February 26, 2014

ENGROSSED
HOUSE BILL No. 1266

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Citations Affected: IC 5-3; IC 6-1.1; IC 36-4; IC 36-5; IC 36-8; noncode.

Synopsis: Local government finance issues. Provides that public utility property tax returns shall be filed in the manner prescribed by the department of local government finance (DLGF). Allows a railroad car company to file its return by July 1 (rather than May 1). Authorizes a public utility company to file an amended return. Provides that the penalty assessed on a public utility company for filing a late return may not exceed $1,000. Provides that if the DLGF assesses the property of a public utility company because the public utility company does not file a return, the public utility company may file a return with the DLGF and the DLGF may amend its assessment. Provides that if, after an assessment date, an exempt property is transferred or its use is changed resulting in its ineligibility for an exemption, the county assessor shall terminate the exemption for that assessment date. Specifies that if the property remains eligible for an exemption following the transfer or change in use, the exemption shall be left in

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Effective: Upon passage; July 1, 2014.

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(SENATE SPONSOR — HERSHMAN)

January 14, 2014, read first time and referred to Committee on Ways and Means.
January 28, 2014, amended, reported — Do Pass.
January 30, 2014, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.
January 31, 2014, engrossed.
February 3, 2014, read third time, passed. Yeas 82, nays 12.

SENATE ACTION

February 10, 2014, read first time and referred to Committee on Tax and Fiscal Policy.
February 25, 2014, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.

place for that assessment date. Provides that for the following assessment date, the person that obtained the exemption or the current owner of the property shall file an application with the county assessor. Requires applications for certain property tax deductions to be completed and dated in the calendar year for which the taxpayer wishes to obtain the deduction and to be filed with the county auditor on or before January 5 of the immediately succeeding calendar year. Provides that a petition to correct error must be filed within three years after the taxes were first due. Requires a political subdivision to submit to the DLGF information concerning the adoption of budgets and tax levies using the DLGF's computer gateway. Requires the DLGF to make this information available to taxpayers through its computer gateway and provide a telephone number through which taxpayers may request copies of a political subdivision's information. Specifies that for taxes due and payable in 2015 and 2016, each county shall publish a notice stating the Internet address at which the budget information is available and the telephone number through which taxpayers may request copies of a political subdivision's budget information. Allows counties to seek reimbursement from the political subdivisions in the county for the cost of the notice. Provides that publication requirements in current law continue through 2015 (along with the new requirements added in the bill concerning submission of budget and levy information to the DLGF's computer gateway). Provides that if a political subdivision timely submits the budget information to the DLGF's computer gateway but subsequently discovers the information contains a typographical error, the political subdivision may request permission from the DLGF to submit amended information. Specifies the conditions under which the DLGF shall increase a political subdivision's tax levy to an amount that exceeds the amount originally advertised or adopted by the political subdivision. Provides that if the DLGF increases a tax levy under this provision, the DLGF shall reduce the levy for each fund affected below the maximum allowable levy by the lesser of: (1) 5% of the difference between the advertised or adopted levy and the increased levy; or (2) $100,000. Allows DeKalb County and the town of Middlebury to borrow money to offset levy reductions made by the department of local government finance because budget and property tax levy information were not properly advertised. Eliminates the provision added in 2013 that specifies that the exemption from the property tax levy limits for property taxes to pay debt does not apply to property taxes imposed by a township to repay money borrowed under the emergency loan provisions. Specifies that the balance maintained by the provider unit of a fire protection territory may not exceed 120% of the budgeted expenses of the territory.

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Second Regular Session 118th General Assembly (2014)

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~*this style type*~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2013 Regular Session and 2013 First Regular Technical Session of the General Assembly.

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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 5-3-1-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.141-2009, SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 2. (a) This section applies only when notice of an event is required to be given by publication in accordance with this chapter.

(b) If the event is a public hearing or meeting concerning any matter not specifically mentioned in subsection (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), or (h) notice shall be published one (1) time, at least ten (10) days before the date of the hearing or meeting.

(c) If the event is an election, notice shall be published one (1) time, at least ten (10) days before the date of the election.

(d) If the event is a sale of bonds, notes, or warrants, notice shall be published two (2) times, at least one (1) week apart, with:

(1) the first publication made at least fifteen (15) days before the

date of the sale; and

(2) the second publication made at least three (3) days before the date of the sale.

(e) If the event is the receiving of bids, notice shall be published two (2) times, at least one (1) week apart, with the second publication made at least seven (7) days before the date the bids will be received.

(f) If the event is the establishment of a cumulative or sinking fund, notice of the proposal and of the public hearing that is required to be held by the political subdivision shall be published two (2) times, at least one (1) week apart, with the second publication made at least three (3) days before the date of the hearing.

(g) If the event is the submission of a proposal adopted by a political subdivision for a cumulative or sinking fund for the approval of the department of local government finance, the notice of the submission shall be published one (1) time. The political subdivision shall publish the notice when directed to do so by the department of local government finance.

(h) If the event is the required publication of an ordinance, notice of the passage of the ordinance shall be published one (1) time within thirty (30) days after the passage of the ordinance.

(i) If the event is one about which notice is required to be published after the event, notice shall be published one (1) time within thirty (30) days after the date of the event.

(j) If the event is anything else, notice shall be published two (2) times, at least one (1) week apart, with the second publication made at least three (3) days before the event.

(k) If any officer charged with the duty of publishing any notice required by law is unable to procure advertisement:

(1) at the price fixed by law;

(2) because the newspaper refuses to publish the advertisement; or

(3) because the newspaper refuses to post the advertisement on the newspaper's Internet web site (if required under section 1.5 of this chapter);

it is sufficient for the officer to post printed notices in three (3) prominent places in the political subdivision, instead of publication of the notice in newspapers and on an Internet web site (if required under section 1.5 of this chapter).

(l) If a notice of budget estimates for a political subdivision is published as required in IC 6-1.1-17-3, and the published notice contains an error due to the fault of a newspaper, the notice as presented for publication is a valid notice under this chapter. **This**

subsection expires January 1, 2016.

(m) Notwithstanding subsection (j), if a notice of budget estimates for a political subdivision is published as required in IC 6-1.1-17-3, and if the notice is not published at least ten (10) days before the date fixed for the public hearing on the budget estimate due to the fault of a newspaper, the notice is a valid notice under this chapter if it is published one (1) time at least three (3) days before the hearing. **This subsection expires January 1, 2016.**

SECTION 2. IC 5-3-1-2.3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.169-2006, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 2.3. (a) A notice published in accordance with this chapter or any other Indiana statute is valid even though the notice contains errors or omissions, as long as:

(1) a reasonable person would not be misled by the error or omission; and

(2) the notice is in substantial compliance with the time and publication requirements applicable under this chapter or any other Indiana statute under which the notice is published.

(b) This subsection applies if:

(1) a county auditor publishes a notice concerning a tax rate, tax levy, or budget of a political subdivision in the county;

(2) the notice contains an error or omission that causes the notice to inaccurately reflect the tax rate, tax levy, or budget actually proposed or fixed by the political subdivision; and

(3) the county auditor is responsible for the error or omission described in subdivision (2).

Notwithstanding any other law, the department of local government finance may correct an error or omission described in subdivision (2) at any time. If an error or omission described in subdivision (2) occurs, the county auditor must publish, at the county's expense, a notice containing the correct tax rate, tax levy, or budget as proposed or fixed by the political subdivision. **This subsection expires January 1, 2016.**

SECTION 3. IC 6-1.1-8-19 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 19. **(a)** Each year a public utility company shall file a statement concerning the value and description of the property which is either owned or used by the company on the assessment date of that year. The company shall file this statement with the department of local government finance ~~on the form~~ **in the manner** prescribed by the department. The department of local government finance may extend the due date for a statement. Unless the department of local government finance grants an extension, a public utility company shall file its statement for a year:

(1) on or before March 1st of that year unless the company is a railroad car company; or

(2) on or before ~~May~~ **July** 1st of that year if the company is a railroad car company.

(b) A public utility company may, not later than sixty (60) days after filing a valid and timely statement under subsection (a), file an amended statement:

(1) for distribution purposes;

(2) to correct errors; or

(3) for any other reason, except:

(A) obsolescence; or

(B) the credit for railroad car maintenance and improvements provided under IC 6-1.1-8.2.

SECTION 4. IC 6-1.1-8-20 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 20. (a) If a public utility company does not file a statement with the department of local government finance on or before the date prescribed under section 19 of this chapter, the company shall pay a penalty of one hundred dollars ($100) per day for each day that the statement is late. **However, a penalty under this subsection may not exceed one thousand dollars ($1,000).**

(b) The department of local government finance shall notify the attorney general if a public utility company fails to file a statement on or before the due date. The attorney general shall then bring an action in the name of this state to collect the penalty due under this section.

(c) The state auditor shall deposit amounts collected under this section in the state treasury for credit to the state general fund.

SECTION 5. IC 6-1.1-8-22 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 22. **(a)** The department of local government finance shall assess the property of a public utility company based upon the information available to the department if the company:

(1) does not file a statement which is required under section 19 of this chapter;

(2) does not permit the department to examine the company's property, books, or records; or

(3) does not comply with a summons issued by the department.

~~An assessment which is made by the department of local government finance under this section is final unless the company establishes that the department committed actual fraud in making the assessment.~~

(b) A public utility company may provide the department with a statement under section 19 of this chapter not later than one (1)

year after the department makes the department's assessment under this section. If a public utility company does so, the department may amend the assessment it makes under this section in reliance on the public utility company's statement filed under this subsection.

SECTION 6. IC 6-1.1-11-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.173-2011, SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 4. (a) The exemption application referred to in section 3 of this chapter is not required if the exempt property is owned by the United States, the state, an agency of this state, or a political subdivision (as defined in IC 36-1-2-13). However, this subsection applies only when the property is used, and in the case of real property occupied, by the owner.

