attorney general for any
22	reason under IC 4-22-2-32, the department of local government finance
23	may modify the rules to cure the defect that resulted in disapproval by
24	the attorney general, and may then take all actions necessary under
25	IC 4-22-2 to readopt and to obtain approval of the rules. This process
26	may be repeated as necessary until the rules are approved. Any rules
27	adopted by the department of local government finance for the
28	appraisal of real property may not apply to any appraisal
29	contemporaneously being conducted under a county's reassessment
30	plan. Rules adopted by the department of local government finance
31	may first apply to the reassessment phase beginning in the
32	following calendar year under a county's reassessment plan.
33	(c) The department of local government finance may adopt rules
34	under IC 4-22-2 after June 30, 2016, and before September 1, 2017,
35	that:
36	(1) concern or include market segmentation under section 6 of
37	this chapter; and
38	(2) affect assessments for the January 1, 2018, assessment date.
39	SECTION 32. IC 6-1.1-31.5-2.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
40	CODE AS A <b>NEW</b> SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS

[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 2.5. (a) Except as provided in

subsection (b), for purposes of attributing the amount of:



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1	(1) a property tax deduction under IC 6-1.1-12;
2	(2) an economic revitalization area deduction under
3	IC 6-1.1-12.1;
4	(3) an investment deduction under IC 6-1.1-12.4; or
5	(4) a property tax exemption under IC 6-1.1-10;
6	to the gross assessed value of a property, a deduction or exemption
7	described in subdivisions (1) through (4) that is specific to ar
8	improvement shall be applied only to the assessed value allocation
9	pertaining to that improvement.
10	(b) To the extent that a deduction or exemption amount is no
11	specific to an improvement, the deduction or exemption amoun
12	shall be applied to the gross assessed value of the property in the
13	order that will maximize the benefit of the deduction or exemption
14	to the taxpayer.
15	SECTION 33. IC 6-1.1-37-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.199-2016
16	SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
17	JANUARY 1, 2019]: Sec. 7. (a) If a person fails to file a required
18	personal property return on or before the due date, the county auditor
19	shall add a penalty of twenty-five dollars (\$25) to the person's nex
20	property tax installment. The county auditor shall also add ar
21	additional penalty to the taxes payable by the person if the person fails
22	to file the personal property return within thirty (30) days after the due
23	date. The amount of the additional penalty is twenty percent (20%) or
24	the taxes finally determined to be due with respect to the persona
25	property which should have been reported on the return.
26	(b) For purposes of this section, a personal property return is not due
27	until the expiration of any extension period granted by the township or
28	county assessor under IC 6-1.1-3-7(b).
29	(c) The penalties prescribed under this section do not apply to ar
30	individual or the individual's dependents if the individual:
31	(1) is in the military or naval forces of the United States on the
32	assessment date; and
33	(2) is covered by the federal Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (50
34	U.S.C. App. 501 et seq.) or IC 10-16-20.
35	(d) If a person subject to IC 6-1.1-3-7(c) fails to include on a
36	personal property return the information, if any, that the department of
37	local government finance requires under IC 6-1.1-3-9 or IC 6-1.1-5-13
38	the county auditor shall add a penalty to the property tax installmen
39	next due for the return. The amount of the penalty is twenty-five dollars
40	(\$25).

(e) If the total assessed value that a person reports on a personal

property return is less than the total assessed value that the person is



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required by law to report and if the amount of the undervaluation exceeds five percent (5%) of the value that should have been reported on the return, then the county auditor shall add a penalty of twenty percent (20%) of the additional taxes finally determined to be due as a result of the undervaluation. The penalty shall be added to the property tax installment next due for the return on which the property was undervalued. If a person has complied with all of the requirements for claiming a deduction, an exemption, or an adjustment for abnormal obsolescence, then the increase in assessed value that results from a denial of the deduction, exemption, or adjustment for abnormal obsolescence is not considered to result from an undervaluation for purposes of this subsection.

(f) If a person required by IC 6-1.1-3-7.2(e) to indicate declare on the taxpayer's personal property tax return or, for purposes of the January 1, 2016, assessment date, on the taxpayer's certification under IC 6-1.1-3-7.2(f) that the taxpayer's business personal property is exempt fails to timely file either the taxpayer's personal property tax return with the indication declaration, or, for purposes of the January 1, 2016, assessment date, the certification, the county auditor shall impose a penalty of twenty-five dollars (\$25) that must be paid by the person with the next property tax installment that is collected. A county shall include the penalty on a property tax bill associated with the tax district in which the majority value of the taxpayer's business personal property within the county is located, as determined by the county assessor.

(g) A penalty is due with an installment under subsection (a), (d), (e), or (f) whether or not an appeal is filed under IC 6-1.1-15-5 with respect to the tax due on that installment.

SECTION 34. IC 6-1.1-39-5, AS AMENDED BY THE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS BILL OF THE 2018 GENERAL ASSEMBLY, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1,2019]: Sec. 5. (a) A declaratory ordinance adopted under section 2 of this chapter and confirmed under section 3 of this chapter must include a provision with respect to the allocation and distribution of property taxes for the purposes and in the manner provided in this section. The allocation provision must apply to the entire economic development district. The allocation provisions must require that any property taxes subsequently levied by or for the benefit of any public body entitled to a distribution of property taxes on taxable property in the economic development district be allocated and distributed as follows:

(1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the proceeds of



1	the taxes attributable to the lesser of:
2	(A) the assessed value of the property for the assessment date
3	with respect to which the allocation and distribution is made;
4	or
5	(B) the base assessed value;
6	shall be allocated to and, when collected, paid into the funds of
7	the respective taxing units. However, if the effective date of the
8	allocation provision of a declaratory ordinance is after March 1,
9	1985, and before January 1, 1986, and if an improvement to
10	property was partially completed on March 1, 1985, the unit may
11	provide in the declaratory ordinance that the taxes attributable to
12	the assessed value of the property as finally determined for March
13	1, 1984, shall be allocated to and, when collected, paid into the
14	funds of the respective taxing units.
15	(2) Except as otherwise provided in this section, part or all of the
16	property tax proceeds in excess of those described in subdivision
17	(1), as specified in the declaratory ordinance, shall be allocated to
18	the unit for the economic development district and, when
19	collected, paid into a special fund established by the unit for that
20	economic development district that may be used only to pay the
21	principal of and interest on obligations owed by the unit under
22	IC 4-4-8 (before its repeal) or IC 5-28-9 for the financing of
23	industrial development programs in, or serving, that economic
24	development district. The amount not paid into the special fund
25	shall be paid to the respective units in the manner prescribed by
26	subdivision (1).
27	(3) When the money in the fund is sufficient to pay all
28	outstanding principal of and interest (to the earliest date on which
29	the obligations can be redeemed) on obligations owed by the unit
30	under IC 4-4-8 (before its repeal) or IC 5-28-9 for the financing
31	of industrial development programs in, or serving, that economic
32	development district, money in the special fund in excess of that
33	amount shall be paid to the respective taxing units in the manner
34	prescribed by subdivision (1).
35	(b) Property tax proceeds allocable to the economic development
36	district under subsection (a)(2) must, subject to subsection (a)(3), be
37	irrevocably pledged by the unit for payment as set forth in subsection
38	(a)(2).
39	(c) For the purpose of allocating taxes levied by or for any taxing
40	unit or units, the assessed value of taxable property in a territory in the
41	economic development district that is annexed by any taxing unit after
42	the effective date of the allocation provision of the declaratory



1	ordinance is the lesser of:
2	(1) the assessed value of the property for the assessment date with
3	respect to which the allocation and distribution is made; or
4	(2) the base assessed value.
5	(d) Notwithstanding any other law, each assessor shall, upon
6	petition of the fiscal body, reassess the taxable property situated upon
7	or in, or added to, the economic development district effective on the
8	next assessment date after the petition.
9	(e) Notwithstanding any other law, the assessed value of all taxable
0	property in the economic development district, for purposes of tax
1	limitation, property tax replacement, and formulation of the budget, tax
2	rate, and tax levy for each political subdivision in which the property
3	is located, is the lesser of:
4	(1) the assessed value of the property as valued without regard to
5	this section; or
6	(2) the base assessed value.
7	(f) The state board of accounts and department of local government
8	finance shall make the rules and prescribe the forms and procedures
9	that they consider expedient for the implementation of this chapter.
20	After each
21	(1) general reassessment under IC 6-1.1-4-4; or
22	(2) reassessment of a group of parcels under a reassessment plan
23	prepared under IC 6-1.1-4-4.2,
22 23 24	the department of local government finance shall adjust the base
25	assessed value one (1) time to neutralize any effect of the reassessment
26	on the property tax proceeds allocated to the district under this section.
27	After each annual adjustment under IC 6-1.1-4-4.5, the department of
28	local government finance shall adjust the base assessed value to
.9	neutralize any effect of the annual adjustment on the property tax
0	proceeds allocated to the district under this section. However, the
1	adjustments under this subsection may not include the effect of
2	property tax abatements under IC 6-1.1-12.1.
3	(g) As used in this section, "property taxes" means:
4	(1) taxes imposed under this article on real property; and
5	(2) any part of the taxes imposed under this article on depreciable
6	personal property that the unit has by ordinance allocated to the
7	economic development district. However, the ordinance may not
8	limit the allocation to taxes on depreciable personal property with
9	any particular useful life or lives.
0.	If a unit had, by ordinance adopted before May 8, 1987, allocated to an
-1	economic development district property taxes imposed under IC 6-1.1
-2	on depreciable personal property that has a useful life in excess of eight



1	(8) years, the ordinance continues in effect until an ordinance is
2	adopted by the unit under subdivision (2).
3	(h) As used in this section, "base assessed value" means:
4	(1) the net assessed value of all the property as finally determined
5	for the assessment date immediately preceding the effective date
6	of the allocation provision of the declaratory resolution, as
7	adjusted under subsection (f); plus
8	(2) to the extent that it is not included in subdivision (1), the net
9	residential assessed value of property that is assessed as
10	residential property under the rules of the department of local
11	government finance, within the economic development district,
12	as finally determined for any the current assessment date. after
13	the effective date of the allocation provision.
14	Subdivision (2) applies only to economic development districts
15	established after June 30, 1997, and to additional areas established
16	after June 30, 1997.
17	SECTION 35. IC 6-8.1-3-11, AS AMENDED BY P.L.73-2017,
18	SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
19	JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 11. (a) As used in this section, "secure electronic
20	delivery service" means a service that:
21	(1) employs security procedures to provide, send, deliver, or
22	otherwise communicate electronic records to the intended
23 24 25	recipient using:
24	(A) security methods such as passwords, encryption, and
25	matching electronic addresses to United States postal
26	addresses; or
27	(B) other security methods that are consistent with applicable
28	law or industry standards; and
29	(2) operates subject to the applicable requirements of the
30	Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act (15
31	U.S.C. 7001 et seq.). <del>or IC 5-24.</del>
32	(b) When a statute specifies that the department is required to send
33	a document by mail, and the particular statute is silent as to the class
34	or type of mailing to be used, the department satisfies the mailing
35	requirement by mailing the document through any of the following
36	methods:
37	(1) United States first-class mail;
38	(2) United States registered mail, return receipt requested;
39	(3) United States certified mail;
40	(4) a certificate of mailing; or
41	(5) a secure electronic delivery service, if the use of the secure
42	electronic delivery service is authorized under IC 6-8.1-6-7(b).



- Subject to IC 6-8.1-6-7(b), the choice of the method is at the department's discretion.
- (c) The department may use any form of mailing in cases where a mailing is not required by statute.
- (d) The department shall adopt rules, guidelines, or other instructions that set forth the procedures that department employees are required to follow in sending a document that provides notice to a taxpayer by mail under any of the methods described in subsection (b). The procedures must include at least the following instructions:
  - (1) The date contained in the document must not precede the date of the mailing.
  - (2) Each mailing of a document must be recorded in department records, noting the date and time of the mailing.

SECTION 36. IC 8-18-21-13, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 363, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 13. The annual operating budget of a toll road authority is subject to

- (1) review by the county board of tax adjustment; and
- $\frac{(2)}{(2)}$  review by the department of local government finance as in the case of other political subdivisions.

SECTION 37. IC 8-22-3-23, AS AMENDED BY P.L.182-2009(ss), SECTION 269, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 23. (a) The board shall annually prepare a budget for the purpose of operating and maintenance expenditures of the authority and shall calculate the tax levy necessary to provide funds for the operating expenditures necessary to carry out the powers, duties, and functions of the authority. The budget must be prepared and submitted:

- (1) before or at the same time;
- (2) in the same manner; and
- (3) with notice;
- as provided by the statutes relating to the preparation of budgets by eligible entities. The budget is subject to the same review by the county tax adjustment board and the department of local government finance as exists under the general statutes relating to budgets of eligible entities.
- (b) If the eligible entity that established the authority is a county, city, or town, the fiscal body of that entity may review and modify the authority's operating and maintenance budget and the tax levy to meet it, in the same manner as the budgets and tax levies of executive departments of that entity are reviewed and modified. This power includes the power to reduce any item of salary.



- 44 1 (c) Whenever a tax levy is required to finance the budget of an 2 authority that was established by a city or town, the fiscal body of the 3 county also may review the budget and tax levy of the authority, unless 4 the district: 5 (1) lies wholly within, or coincides with, the boundaries of a city 6 or town: 7 (2) is not the recipient of funds from a county-wide tax levy made 8 specifically for the operating and maintenance budget for that 9 authority; and 10 (3) was established by the fiscal body of the city or town, acting 11 independently. 12 However, the budget and tax levy of the authority are subject to review or modification by the fiscal body of the city or town with which it 13 14 shares territory, in the same manner as the budgets and tax levies of the 15 executive departments of that city or town are reviewed or modified. (d) If an authority was established by another eligible entity or by 16 17 two (2) or more eligible entities acting jointly, its operating and maintenance budget and the tax levy to meet it is subject to review and 18 19 modification by the same body that reviews and modifies the budget of 20 each of those entities in the same manner as the budgets and tax levies of those entities, including reduction of any item of salary. 21 22 (e) This subsection applies only to the airport authority established 23 by the city of Gary. The following provisions apply if the board enters 24 into a lease, management agreement, or other contract under an 25 application approved by the Federal Aviation Administration under
  - authority:

    (1) The board shall, to the extent permitted by federal law or any grant agreement, make distributions to the city of Gary from the payments received under the lease, management agreement, or other contract.

which the lessee or other operator agrees to lease, manage, or operate

all or substantially all of the airport and its landing fields, air

navigation facilities, and other buildings and structures owned by the

- (2) The distributions to the city of Gary shall be made in installments and on the dates determined by the fiscal body of the city, and shall be paid to the fiscal officer of the city for deposit in the city's general fund.
- (3) Money distributed to the city of Gary under this subsection may be used for any legal or corporate purpose of the city and may not be used to reduce the city's maximum levy under IC 6-1.1-18.5, but may be used at the discretion of the city fiscal body to reduce the property tax levy of the city for a particular



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1	year.
2 3	(f) The general assembly finds the following:
_	(1) The city of Gary faces:
4	(A) unique and distinct challenges due to high levels of
5	unemployment, the character and occupancy of real estate, and
6	the general economic conditions of the community; and
7	(B) unique and distinct opportunities related to transportation
8	and economic development;
9	that are different in scope and type than those faced by other units
10	of local government in Indiana.
11	(2) A unique approach is required to fully take advantage of the
12	economic development potential of the city of Gary, the
13	Gary/Chicago International Airport, and the Lake Michigan
14	shoreline.
15	(3) The powers and responsibilities provided to the airport
16	authority established by the city of Gary by subsection (e) and the
17	other provisions of this chapter are appropriate and necessary to
18	carry out the public purposes of encouraging economic
19	development and further facilitating the provision of air
20	transportation services and economic development projects in the
21	city of Gary.
22	(4) The exercise of the powers and responsibilities granted to the
23	airport authority established by the city of Gary by subsection (e)
24	and the other provisions of this chapter is critical to economic
25	development not only in the city of Gary, but throughout
26	northwest Indiana, and is a public purpose.
27	(5) Economic development benefits the health and welfare of the
28	people of Indiana, is a public use and purpose for which public
29	money may be spent, and is of public utility and benefit.
30	SECTION 38. IC 8-22-3.5-9, AS AMENDED BY P.L.203-2011,
31	SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
32	JANUARY 1, 2019]: Sec. 9. (a) As used in this section, "base assessed
33	value" means:
34	(1) the net assessed value of all the tangible property as finally
35	determined for the assessment date immediately preceding the
36	effective date of the allocation provision of the commission's
37	resolution adopted under section 5 or 9.5 of this chapter,
38	notwithstanding the date of the final action taken under section 6
39	of this chapter; plus
40	(2) to the extent it is not included in subdivision (1), the net
41	residential assessed value of property that is assessed as

residential property under the rules of the department of local



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1	government finance, within the airport development zone, as
2 3	finally determined for any the current assessment date. after the
	effective date of the allocation provision.
4	However, subdivision (2) applies only to an airport development zone
5	established after June 30, 1997, and the portion of an airport
6	development zone established before June 30, 1997, that is added to an
7	existing airport development zone.
8	(b) A resolution adopted under section 5 of this chapter and
9	confirmed under section 6 of this chapter must include a provision with
10	respect to the allocation and distribution of property taxes for the
11	purposes and in the manner provided in this section.
12	(c) The allocation provision must:
13	(1) apply to the entire airport development zone; and
14	(2) require that any property tax on taxable tangible property
15	subsequently levied by or for the benefit of any public body
16	entitled to a distribution of property taxes in the airport
17	development zone be allocated and distributed as provided in
18	subsections (d) and (e).
19	(d) Except as otherwise provided in this section:
20	(1) the proceeds of the taxes attributable to the lesser of:
21	(A) the assessed value of the tangible property for the
22	assessment date with respect to which the allocation and
23	distribution is made; or
24	(B) the base assessed value;
25	shall be allocated and, when collected, paid into the funds of the
26	respective taxing units; and
27	(2) the excess of the proceeds of the property taxes imposed for
28	the assessment date with respect to which the allocation and
29	distribution are made that are attributable to taxes imposed after
30	being approved by the voters in a referendum or local public
31	question conducted after April 30, 2010, not otherwise included
32	in subdivision (1) shall be allocated to and, when collected, paid
33	into the funds of the taxing unit for which the referendum or local
34	public question was conducted.
35	(e) All of the property tax proceeds in excess of those described in
36	subsection (d) shall be allocated to the eligible entity for the airport
37	development zone and, when collected, paid into special funds as
38	follows:
39	(1) The commission may determine that a portion of tax proceeds
40	shall be allocated to a training grant fund to be expended by the
41	commission without appropriation solely for the purpose of
42	reimbursing training expenses incurred by public or private



development project.  (2) The commission may determine that a portion of tax proceeds shall be allocated to a debt service fund and dedicated to the payment of principal and interest on revenue bonds or a loan contract of the board of aviation commissioners or airport authority for a qualified airport development project, to the payment of leases for a qualified airport development project, or to the payment of principal and interest on bonds issued by ar eligible entity to pay for qualified airport development projects in the airport development zone or serving the airport development zone.  (3) The commission may determine that a part of the tax proceeds shall be allocated to a project fund and used to pay expenses incurred by the commission for a qualified airport development project that is in the airport development zone or is serving the airport development zone.  (4) Except as provided in subsection (f), all remaining tax proceeds after allocations are made under subdivisions (1), (2), and (3) shall be allocated to a project fund and dedicated to the reimbursement of expenditures made by the commission for a qualified airport development project that is in the airport development zone or is serving the airport development zone.  (f) Before July 15 of each year, the commission shall do the following:
shall be allocated to a debt service fund and dedicated to the payment of principal and interest on revenue bonds or a loan contract of the board of aviation commissioners or airport authority for a qualified airport development project, to the payment of leases for a qualified airport development project, or to the payment of principal and interest on bonds issued by an eligible entity to pay for qualified airport development projects in the airport development zone or serving the airport development zone.  (3) The commission may determine that a part of the tax proceeds shall be allocated to a project fund and used to pay expenses incurred by the commission for a qualified airport development project that is in the airport development zone or is serving the airport development zone.  (4) Except as provided in subsection (f), all remaining tax proceeds after allocations are made under subdivisions (1), (2) and (3) shall be allocated to a project fund and dedicated to the reimbursement of expenditures made by the commission for a qualified airport development project that is in the airport development zone or is serving the airport development zone.  (6) Before July 15 of each year, the commission shall do the
payment of principal and interest on revenue bonds or a loan contract of the board of aviation commissioners or airport authority for a qualified airport development project, to the payment of leases for a qualified airport development project, or to the payment of principal and interest on bonds issued by an eligible entity to pay for qualified airport development projects in the airport development zone or serving the airport development zone.  (3) The commission may determine that a part of the tax proceeds shall be allocated to a project fund and used to pay expenses incurred by the commission for a qualified airport development project that is in the airport development zone or is serving the airport development zone.  (4) Except as provided in subsection (f), all remaining tax proceeds after allocations are made under subdivisions (1), (2), and (3) shall be allocated to a project fund and dedicated to the reimbursement of expenditures made by the commission for a qualified airport development project that is in the airport development zone or is serving the airport development zone.  (6) Before July 15 of each year, the commission shall do the
contract of the board of aviation commissioners or airport authority for a qualified airport development project, to the payment of leases for a qualified airport development project, or to the payment of principal and interest on bonds issued by an eligible entity to pay for qualified airport development projects in the airport development zone or serving the airport development zone.  (3) The commission may determine that a part of the tax proceeds shall be allocated to a project fund and used to pay expenses incurred by the commission for a qualified airport development project that is in the airport development zone or is serving the airport development zone.  (4) Except as provided in subsection (f), all remaining tax proceeds after allocations are made under subdivisions (1), (2), and (3) shall be allocated to a project fund and dedicated to the reimbursement of expenditures made by the commission for a qualified airport development project that is in the airport development zone or is serving the airport development zone.  (f) Before July 15 of each year, the commission shall do the
authority for a qualified airport development project, to the payment of leases for a qualified airport development project, or to the payment of principal and interest on bonds issued by an eligible entity to pay for qualified airport development projects in the airport development zone or serving the airport development zone.  (3) The commission may determine that a part of the tax proceeds shall be allocated to a project fund and used to pay expenses incurred by the commission for a qualified airport development project that is in the airport development zone or is serving the airport development zone.  (4) Except as provided in subsection (f), all remaining tax proceeds after allocations are made under subdivisions (1), (2), and (3) shall be allocated to a project fund and dedicated to the reimbursement of expenditures made by the commission for a qualified airport development project that is in the airport development zone or is serving the airport development zone.  (6) Before July 15 of each year, the commission shall do the
authority for a qualified airport development project, to the payment of leases for a qualified airport development project, or to the payment of principal and interest on bonds issued by ar eligible entity to pay for qualified airport development projects in the airport development zone or serving the airport development zone.  (3) The commission may determine that a part of the tax proceeds shall be allocated to a project fund and used to pay expenses incurred by the commission for a qualified airport development project that is in the airport development zone or is serving the airport development zone.  (4) Except as provided in subsection (f), all remaining tax proceeds after allocations are made under subdivisions (1), (2), and (3) shall be allocated to a project fund and dedicated to the reimbursement of expenditures made by the commission for a qualified airport development project that is in the airport development zone or is serving the airport development zone.  (f) Before July 15 of each year, the commission shall do the
payment of leases for a qualified airport development project, or to the payment of principal and interest on bonds issued by an eligible entity to pay for qualified airport development projects in the airport development zone or serving the airport development zone.  (3) The commission may determine that a part of the tax proceeds shall be allocated to a project fund and used to pay expenses incurred by the commission for a qualified airport development project that is in the airport development zone or is serving the airport development zone.  (4) Except as provided in subsection (f), all remaining tax proceeds after allocations are made under subdivisions (1), (2), and (3) shall be allocated to a project fund and dedicated to the reimbursement of expenditures made by the commission for a qualified airport development project that is in the airport development zone or is serving the airport development zone.  (6) Before July 15 of each year, the commission shall do the
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to the project fund in subsection $(e)(3)$ in the following year will
exceed the amount necessary to satisfy amounts required under
subsection (e).
(2) Provide a written notice to the county auditor and the officers
who are authorized to fix budgets, tax rates, and tax levies under
2 IC 6-1.1-17-5 for each of the other taxing units that is wholly or
3 partly located within the allocation area. The notice must:
4 (A) state the amount, if any, of excess tax proceeds that the
commission has determined may be allocated to the respective
taxing units in the manner prescribed in subsection (d)(1); or
(B) state that the commission has determined that there are no
8 excess tax proceeds that may be allocated to the respective
9 taxing units in the manner prescribed in subsection (d)(1).
The county auditor shall allocate to the respective taxing units the
amount, if any, of excess tax proceeds determined by the



commission.