(b) The exemption application referred to in section 3 of this chapter is not required if the exempt property is a cemetery:

(1) described by IC 6-1.1-2-7; or

(2) maintained by a township executive under IC 23-14-68.

(c) The exemption application referred to in section 3 of this chapter is not required if the exempt property is owned by the bureau of motor vehicles commission established under IC 9-15-1.

(d) The exemption application referred to in section 3 or 3.5 of this chapter is not required if:

(1) the exempt property is:

(A) tangible property used for religious purposes described in IC 6-1.1-10-21;

(B) tangible property owned by a church or religious society used for educational purposes described in IC 6-1.1-10-16;

(C) other tangible property owned, occupied, and used by a person for educational, literary, scientific, religious, or charitable purposes described in IC 6-1.1-10-16; or

(D) other tangible property owned by a fraternity or sorority (as defined in IC 6-1.1-10-24).

(2) the exemption application referred to in section 3 or 3.5 of this chapter was filed properly at least once for a religious use under IC 6-1.1-10-21, an educational, literary, scientific, religious, or charitable use under IC 6-1.1-10-16, or use by a fraternity or sorority under IC 6-1.1-10-24; and

(3) the property continues to meet the requirements for an exemption under IC 6-1.1-10-16, IC 6-1.1-10-21, or IC 6-1.1-10-24.

~~A change in ownership of property does not terminate an exemption of the property if after the change in ownership the property continues to~~

~~meet the requirements for an exemption under IC 6-1.1-10-16, IC 6-1.1-10-21, or IC 6-1.1-10-24. However, if title to any of the real property subject to the exemption changes or any of the tangible property subject to the exemption is used for a nonexempt purpose after the date of the last properly filed exemption application, the person that obtained the exemption or the current owner of the property shall notify the county assessor for the county where the tangible property is located of the change in the year that the change occurs. The notice must be in the form prescribed by the department of local government finance. If the county assessor discovers that title to property granted an exemption described in IC 6-1.1-10-16, IC 6-1.1-10-21, or IC 6-1.1-10-24 has changed, the county assessor shall notify the persons entitled to a tax statement under IC 6-1.1-22-8.1 for the property of the change in title and indicate that the county auditor will suspend the exemption for the property until the persons provide the county assessor with an affidavit, signed under penalties of perjury, that identifies the new owners of the property and indicates that the property continues to meet the requirements for an exemption under IC 6-1.1-10-21, IC 6-1.1-10-16, or IC 6-1.1-10-24. Upon receipt of the affidavit, the county assessor shall reinstate the exemption for the years for which the exemption was suspended and each year thereafter that the property continues to meet the requirements for an exemption under IC 6-1.1-10-21, IC 6-1.1-10-16, or IC 6-1.1-10-24.~~

(e) If, after an assessment date, an exempt property is transferred or its use is changed resulting in its ineligibility for an exemption under IC 6-1.1-10, the county assessor shall terminate the exemption for that assessment date. However, if the property remains eligible for an exemption under IC 6-1.1-10 following the transfer or change in use, the exemption shall be left in place for that assessment date. For the following assessment date, the person that obtained the exemption or the current owner of the property, as applicable, shall, under section 3 of this chapter and except as provided in this section, file a certified application in duplicate with the county assessor of the county in which the property that is the subject of the exemption is located. In all cases, the person that obtained the exemption or the current owner of the property shall notify the county assessor for the county where the tangible property is located of the change in ownership or use in the year that the change occurs. The notice must be in the form prescribed by the department of local government finance.

(f) If the county assessor discovers that title to or use of property granted an exemption under IC 6-1.1-10 has changed, the

county assessor shall notify the persons entitled to a tax statement under IC 6-1.1-22-8.1 for the property of the change in title or use and indicate that the county auditor will suspend the exemption for the property until the persons provide the county assessor with an affidavit, signed under penalties of perjury, that identifies the new owners or use of the property and indicates whether the property continues to meet the requirements for an exemption under IC 6-1.1-10. Upon receipt of the affidavit, the county assessor shall reinstate the exemption under IC 6-1.1-15-12. However, a claim under IC 6-1.1-26-1 for a refund of all or a part of a tax installment paid and any correction of error under IC 6-1.1-15-12 must be filed not later than three (3) years after the taxes are first due.

SECTION 7. IC 6-1.1-12-10.1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.144-2008, SECTION 14, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10.1. (a) Except as provided in section 17.8 of this chapter and subject to section 45 of this chapter, an individual who desires to claim the deduction provided by section 9 of this chapter must file a sworn statement, on forms prescribed by the department of local government finance, with the auditor of the county in which the real property, mobile home, or manufactured home is located. With respect to real property, the statement must be ~~filed during the year for which the individual wishes to obtain the deduction.~~ **completed and dated in the calendar year for which the individual wishes 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 or a manufactured home that is not assessed as real property, the statement must be filed during the twelve (12) months before March 31 of each year for which the individual wishes to obtain the deduction. The statement may be filed in person or by mail. If mailed, the mailing must be postmarked on or before the last day for filing.

(b) The statement referred to in subsection (a) shall be in affidavit form or require verification under penalties of perjury. The statement must be filed in duplicate if the applicant owns, or is buying under a contract, real property, a mobile home, or a manufactured home subject to assessment in more than one (1) county or in more than one (1) taxing district in the same county. The statement shall contain:

(1) the source and exact amount of gross income received by the individual and the individual's spouse during the preceding calendar year;

(2) the description and assessed value of the real property, mobile home, or manufactured home;

(3) the individual's full name and complete residence address;

(4) the record number and page where the contract or memorandum of the contract is recorded if the individual is buying the real property, mobile home, or manufactured home on contract; and

(5) any additional information which the department of local government finance may require.

(c) In order to substantiate the deduction statement, the applicant shall submit for inspection by the county auditor a copy of the applicant's and a copy of the applicant's spouse's income tax returns for the preceding calendar year. If either was not required to file an income tax return, the applicant shall subscribe to that fact in the deduction statement.

SECTION 8. IC 6-1.1-12-12, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2009, SECTION 29, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. (a) Except as provided in section 17.8 of this chapter and subject to section 45 of this chapter, a person who desires to claim the deduction provided in section 11 of this chapter must file an application, on forms prescribed by the department of local government finance, with the auditor of the county in which the real property, mobile home not assessed as real property, or manufactured home not assessed as real property is located. With respect to real property, the application must be ~~filed during the year for which the individual wishes to obtain the deduction.~~ **completed and dated in the calendar year for which the person wishes 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 or a manufactured home that is not assessed as real property, the application must be filed during the twelve (12) months before March 31 of each year for which the individual wishes to obtain the deduction. The application may be filed in person or by mail. If mailed, the mailing must be postmarked on or before the last day for filing.

(b) Proof of blindness may be supported by:

(1) the records of the division of family resources or the division of disability and rehabilitative services; or

(2) the written statement of a physician who is licensed by this state and skilled in the diseases of the eye or of a licensed optometrist.

(c) The application required by this section must contain the record number and page where the contract or memorandum of the contract is recorded if the individual is buying the real property, mobile home,

or manufactured home on a contract that provides that the individual is to pay property taxes on the real property, mobile home, or manufactured home.

SECTION 9. IC 6-1.1-12-15, AS AMENDED BY P.L.293-2013(ts), SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 15. (a) Except as provided in section 17.8 of this chapter and subject to section 45 of this chapter, an individual who desires to claim the deduction provided by section 13 or 14 of this chapter must file a statement with the auditor of the county in which the individual resides. With respect to real property, the statement must be ~~filed during the year for which the individual wishes to obtain the deduction.~~ **completed and dated in the calendar year for which the individual wishes 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 or a manufactured home that is not assessed as real property, the statement must be filed during the twelve (12) months before March 31 of each year for which the individual wishes to obtain the deduction. The statement may be filed in person or by mail. If mailed, the mailing must be postmarked on or before the last day for filing. The statement shall contain a sworn declaration that the individual is entitled to the deduction.

(b) In addition to the statement, the individual shall submit to the county auditor for the auditor's inspection:

(1) a pension certificate, an award of compensation, or a disability compensation check issued by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs if the individual claims the deduction provided by section 13 of this chapter;

(2) a pension certificate or an award of compensation issued by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs if the individual claims the deduction provided by section 14 of this chapter; or

(3) the appropriate certificate of eligibility issued to the individual by the Indiana department of veterans' affairs if the individual claims the deduction provided by section 13 or 14 of this chapter.

(c) If the individual claiming the deduction is under guardianship, the guardian shall file the statement required by this section. If a deceased veteran's surviving spouse is claiming the deduction, the surviving spouse shall provide the documentation necessary to establish that at the time of death the deceased veteran satisfied the requirements of section 13(a)(1) through 13(a)(4) of this chapter or section 14(a)(1) through 14(a)(4) of this chapter, whichever applies.

(d) If the individual claiming a deduction under section 13 or 14 of

this chapter is buying real property, a mobile home not assessed as real property, or a manufactured home not assessed as real property under a contract that provides that the individual is to pay property taxes for the real estate, mobile home, or manufactured home, the statement required by this section must contain the record number and page where the contract or memorandum of the contract is recorded.