- 48 (g) When money in the debt service fund and in the project fund is sufficient to pay all outstanding principal and interest (to the earliest date on which the obligations can be redeemed) on revenue bonds issued by the board of aviation commissioners or airport authority for the financing of qualified airport development projects, all lease rentals payable on leases of qualified airport development projects, and all costs and expenditures associated with all qualified airport development projects, money in the debt service fund and in the project fund in excess of those amounts shall be paid to the respective taxing units in the manner prescribed by subsection (d)(1). (h) Property tax proceeds allocable to the debt service fund under subsection (e)(2) must, subject to subsection (g), be irrevocably pledged by the eligible entity for the purpose set forth in subsection (e)(2).(i) Notwithstanding any other law, each assessor shall, upon petition of the commission, reassess the taxable tangible property situated upon or in, or added to, the airport development zone effective on the next assessment date after the petition. (j) Notwithstanding any other law, the assessed value of all taxable tangible property in the airport development zone, for purposes of tax limitation, property tax replacement, and formulation of the budget, tax rate, and tax levy for each political subdivision in which the property is located is the lesser of: (1) the assessed value of the tangible property as valued without regard to this section; or (2) the base assessed value. SECTION 39. IC 14-27-6-46 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 46. (a) The board shall
  - do the following:

    (1) Annually prepare a budget for the operation and capital expenditures of the authority.
    - (2) Calculate the tax levy necessary to provide money for the operating expenditures necessary to carry out the powers, duties, and functions of the authority together with any capital expenditures that are included in the annual budget.
  - (b) The budget shall be prepared and submitted at the same time and in the same manner as provided by the statutes relating to the preparation of budgets by cities. The budget is subject to the same review by the county tax adjustment board and the department of local government finance as under the statutes relating to budgets of cities.
  - (c) The budgets and the tax levies are subject to review and modification by the fiscal body of a city and county within the district



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SECTION 40. IC 14-30-2-19, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008,

SECTION 40. IC 14-30-2-19, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 426, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 19. The commission shall prepare an annual budget for the commission's operation and other expenditures under IC 6-1.1-17. However, the annual budget is not subject to review and modification by the county board of tax adjustment of any county. Notwithstanding any other law, the budget of the commission shall be treated for all other purposes as if the appropriate county board of tax adjustment had approved the budget.

SECTION 41. IC 14-30-4-16, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 427, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 16. (a) The commission shall prepare an annual budget for the commission's operation and other expenditures under IC 6-1.1-17. The annual budget is subject to review and modification by the county board of tax adjustment of any participating county.

(b) The commission is not eligible for funding through the Wabash River heritage corridor commission established by IC 14-13-6-6.

SECTION 42. IC 14-33-9-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.255-2017, SECTION 31, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 1. (a) Except as provided in IC 6-1.1-17-20, the budget of a district:

- (1) must be prepared and submitted:
  - (A) at the same time;
  - (B) in the same manner; and
  - (C) with notice;

as is required by statute for the preparation of budgets by municipalities; and

- (2) if the district imposes a levy, is subject to the same review by (A) the county board of tax adjustment; and
  - (B) the department of local government finance
- as is required by statute for the budgets of municipalities.
- (b) If a district is established in more than one (1) county:
  - (1) except as provided in subsection (c), the budget shall be certified to the auditor of the county in which is located the court that had exclusive jurisdiction over the establishment of the district; and
  - (2) notice must be published in each county having land in the district. Any taxpayer in the district is entitled to be heard before the county board of tax adjustment and, after December 31, 2008,



the fiscal body of each county having jurisdiction.

- (c) If one (1) of the counties in a district contains either a first or second class city located in whole or in part in the district, the budget:
  - (1) shall be certified to the auditor of that county; and
  - (2) is subject to review at the county level only by the county board of tax adjustment and, after December 31, 2008, the fiscal body of that county.

SECTION 43. IC 16-23-1-40 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 40. (a) The governing board may request a cumulative hospital building fund and a tax rate upon all taxable property in the county in which the hospital is located to finance the fund. If a resolution is approved by majority vote of all members at a regular or special board meeting, the resolution shall be certified to the county auditor, who shall submit the resolution to the county executive for preliminary approval and recommendation. Upon the approval of the county executive, the county auditor shall publish notice of a public hearing before the county council on the establishment of a cumulative hospital building fund and tax rate in each year.

- (b) The cumulative building tax rate begins in any calendar year when all proceedings to establish the tax rate have been completed before August 2 in that year. The rate is levied on each one hundred dollars (\$100) of taxable property for that year, payable in the next year, and continues each year for a term not exceeding twelve (12) years. The resolution of the board must specify the following:
  - (1) The number of years.
  - (2) The effective date when the tax levy begins.
  - (3) The amount of **the** rate on each one hundred dollars (\$100) of taxable property.
  - (4) Any other pertinent facts considered advisable by the board.
- (c) Except as provided in subsections (f) through (h), the rate on each one hundred dollars (\$100) may be reduced but not increased by the department of local government finance in approving a cumulative building tax rate. The rate as finally fixed by the department of local government finance is final. However, the county fiscal body, by three-fourths (3/4) affirmative vote of the county fiscal body's members, may reduce the rate in any given year or years to meet an emergency existing in the county, but the temporary reduction affects the rate only in the year when the action is taken. The rate is automatically restored to the rate's original amount in each succeeding year of the established period except in any other year when another emergency reduction is made. The rate is subject to review each year



by the county fiscal body, but the county tax adjustment board and
department of local government finance may not reduce the rate below
the original rate established and approved by vote of the county fiscal
body unless the county fiscal body reduces the rate.

- (d) The county fiscal body, city fiscal body, county tax adjustment board, or department of local government finance does not have power or jurisdiction over the annual budget and appropriations, additional appropriations, or transfer of money unless the action involves the expenditure or raising of money derived from property taxes. If the cumulative building fund is the only hospital fund raised by taxation, section 31 of this chapter controls.
- (e) The cumulative building fund raised may be properly and safely invested or reinvested by the board to produce an income until there is an immediate need for the fund's use. The fund and any income derived from investment or reinvestment of the fund may be used as follows:
  - (1) To purchase real property and grounds for hospital purposes.
  - (2) To remodel or make major repairs on any hospital building.
  - (3) To erect and construct hospital buildings or additions or extensions to the buildings.
  - (4) For any other major capital improvements, but not for current operating expenses or to meet a deficiency in operating funds.
- (f) Not later than August 1 of any year, ten (10) or more taxpayers in the county may file with the county auditor of the county in which the hospital is located a petition for reduction or rescission of the cumulative building tax rate. The petition must set forth the taxpayers' objections to the tax rate. The petition shall be certified to the department of local government finance.
- (g) Upon receipt of a petition under subsection (f), the department of local government finance shall, within a reasonable time, fix a date for a hearing on the petition. The hearing must be held in the county in which the hospital is located. Notice of the hearing shall be given to the county fiscal body and to the first ten (10) taxpayers whose names appear on the petition. The notice must be in the form of a letter signed by the secretary or any member of the department of local government finance, sent by mail with full prepaid postage to the county fiscal body and to the taxpayers at their usual places of residence at least five (5) days before the date fixed for the hearing.
- (h) After the hearing under subsection (g), the department of local government finance shall approve, disapprove, or modify the request for reduction or rescission of the tax rate and shall certify that decision to the county auditor of the county in which the hospital is located.

SECTION 44. IC 20-45-7-20, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008,



- SECTION 492, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 20. (a) The county auditor shall compute the amount of the tax to be levied each year. Before August 2, the county auditor shall certify the amount to the county council.
- (b) The tax rate shall be advertised and fixed by the county council in the same manner as other property tax rates. The tax rate shall be subject to all applicable law relating to review by the county board of tax adjustment and the department of local government finance.
- (c) The department of local government finance shall certify the tax rate at the time it certifies the other county tax rates.
- (d) The department of local government finance shall raise or lower the tax rate to the tax rate provided in this chapter, regardless of whether the certified tax rate is below or above the tax rate advertised by the county.

SECTION 45. IC 20-45-8-20, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 493, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 20. The tax levy is subject to all laws concerning review by the county board of tax adjustment and the department of local government finance.

SECTION 46. IC 36-7-14-27.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.149-2014, SECTION 16, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 27.5. (a) Subject to the prior approval by the legislative body of the unit, the redevelopment commission may borrow money in anticipation of receipt of the proceeds of taxes levied for the redevelopment district bond fund and not yet collected, and may evidence this borrowing by issuing warrants of the redevelopment district. However, the aggregate principal amount of warrants issued in anticipation of and payable from the same tax levy or levies may not exceed an amount equal to eighty percent (80%) of that tax levy or levies, as certified by the department of local government finance, or as determined by multiplying the rate of tax as finally approved by the total assessed valuation (after deducting all mortgage deductions) within the redevelopment district, as most recently certified by the county auditor.

(b) The warrants may be authorized and issued at any time after the tax or taxes in anticipation of which they are issued have been levied by the redevelopment commission. For purposes of this section, taxes for any year are considered to be levied upon adoption by the commission of a resolution prescribing the tax levies for the year. However, the warrants may not be delivered and paid for before final approval of the tax levy or levies by the county board of tax adjustment or, if appealed, by the department of local government finance, unless



1	the issuance of the warrants has been approved by the department.
2	(c) All action that this section requires or authorizes the
3	redevelopment commission to take may be taken by resolution, which
4	need not be published or posted. The resolution takes effect
5	immediately upon its adoption by the redevelopment commission. An
6	action to contest the validity of tax anticipation warrants may not be
7	brought later than ten (10) days after the sale date.
8	(d) In their resolution authorizing the warrants, the redevelopment
9	commission must provide that the warrants mature at a time or times
10	not later than December 31 after the year in which the taxes in
11	anticipation of which the warrants are issued are due and payable.
12	(e) In their resolution authorizing the warrants, the redevelopment
13	commission may provide:
14	(1) the date of the warrants;
15	(2) the interest rate of the warrants;
16	(3) the time of interest payments on the warrants;
17	(4) the denomination of the warrants;
18	(5) the form either registered or payable to bearer, of the warrants;
19	(6) the place or places of payment of the warrants, either inside or
20	outside the state;
21	(7) the medium of payment of the warrants;
22	(8) the terms of redemption, if any, of the warrants, at a price not
23	exceeding par value and accrued interest;
24	(9) the manner of execution of the warrants; and
25	(10) that all costs incurred in connection with the issuance of the
26	warrants may be paid from the proceeds of the warrants.
27	(f) The warrants shall be sold for not less than par value, after notice
28	inviting bids has been published under IC 5-3-1. The redevelopment
29	commission may also publish the notice in other newspapers or
30	financial journals.
31	(g) Warrants and the interest on them are not subject to any
32	limitation contained in section 25.1 of this chapter, and are payable
33	solely from the proceeds of the tax levy or levies in anticipation of
34	which the warrants were issued. The authorizing resolution must
35	pledge a sufficient amount of the proceeds of the tax levy or levies to
36	the payment of the warrants and the interest.
37	SECTION 47. IC 36-7-14-39, AS AMENDED BY THE
38	TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS BILL OF THE 2018 GENERAL
39	ASSEMBLY, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
40	JANUARY 1, 2019]: Sec. 39. (a) As used in this section:

"Allocation area" means that part of a redevelopment project area

to which an allocation provision of a declaratory resolution adopted



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1	under section 15 of this chapter refers for purposes of distribution and
2	allocation of property taxes.
3	"Base assessed value" means the following:
4	(1) If an allocation provision is adopted after June 30, 1995, in a
5	declaratory resolution or an amendment to a declaratory
6	resolution establishing an economic development area:
7	(A) the net assessed value of all the property as finally
8	determined for the assessment date immediately preceding the
9	effective date of the allocation provision of the declaratory
10	resolution, as adjusted under subsection (h); plus
11	(B) to the extent that it is not included in clause (A), the net
12	residential assessed value of property that is assessed as
13	residential property under the rules of the department of local
14	government finance, within the allocation area, as finally
15	determined for any the current assessment date. after the
16	effective date of the allocation provision.
17	(2) If an allocation provision is adopted after June 30, 1997, in a
18	declaratory resolution or an amendment to a declaratory
19	resolution establishing a redevelopment project area:
20	(A) the net assessed value of all the property as finally
21	determined for the assessment date immediately preceding the
22	effective date of the allocation provision of the declaratory
23	resolution, as adjusted under subsection (h); plus
24	(B) to the extent that it is not included in clause (A), the net
25	residential assessed value of property that is assessed as
26	residential property under the rules of the department of local
27	government finance, within the allocation area, as finally
28	determined for any the current assessment date. after the
29	effective date of the allocation provision.
30	(3) If:
31	(A) an allocation provision adopted before June 30, 1995, in
32	a declaratory resolution or an amendment to a declaratory
33	resolution establishing a redevelopment project area expires
34	after June 30, 1997; and
35	(B) after June 30, 1997, a new allocation provision is included
36	in an amendment to the declaratory resolution;
37	the net assessed value of all the property as finally determined for
38	the assessment date immediately preceding the effective date of
39	the allocation provision adopted after June 30, 1997, as adjusted
40	under subsection (h).
41	(4) Except as provided in subdivision (5), for all other allocation
42	areas, the net assessed value of all the property as finally



- determined for the assessment date immediately preceding the effective date of the allocation provision of the declaratory resolution, as adjusted under subsection (h).
- (5) If an allocation area established in an economic development area before July 1, 1995, is expanded after June 30, 1995, the definition in subdivision (1) applies to the expanded part of the area added after June 30, 1995.
- (6) If an allocation area established in a redevelopment project area before July 1, 1997, is expanded after June 30, 1997, the definition in subdivision (2) applies to the expanded part of the area added after June 30, 1997.

Except as provided in section 39.3 of this chapter, "property taxes" means taxes imposed under IC 6-1.1 on real property. However, upon approval by a resolution of the redevelopment commission adopted before June 1, 1987, "property taxes" also includes taxes imposed under IC 6-1.1 on depreciable personal property. If a redevelopment commission adopted before June 1, 1987, a resolution to include within the definition of property taxes, taxes imposed under IC 6-1.1 on depreciable personal property that has a useful life in excess of eight (8) years, the commission may by resolution determine the percentage of taxes imposed under IC 6-1.1 on all depreciable personal property that will be included within the definition of property taxes. However, the percentage included must not exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the taxes imposed under IC 6-1.1 on all depreciable personal property.

(b) A declaratory resolution adopted under section 15 of this chapter on or before the allocation deadline determined under subsection (i) may include a provision with respect to the allocation and distribution of property taxes for the purposes and in the manner provided in this section. A declaratory resolution previously adopted may include an allocation provision by the amendment of that declaratory resolution on or before the allocation deadline determined under subsection (i) in accordance with the procedures required for its original adoption. A declaratory resolution or amendment that establishes an allocation provision must include a specific finding of fact, supported by evidence, that the adoption of the allocation provision will result in new property taxes in the area that would not have been generated but for the adoption of the allocation provision. For an allocation area established before July 1, 1995, the expiration date of any allocation provisions for the allocation area is June 30, 2025, or the last date of any obligations that are outstanding on July 1, 2015, whichever is later. A declaratory resolution or an amendment that establishes an allocation provision after June 30, 1995, must specify an expiration date for the



allocation provision. For an allocation area established before July 1, 2008, the expiration date may not be more than thirty (30) years after the date on which the allocation provision is established. For an allocation area established after June 30, 2008, the expiration date may not be more than twenty-five (25) years after the date on which the first obligation was incurred to pay principal and interest on bonds or lease rentals on leases payable from tax increment revenues. However, with respect to bonds or other obligations that were issued before July 1, 2008, if any of the bonds or other obligations that were scheduled when issued to mature before the specified expiration date and that are payable only from allocated tax proceeds with respect to the allocation area remain outstanding as of the expiration date, the allocation provision does not expire until all of the bonds or other obligations are no longer outstanding. The allocation provision may apply to all or part of the redevelopment project area. The allocation provision must require that any property taxes subsequently levied by or for the benefit of any public body entitled to a distribution of property taxes on taxable property in the allocation area be allocated and distributed as follows:

- (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the proceeds of the taxes attributable to the lesser of:
  - (A) the assessed value of the property for the assessment date with respect to which the allocation and distribution is made; or
- (B) the base assessed value; shall be allocated to and, when collected, paid into the funds of the respective taxing units.
- (2) The excess of the proceeds of the property taxes imposed for the assessment date with respect to which the allocation and distribution is made that are attributable to taxes imposed after being approved by the voters in a referendum or local public question conducted after April 30, 2010, not otherwise included in subdivision (1) shall be allocated to and, when collected, paid into the funds of the taxing unit for which the referendum or local public question was conducted.
- (3) Except as otherwise provided in this section, property tax proceeds in excess of those described in subdivisions (1) and (2) shall be allocated to the redevelopment district and, when collected, paid into an allocation fund for that allocation area that may be used by the redevelopment district only to do one (1) or more of the following:
  - (A) Pay the principal of and interest on any obligations payable solely from allocated tax proceeds which are incurred



1	by the redevelopment district for the purpose of financing or
2	refinancing the redevelopment of that allocation area.
3	(B) Establish, augment, or restore the debt service reserve for
4	bonds payable solely or in part from allocated tax proceeds in
5	that allocation area.
6	(C) Pay the principal of and interest on bonds payable from
7	allocated tax proceeds in that allocation area and from the
8	special tax levied under section 27 of this chapter.
9	(D) Pay the principal of and interest on bonds issued by the
10	unit to pay for local public improvements that are physically
11	located in or physically connected to that allocation area.
12	(E) Pay premiums on the redemption before maturity of bonds
13	payable solely or in part from allocated tax proceeds in that
14	allocation area.
15	(F) Make payments on leases payable from allocated tax
16	proceeds in that allocation area under section 25.2 of this
17	chapter.
18	(G) Reimburse the unit for expenditures made by it for local
19	public improvements (which include buildings, parking
20	facilities, and other items described in section 25.1(a) of this
21	chapter) that are physically located in or physically connected
22	to that allocation area.
23	(H) Reimburse the unit for rentals paid by it for a building or
24	parking facility that is physically located in or physically
25	connected to that allocation area under any lease entered into
26	under IC 36-1-10.
27	(I) For property taxes first due and payable before January 1,
28	2009, pay all or a part of a property tax replacement credit to
29	taxpayers in an allocation area as determined by the
30	redevelopment commission. This credit equals the amount
31	determined under the following STEPS for each taxpayer in a
32	taxing district (as defined in IC 6-1.1-1-20) that contains all or
33	part of the allocation area:
34	STEP ONE: Determine that part of the sum of the amounts
35	under IC $6-1.1-21-2(g)(1)(A)$ , IC $6-1.1-21-2(g)(2)$ ,
36	IC $6-1.1-21-2(g)(3)$ , IC $6-1.1-21-2(g)(4)$ , and
37	IC 6-1.1-21-2(g)(5) (before their repeal) that is attributable to
38	the taxing district.
39	STEP TWO: Divide:
40	(i) that part of each county's eligible property tax
41	replacement amount (as defined in IC 6-1.1-21-2 (before its
42	repeal)) for that year as determined under IC 6-1.1-21-4



1	(before its repeal) that is attributable to the taxing district;
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3	(ii) the STEP ONE sum.
4	STEP THREE: Multiply:
5	(i) the STEP TWO quotient; times
6	(ii) the total amount of the taxpayer's taxes (as defined in
7	IC 6-1.1-21-2 (before its repeal)) levied in the taxing district
8	that have been allocated during that year to an allocation
9	fund under this section.
10	If not all the taxpayers in an allocation area receive the credit
1	in full, each taxpayer in the allocation area is entitled to
12	receive the same proportion of the credit. A taxpayer may not
13	receive a credit under this section and a credit under section
14	39.5 of this chapter (before its repeal) in the same year.
15	(J) Pay expenses incurred by the redevelopment commission
16	for local public improvements that are in the allocation area or
17	serving the allocation area. Public improvements include
18	buildings, parking facilities, and other items described in
19	section 25.1(a) of this chapter.
20	(K) Reimburse public and private entities for expenses
21	incurred in training employees of industrial facilities that are
22	located:
23 24	(i) in the allocation area; and
24	(ii) on a parcel of real property that has been classified as
25	industrial property under the rules of the department of local
25 26	government finance.
27	However, the total amount of money spent for this purpose in
28	any year may not exceed the total amount of money in the
29	allocation fund that is attributable to property taxes paid by the
30	industrial facilities described in this clause. The
31	reimbursements under this clause must be made within three
32	(3) years after the date on which the investments that are the
33	basis for the increment financing are made.
34	(L) Pay the costs of carrying out an eligible efficiency project
35	(as defined in IC 36-9-41-1.5) within the unit that established
36	the redevelopment commission. However, property tax
37	proceeds may be used under this clause to pay the costs of
38	carrying out an eligible efficiency project only if those
39	property tax proceeds exceed the amount necessary to do the
39 10	following:



1	interest on bonds and other bongations payable under this
2	subdivision, any payments of premiums under this
3	subdivision on the redemption before maturity of bonds, and
4	any payments on leases payable under this subdivision.
5	(ii) Make any reimbursements required under this
6	subdivision.
7	(iii) Pay any expenses required under this subdivision.
8	(iv) Establish, augment, or restore any debt service reserve
9	under this subdivision.
10	(M) Expend money and provide financial assistance as
11	authorized in section 12.2(a)(27) of this chapter.
12	The allocation fund may not be used for operating expenses of the
13	commission.
14	(4) Except as provided in subsection (g), before June 15 of each
15	year, the commission shall do the following:
16	(A) Determine the amount, if any, by which the assessed value
17	of the taxable property in the allocation area for the most
18	recent assessment date minus the base assessed value, when
19	multiplied by the estimated tax rate of the allocation area, will
20	exceed the amount of assessed value needed to produce the
21	property taxes necessary to make, when due, principal and
22	interest payments on bonds described in subdivision (3), plus
23	the amount necessary for other purposes described in
24	subdivision (3).
25	(B) Provide a written notice to the county auditor, the fiscal
26	body of the county or municipality that established the
27	department of redevelopment, the officers who are authorized
28	to fix budgets, tax rates, and tax levies under IC 6-1.1-17-5 for
29	each of the other taxing units that is wholly or partly located
30	within the allocation area, and (in an electronic format) the
31	department of local government finance. The notice must:
32	(i) state the amount, if any, of excess assessed value that the
33	commission has determined may be allocated to the
34	respective taxing units in the manner prescribed in
35	subdivision (1); or
36	(ii) state that the commission has determined that there is no
37	excess assessed value that may be allocated to the respective
38	taxing units in the manner prescribed in subdivision (1).
39	The county auditor shall allocate to the respective taxing units
40	the amount, if any, of excess assessed value determined by the
41	commission. The commission may not authorize an allocation
42	of assessed value to the respective taxing units under this



1	subdivision if to do so would endanger the interests of the
2	holders of bonds described in subdivision (3) or lessors under
3	section 25.3 of this chapter.
4	(C) If:
5	(i) the amount of excess assessed value determined by the
6	commission is expected to generate more than two hundred
7	percent (200%) of the amount of allocated tax proceeds
8	necessary to make, when due, principal and interest
9	payments on bonds described in subdivision (3); plus
10	(ii) the amount necessary for other purposes described in
11	subdivision (3);
12	the commission shall submit to the legislative body of the unit
13	its determination of the excess assessed value that the
14	commission proposes to allocate to the respective taxing units
15	in the manner prescribed in subdivision (1). The legislative
16	body of the unit may approve the commission's determination
17	or modify the amount of the excess assessed value that will be
18	allocated to the respective taxing units in the manner
19	prescribed in subdivision (1).
20	(c) For the purpose of allocating taxes levied by or for any taxing
21	unit or units, the assessed value of taxable property in a territory in the
22	allocation area that is annexed by any taxing unit after the effective
23	date of the allocation provision of the declaratory resolution is the
24	lesser of:
25	(1) the assessed value of the property for the assessment date with
26	respect to which the allocation and distribution is made; or
27	(2) the base assessed value.
28	(d) Property tax proceeds allocable to the redevelopment district
29	under subsection (b)(3) may, subject to subsection (b)(4), be
30	irrevocably pledged by the redevelopment district for payment as set
31	forth in subsection (b)(3).
32	(e) Notwithstanding any other law, each assessor shall, upon
33	petition of the redevelopment commission, reassess the taxable
34	property situated upon or in, or added to, the allocation area, effective
35	on the next assessment date after the petition.
36	(f) Notwithstanding any other law, the assessed value of all taxable
37	property in the allocation area, for purposes of tax limitation, property
38	tax replacement, and formulation of the budget, tax rate, and tax levy
39	for each political subdivision in which the property is located is the
40	lesser of:
41	(1) the assessed value of the property as valued without regard to



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(2) the base assessed value.

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(g) If any part of the allocation area is located in an enterprise zone created under IC 5-28-15, the unit that designated the allocation area shall create funds as specified in this subsection. A unit that has obligations, bonds, or leases payable from allocated tax proceeds under subsection (b)(3) shall establish an allocation fund for the purposes specified in subsection (b)(3) and a special zone fund. Such a unit shall, until the end of the enterprise zone phase out period, deposit each year in the special zone fund any amount in the allocation fund derived from property tax proceeds in excess of those described in subsection (b)(1) and (b)(2) from property located in the enterprise zone that exceeds the amount sufficient for the purposes specified in subsection (b)(3) for the year. The amount sufficient for purposes specified in subsection (b)(3) for the year shall be determined based on the pro rata portion of such current property tax proceeds from the part of the enterprise zone that is within the allocation area as compared to all such current property tax proceeds derived from the allocation area. A unit that has no obligations, bonds, or leases payable from allocated tax proceeds under subsection (b)(3) shall establish a special zone fund and deposit all the property tax proceeds in excess of those described in subsection (b)(1) and (b)(2) in the fund derived from property tax proceeds in excess of those described in subsection (b)(1) and (b)(2) from property located in the enterprise zone. The unit that creates the special zone fund shall use the fund (based on the recommendations of the urban enterprise association) for programs in job training, job enrichment, and basic skill development that are designed to benefit residents and employers in the enterprise zone or other purposes specified in subsection (b)(3), except that where reference is made in subsection (b)(3) to allocation area it shall refer for purposes of payments from the special zone fund only to that part of the allocation area that is also located in the enterprise zone. Those programs shall reserve at least one-half (1/2) of their enrollment in any session for residents of the enterprise zone.