SECTION 10. IC 6-1.1-12-17, AS AMENDED BY P.L.144-2008, SECTION 21, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 17. Except as provided in section 17.8 of this chapter and subject to section 45 of this chapter, a surviving spouse who desires to claim the deduction provided by section 16 of this chapter must file a statement with the auditor of the county in which the surviving spouse resides. With respect to real property, the statement must be ~~filed during the year for which the surviving spouse wishes to obtain the deduction.~~ **completed and dated in the calendar year for which the person wishes 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 or a manufactured home that is not assessed as real property, the statement must be filed during the twelve (12) months before March 31 of each year for which the individual wishes to obtain the deduction. The statement may be filed in person or by mail. If mailed, the mailing must be postmarked on or before the last day for filing. The statement shall contain:

(1) a sworn statement that the surviving spouse is entitled to the deduction; and

(2) the record number and page where the contract or memorandum of the contract is recorded, if the individual is buying the real property on a contract that provides that the individual is to pay property taxes on the real property.

In addition to the statement, the surviving spouse shall submit to the county auditor for the auditor's inspection a letter or certificate from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs establishing the service of the deceased spouse in the military or naval forces of the United States before November 12, 1918.

SECTION 11. IC 6-1.1-12-17.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.144-2008, SECTION 23, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 17.5. (a) Except as provided in section 17.8 of this chapter and subject to section 45 of this chapter, a veteran who desires to claim the deduction provided in section 17.4 of this chapter must file a sworn statement, on forms prescribed by the department of local government finance, with the auditor of the county in which the

real property, mobile home, or manufactured home is assessed. With respect to real property, the veteran must ~~file the statement during the year for which the veteran wishes to obtain the deduction.~~ **complete and date the statement in the calendar year for which the veteran wishes to obtain the deduction and file the statement 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 or a manufactured home that is not assessed as real property, the statement must be filed during the twelve (12) months before March 31 of each year for which the individual wishes to obtain the deduction. The statement may be filed in person or by mail. If mailed, the mailing must be postmarked on or before the last day for filing.

(b) The statement required under this section shall be in affidavit form or require verification under penalties of perjury. The statement shall be filed in duplicate if the veteran has, or is buying under a contract, real property in more than one (1) county or in more than one (1) taxing district in the same county. The statement shall contain:

(1) a description and the assessed value of the real property, mobile home, or manufactured home;

(2) the veteran's full name and complete residence address;

(3) the record number and page where the contract or memorandum of the contract is recorded, if the individual is buying the real property, mobile home, or manufactured home on a contract that provides that the individual is to pay property taxes on the real property, mobile home, or manufactured home; and

(4) any additional information which the department of local government finance may require.

SECTION 12. IC 6-1.1-12-27.1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.137-2012, SECTION 16, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 27.1. Except as provided in sections 36 and 44 of this chapter and subject to section 45 of this chapter, a person who desires to claim the deduction provided by section 26 or 26.1 of this chapter must file a certified statement in duplicate, on forms prescribed by the department of local government finance, with the auditor of the county in which the real property, mobile home, manufactured home, or solar power device is subject to assessment. With respect to real property or a solar power device that is assessed as distributable property under IC 6-1.1-8 or as personal property, the person must ~~file the statement during the year for which the person desires to obtain the deduction.~~ **complete and date the certified statement in the calendar year for which the person wishes to**

obtain the deduction and file the certified statement with the county auditor on or before January 5 of the immediately succeeding calendar year. Except as provided in sections 36 and 44 of this chapter and subject to section 45 of this chapter, with respect to a mobile home which is not assessed as real property, the person must file the statement during the twelve (12) months before March 31 of each year for which the person desires to obtain the deduction. The person must:

(1) own the real property, mobile home, or manufactured home or own the solar power device;

(2) be buying the real property, mobile home, manufactured home, or solar power device under contract; or

(3) be leasing the real property from the real property owner and be subject to assessment and property taxation with respect to the solar power device;

on the date the statement is filed under this section. The statement may be filed in person or by mail. If mailed, the mailing must be postmarked on or before the last day for filing. On verification of the statement by the assessor of the township in which the real property, mobile home, manufactured home, or solar power device is subject to assessment, or the county assessor if there is no township assessor for the township, the county auditor shall allow the deduction.

SECTION 13. IC 6-1.1-12-30, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2009, SECTION 36, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 30. Except as provided in sections 36 and 44 of this chapter and subject to section 45 of this chapter, a person who desires to claim the deduction provided by section 29 of this chapter must file a certified statement in duplicate, on forms prescribed by the department of local government finance, with the auditor of the county in which the real property or mobile home is subject to assessment. With respect to real property, the person must ~~file the statement during the year for which the person desires to obtain the deduction.~~ **complete and date the statement in the calendar year for which the person desires to obtain the deduction and file the statement with the county auditor on or before January 5 of the immediately succeeding calendar year.** With respect to a mobile home which is not assessed as real property, the person must file the statement during the twelve (12) months before March 31 of each year for which the person desires to obtain the deduction. The person must:

(1) own the real property, mobile home, or manufactured home; or

(2) be buying the real property, mobile home, or manufactured

home under contract;

on the date the statement is filed under this section. On verification of the statement by the assessor of the township in which the real property or mobile home is subject to assessment, or the county assessor if there is no township assessor for the township, the county auditor shall allow the deduction.

SECTION 14. IC 6-1.1-12-35.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2009, SECTION 37, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 35.5. (a) Except as provided in section 36 or 44 of this chapter and subject to section 45 of this chapter, a person who desires to claim the deduction provided by section 31, 33, 34, or 34.5 of this chapter must file a certified statement in duplicate, on forms prescribed by the department of local government finance and proof of certification under subsection (b) or (f) with the auditor of the county in which the property for which the deduction is claimed is subject to assessment. Except as provided in subsection (e), with respect to property that is not assessed under IC 6-1.1-7, the person must ~~file the statement during the year for which the person wishes to obtain the deduction. The person must file the statement in each year for which the person desires to obtain the deduction.~~ **complete and date the certified statement in the calendar year for which the person wishes to obtain the deduction and file the certified statement with the county auditor on or before January 5 of the immediately succeeding calendar year.** With respect to a property which is assessed under IC 6-1.1-7, the person must file the statement during the twelve (12) months before March 31 of each year for which the person desires to obtain the deduction. The statement may be filed in person or by mail. If mailed, the mailing must be postmarked on or before the last day for filing. On verification of the statement by the assessor of the township in which the property for which the deduction is claimed is subject to assessment, or the county assessor if there is no township assessor for the township, the county auditor shall allow the deduction.

(b) This subsection does not apply to an application for a deduction under section 34.5 of this chapter. The department of environmental management, upon application by a property owner, shall determine whether a system or device qualifies for a deduction provided by section 31, 33, or 34 of this chapter. If the department determines that a system or device qualifies for a deduction, it shall certify the system or device and provide proof of the certification to the property owner. The department shall prescribe the form and manner of the certification process required by this subsection.

(c) This subsection does not apply to an application for a deduction under section 34.5 of this chapter. If the department of environmental management receives an application for certification, the department shall determine whether the system or device qualifies for a deduction. If the department fails to make a determination under this subsection before December 31 of the year in which the application is received, the system or device is considered certified.

(d) A denial of a deduction claimed under section 31, 33, 34, or 34.5 of this chapter may be appealed as provided in IC 6-1.1-15. The appeal is limited to a review of a determination made by the township assessor county property tax assessment board of appeals, or department of local government finance.

(e) A person who timely files a personal property return under IC 6-1.1-3-7(a) for an assessment year and who desires to claim the deduction provided in section 31 of this chapter for property that is not assessed under IC 6-1.1-7 must file the statement described in subsection (a) during the year in which the personal property return is filed.

(f) This subsection applies only to an application for a deduction under section 34.5 of this chapter. The center for coal technology research established by IC 21-47-4-1, upon receiving an application from the owner of a building, shall determine whether the building qualifies for a deduction under section 34.5 of this chapter. If the center determines that a building qualifies for a deduction, the center shall certify the building and provide proof of the certification to the owner of the building. The center shall prescribe the form and procedure for certification of buildings under this subsection. If the center receives an application for certification of a building under section 34.5 of this chapter:

(1) the center shall determine whether the building qualifies for a deduction; and

(2) if the center fails to make a determination before December 31 of the year in which the application is received, the building is considered certified.

SECTION 15. IC 6-1.1-12-38, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2009, SECTION 39, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 38. (a) A person is entitled to a deduction from the assessed value of the person's property in an amount equal to the difference between:

(1) the assessed value of the person's property, including the assessed value of the improvements made to comply with the fertilizer storage rules adopted by the state chemist under

IC 15-16-2-44 and the pesticide storage rules adopted by the state chemist under IC 15-16-4-52; minus

(2) the assessed value of the person's property, excluding the assessed value of the improvements made to comply with the fertilizer storage rules adopted by the state chemist under IC 15-16-2-44 and the pesticide storage rules adopted by the state chemist under IC 15-16-4-52.

(b) To obtain the deduction under this section, a person must file a certified statement in duplicate, on forms prescribed by the department of local government finance, with the auditor of the county in which the property is subject to assessment. In addition to the certified statement, the person must file a certification by the state chemist listing the improvements that were made to comply with the fertilizer storage rules adopted under IC 15-16-2-44 and the pesticide storage rules adopted by the state chemist under IC 15-16-4-52. Subject to section 45 of this chapter, the statement ~~and certification must be filed during the year preceding the year the deduction will first be applied.~~ **must be completed and dated in the calendar year for which the person wishes to obtain the deduction, and the statement and certification must be filed with the county auditor on or before January 5 of the immediately succeeding calendar year.** Upon the verification of the statement and certification by the assessor of the township in which the property is subject to assessment, or the county assessor if there is no township assessor for the township, the county auditor shall allow the deduction.

(c) The deduction provided by this section applies only if the person:

(1) owns the property; or

(2) is buying the property under contract;

on the assessment date for which the deduction applies.