(h) The state board of accounts and department of local government finance shall make the rules and prescribe the forms and procedures that they consider expedient for the implementation of this chapter. After each general reassessment of real property in an area under IC 6-1.1-4-4 and after each reassessment in an area under a reassessment plan prepared under IC 6-1.1-4-4.2, the department of local government finance shall adjust the base assessed value one (1) time to neutralize any effect of the reassessment of the real property in the area on the property tax proceeds allocated to the redevelopment



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1	district under this section. After each annual adjustment under
2	IC 6-1.1-4-4.5, the department of local government finance shall adjust
3	the base assessed value one (1) time to neutralize any effect of the
4	annual adjustment on the property tax proceeds allocated to the
5	redevelopment district under this section. However, the adjustments
6	under this subsection:
7	(1) may not include the effect of phasing in assessed value due to
8	property tax abatements under IC 6-1.1-12.1;
9	(2) may not produce less property tax proceeds allocable to the
10	redevelopment district under subsection (b)(3) than would
11	otherwise have been received if the general reassessment, the
12	reassessment under the reassessment plan, or the annual
13	adjustment had not occurred; and
14	(3) may decrease base assessed value only to the extent that
15	assessed values in the allocation area have been decreased due to
16	annual adjustments or the reassessment under the reassessment
17	plan.
18	Assessed value increases attributable to the application of an abatement
19	schedule under IC 6-1.1-12.1 may not be included in the base assessed
20	value of an allocation area. The department of local government
21	finance may prescribe procedures for county and township officials to
22	follow to assist the department in making the adjustments.
23	(i) The allocation deadline referred to in subsection (b) is
24	determined in the following manner:
25	(1) The initial allocation deadline is December 31, 2011.
26	(2) Subject to subdivision (3), the initial allocation deadline and
27	subsequent allocation deadlines are automatically extended in
28	increments of five (5) years, so that allocation deadlines
29	subsequent to the initial allocation deadline fall on December 31,
30	2016, and December 31 of each fifth year thereafter.
31	(3) At least one (1) year before the date of an allocation deadline
32	determined under subdivision (2), the general assembly may enact
33	a law that:
34	(A) terminates the automatic extension of allocation deadlines
35	under subdivision (2); and
36	(B) specifically designates a particular date as the final
37	allocation deadline.
38	SECTION 48. IC 36-7-15.1-26, AS AMENDED BY THE
39	TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS BILL OF THE 2018 GENERAL

ASSEMBLY, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE

"Allocation area" means that part of a redevelopment project area

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1	to which an allocation provision of a resolution adopted under section
2	8 of this chapter refers for purposes of distribution and allocation of
3	property taxes.
4	"Base assessed value" means the following:
5	(1) If an allocation provision is adopted after June 30, 1995, in a
6	declaratory resolution or an amendment to a declaratory
7	resolution establishing an economic development area:
8	(A) the net assessed value of all the property as finally
9	determined for the assessment date immediately preceding the
10	effective date of the allocation provision of the declaratory
11	resolution, as adjusted under subsection (h); plus
12	(B) to the extent that it is not included in clause (A), the net
13	residential assessed value of property that is assessed as
14	residential property under the rules of the department of local
15	government finance, within the allocation area, as finally
16	determined for any the current assessment date. after the
17	effective date of the allocation provision.
18	(2) If an allocation provision is adopted after June 30, 1997, in a
19	declaratory resolution or an amendment to a declaratory
20	resolution establishing a redevelopment project area:
21	(A) the net assessed value of all the property as finally
22	determined for the assessment date immediately preceding the
23	effective date of the allocation provision of the declaratory
24	resolution, as adjusted under subsection (h); plus
25	(B) to the extent that it is not included in clause (A), the net
26	residential assessed value of property that is assessed as
27	residential property under the rules of the department of local
28	government finance, within the allocation area, as finally
29	determined for any the current assessment date. after the
30	effective date of the allocation provision.
31	(3) If:
32	(A) an allocation provision adopted before June 30, 1995, in
33	a declaratory resolution or an amendment to a declaratory
34	resolution establishing a redevelopment project area expires
35	after June 30, 1997; and
36	(B) after June 30, 1997, a new allocation provision is included
37	in an amendment to the declaratory resolution;
38	the net assessed value of all the property as finally determined for
39	the assessment date immediately preceding the effective date of
40	the allocation provision adopted after June 30, 1997, as adjusted
41	under subsection (h).
42	(4) Except as provided in subdivision (5), for all other allocation



areas, the net assessed value of all the property as finally determined for the assessment date immediately preceding the effective date of the allocation provision of the declaratory resolution, as adjusted under subsection (h).

- (5) If an allocation area established in an economic development area before July 1, 1995, is expanded after June 30, 1995, the definition in subdivision (1) applies to the expanded part of the area added after June 30, 1995.
- (6) If an allocation area established in a redevelopment project area before July 1, 1997, is expanded after June 30, 1997, the definition in subdivision (2) applies to the expanded part of the area added after June 30, 1997.

Except as provided in section 26.2 of this chapter, "property taxes" means taxes imposed under IC 6-1.1 on real property. However, upon approval by a resolution of the redevelopment commission adopted before June 1, 1987, "property taxes" also includes taxes imposed under IC 6-1.1 on depreciable personal property. If a redevelopment commission adopted before June 1, 1987, a resolution to include within the definition of property taxes, taxes imposed under IC 6-1.1 on depreciable personal property that has a useful life in excess of eight (8) years, the commission may by resolution determine the percentage of taxes imposed under IC 6-1.1 on all depreciable personal property that will be included within the definition of property taxes. However, the percentage included must not exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the taxes imposed under IC 6-1.1 on all depreciable personal property.

(b) A resolution adopted under section 8 of this chapter on or before the allocation deadline determined under subsection (i) may include a provision with respect to the allocation and distribution of property taxes for the purposes and in the manner provided in this section. A resolution previously adopted may include an allocation provision by the amendment of that resolution on or before the allocation deadline determined under subsection (i) in accordance with the procedures required for its original adoption. A declaratory resolution or amendment that establishes an allocation provision must include a specific finding of fact, supported by evidence, that the adoption of the allocation provision will result in new property taxes in the area that would not have been generated but for the adoption of the allocation provision. For an allocation area established before July 1, 1995, the expiration date of any allocation provisions for the allocation area is June 30, 2025, or the last date of any obligations that are outstanding on July 1, 2015, whichever is later. However, for an allocation area identified as the Consolidated Allocation Area in the report submitted



in 2013 to the fiscal body under section 36.3 of this chapter, the expiration date of any allocation provisions for the allocation area is January 1, 2051. A declaratory resolution or an amendment that establishes an allocation provision after June 30, 1995, must specify an expiration date for the allocation provision. For an allocation area established before July 1, 2008, the expiration date may not be more than thirty (30) years after the date on which the allocation provision is established. For an allocation area established after June 30, 2008, the expiration date may not be more than twenty-five (25) years after the date on which the first obligation was incurred to pay principal and interest on bonds or lease rentals on leases payable from tax increment revenues. However, with respect to bonds or other obligations that were issued before July 1, 2008, if any of the bonds or other obligations that were scheduled when issued to mature before the specified expiration date and that are payable only from allocated tax proceeds with respect to the allocation area remain outstanding as of the expiration date, the allocation provision does not expire until all of the bonds or other obligations are no longer outstanding. The allocation provision may apply to all or part of the redevelopment project area. The allocation provision must require that any property taxes subsequently levied by or for the benefit of any public body entitled to a distribution of property taxes on taxable property in the allocation area be allocated and distributed as follows:

- (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the proceeds of the taxes attributable to the lesser of:
  - (A) the assessed value of the property for the assessment date with respect to which the allocation and distribution is made; or
- (B) the base assessed value;
- shall be allocated to and, when collected, paid into the funds of the respective taxing units.
- (2) The excess of the proceeds of the property taxes imposed for the assessment date with respect to which the allocation and distribution is made that are attributable to taxes imposed after being approved by the voters in a referendum or local public question conducted after April 30, 2010, not otherwise included in subdivision (1) shall be allocated to and, when collected, paid into the funds of the taxing unit for which the referendum or local public question was conducted.
- (3) Except as otherwise provided in this section, property tax proceeds in excess of those described in subdivisions (1) and (2) shall be allocated to the redevelopment district and, when



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1	collected, paid into a special fund for that allocation area that may
2	be used by the redevelopment district only to do one (1) or more
2 3	of the following:
4	(A) Pay the principal of and interest on any obligations
5	payable solely from allocated tax proceeds that are incurred by
6	the redevelopment district for the purpose of financing or
7	refinancing the redevelopment of that allocation area.
8	(B) Establish, augment, or restore the debt service reserve for
9	bonds payable solely or in part from allocated tax proceeds in
10	that allocation area.
11	(C) Pay the principal of and interest on bonds payable from
12	allocated tax proceeds in that allocation area and from the
13	special tax levied under section 19 of this chapter.
14	(D) Pay the principal of and interest on bonds issued by the
15	consolidated city to pay for local public improvements that are
16	physically located in or physically connected to that allocation
17	area.
18	(E) Pay premiums on the redemption before maturity of bonds
19	payable solely or in part from allocated tax proceeds in that
20	allocation area.
21	(F) Make payments on leases payable from allocated tax
22	proceeds in that allocation area under section 17.1 of this
23	chapter.
24	(G) Reimburse the consolidated city for expenditures for local
25	public improvements (which include buildings, parking
26	facilities, and other items set forth in section 17 of this
27	chapter) that are physically located in or physically connected
28	to that allocation area.
29	(H) Reimburse the unit for rentals paid by it for a building or
30	parking facility that is physically located in or physically
31	connected to that allocation area under any lease entered into
32	under IC 36-1-10.
33	(I) Reimburse public and private entities for expenses incurred
34	in training employees of industrial facilities that are located:
35	(i) in the allocation area; and
36	(ii) on a parcel of real property that has been classified as
37	industrial property under the rules of the department of local
38	government finance.
39	However, the total amount of money spent for this purpose in
40	any year may not exceed the total amount of money in the
41	allocation fund that is attributable to property taxes paid by the
42	industrial facilities described in this clause. The



1	reimbursements under this clause must be made within three
2	(3) years after the date on which the investments that are the
3	basis for the increment financing are made.
4	(J) Pay the costs of carrying out an eligible efficiency project
5	(as defined in IC 36-9-41-1.5) within the unit that established
6	the redevelopment commission. However, property tax
7	proceeds may be used under this clause to pay the costs of
8	carrying out an eligible efficiency project only if those
9	property tax proceeds exceed the amount necessary to do the
10	following:
11	(i) Make, when due, any payments required under clauses
12	(A) through (I), including any payments of principal and
13	interest on bonds and other obligations payable under this
14	subdivision, any payments of premiums under this
15	subdivision on the redemption before maturity of bonds, and
16	any payments on leases payable under this subdivision.
17	(ii) Make any reimbursements required under this
18	subdivision.
19	(iii) Pay any expenses required under this subdivision.
20	(iv) Establish, augment, or restore any debt service reserve
21	under this subdivision.
22	(K) Expend money and provide financial assistance as
23	authorized in section 7(a)(21) of this chapter.
24	The special fund may not be used for operating expenses of the
25	commission.
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27	(4) Before June 15 of each year, the commission shall do the
28	following:  (A) Determine the amount if any hypothich the assessed value
	(A) Determine the amount, if any, by which the assessed value
29	of the taxable property in the allocation area for the most
30	recent assessment date minus the base assessed value, when
31	multiplied by the estimated tax rate of the allocation area will
32	exceed the amount of assessed value needed to provide the
33	property taxes necessary to make, when due, principal and
34	interest payments on bonds described in subdivision (3) plus
35	the amount necessary for other purposes described in
36	subdivision (3) and subsection (g).
37	(B) Provide a written notice to the county auditor, the
38	legislative body of the consolidated city, the officers who are
39	authorized to fix budgets, tax rates, and tax levies under
40	IC 6-1.1-17-5 for each of the other taxing units that is wholly
41	or partly located within the allocation area, and (in an
42	electronic format) the department of local government finance.