SECTION 16. IC 6-1.1-12-45, AS ADDED BY P.L.144-2008, SECTION 38, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 45. (a) Subject to subsections (b) and (c), a deduction under this chapter applies for an assessment date and for the property taxes due and payable based on the assessment for that assessment date, regardless of whether with respect to the real property or mobile home or manufactured home not assessed as real property:

(1) the title is conveyed one (1) or more times; or

(2) one (1) or more contracts to purchase are entered into;

after that assessment date and on or before the next succeeding assessment date.

(b) Subsection (a) applies

~~(1) only if the title holder or the contract buyer on that next succeeding assessment date is eligible for the deduction for that next succeeding assessment date; and~~

~~(2)~~ regardless of whether:

~~(A)~~ **(1)** one (1) or more grantees of title under subsection (a)(1); or

~~(B)~~ **(2)** one (1) or more contract purchasers under subsection (a)(2);

~~files~~ **file** a statement under this chapter to claim the deduction.

(c) A deduction applies under subsection (a) for only one (1) year. The requirements of this chapter for filing a statement to apply for a deduction under this chapter apply to subsequent years.

(d) If:

(1) a statement is filed under this chapter in a calendar year to claim a deduction under this chapter with respect to real property; and

(2) the eligibility criteria for the deduction are met;

the deduction applies for the assessment date in that calendar year and for the property taxes due and payable based on the assessment for that assessment date.

(e) If:

(1) a statement is filed under this chapter in a twelve (12) month filing period designated under this chapter to claim a deduction under this chapter with respect to a mobile home or a manufactured home not assessed as real property; and

(2) the eligibility criteria for the deduction are met;

the deduction applies for the assessment date in that twelve (12) month period and for the property taxes due and payable based on the assessment for that assessment date.

SECTION 17. IC 6-1.1-12.6-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.70-2008, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 3. (a) A property owner that qualifies for the deduction under this chapter **and that desires to receive the deduction** must ~~file a statement containing the information required by subsection (b) with the county auditor to claim the deduction for each assessment date for which the property owner wishes to receive the deduction~~ **complete and date a statement containing the information required by subsection (b) in the calendar year for which the person desires to obtain the deduction and file the statement with the county auditor on or before January 5 of the immediately succeeding calendar year,** in the manner prescribed in rules adopted under section 9 of this chapter. The township assessor

shall verify each statement filed under this section, and the county auditor shall:

(1) make the deductions; and

(2) notify the county property tax assessment board of appeals of all deductions approved;

under this section.

(b) The statement referred to in subsection (a) must be verified under penalties for perjury and must contain the following information:

(1) The assessed value of the real property for which the person is claiming the deduction.

(2) The full name and complete business address of the person claiming the deduction.

(3) The complete address and a brief description of the real property for which the person is claiming the deduction.

(4) The name of any other county in which the person has applied for a deduction under this chapter for that assessment date.

(5) The complete address and a brief description of any other real property for which the person has applied for a deduction under this chapter for that assessment date.

SECTION 18. IC 6-1.1-12.8-4, AS ADDED BY P.L.175-2011, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 4. (a) A property owner that qualifies for the deduction under this chapter **and that desires to receive the deduction** must ~~file a statement containing the information required by subsection (b) with the county auditor to claim the deduction for each assessment date for which the property owner wishes to receive the deduction~~ **complete and date a statement containing the information required by subsection (b) in the calendar year for which the person desires to obtain the deduction and file the statement with the county auditor on or before January 5 of the immediately succeeding calendar year,** in the manner prescribed in rules adopted under section 8 of this chapter. The township assessor, or the county assessor if there is no township assessor for the township, shall verify each statement filed under this section, and the county auditor shall:

(1) make the deductions; and

(2) notify the county property tax assessment board of appeals of all deductions approved;

under this section.

(b) The statement referred to in subsection (a) must be verified under penalties for perjury and must contain the following information:

(1) The assessed value of the real property for which the person

is claiming the deduction.

(2) The full name and complete business address of the person claiming the deduction.

(3) The complete address and a brief description of the real property for which the person is claiming the deduction.

(4) The name of any other county in which the person has applied for a deduction under this chapter for that assessment date.

(5) The complete address and a brief description of any other real property for which the person has applied for a deduction under this chapter for that assessment date.

(6) An affirmation by the owner that the owner is receiving not more than three (3) deductions under this chapter, including the deduction being applied for by the owner, either:

(A) as the owner of the residence in inventory; or

(B) as an owner that is part of an affiliated group.

(7) An affirmation that the real property has not been leased and will not be leased for any purpose during the term of the deduction.

SECTION 19. IC 6-1.1-15-12, AS AMENDED BY P.L.172-2011, SECTION 31, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. (a) Subject to the limitations contained in subsections (c), ~~and~~ (d), **and (i),** a county auditor shall correct errors which are discovered in the tax duplicate for any one (1) or more of the following reasons:

(1) The description of the real property was in error.

(2) The assessment was against the wrong person.

(3) Taxes on the same property were charged more than one (1) time in the same year.

(4) There was a mathematical error in computing the taxes or penalties on the taxes.

(5) There was an error in carrying delinquent taxes forward from one (1) tax duplicate to another.

(6) The taxes, as a matter of law, were illegal.

(7) There was a mathematical error in computing an assessment.

(8) Through an error of omission by any state or county officer, the taxpayer was not given:

(A) the proper credit under IC 6-1.1-20.6-7.5 for property taxes imposed for an assessment date after January 15, 2011;

(B) any other credit permitted by law;

(C) an exemption permitted by law; or

(D) a deduction permitted by law.

(b) **Subject to subsection (i),** the county auditor shall correct an

error described under subsection (a)(1), (a)(2), (a)(3), (a)(4), or (a)(5) when the county auditor finds that the error exists.

(c) If the tax is based on an assessment made or determined by the department of local government finance, the county auditor shall not correct an error described under subsection (a)(6), (a)(7), or (a)(8) until after the correction is either approved by the department of local government finance or ordered by the tax court.

(d) If the tax is not based on an assessment made or determined by the department of local government finance, the county auditor shall correct an error described under subsection (a)(6), (a)(7), or (a)(8) only if the correction is first approved by at least two (2) of the following officials:

(1) The township assessor (if any).

(2) The county auditor.

(3) The county assessor.

If two (2) of these officials do not approve such a correction, the county auditor shall refer the matter to the county board for determination. The county board shall provide a copy of the determination to the taxpayer and to the county auditor.

(e) A taxpayer may appeal a determination of the county board to the Indiana board for a final administrative determination. An appeal under this section shall be conducted in the same manner as appeals under sections 4 through 8 of this chapter. The Indiana board shall send the final administrative determination to the taxpayer, the county auditor, the county assessor, and the township assessor (if any).

(f) If a correction or change is made in the tax duplicate after it is delivered to the county treasurer, the county auditor shall transmit a certificate of correction to the county treasurer. The county treasurer shall keep the certificate as the voucher for settlement with the county auditor.

(g) A taxpayer that files a personal property tax return under IC 6-1.1-3 may not petition under this section for the correction of an error made by the taxpayer on the taxpayer's personal property tax return. If the taxpayer wishes to correct an error made by the taxpayer on the taxpayer's personal property tax return, the taxpayer must instead file an amended personal property tax return under IC 6-1.1-3-7.5.

(h) A taxpayer that files a statement under IC 6-1.1-8-19 may not petition under this section for the correction of an error made by the taxpayer on the taxpayer's statement. If the taxpayer wishes to correct an error made by the taxpayer on the taxpayer's statement, the taxpayer must instead initiate an objection under IC 6-1.1-8-28 or an appeal

under IC 6-1.1-8-30.

(i) A taxpayer is not entitled to relief under this section unless the taxpayer files a petition to correct an error:

(1) with the auditor of the county in which the taxes were originally paid; and

(2) within three (3) years after the taxes were first due.

SECTION 20. IC 6-1.1-17-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.137-2012, SECTION 23, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: 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. The political subdivision or appropriate fiscal body, if the political subdivision is subject to section 20 of this chapter, shall, **(before January 1, 2016) at least ten (10) days before the public hearing,** give notice ~~by publication~~ to taxpayers of:

(1) the estimated budget;

(2) the estimated maximum permissible levy;

(3) the current and proposed tax levies of each fund; and

(4) the amounts of excessive levy appeals to be requested.

The political subdivision or appropriate fiscal body shall also state the time and place at which the political subdivision or appropriate fiscal body will hold a public hearing on these items. The political subdivision or appropriate fiscal body shall **(before January 1, 2016)** publish the notice twice in accordance with IC 5-3-1 with the first publication at least ten (10) days before the date fixed for the public hearing. The first publication must be before September 14, and the second publication must be before September 21 of the year. The political subdivision shall pay for ~~the publishing of the notice.~~ **The political subdivision shall submit this information to the department's computer gateway before September 14 of each year 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) For taxes due and payable in 2015 and 2016, each county

shall publish a notice in accordance with IC 5-3-1 in two (2) newspapers published in the county stating the Internet address at which the information under subsection (a) is available and the telephone number through which taxpayers may request copies of a political subdivision's information under subsection (a). If only one (1) newspaper is published in the county, publication in that newspaper is sufficient. The department of local government finance shall prescribe the notice. Notice under this subsection shall be published before September 14. Counties may seek reimbursement from the political subdivisions within their legal boundaries for the cost of the notice required under this subsection. The actions under this subsection shall be completed in the manner prescribed by the department.

~~(b)~~ **(c)** 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

(2) in accordance with the annual notice of meetings published under IC 13-21-5-2.

~~(c)~~ **(d)** The trustee of each township in the county shall estimate the amount necessary to meet the cost of township assistance in the township for the ensuing calendar year. The township board shall adopt with the township budget a tax rate sufficient to meet the estimated cost of township assistance. The taxes collected as a result of the tax rate adopted under this subsection are credited to the township assistance fund.

(e) A political subdivision for which any of the information under subsection (a) is not (before January 1, 2016) published and is not submitted to the department's computer gateway in the manner prescribed by the department shall have its most recent annual appropriations and annual tax levy continued for the ensuing budget year.

(f) If a political subdivision or appropriate fiscal body timely publishes (before January 1, 2016) and submits the information under subsection (a) but subsequently discovers the information contains a typographical error, the political subdivision or appropriate fiscal body may request permission from the department to submit amended information to the department's computer gateway and (before January 1, 2016) to publish the amended information. However, such a request must occur not later than seven (7) days before the public hearing held under subsection (a). Acknowledgment of the correction of an error shall

be posted on the department's computer gateway and communicated by the political subdivision or appropriate fiscal body to the fiscal body of the county in which the political subdivision and appropriate fiscal body are located.

SECTION 21. IC 6-1.1-17-5.6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.119-2012, SECTION 31, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 5.6. (a) For budget years beginning before July 1, 2011, this section applies only to a school corporation that is located in a city having a population of more than one hundred thousand (100,000) but less than one hundred ten thousand (110,000). For budget years beginning after June 30, 2011, this section applies to all school corporations. Beginning in 2011, 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 ~~February~~ **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(i) 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.

(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 22. IC 6-1.1-17-16, AS AMENDED BY P.L.218-2013, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 16. (a) Subject to the limitations and requirements prescribed in this section, the department of local government finance may revise, reduce, or increase a political subdivision's budget by fund, tax rate, or tax levy which the department reviews under section 8 or 10 of this chapter.

(b) Subject to the limitations and requirements prescribed in this section, the department of local government finance may review, revise, reduce, or increase the budget by fund, tax rate, or tax levy of any of the political subdivisions whose tax rates compose the aggregate tax rate within a political subdivision whose budget, tax rate, or tax levy is the subject of an appeal initiated under this chapter.

(c) 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.

(d) Except as provided in subsection (i), 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) 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). 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.

(e) 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.

(f) 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) a taxpayer that owns property that represents at least ten

percent (10%) of the taxable assessed valuation in the political subdivision.

(g) The following may petition for judicial review of the final determination of the department of local government finance under subsection (f):

(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 under section 13 of this chapter; or

(B) fails to act on the appeal before the department certifies its action under subsection (f);

a taxpayer who signed the statement filed to initiate the appeal.

(3) If the department acts under an appeal initiated by the county auditor under section 14 of this chapter, the county auditor.

(4) A taxpayer that owns property that represents at least ten percent (10%) of the taxable assessed valuation in the political subdivision.

The petition must be filed in the tax court not more than forty-five (45) days after the department certifies its action under subsection (f).

(h) The department of local government finance is expressly directed to complete the duties assigned to it under this section not later than February 15 of each year for taxes to be collected during that year.

(i) Subject to the provisions of all applicable statutes, the department of local government finance ~~may~~ **shall, unless the department finds extenuating circumstances,** increase a political subdivision's tax levy to an amount that exceeds the amount originally ~~fixed~~ **advertised or adopted** by the political subdivision if:

(1) the increase is ~~(1)~~ requested in writing by the officers of the political subdivision;

(2) ~~either:~~ **the requested increase is published on the department's advertising Internet web site and (before January 1, 2016) is published by the political subdivision according to a notice provided by the department; and**

~~(A) based on information first obtained by the political subdivision after the public hearing under section 3 of this chapter; or~~

~~(B) results from an inadvertent mathematical error made in determining the levy; and~~

(3) ~~published by the political subdivision according to a notice provided by the department.~~ **notice is given to the county fiscal body of the error and the department's correction.**

If the department increases an adopted levy beyond what was advertised or adopted under this subsection, it shall, unless the department finds extenuating circumstances, reduce the adopted levy for each fund affected below the maximum allowable levy by the lesser of five percent (5%) of the difference between the advertised or adopted levy and the increased levy, or one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000).

(j) The department of local government finance shall annually review the budget by fund of each school corporation not later than April 1. The department of local government finance shall give the school corporation written notification specifying any revision, reduction, or increase the department proposes in the school corporation's budget by fund. A public hearing is not required in connection with this review of the budget.

SECTION 23. IC 6-1.1-18-22 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 22. (a) As used in this section, "qualified taxing unit" refers to the following taxing units:**

(1) DeKalb County.

(2) The town of Middlebury in Elkhart County.

(b) Before July 1, 2014, the department shall calculate and certify to the fiscal body of a qualified taxing unit the result of:

(1) the amount of the property tax levy that could have been imposed for property taxes first due and payable in 2014, if the budgets and levies of the qualified taxing unit had been properly advertised; minus

(2) the amount of the property tax levy approved by the department under IC 6-1.1-17 for property taxes first due and payable in calendar year 2014, after reducing the qualified taxing unit's budget and property tax levy because the qualified taxing unit's budget and property tax levy information were not properly advertised.

(c) After receiving the certifications required under subsection (b), the fiscal body of a qualified taxing unit may adopt an ordinance authorizing the qualified taxing unit to borrow money from a financial institution to replace part or all of the amount certified under subsection (b).

(d) If a qualified taxing unit receives a loan under this section, the fiscal officer of the qualified taxing unit shall deposit the loan in each fund affected by the reduction of the qualified taxing unit's budget and property tax levy. The amount deposited may be used for any of the lawful purposes of that fund.

(e) If a qualified taxing unit borrows money under subsection (c), the qualified taxing unit shall impose a property tax levy in calendar year 2015 for the qualified taxing unit's debt service fund to repay the total amount borrowed. The property tax levy under this subsection must be treated as:

(1) protected taxes (as defined in IC 6-1.1-20.6-9.8); and

(2) property taxes that are exempt from the levy limitations of IC 6-1.1-18.5.

(f) This section expires June 30, 2016.

SECTION 24. IC 6-1.1-18.5-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.218-2013, SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 8. (a) The ad valorem property tax levy limits imposed by section 3 of this chapter do not apply to ad valorem property taxes imposed by a civil taxing unit if the civil taxing unit is committed to levy the taxes to pay or fund either:

(1) bonded indebtedness; or

(2) lease rentals under a lease with an original term of at least five (5) years.

~~However, this section does not apply to ad valorem property taxes imposed by a township to repay money borrowed under IC 36-6-6-14.~~

(b) Except as provided by subsections (g) and (h), a civil taxing unit must file a petition requesting approval from the department of local government finance to incur bonded indebtedness or execute a lease with an original term of at least five (5) years not later than twenty-four (24) months after the first date of publication of notice of a preliminary determination under IC 6-1.1-20-3.1(2) (as in effect before July 1, 2008), unless the civil taxing unit demonstrates that a longer period is reasonable in light of the civil taxing unit's facts and circumstances. A civil taxing unit must obtain approval from the department of local government finance before the civil taxing unit may:

(1) incur the bonded indebtedness; or

(2) enter into the lease.

(c) The department of local government finance shall render a decision within three (3) months after the date it receives a request for approval under subsection (b). However, the department of local government finance may extend this three (3) month period by an additional three (3) months if, at least ten (10) days before the end of the original three (3) month period, the department sends notice of the extension to the executive officer of the civil taxing unit. A civil taxing unit may petition for judicial review of the final determination of the department of local government finance under this section. The petition must be filed in the tax court not more than forty-five (45) days after

the department enters its order under this section.

(d) A civil taxing unit does not need approval under subsection (b) to obtain temporary loans made in anticipation of and to be paid from current revenues of the civil taxing unit actually levied and in the course of collection for the fiscal year in which the loans are made.

(e) For purposes of computing the ad valorem property tax levy limits imposed on a civil taxing unit by section 3 of this chapter, the civil taxing unit's ad valorem property tax levy for a calendar year does not include that part of its levy that is committed to fund or pay bond indebtedness or lease rentals with an original term of five (5) years in subsection (a).

(f) A taxpayer may petition for judicial review of the final determination of the department of local government finance under this section. The petition must be filed in the tax court not more than thirty (30) days after the department enters its order under this section.

(g) This subsection applies only to bonds, leases, and other obligations for which a civil taxing unit:

(1) after June 30, 2008, makes a preliminary determination as described in IC 6-1.1-20-3.1 or IC 6-1.1-20-3.5 or a decision as described in IC 6-1.1-20-5; or

(2) in the case of bonds, leases, or other obligations payable from ad valorem property taxes but not described in subdivision (1), adopts a resolution or ordinance authorizing the bonds, lease rental agreement, or other obligations after June 30, 2008.

Notwithstanding any other provision, review by the department of local government finance and approval by the department of local government finance is not required before a civil taxing unit may issue or enter into bonds, a lease, or any other obligation.

(h) This subsection applies after June 30, 2008. Notwithstanding any other provision, review by the department of local government finance and approval by the department of local government finance is not required before a civil taxing unit may construct, alter, or repair a capital project.

SECTION 25. IC 36-4-7-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 6. Before the ~~publication~~ **submission** of notice of budget estimates required by IC 6-1.1-17-3, each city shall formulate a budget estimate for the ensuing budget year in the following manner:

(1) Each department head shall prepare for ~~his~~ **the department head's** department an estimate of the amount of money required for the ensuing budget year, stating in detail each category and item of expenditure ~~he~~ **the department head** anticipates.

(2) The city fiscal officer shall prepare an itemized estimate of revenues available for the ensuing budget year, and shall prepare an itemized estimate of expenditures for other purposes above the money proposed to be used by the departments.

(3) The city executive shall meet with the department heads and the fiscal officer to review and revise their various estimates.

(4) After the executive's review and revision, the fiscal officer shall prepare for the executive a report of the estimated department budgets, miscellaneous expenses, and revenues necessary or available to finance the estimates.