1	The notice must:
2	(i) state the amount, if any, of excess assessed value that the
3	commission has determined may be allocated to the
4	respective taxing units in the manner prescribed in
5	subdivision (1); or
6	(ii) state that the commission has determined that there is no
7	excess assessed value that may be allocated to the respective
8	taxing units in the manner prescribed in subdivision (1).
9	The county auditor shall allocate to the respective taxing units
10	the amount, if any, of excess assessed value determined by the
11	commission. The commission may not authorize an allocation
12	to the respective taxing units under this subdivision if to do so
13	would endanger the interests of the holders of bonds described
14	in subdivision (3).
15	(C) If:
16	(i) the amount of excess assessed value determined by the
17	commission is expected to generate more than two hundred
18	percent (200%) of the amount of allocated tax proceeds
19	necessary to make, when due, principal and interest
20	payments on bonds described in subdivision (3); plus
21	(ii) the amount necessary for other purposes described in
22	subdivision (3) and subsection (g);
23	the commission shall submit to the legislative body of the unit
24	the commission's determination of the excess assessed value
25	that the commission proposes to allocate to the respective
26	taxing units in the manner prescribed in subdivision (1). The
27	legislative body of the unit may approve the commission's
28	determination or modify the amount of the excess assessed
29	value that will be allocated to the respective taxing units in the
30	manner prescribed in subdivision (1).
31	(c) For the purpose of allocating taxes levied by or for any taxing
32	unit or units, the assessed value of taxable property in a territory in the
33	allocation area that is annexed by any taxing unit after the effective
34	date of the allocation provision of the resolution is the lesser of:
35	(1) the assessed value of the property for the assessment date with
36	respect to which the allocation and distribution is made; or
37	(2) the base assessed value.
38	(d) Property tax proceeds allocable to the redevelopment district
39	under subsection (b)(3) may, subject to subsection (b)(4), be
40	irrevocably pledged by the redevelopment district for payment as set
41	forth in subsection (b)(3).
42	(e) Notwithstanding any other law, each assessor shall, upon



- petition of the commission, reassess the taxable property situated upon or in, or added to, the allocation area, effective on the next assessment date after the petition.
- (f) Notwithstanding any other law, the assessed value of all taxable property in the allocation area, for purposes of tax limitation, property tax replacement, and formulation of the budget, tax rate, and tax levy for each political subdivision in which the property is located is the lesser of:
  - (1) the assessed value of the property as valued without regard to this section; or
  - (2) the base assessed value.

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- (g) If any part of the allocation area is located in an enterprise zone created under IC 5-28-15, the unit that designated the allocation area shall create funds as specified in this subsection. A unit that has obligations, bonds, or leases payable from allocated tax proceeds under subsection (b)(3) shall establish an allocation fund for the purposes specified in subsection (b)(3) and a special zone fund. Such a unit shall, until the end of the enterprise zone phase out period, deposit each year in the special zone fund the amount in the allocation fund derived from property tax proceeds in excess of those described in subsection (b)(1) and (b)(2) from property located in the enterprise zone that exceeds the amount sufficient for the purposes specified in subsection (b)(3) for the year. A unit that has no obligations, bonds, or leases payable from allocated tax proceeds under subsection (b)(3) shall establish a special zone fund and deposit all the property tax proceeds in excess of those described in subsection (b)(1) and (b)(2) in the fund derived from property tax proceeds in excess of those described in subsection (b)(1) and (b)(2) from property located in the enterprise zone. The unit that creates the special zone fund shall use the fund, based on the recommendations of the urban enterprise association, for one (1) or more of the following purposes:
  - (1) To pay for programs in job training, job enrichment, and basic skill development designed to benefit residents and employers in the enterprise zone. The programs must reserve at least one-half (1/2) of the enrollment in any session for residents of the enterprise zone.
  - (2) To make loans and grants for the purpose of stimulating business activity in the enterprise zone or providing employment for enterprise zone residents in the enterprise zone. These loans and grants may be made to the following:
    - (A) Businesses operating in the enterprise zone.
    - (B) Businesses that will move their operations to the enterprise



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zone if such a loan or grant is made.

- (3) To provide funds to carry out other purposes specified in subsection (b)(3). However, where reference is made in subsection (b)(3) to the allocation area, the reference refers for purposes of payments from the special zone fund only to that part of the allocation area that is also located in the enterprise zone.
- (h) The state board of accounts and department of local government finance shall make the rules and prescribe the forms and procedures that they consider expedient for the implementation of this chapter. After each general reassessment of real property in an area under IC 6-1.1-4-4 and after each reassessment under a reassessment plan prepared under IC 6-1.1-4-4.2, the department of local government finance shall adjust the base assessed value one (1) time to neutralize any effect of the reassessment of the real property in the area on the property tax proceeds allocated to the redevelopment district under this section. After each annual adjustment under IC 6-1.1-4-4.5, the department of local government finance shall adjust the base assessed value to neutralize any effect of the annual adjustment on the property tax proceeds allocated to the redevelopment district under this section. However, the adjustments under this subsection may not include the effect of property tax abatements under IC 6-1.1-12.1, and these adjustments may not produce less property tax proceeds allocable to the redevelopment district under subsection (b)(3) than would otherwise have been received if the general reassessment, reassessment under the reassessment plan or annual adjustment had not occurred. The department of local government finance may prescribe procedures for county and township officials to follow to assist the department in making the adjustments.
- (i) The allocation deadline referred to in subsection (b) is determined in the following manner:
  - (1) The initial allocation deadline is December 31, 2011.
  - (2) Subject to subdivision (3), the initial allocation deadline and subsequent allocation deadlines are automatically extended in increments of five (5) years, so that allocation deadlines subsequent to the initial allocation deadline fall on December 31, 2016, and December 31 of each fifth year thereafter.
  - (3) At least one (1) year before the date of an allocation deadline determined under subdivision (2), the general assembly may enact a law that:
    - (A) terminates the automatic extension of allocation deadlines under subdivision (2); and
    - (B) specifically designates a particular date as the final



allocation deadline.

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SECTION 49. IC 36-7-15.1-53, AS AMENDED BY THE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS BILL OF THE 2018 GENERAL ASSEMBLY, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019]: Sec. 53. (a) As used in this section:

"Allocation area" means that part of a redevelopment project area to which an allocation provision of a resolution adopted under section 40 of this chapter refers for purposes of distribution and allocation of property taxes.

"Base assessed value" means:

- (1) the net assessed value of all the property as finally determined for the assessment date immediately preceding the effective date of the allocation provision of the declaratory resolution, as adjusted under subsection (h); plus
- (2) to the extent that it is not included in subdivision (1), the net residential assessed value of property that is assessed as residential property under the rules of the department of local government finance, within the allocation area, as finally determined for any the current assessment date. after the effective date of the allocation provision.

Except as provided in section 55 of this chapter, "property taxes" means taxes imposed under IC 6-1.1 on real property.

(b) A resolution adopted under section 40 of this chapter on or before the allocation deadline determined under subsection (i) may include a provision with respect to the allocation and distribution of property taxes for the purposes and in the manner provided in this section. A resolution previously adopted may include an allocation provision by the amendment of that resolution on or before the allocation deadline determined under subsection (i) in accordance with the procedures required for its original adoption. A declaratory resolution or an amendment that establishes an allocation provision must be approved by resolution of the legislative body of the excluded city and must specify an expiration date for the allocation provision. For an allocation area established before July 1, 2008, the expiration date may not be more than thirty (30) years after the date on which the allocation provision is established. For an allocation area established after June 30, 2008, the expiration date may not be more than twenty-five (25) years after the date on which the first obligation was incurred to pay principal and interest on bonds or lease rentals on leases payable from tax increment revenues. However, with respect to bonds or other obligations that were issued before July 1, 2008, if any of the bonds or other obligations that were scheduled when issued to



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2 3	from allocated tax proceeds with respect to the allocation area remain
4	outstanding as of the expiration date, the allocation provision does not
5	expire until all of the bonds or other obligations are no longer
	outstanding. The allocation provision may apply to all or part of the
6	redevelopment project area. The allocation provision must require that
7	any property taxes subsequently levied by or for the benefit of any
8	public body entitled to a distribution of property taxes on taxable
9	property in the allocation area be allocated and distributed as follows:
10	(1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the proceeds of
11	the taxes attributable to the lesser of:
12	(A) the assessed value of the property for the assessment date
13	with respect to which the allocation and distribution is made;
14	or
15	(B) the base assessed value;
16	shall be allocated to and, when collected, paid into the funds of
17	the respective taxing units.
18	(2) The excess of the proceeds of the property taxes imposed for
19	the assessment date with respect to which the allocation and
20	distribution is made that are attributable to taxes imposed after
21	being approved by the voters in a referendum or local public
22	question conducted after April 30, 2010, not otherwise included
23	in subdivision (1) shall be allocated to and, when collected, paid
24	into the funds of the taxing unit for which the referendum or local
25	public question was conducted.
26	(3) Except as otherwise provided in this section, property tax
27	proceeds in excess of those described in subdivisions (1) and (2)
28	shall be allocated to the redevelopment district and, when
29	collected, paid into a special fund for that allocation area that may
30	be used by the redevelopment district only to do one (1) or more
31	of the following:
32	(A) Pay the principal of and interest on any obligations
33	payable solely from allocated tax proceeds that are incurred by
34	the redevelopment district for the purpose of financing or
35	refinancing the redevelopment of that allocation area.
36	(B) Establish, augment, or restore the debt service reserve for
37	bonds payable solely or in part from allocated tax proceeds in
38	that allocation area.
39	(C) Pay the principal of and interest on bonds payable from
40	allocated tax proceeds in that allocation area and from the
41	special tax levied under section 50 of this chapter.



(D) Pay the principal of and interest on bonds issued by the

1	excluded city to pay for local public improvements that are
2 3	physically located in or physically connected to that allocation
	area.
4	(E) Pay premiums on the redemption before maturity of bonds
5 6	payable solely or in part from allocated tax proceeds in that
7	allocation area.
	(F) Make payments on leases payable from allocated tax
8 9	proceeds in that allocation area under section 46 of this
10	chapter.
10	(G) Reimburse the excluded city for expenditures for local
12	public improvements (which include buildings, park facilities,
13	and other items set forth in section 45 of this chapter) that are
13	physically located in or physically connected to that allocation area.
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16	(H) Reimburse the unit for rentals paid by it for a building or parking facility that is physically located in or physically
17	connected to that allocation area under any lease entered into
18	under IC 36-1-10.
19	(I) Reimburse public and private entities for expenses incurred
20	in training employees of industrial facilities that are located:
21	(i) in the allocation area; and
22	(ii) on a parcel of real property that has been classified as
23	industrial property under the rules of the department of local
24	government finance.
25	However, the total amount of money spent for this purpose in
26	any year may not exceed the total amount of money in the
27	allocation fund that is attributable to property taxes paid by the
28	industrial facilities described in this clause. The
29	reimbursements under this clause must be made within three
30	(3) years after the date on which the investments that are the
31	basis for the increment financing are made.
32	The special fund may not be used for operating expenses of the
33	commission.
34	(4) Before June 15 of each year, the commission shall do the
35	following:
36	(A) Determine the amount, if any, by which the assessed value
37	of the taxable property in the allocation area for the most
38	recent assessment date minus the base assessed value, when
39	multiplied by the estimated tax rate of the allocation area, will
40	exceed the amount of assessed value needed to provide the
41	property taxes necessary to make, when due, principal and
42	interest payments on bonds described in subdivision (3) plus



1	the amount necessary for other purposes described in
2	subdivision (3) and subsection (g).
3	(B) Provide a written notice to the county auditor, the fisca
4	body of the county or municipality that established the
5	department of redevelopment, the officers who are authorized
6	to fix budgets, tax rates, and tax levies under IC 6-1.1-17-5 for
7	each of the other taxing units that is wholly or partly located
8	within the allocation area, and (in an electronic format) the
9	department of local government finance. The notice must:
10	(i) state the amount, if any, of excess assessed value that the
11	commission has determined may be allocated to the
12	respective taxing units in the manner prescribed in
13	subdivision (1); or
14	(ii) state that the commission has determined that there is no
15	excess assessed value that may be allocated to the respective
16	taxing units in the manner prescribed in subdivision (1).
17	The county auditor shall allocate to the respective taxing units
18	the amount, if any, of excess assessed value determined by the
19	commission. The commission may not authorize an allocation
20	to the respective taxing units under this subdivision if to do so
21	would endanger the interests of the holders of bonds described
22	in subdivision (3).
23	(c) For the purpose of allocating taxes levied by or for any taxing
24	unit or units, the assessed value of taxable property in a territory in the
25	allocation area that is annexed by any taxing unit after the effective
26	date of the allocation provision of the resolution is the lesser of:
27	(1) the assessed value of the property for the assessment date with
28	respect to which the allocation and distribution is made; or
29	(2) the base assessed value.
30	(d) Property tax proceeds allocable to the redevelopment distric
31	under subsection (b)(3) may, subject to subsection (b)(4), be
32	irrevocably pledged by the redevelopment district for payment as se
33	forth in subsection $(b)(3)$ .
34	(e) Notwithstanding any other law, each assessor shall, upor
35	petition of the commission, reassess the taxable property situated upor
36	or in, or added to, the allocation area, effective on the next assessmen
37	date after the petition.
38	(f) Notwithstanding any other law, the assessed value of all taxable
39	property in the allocation area, for purposes of tax limitation, property
40	tax replacement, and formulation of the budget, tax rate, and tax levy
41	for each political subdivision in which the property is located, is the
42	lesser of:



- (1) the assessed value of the property as valued without regard to this section; or
- (2) the base assessed value.