SECTION 26. IC 36-5-3-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 3. Before the ~~publication~~ **submission** of notice of budget estimates required by IC 6-1.1-17-3, each town shall formulate a budget estimate for the ensuing budget year in the following manner, unless it provides by ordinance for a different manner:

(1) Each department head shall prepare for ~~his~~ **the department head's** department an estimate of the amount of money required for the ensuing budget year, stating in detail each category and item of expenditure ~~he~~ **the department head** anticipates.

(2) The town fiscal officer shall prepare an itemized estimate of revenues available for the ensuing budget year, and shall prepare an itemized estimate of expenditures for other purposes above the money proposed to be used by the departments.

(3) The town executive shall meet with the department heads and the fiscal officer to review and revise their various estimates.

(4) After the executive's review and revision, the fiscal officer shall prepare for the executive a report of the estimated department budgets, miscellaneous expenses, and revenues necessary or available to finance the estimates.

SECTION 27. IC 36-8-19-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.182-2009(ss), SECTION 443, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 8. (a) Upon the adoption of identical ordinances or resolutions, or both, by the participating units under section 6 of this chapter, the designated provider unit must establish a fire protection territory fund from which all expenses of operating and maintaining the fire protection services within the territory, including repairs, fees, salaries, depreciation on all depreciable assets, rents, supplies, contingencies, and all other expenses lawfully incurred within the territory shall be paid. The purposes described in this subsection are the sole purposes of the fund, and money in the fund may not be used for any other expenses. Except

as allowed in subsections (d) and (e) and section 8.5 of this chapter, the provider unit is not authorized to transfer money out of the fund at any time.

(b) The fund consists of the following:

(1) All receipts from the tax imposed under this section.

(2) Any money transferred to the fund by the provider unit as authorized under subsection (d).

(3) Any receipts from a false alarm fee or service charge imposed by the participating units under IC 36-8-13-4.

(4) Any money transferred to the fund by a participating unit under section 8.6 of this chapter.

(c) The provider unit, with the assistance of each of the other participating units, shall annually budget the necessary money to meet the expenses of operation and maintenance of the fire protection services within the territory. ~~plus~~ **The provider unit may maintain** a reasonable ~~operating~~ balance, not to exceed **one hundred** twenty percent ~~(20%)~~ **(120%)** of the budgeted expenses. Except as provided in IC 6-1.1-18.5-10.5, after estimating expenses and receipts of money, the provider unit shall establish the tax levy required to fund the estimated budget. The amount budgeted under this subsection shall be considered a part of each of the participating unit's budget.

(d) If the amount levied in a particular year is insufficient to cover the costs incurred in providing fire protection services within the territory, the provider unit may transfer from available sources to the fire protection territory fund the money needed to cover those costs. In this case:

(1) the levy in the following year shall be increased by the amount required to be transferred; and

(2) the provider unit is entitled to transfer the amount described in subdivision (1) from the fund as reimbursement to the provider unit.

(e) If the amount levied in a particular year exceeds the amount necessary to cover the costs incurred in providing fire protection services within the territory, the levy in the following year shall be reduced by the amount of surplus money that is not transferred to the equipment replacement fund established under section 8.5 of this chapter. The amount that may be transferred to the equipment replacement fund may not exceed five percent (5%) of the levy for that fund for that year. Each participating unit must agree to the amount to be transferred by adopting an ordinance (if the unit is a county or municipality) or a resolution (if the unit is a township) that specifies an identical amount to be transferred.

(f) The tax under this section is subject to the tax levy limitations imposed under IC 6-1.1-18.5-10.5.

SECTION 28. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] **(a) IC 6-1.1-12-10.1, IC 6-1.1-12-12, IC 6-1.1-12-15, IC 6-1.1-12-17, IC 6-1.1-12-17.5, IC 6-1.1-12-27.1, IC 6-1.1-12-30, IC 6-1.1-12-35.5, IC 6-1.1-12-38, IC 6-1.1-12-45, IC 6-1.1-12.6-3, and IC 6-1.1-12.8-4, all as amended by this act, apply to deductions claimed for assessment dates after February 28, 2014.**

(b) This SECTION expires July 1, 2018.

SECTION 29. **An emergency is declared for this act.**

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred House Bill 1266, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 4, line 7, delete "IC 36-7-14-39(i)" and insert "**IC 36-7-14-39(j)**".

Page 4, line 7, strike "IC 36-7-15.1-26(g)." and insert "**IC 36-7-15.1-26(h).**".

Page 5, line 15, delete "to the electric rail service fund established by" and insert "**for railroad car maintenance and improvements provided under IC 6-1.1-8.2.**".

Page 5, delete line 16.

Page 19, between lines 21 and 22, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 20. IC 6-1.1-15-12, AS AMENDED BY P.L.172-2011, SECTION 31, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. (a) Subject to the limitations contained in subsections (c), ~~and~~ (d), **and (i),** a county auditor shall correct errors which are discovered in the tax duplicate for any one (1) or more of the following reasons:

(1) The description of the real property was in error.

(2) The assessment was against the wrong person.

(3) Taxes on the same property were charged more than one (1) time in the same year.

(4) There was a mathematical error in computing the taxes or penalties on the taxes.

(5) There was an error in carrying delinquent taxes forward from one (1) tax duplicate to another.

(6) The taxes, as a matter of law, were illegal.

(7) There was a mathematical error in computing an assessment.

(8) Through an error of omission by any state or county officer, the taxpayer was not given:

(A) the proper credit under IC 6-1.1-20.6-7.5 for property taxes imposed for an assessment date after January 15, 2011;

(B) any other credit permitted by law;

(C) an exemption permitted by law; or

(D) a deduction permitted by law.

(b) **Subject to subsection (i),** the county auditor shall correct an error described under subsection (a)(1), (a)(2), (a)(3), (a)(4), or (a)(5) when the county auditor finds that the error exists.

(c) If the tax is based on an assessment made or determined by the

department of local government finance, the county auditor shall not correct an error described under subsection (a)(6), (a)(7), or (a)(8) until after the correction is either approved by the department of local government finance or ordered by the tax court.

(d) If the tax is not based on an assessment made or determined by the department of local government finance, the county auditor shall correct an error described under subsection (a)(6), (a)(7), or (a)(8) only if the correction is first approved by at least two (2) of the following officials:

(1) The township assessor (if any).

(2) The county auditor.

(3) The county assessor.

If two (2) of these officials do not approve such a correction, the county auditor shall refer the matter to the county board for determination. The county board shall provide a copy of the determination to the taxpayer and to the county auditor.

(e) A taxpayer may appeal a determination of the county board to the Indiana board for a final administrative determination. An appeal under this section shall be conducted in the same manner as appeals under sections 4 through 8 of this chapter. The Indiana board shall send the final administrative determination to the taxpayer, the county auditor, the county assessor, and the township assessor (if any).

(f) If a correction or change is made in the tax duplicate after it is delivered to the county treasurer, the county auditor shall transmit a certificate of correction to the county treasurer. The county treasurer shall keep the certificate as the voucher for settlement with the county auditor.

(g) A taxpayer that files a personal property tax return under IC 6-1.1-3 may not petition under this section for the correction of an error made by the taxpayer on the taxpayer's personal property tax return. If the taxpayer wishes to correct an error made by the taxpayer on the taxpayer's personal property tax return, the taxpayer must instead file an amended personal property tax return under IC 6-1.1-3-7.5.

(h) A taxpayer that files a statement under IC 6-1.1-8-19 may not petition under this section for the correction of an error made by the taxpayer on the taxpayer's statement. If the taxpayer wishes to correct an error made by the taxpayer on the taxpayer's statement, the taxpayer must instead initiate an objection under IC 6-1.1-8-28 or an appeal under IC 6-1.1-8-30.

(i) A taxpayer is not entitled to relief under this section unless the taxpayer files a petition to correct an error:

(1) with the auditor of the county in which the taxes were originally paid; and

(2) within three (3) years after the taxes were first due.".

Page 21, delete lines 12 through 42.

Page 22, delete lines 1 through 26.

Page 25, line 24, reset in roman "a public library" and insert "**that has its proposed budget and proposed property tax levy approved under section 20.3 of this chapter**".

Page 25, line 25, reset in roman "or".

Page 25, line 26, after "." insert "**The term includes a public library that has a taxing district located within at least two (2) counties.**".

Page 26, delete lines 25 through 42, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 23. IC 6-1.1-17-20.3, AS ADDED BY P.L.137-2012, SECTION 28, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 20.3. (a) This section applies only to the governing body of a public library that:

(1) governs a taxing district that is located within a single county;

~~(1)~~ **(2)** is not comprised of a majority of officials who are elected to serve on the governing body; and

~~(2)~~ **(3)** has a percentage increase in the proposed budget for the taxing unit for the ensuing calendar year that is more than the result of:

(A) the assessed value growth quotient determined under IC 6-1.1-18.5-2 for the ensuing calendar year; minus

(B) one (1).

For purposes of this section, an individual who qualifies to be appointed to a governing body or serves on a governing body because of the individual's status as an elected official of another taxing unit shall be treated as an official who was not elected to serve on the governing body.

(b) This section does not apply to an entity whose tax levies are subject to review and modification by a city-county legislative body under IC 36-3-6-9.

(c) If:

(1) the assessed valuation of a public library is entirely contained within a city or town; or

(2) the assessed valuation of a public library is not entirely contained within a city or town but the public library was originally established by the city or town;

the governing body shall submit its proposed budget and property tax levy to the city or town fiscal body in the manner prescribed by the department of local government finance before September 2 of a year. However, the governing body shall submit its proposed budget and property tax levy to the county fiscal body in the manner provided in subsection (d), rather than to the city or town fiscal body, if more than fifty percent (50%) of the parcels of real property within the jurisdiction of the public library are located outside the city or town.