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- (g) If any part of the allocation area is located in an enterprise zone created under IC 5-28-15, the unit that designated the allocation area shall create funds as specified in this subsection. A unit that has obligations, bonds, or leases payable from allocated tax proceeds under subsection (b)(3) shall establish an allocation fund for the purposes specified in subsection (b)(3) and a special zone fund. Such a unit shall, until the end of the enterprise zone phase out period, deposit each year in the special zone fund the amount in the allocation fund derived from property tax proceeds in excess of those described in subsection (b)(1) and (b)(2) from property located in the enterprise zone that exceeds the amount sufficient for the purposes specified in subsection (b)(3) for the year. A unit that has no obligations, bonds, or leases payable from allocated tax proceeds under subsection (b)(3) shall establish a special zone fund and deposit all the property tax proceeds in excess of those described in subsection (b)(1) and (b)(2) in the fund derived from property tax proceeds in excess of those described in subsection (b)(1) and (b)(2) from property located in the enterprise zone. The unit that creates the special zone fund shall use the fund, based on the recommendations of the urban enterprise association, for one (1) or more of the following purposes:
  - (1) To pay for programs in job training, job enrichment, and basic skill development designed to benefit residents and employers in the enterprise zone. The programs must reserve at least one-half (1/2) of the enrollment in any session for residents of the enterprise zone.
  - (2) To make loans and grants for the purpose of stimulating business activity in the enterprise zone or providing employment for enterprise zone residents in an enterprise zone. These loans and grants may be made to the following:
    - (A) Businesses operating in the enterprise zone.
    - (B) Businesses that will move their operations to the enterprise zone if such a loan or grant is made.
  - (3) To provide funds to carry out other purposes specified in subsection (b)(3). However, where reference is made in subsection (b)(3) to the allocation area, the reference refers, for purposes of payments from the special zone fund, only to that part of the allocation area that is also located in the enterprise zone.
- (h) The state board of accounts and department of local government finance shall make the rules and prescribe the forms and procedures



that they consider expedient for the implementation of this chapter. After each general reassessment of real property in an area under IC 6-1.1-4-4 or reassessment under a county's reassessment plan prepared under IC 6-1.1-4-4.2, the department of local government finance shall adjust the base assessed value one (1) time to neutralize any effect of the reassessment of the real property in the area on the property tax proceeds allocated to the redevelopment district under this section. After each annual adjustment under IC 6-1.1-4-4.5, the department of local government finance shall adjust the base assessed value to neutralize any effect of the annual adjustment on the property tax proceeds allocated to the redevelopment district under this section. However, the adjustments under this subsection may not include the effect of property tax abatements under IC 6-1.1-12.1, and these adjustments may not produce less property tax proceeds allocable to the redevelopment district under subsection (b)(3) than would otherwise have been received if the general reassessment, reassessment under the county's reassessment plan, or annual adjustment had not occurred. The department of local government finance may prescribe procedures for county and township officials to follow to assist the department in making the adjustments.

- (i) The allocation deadline referred to in subsection (b) is determined in the following manner:
  - (1) The initial allocation deadline is December 31, 2011.
  - (2) Subject to subdivision (3), the initial allocation deadline and subsequent allocation deadlines are automatically extended in increments of five (5) years, so that allocation deadlines subsequent to the initial allocation deadline fall on December 31, 2016, and December 31 of each fifth year thereafter.
  - (3) At least one (1) year before the date of an allocation deadline determined under subdivision (2), the general assembly may enact a law that:
    - (A) terminates the automatic extension of allocation deadlines under subdivision (2); and
    - (B) specifically designates a particular date as the final allocation deadline.

SECTION 50. IC 36-8-6-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.182-2009(ss), SECTION 427, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 5. (a) If the local board determines that the total amount of money available for a year will be insufficient to pay the benefits, pensions, and retirement allowances the local board is obligated to pay under this chapter, the local board shall, before the date on which the budget of the municipality is adopted, prepare an



itemized estimate in the form prescribed by the state board of accounts of the amount of money that will be receipted into and disbursed from the 1925 fund during the next fiscal year. The estimated receipts consist of the items enumerated in section 4(a) of this chapter. The estimated disbursements consist of an estimate of the amount of money that will be needed by the local board during the next fiscal year to defray the expenses and obligations incurred and that will be incurred by the local board in making the payments prescribed by this chapter to retired members, to members who are eligible to and expect to retire during the ensuing fiscal year, and to the dependents of deceased members.

- (b) The local board may provide in its annual budget and pay all necessary expenses of operating the 1925 fund, including the payment of all costs of litigation and attorney fees arising in connection with the fund, as well as the payment of benefits and pensions, including the payments described in section 5.5 of this chapter. Notwithstanding any other law, neither the municipal legislative body the county board of tax adjustment, nor the department of local government finance may reduce an item of expenditure.
- (c) At the time when the estimates are prepared and submitted, the local board shall also prepare and submit a certified statement showing:
  - (1) the name, age, and date of retirement of each retired member and the monthly and yearly amount of the payment to which the retired member is entitled;
  - (2) the name and age of each member who is eligible to and expects to retire during the next fiscal year, the date on which the member expects to retire, and the monthly and yearly amount of the payment that the member will be entitled to receive; and
  - (3) the name and age of each dependent, the date on which the dependent became a dependent, the date on which the dependent will cease to be a dependent by reason of attaining the age at which dependents cease to be dependents, and the monthly and yearly amount of the payment to which the dependent is entitled.
- (d) The total receipts shall be deducted from the total expenditures stated in the itemized estimate and the amount of the excess of the estimated expenditures over the estimated receipts shall be paid by the municipality in the same manner as other expenses of the municipality are paid. A tax levy shall be made annually for this purpose, as provided in subsection (e). The estimates submitted shall be prepared and filed in the same manner and form and at the same time that estimates of other municipal offices and departments are prepared and filed.



(e) The municipal legislative body shall levy an annual tax in the amount and at the rate that are necessary to produce the revenue to pay that part of the police pensions that the municipality is obligated to pay. All money derived from the levy is for the exclusive use of the police pensions and benefits, including the payments described in section 5.5 of this chapter. The amounts in the estimated disbursements, if found to be correct and in conformity with the data submitted in the certified statement, are a binding obligation upon the municipality. The legislative body shall make a levy for them that will yield an amount equal to the estimated disbursements, less the amount of the estimated receipts. Notwithstanding any other law, neither the county board of tax adjustment nor the department of local government finance may not reduce the levy.

SECTION 51. IC 36-8-7-14, AS AMENDED BY P.L.182-2009(ss), SECTION 431, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 14. (a) The local board shall meet annually and prepare an itemized estimate, in the form prescribed by the state board of accounts, of the amount of money that will be receipted into and disbursed from the 1937 fund during the next fiscal year. The estimated receipts consist of the items enumerated in section 8 of this chapter. The estimated disbursements must be divided into two (2) parts, designated as part 1 and part 2.

- (b) Part 1 of the estimated disbursements consists of an estimate of the amount of money that will be needed by the local board during the next fiscal year to defray the expenses and obligations incurred and that will be incurred by the local board in making the payments prescribed by this chapter to retired members, to members who are eligible to and expect to retire during the next fiscal year, and to the dependents of deceased members. Part 2 of the estimated disbursements consists of an estimate of the amount of money that will be needed to pay death benefits and other expenditures that are authorized or required by this chapter.
- (c) At the time when the estimates are prepared and submitted, the local board shall also prepare and submit a certified statement showing the following:
  - (1) The name, age, and date of retirement of each retired member and the monthly and yearly amount of the payment to which the retired member is entitled.
  - (2) The name and age of each member who is eligible to and expects to retire during the next fiscal year, the date on which the member expects to retire, and the monthly and yearly amount of the payment that the member will be entitled to receive.



- (3) The name and the age of each dependent, the date on which the dependent became a dependent, the date on which the dependent will cease to be a dependent by reason of attaining the age at which dependents cease to be dependents, and the monthly and yearly amount of the payment to which the dependent is entitled.
- (4) The amount that would be required for the next fiscal year to maintain level cost funding during the active fund members' employment on an actuarial basis.
- (5) The amount that would be required for the next fiscal year to amortize accrued liability for active members, retired members, and dependents over a period determined by the local board, but not to exceed forty (40) years.
- (d) The total receipts shall be deducted from the total expenditures as listed in the itemized estimate. The amount of the excess of the estimated expenditures over the estimated receipts shall be paid by the unit in the same manner as other expenses of the unit are paid, and an appropriation shall be made annually for that purpose. The estimates submitted shall be prepared and filed in the same manner and form and at the same time that estimates of other offices and departments of the unit are prepared and filed.
- (e) The estimates shall be made a part of the annual budget of the unit. When revising the estimates, the executive, the fiscal officer, and other fiduciary officers may not reduce the items in part 1 of the estimated disbursements.
- (f) The unit's fiscal body shall make the appropriations necessary to pay that proportion of the budget of the 1937 fund that the unit is obligated to pay under subsection (d). In addition, the fiscal body may make appropriations for purposes of subsection (c)(4), (c)(5), or both. All appropriations shall be made to the local board for the exclusive use of the 1937 fund, including the payments described in section 9.5 of this chapter. The amounts listed in part 1 of the estimated disbursements, if found to be correct and in conformity with the data submitted in the certified statement, are a binding obligation upon the unit. Notwithstanding any other law, neither the county board of tax adjustment nor the department of local government finance may not reduce the appropriations made to pay the amount equal to estimated disbursements minus estimated receipts.

SECTION 52. IC 36-8-7-22, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 778, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 22. The 1937 fund may not be, either before or after an order for distribution to members of the fire



department or to the surviving spouses or guardians of a child or children of a deceased, disabled, or retired member, held, seized, taken, subjected to, detained, or levied on by virtue of an attachment, execution, judgment, writ, interlocutory or other order, decree, or process, or proceedings of any nature issued out of or by a court in any state for the payment or satisfaction, in whole or in part, of a debt, damages, demand, claim, judgment, fine, or amercement of the member or the member's surviving spouse or children. The 1937 fund shall be kept and distributed only for the purpose of pensioning the persons named in this chapter. The local board may, however, annually expend an amount from the 1937 fund that it considers proper for the necessary expenses connected with the fund. Notwithstanding any other law, neither the fiscal body the county board of tax adjustment, nor the department of local government finance may reduce these expenditures.

**SECTION** 53. IC 36-8-7.5-10, AS **AMENDED** P.L.182-2009(ss), SECTION 433, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 10. (a) If the local board determines that the total amount of money available for a year will be insufficient to pay the benefits, pensions, and retirement allowances the local board is obligated to pay under this chapter, the local board shall, before the date on which the budget of the police special service district is adopted, prepare an itemized estimate in the form prescribed by the state board of accounts of the amount of money that will be receipted into and disbursed from the 1953 fund during the next fiscal year. The estimated receipts consist of the items enumerated in section 8 of this chapter. The estimated disbursements consist of an estimate of the amount of money that will be needed by the local board during the next fiscal year to defray the expenses and obligations incurred and that will be incurred by the local board in making the payments prescribed by this chapter to retired members, to members who are eligible and expect to retire during the ensuing fiscal year, and to the dependents of deceased members.

- (b) At the time when the estimates are prepared and submitted, the local board shall also prepare and submit a certified statement showing:
  - (1) the estimated number of beneficiaries from the 1953 fund during the ensuing fiscal year in each of the various classifications of beneficiaries as prescribed in this chapter, and the names and amount of benefits being paid to those actively on the list of beneficiaries at that time;
  - (2) the name, age, and length of service of each member of the police department who is eligible to and expects to retire during



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- the ensuing fiscal year, and the monthly and yearly amounts of the payment that the member will be entitled to receive; and
  - (3) the name and age of each dependent of a member of the police department who is then receiving benefits, the date on which the dependent commenced drawing benefits, and the date on which the dependent will cease to be a dependent by reason of attaining the age limit prescribed by this chapter, and the monthly and yearly amounts of the payments to which each of the dependents is entitled.
- (c) After the amounts of receipts and disbursements shown in the itemized estimate are fixed and approved by the executive, fiscal officer, legislative body and other bodies, as provided by law for other municipal funds, the total receipts shall be deducted from the total expenditures stated in the itemized estimate, and the amount of the excess shall be paid by the police special service district in the same manner as other expenses of the district are paid. The legislative body shall levy a tax and the money derived from the levy shall, when collected, be credited exclusively to the 1953 fund, including the payments described in section 10.5 of this chapter. The tax shall be levied in the amount and at the rate that is necessary to produce sufficient revenue to equal the deficit. Notwithstanding any other law, neither the county board of tax adjustment nor the department of local government finance may **not** reduce the tax levy.