(d) If subsection (c) does not apply, the governing body of the public library shall submit its proposed budget and property tax levy to the county fiscal body in the county where the public library has the most assessed valuation. The proposed budget and levy shall be submitted to the county fiscal body in the manner prescribed by the department of local government finance before September 2 of a year.

(e) The fiscal body of the city, town, or county (whichever applies) shall review each budget and proposed tax levy and adopt a final budget and tax levy for the public library. The fiscal body may reduce or modify but not increase the proposed budget or tax levy.

(f) If a public library fails to file the information required in subsection (c) or (d), whichever applies, with the appropriate fiscal body by the time prescribed by this section, the most recent annual appropriations and annual tax levy of that public library are continued for the ensuing budget year.

(g) If the appropriate fiscal body fails to complete the requirements of subsection (e) before the adoption deadline in section 5 of this chapter for any public library subject to this section, the most recent annual appropriations and annual tax levy of the city, town, or county, whichever applies, are continued for the ensuing budget year.

SECTION 24. IC 6-1.1-18-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.137-2012, SECTION 29, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 5. (a) If the proper officers of a political subdivision desire to appropriate more money for a particular year than the amount prescribed in the budget for that year as finally determined under this article, they shall give notice of their proposed additional appropriation. The notice shall state the time and place at which a public hearing will be held on the proposal. The notice shall be given once in accordance with IC 5-3-1-2(b).

(b) If the additional appropriation by the political subdivision is made from a fund that receives:

(1) distributions from the motor vehicle highway account established under IC 8-14-1-1 or the local road and street account established under IC 8-14-2-4; or

(2) revenue from property taxes levied under IC 6-1.1;

the political subdivision must report the additional appropriation to the department of local government finance. If the additional appropriation is made from a fund described under this subsection, subsections (f), (g), (h), and (i) apply to the political subdivision.

(c) However, if the additional appropriation is not made from a fund described under subsection (b), subsections (f), (g), (h), and (i) do not apply to the political subdivision. Subsections (f), (g), (h), and (i) do not apply to an additional appropriation made from the cumulative bridge fund if the appropriation meets the requirements under IC 8-16-3-3(c).

(d) A political subdivision may make an additional appropriation without approval of the department of local government finance if the additional appropriation is made from a fund that is not described under subsection (b). However, the fiscal officer of the political subdivision shall report the additional appropriation to the department of local government finance.

(e) After the public hearing, the proper officers of the political subdivision shall file a certified copy of their final proposal and any other relevant information to the department of local government finance.

(f) When the department of local government finance receives a certified copy of a proposal for an additional appropriation under subsection (e), the department shall determine whether sufficient funds are available or will be available for the proposal. The determination shall be made in writing and sent to the political subdivision not more than fifteen (15) days after the department of local government finance receives the proposal.

(g) In making the determination under subsection (f), the department of local government finance shall limit the amount of the additional appropriation to revenues available, or to be made available, which have not been previously appropriated.

(h) If the department of local government finance disapproves an additional appropriation under subsection (f), the department shall specify the reason for its disapproval on the determination sent to the political subdivision.

(i) A political subdivision may request a reconsideration of a determination of the department of local government finance under this section by filing a written request for reconsideration. A request for reconsideration must:

(1) be filed with the department of local government finance within fifteen (15) days of the receipt of the determination by the

political subdivision; and

(2) state with reasonable specificity the reason for the request.

The department of local government finance must act on a request for reconsideration within fifteen (15) days of receiving the request.

(j) This subsection applies to an additional appropriation by a political subdivision that must have the political subdivision's annual appropriations and annual tax levy adopted by a city, town, or county fiscal body under IC 6-1.1-17-20 or by a legislative or fiscal body under IC 36-3-6-9. The fiscal or legislative body of the city, town, or county that adopted the political subdivision's annual appropriation and annual tax levy must adopt the additional appropriation by ordinance before the department of local government finance may approve the additional appropriation.

(k) This subsection applies to a public library that:

(1) is required to submit the public library's budgets, tax rates, and tax levies for nonbinding review under IC 6-1.1-17-3.5; and

(2) is not required to submit the public library's budgets, tax rates, and tax levies for binding review and approval under IC 6-1.1-17-20.

If a public library subject to this subsection proposes to make an additional appropriation for a year, and the additional appropriation would result in the budget for the library for that year increasing (as compared to the previous year) by a percentage that is greater than the result of the assessed value growth quotient determined under IC 6-1.1-18.5-2 for the calendar year minus one (1), the additional appropriation must first be approved by the city, town, or county fiscal body described in IC 6-1.1-17-20.3(c) or ~~IC 6-1.1-17-20(d),~~ **IC 6-1.1-17-20.3(d),** as appropriate.".

Delete pages 27 through 28.

Page 29, delete lines 1 through 35, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 26. IC 6-1.1-18-22 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 22. (a) As used in this section, "qualified taxing unit" refers to the following taxing units:**

(1) DeKalb County.

(2) The town of Middlebury in Elkhart County.

(b) Before July 1, 2014, the department shall calculate and certify to the fiscal body of a qualified taxing unit the result of:

(1) the amount of the property tax levy that could have been imposed for property taxes first due and payable in 2014, if the budgets and levies of the qualified taxing unit had been

properly advertised; minus

(2) the amount of the property tax levy approved by the department under IC 6-1.1-17 for property taxes first due and payable in calendar year 2014, after reducing the qualified taxing unit's budget and property tax levy because the qualified taxing unit's budget and property tax levy information were not properly advertised.

(c) After receiving the certifications required under subsection (b), the fiscal body of a qualified taxing unit may adopt an ordinance authorizing the qualified taxing unit to borrow money from a financial institution to replace part or all of the amount certified under subsection (b).

(d) If a qualified taxing unit receives a loan under this section, the fiscal officer of the qualified taxing unit shall deposit the loan in each fund affected by the reduction of the qualified taxing unit's budget and property tax levy. The amount deposited may be used for any of the lawful purposes of that fund.

(e) If a qualified taxing unit borrows money under subsection (c), the qualified taxing unit shall impose a property tax levy in calendar year 2015 for the qualified taxing unit's debt service fund to repay the total amount borrowed. The property tax levy under this subsection must be treated as:

(1) protected taxes (as defined in IC 6-1.1-20.6-9.8); and

(2) property taxes that are exempt from the levy limitations of IC 6-1.1-18.5.

(f) This section expires June 30, 2016.".

Page 34, between lines 20 and 21, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 32. IC 36-7-14-15.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.119-2012, SECTION 206, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 15.5. (a) This section applies to a county having a population of more than two hundred fifty thousand (250,000) but less than two hundred seventy thousand (270,000).

(b) In adopting a declaratory resolution under section 15 of this chapter, a redevelopment commission may include a provision stating that the redevelopment project area is considered to include one (1) or more additional areas outside the boundaries of the redevelopment project area if the redevelopment commission makes the following findings and the requirements of subsection (c) are met:

(1) One (1) or more taxpayers presently located within the boundaries of the redevelopment project area are expected within one (1) year to relocate all or part of their operations outside the boundaries of the redevelopment project area and have expressed

an interest in relocating all or part of their operations within the boundaries of an additional area.

(2) The relocation described in subdivision (1) will contribute to the continuation of the conditions described in IC 36-7-1-3 in the redevelopment project area.

(3) For purposes of this section, it will be of public utility and benefit to include the additional areas as part of the redevelopment project area.

(c) Each additional area must be designated by the redevelopment commission as a redevelopment project area or an economic development area under this chapter.

(d) Notwithstanding section 3 of this chapter, the additional areas shall be considered to be a part of the redevelopment special taxing district under the jurisdiction of the redevelopment commission. Any excess property taxes that the commission has determined may be paid to taxing units under section ~~39(b)(4)~~ **39)(b)(5)** of this chapter shall be paid to the taxing units from which the excess property taxes were derived. All powers of the redevelopment commission authorized under this chapter may be exercised by the redevelopment commission in additional areas under its jurisdiction.

(e) The declaratory resolution must include a statement of the general boundaries of each additional area. However, it is sufficient to describe those boundaries by location in relation to public ways, streams, or otherwise, as determined by the commissioners.

(f) The declaratory resolution may include a provision with respect to the allocation and distribution of property taxes with respect to one (1) or more of the additional areas in the manner provided in section 39 of this chapter. If the redevelopment commission includes such a provision in the resolution, allocation areas in the redevelopment project area and in the additional areas considered to be part of the redevelopment project area shall be considered a single allocation area for purposes of this chapter.

(g) The additional areas must be located within the same county as the redevelopment project area but are not otherwise required to be within the jurisdiction of the redevelopment commission, if the redevelopment commission obtains the consent by ordinance of:

(1) the county legislative body, for each additional area located within the unincorporated part of the county; or

(2) the legislative body of the city or town affected, for each additional area located within a city or town.

In granting its consent, the legislative body shall approve the plan of development or redevelopment relating to the additional area.

(h) A declaratory resolution previously adopted may be amended to include a provision to include additional areas as set forth in this section and an allocation provision under section 39 of this chapter with respect to one (1) or more of the additional areas in accordance with sections 15, 16, and 17 of this chapter.

(i) The redevelopment commission may amend the allocation provision of a declaratory resolution in accordance with sections 15, 16, and 17 of this chapter to change the assessment date that determines the base assessed value of property in the allocation area to any assessment date following the effective date of the allocation provision of the declaratory resolution. Such a change may relate to the assessment date that determines the base assessed value of that portion of the allocation area that is located in the redevelopment project area alone, that portion of the allocation area that is located in an additional area alone, or the entire allocation area.".

Page 34, line 35, delete "(j);" and insert "**(i);**".

Page 35, line 5, delete "(j);" and insert "**(i);**".

Page 35, line 21, delete "(j)." and insert "**(i).**".