SECTION 54. IC 36-8-11-18, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 780, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 18. (a) The board shall annually budget the necessary money to meet the expenses of operation and maintenance of the district, including repairs, fees, salaries, depreciation on all depreciable assets, rents, supplies, contingencies, bond redemption, and all other expenses lawfully incurred by the district. After estimating expenses and receipts of money, the board shall establish the tax levy required to fund the estimated budget.

- (b) The budget must be approved by the fiscal body of the county the county board of tax adjustment, and the department of local government finance.
- (c) Upon approval by the department of local government finance, the board shall certify the approved tax levy to the auditor of the county having land within the district. The auditor shall have the levy entered on the county treasurer's tax records for collection. After collection of the taxes the auditor shall issue a warrant on the treasurer to transfer the revenues collected to the board, as provided by statute.

SECTION 55. IC 36-8-11-22.1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008,



- SECTION 781, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 22.1. (a) This section applies to a district that consists of a municipality that is located in two (2) counties.
- (b) This section does not apply to a merged district under section 23 of this chapter.
  - (c) Sections 6 and 7 of this chapter apply to the petition.
- (d) The board of fire trustees for the district shall be appointed as prescribed by section 12 of this chapter. However, the legislative body of each county within which the district is located shall jointly appoint one (1) trustee from each township or part of a township contained in the district and one (1) trustee from the municipality contained in the district. The legislative body of each county shall jointly appoint a member to fill a vacancy.
- (e) Sections 13, 14, and 15 of this chapter relating to the board of fire trustees apply to the board of the district. However, the county legislative bodies serving the district shall jointly decide where the board shall locate (or approve location of) its office.
- (f) Sections 16, 17, 18, 19, and 21 of this chapter relating to the taxing district, bonds, annual budget, tax levies, and disbanding of fire departments apply to the district. However, the budget must be approved by the county fiscal body and county board of tax adjustment in each county in the district. In addition, the auditor of each county in the district shall perform the duties described in section 18(c) of this chapter.
- SECTION 56. IC 36-8-11-23, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 782, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 23. (a) Any fire protection district may merge with one (1) or more protection districts to form a single district if at least one-eighth (1/8) of the aggregate external boundaries of the districts coincide.
- (b) The legislative body of the county where at least two (2) districts are located (or if the districts are located in more than one (1) county, the legislative body of each county) shall, if petitioned by freeholders in the two (2) districts, adopt an ordinance merging the districts into a single fire protection district.
- (c) Freeholders who desire the merger of at least two (2) fire protection districts must initiate proceedings by filing a petition in the office of the county auditor of each county where a district is located. The petition must be signed:
  - (1) by at least twenty percent (20%), with a minimum of five hundred (500) from each district, of the freeholders owning land



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1	within the district; or
2	(2) by a majority of the freeholders from the districts;
3	whichever is less.
4	(d) The petition described in subsection (c) must state the same
5	items listed in section 7 of this chapter. Sections 6, 8, and 9 of this
6	chapter apply to the petition and to the legislative body of each county
7	in the proposed district.
8	(e) The board of fire trustees for each district shall form a single
9	board, which shall continue to be appointed as prescribed by section 12
10	of this chapter. In addition, sections 13, 14, and 15 of this chapter
11	relating to the board of fire trustees apply to the board of the merged
12	district, except that if the merged district lies in more than one (1)
13	county, the county legislative bodies serving the combined district shall
14	jointly decide where the board shall locate (or approve relocation of)
15	its office.
16	(f) Sections 16, 17, 18, 19, and 21 of this chapter relating to the
17	taxing district, bonds, annual budget, tax levies, and disbanding of fire
18	departments apply to a merged district. However, the budget must be
19	approved by the county fiscal body and county board of tax adjustment
20	in each county in the merged district. In addition, the auditor of each
21	county in the district shall perform the duties described in section 18(c)
22	of this chapter.
23	SECTION 57. IC 36-8-13-4.7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008,
24	SECTION 783, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
25	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 4.7. (a) For a township that elects
26	to have the township provide fire protection and emergency services
27	under section 3(c) of this chapter, the department of local government
28	finance shall adjust the township's maximum permissible levy in the
29	year following the year in which the change is elected, as determined
30	under IC 6-1.1-18.5-3, to reflect the change from providing fire
31	protection or emergency services under a contract between the
32	municipality and the township to allowing the township to impose a
33	property tax levy on the taxable property located within the corporate
34	boundaries of each municipality. For the ensuing calendar year, the
35	township's maximum permissible property tax levy shall be increased
36	by the product of:
37	(1) one and five-hundredths (1.05); multiplied by
38	(2) the amount the township contracted or billed to receive,
39	regardless of whether the amount was collected:
40	(A) in the year in which the change is elected; and
41	(B) as fire protection or emergency service payments from the



municipalities or residents of the municipalities covered by the

election under section 3(c) of this chapter. The maximum permissible levy for a general fund or other fund of a municipality covered by the election under section 3(c) of this chapter shall be reduced for the ensuing calendar year to reflect the change to allowing the township to impose a property tax levy on the taxable property located within the corporate boundaries of the municipality. The total reduction in the maximum permissible levies for all electing municipalities must equal the amount that the maximum permissible levy for the township is increased under this subsection for contracts or billings, regardless of whether the amount was collected, less the amount actually paid from sources other than property tax revenue. 

- (b) For purposes of determining a township's and each municipality's maximum permissible ad valorem property tax levy under IC 6-1.1-18.5-3 for years following the first year after the year in which the change is elected, a township's and each municipality's maximum permissible ad valorem property tax levy is the levy after the adjustment made under subsection (a).
- (c) The township may use the amount of a maximum permissible property tax levy computed under this section in setting budgets and property tax levies for any year in which the election in section 3(c) of this chapter is in effect. A county board of tax adjustment may not reduce a budget or tax levy solely because the budget or levy is based on the maximum permissible property tax levy computed under this section.
- (d) Section 4.6 of this chapter does not apply to a property tax levy or a maximum property tax levy subject to this section.

SECTION 58. IC 36-9-3-29, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 785, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 29. The board shall prepare an annual budget for the authority's operating and maintenance expenditures and necessary capital expenditures. Each annual budget is subject to review and modification by the:

- (1) fiscal body of the county or municipality that establishes the authority; and
- (2) <del>county board of tax adjustment and the</del> department of local government finance under IC 6-1.1-17.

SECTION 59. IC 36-9-4-47, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 788, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 47. (a) The board of directors of a public transportation corporation may:

(1) borrow money in anticipation of receipt of the proceeds of taxes that have been levied by the board and have not yet been



1	collected; and
2	(2) evidence this borrowing by issuing warrants of the
3	corporation.
4	The money that is borrowed may be used by the corporation for
5	payment of principal and interest on its bonds or for payment of current
6	operating expenses.
7	(b) The warrants:
8	(1) bear the date or dates;
9	(2) mature at the time or times on or before December 31
0	following the year in which the taxes in anticipation of which the
1	warrants are issued are due and payable;
2	(3) bear interest at the rate or rates and are payable at the time or
3	times;
4	(4) may be in the denominations;
5	(5) may be in the forms, either registered or payable to bearer;
6	(6) are payable at the place or places, either inside or outside
7	Indiana;
8	(7) are payable in the medium of payment;
9	(8) are subject to redemption upon the terms, including a price not
20	exceeding par and accrued interest; and
21	(9) may be executed by the officers of the corporation in the
22 23 24	manner;
.3	provided by resolution of the board of directors. The resolution may
.4	also authorize the board to pay from the proceeds of the warrants all
25	costs incurred in connection with the issuance of the warrants.
26	(c) The warrants may be authorized and issued at any time after the
27	board of directors levies the tax or taxes in anticipation of which the
28	warrants are issued.
29	(d) The warrants may be sold for not less than par value after notice
0	inviting bids has been published in accordance with IC 5-3-1. The
1	board of directors may also publish the notice inviting bids in other
2	newspapers or financial journals.
3	(e) After the warrants are sold, they may be delivered and paid for
4	at one (1) time or in installments.
5	(f) The aggregate principal amount of warrants issued in
6	anticipation of and payable from the same tax levy or levies may not
7	exceed eighty percent (80%) of the levy or levies, as the amount of the
8	levy or levies is certified by the department of local government
9	finance, or as is determined by multiplying the rate of tax as finally
0	approved by the total assessed valuation of taxable property within the
-1	taxing district of the public transportation corporation as most recently
-2	certified by the county auditor.



- (g) For purposes of this section, taxes for any year are considered to be levied when the board of directors adopts the ordinance prescribing the tax levies for the year. However, warrants may not be delivered and paid for before final approval of a tax levy or levies by the county board of tax adjustment (or, if appealed, by the department of local government finance unless the issuance of the warrants has been approved by the department of local government finance.
- (h) The warrants and the interest on them are not subject to sections 43 and 44 of this chapter and are payable solely from the proceeds of the tax levy or levies in anticipation of which the warrants were issued. The authorizing resolution must pledge a sufficient amount of the proceeds of the tax levy or levies to the payment of the warrants and the interest.
- (i) All actions of the board of directors under this section may be taken by resolution, which need not be published or posted. The resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption by a majority of the members of the board of directors.
- (j) An action to contest the validity of any tax anticipation warrants may not be brought later than ten (10) days after the sale date.
- SECTION 60. IC 36-9-4-51 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 51. (a) The board of directors of a public transportation corporation shall prepare an annual budget for the expenditures of the corporation.
- (b) This subsection applies only when a municipality, having operated an urban mass transportation system under a department of municipal government, establishes a public transportation corporation under section 10 of this chapter to maintain that system. The annual operating and maintenance budget for the corporation shall be subject to review and modification by the legislative body of the municipality.
- (c) A public transportation corporation may not impose a property tax levy on property that it has not taxed before January 1, 1982, and that lies outside the corporate boundaries of the municipality without the approval of the fiscal body or county council of the county in which the municipality is located.
- (d) The budget and any tax levies prepared by the board shall be prepared and submitted at the same time, in the same manner, and with the same notice as is prescribed by IC 6-1.1-17 for the annual budget of the municipality. The county tax adjustment board and the department of local government finance may review the budget and tax levies in the same manner by which they review the department reviews budgets and tax levies of the municipality.
  - SECTION 61. IC 36-9-12-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS



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1	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 5. (a) Money deposited
2	in the special fund under section 4 of this chapter may be expended
3	only upon a specific appropriation made for that purpose by the
4	municipal legislative body in the same manner that it appropriates
5	other public money.
6	(b) The municipal works board or board of transportation shall
7	prepare an itemized estimate of the money necessary for the operation
8	of parking meters for the ensuing year at the regular time of making
9	and filing budget estimates for other departments of the municipality.
10	These estimates shall be made and presented to the municipal
11	legislative body in the same manner as other department estimates.
12	(c) An appropriation under this section is not subject to review by

(c) An appropriation under this section is not subject to review by the county tax adjustment board or the department of local government finance, and the general statutes regarding appropriation of funds do not affect this chapter.

SECTION 62. IC 36-9-13-35, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 790, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 35. The annual operating budget of a building authority is subject to review by the county board of tax adjustment and then by the department of local government finance as in the case of other political subdivisions.

SECTION 63. IC 36-12-3-12, AS AMENDED BY P.L.219-2007, SECTION 148, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 12. (a) The library board shall determine the rate of taxation for the library district that is necessary for the proper operation of the library. The library board shall certify the rate to the county auditor. The county auditor shall certify the tax rate to the county tax adjustment board in the manner provided in <del>IC 6-1.1.</del> An additional rate may be levied under section 10(4) of this chapter.

- (b) If the library board fails to:
  - (1) give:
    - (A) a first published notice to the board's taxpayers of the board's proposed budget and tax levy for the ensuing year at least ten (10) days before the public hearing required under IC 6-1.1-17-3; and
    - (B) a second published notice to the board's taxpayers of the board's proposed budget and tax levy for the ensuing year at least three (3) days before the public hearing required under IC 6-1.1-17-3; or
  - (2) finally adopt the budget and fix the tax levy not later than September 30;



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1	the last preceding annual appropriation made for the public library is
2	renewed for the ensuing year, and the last preceding annual tax levy is
3	continued. Under this subsection, the treasurer of the library board
4	shall report the continued tax levy to the county auditor not later than
5	September 30.
6	SECTION 64. [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019] (a)
7	IC 6-1.1-10-48, as added by this act, applies to assessment dates
8	after December 31, 2018.
9	(b) This SECTION evnires January 1, 2022