Page 35, line 26, delete "(j)." and insert "**(i).**".

Page 36, line 8, delete "A" and insert "**Subject to subsection (k),** a".

Page 36, line 12, delete "A" and insert "**Subject to subsection (k),** a".

Page 39, line 29, delete "(i)," and insert "**(h),**".

Page 40, delete lines 17 through 28.

Page 40, line 29, delete "(d)" and insert "**(c)**".

Page 40, line 36, reset in roman "commission".

Page 40, line 36, delete "fiscal body".

Page 40, line 39, reset in roman "commission".

Page 40, line 39, delete "fiscal body".

Page 41, delete line 1.

Page 41, line 2, delete "with the written notice.".

Page 41, line 4, after "the" reset in roman "commission.".

Page 41, line 4, delete "fiscal body.".

Page 41, line 4, after "The" reset in roman "commission".

Page 41, line 4, delete "fiscal".

Page 41, line 5, delete "body".

Page 41, line 9, delete "(e)" and insert "**(d)**".

Page 41, line 17, delete "(f)" and insert "**(e)**".

Page 41, line 21, delete "(g)" and insert "**(f)**".

Page 41, line 25, delete "(h)" and insert "**(g)**".

Page 41, line 33, delete "(i)" and insert "**(h)**".

Page 42, line 23, delete "(j)" and insert "**(i)**".

Page 43, line 12, delete "(k)" and insert "**(j)**".

Page 43, between lines 26 and 27, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"**(k) After June 30, 2014, a redevelopment commission may not adopt a proposed declaratory resolution or an amendment to a declaratory resolution that includes a provision for the allocation and distribution of property taxes in accordance with subsection (b) if the allocation provision would establish or enlarge an allocation area in such a manner that, if the resolution or amendment were adopted:**

(1) the aggregate geographic area included in allocation areas within the county would exceed twelve percent (12%) of the geographic area of the county; or

(2) the aggregate base assessed value included in allocation areas within the county would exceed twelve percent (12%) of the assessed value of property in the county;

unless each taxing unit wholly or partially located within the allocation area first adopts a resolution approving the proposed declaratory resolution or amendment to a declaratory resolution.".

Page 43, line 35, delete "39(j)" and insert "**39(i)**".

Page 47, line 4, delete "39(j)" and insert "**39(i)**".

Page 48, between lines 36 and 37, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 35. IC 36-7-15.1-26, AS AMENDED BY P.L.112-2012, SECTION 56, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 26. (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 8 of this chapter refers for purposes of distribution and allocation of property taxes.

"Base assessed value" means the following:

(1) If an allocation provision is adopted after June 30, 1995, in a declaratory resolution or an amendment to a declaratory resolution establishing an economic development area:

(A) 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);~~ **(i);** plus

(B) to the extent that it is not included in clause (A), the net assessed value of property that is assessed as residential property under the rules of the department of local government finance, as finally determined for any assessment date after the effective date of the allocation provision.

(2) If an allocation provision is adopted after June 30, 1997, in a

declaratory resolution or an amendment to a declaratory resolution establishing a redevelopment project area:

(A) 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);~~ **(i);** plus

(B) to the extent that it is not included in clause (A), the net assessed value of property that is assessed as residential property under the rules of the department of local government finance, as finally determined for any assessment date after the effective date of the allocation provision.

(3) If:

(A) an allocation provision adopted before June 30, 1995, in a declaratory resolution or an amendment to a declaratory resolution establishing a redevelopment project area expires after June 30, 1997; and

(B) after June 30, 1997, a new allocation provision is included in an amendment to the declaratory resolution;

the net assessed value of all the property as finally determined for the assessment date immediately preceding the effective date of the allocation provision adopted after June 30, 1997, as adjusted under subsection ~~(h).~~ **(i).**

(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).~~ **(i).**

(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.

"Obligation" includes currently outstanding bonds, leases, and contracts.

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) **Subject to subsection (k),** a resolution adopted under section 8 of this chapter on or before the allocation deadline determined under subsection ~~(i)~~ **(j)** 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. **Subject to subsection (k),** 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)~~ **(j)** in accordance with the procedures required for its original adoption. 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 a special 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 that are incurred by the redevelopment district for the purpose of financing or refinancing the redevelopment of that allocation area.

(B) Establish, augment, or restore the debt service reserve for bonds payable solely or in part from allocated tax proceeds in that allocation area.

(C) Pay the principal of and interest on bonds payable from allocated tax proceeds in that allocation area and from the special tax levied under section 19 of this chapter.

(D) Pay the principal of and interest on bonds issued by the consolidated city to pay for local public improvements that are physically located in or physically connected to that allocation area.

(E) Pay premiums on the redemption before maturity of bonds payable solely or in part from allocated tax proceeds in that allocation area.

(F) Make payments on leases payable from allocated tax proceeds in that allocation area under section 17.1 of this chapter.

(G) Reimburse the consolidated city for expenditures for local public improvements (which include buildings, parking facilities, and other items set forth in section 17 of this chapter) that are physically located in or physically connected to that allocation area.

(H) Reimburse the unit for rentals paid by it for a building or parking facility that is physically located in or physically connected to that allocation area under any lease entered into under IC 36-1-10.

(I) Reimburse public and private entities for expenses incurred in training employees of industrial facilities that are located:

(i) in the allocation area; and

(ii) on a parcel of real property that has been classified as industrial property under the rules of the department of local government finance.

However, the total amount of money spent for this purpose in any year may not exceed the total amount of money in the allocation fund that is attributable to property taxes paid by the industrial facilities described in this clause. The reimbursements under this clause must be made within three (3) years after the date on which the investments that are the basis for the increment financing are made.

(J) Pay the costs of carrying out an eligible efficiency project (as defined in IC 36-9-41-1.5) within the unit that established the redevelopment commission. However, property tax proceeds may be used under this clause to pay the costs of carrying out an eligible efficiency project only if those property tax proceeds exceed the amount necessary to do the following:

(i) Make, when due, any payments required under clauses (A) through (I), including any payments of principal and interest on bonds and other obligations payable under this subdivision, any payments of premiums under this subdivision on the redemption before maturity of bonds, and any payments on leases payable under this subdivision.

(ii) Make any reimbursements required under this subdivision.

(iii) Pay any expenses required under this subdivision.

(iv) Establish, augment, or restore any debt service reserve under this subdivision.

The special fund may not be used for operating expenses of the commission.

(4) Before July 15 of each year, the commission shall ~~do the following:~~ **conduct a public hearing. Notice of the hearing shall be given in accordance with IC 5-3-1. The commission shall also provide a copy of the notice to the department of local government finance and each taxing unit within an**

allocation area governed by the commission at least ten (10) days before the hearing. The notice must include:

(A) estimated incremental revenues for the ensuing year;

(B) estimated obligations to be paid for the ensuing year;

(C) actual obligations paid in the previous year; and

(D) estimated fiscal impact to the taxing units if:

(i) the commission captures the amount it intends to capture; and

(ii) the commission releases all incremental assessed valuation.

(5) At the close of the hearing, the commission shall:

(A) Determine the amount, if any, by which the assessed value of the taxable property in the allocation area for the most recent assessment date minus the base assessed value, when multiplied by the estimated tax rate of the allocation area will exceed the amount of assessed value needed to provide the property taxes necessary to make, when due, principal and interest payments on bonds described in subdivision (3) plus the amount necessary for other purposes described in subdivision (3) and subsection ~~(g).~~ **(h).**

(B) Determine the tax increment replacement amount under IC 6-1.1-21.2-11.

(C) Present an estimate of tax increment revenues and financial obligations for the ensuing year.

~~(B)~~ **(c) Following the hearing, the commission shall** provide a written notice to the county auditor, the legislative body of the consolidated city, and the officers who are authorized to fix budgets, tax rates, and tax levies under IC 6-1.1-17-5 for each of the other taxing units that is wholly or partly located within the allocation area. The notice must:

~~(i)~~ **(1)** state the amount, if any, of excess assessed value that the commission has determined may be allocated to the respective taxing units in the manner prescribed in ~~subdivision (1);~~ **subsection (b)(1);** or

~~(ii)~~ **(2)** state that the commission has determined that there is no excess assessed value that may be allocated to the respective taxing units in the manner prescribed in ~~subdivision (1).~~ **subsection (b)(1).**

The county auditor shall allocate to the respective taxing units the amount, if any, of excess assessed value determined by the commission. The commission may not authorize an allocation to the respective taxing units under this subdivision if to do so would

endanger the interests of the holders of bonds described in ~~subdivision (3).~~ **subsection (b)(3).**

~~(c)~~ **(d)** For the purpose of allocating taxes levied by or for any taxing unit or units, the assessed value of taxable property in a territory in the allocation area that is annexed by any taxing unit after the effective date of the allocation provision of the resolution is the lesser of:

(1) the assessed value of the property for the assessment date with respect to which the allocation and distribution is made; or

(2) the base assessed value.

~~(d)~~ **(e)** Property tax proceeds allocable to the redevelopment district under subsection (b)(3) may, subject to subsection ~~(b)(4),~~ **(b)(5),** be irrevocably pledged by the redevelopment district for payment as set forth in subsection (b)(3).

~~(e)~~ **(f)** 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)~~ **(g)** 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.

~~(g)~~ **(h)** 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 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)~~ **(i)** 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)~~ **(j)** 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.

(k) After June 30, 2014, the commission may not adopt a proposed declaratory resolution or an amendment to a declaratory resolution that includes a provision for the allocation and distribution of property taxes in accordance with subsection (b) if the allocation provision would establish or enlarge an allocation area in such a manner that, if the resolution or amendment were adopted:

(1) the aggregate geographic area included in allocation areas within the county would exceed ten percent (10%) of the geographic area of the county; or

(2) the aggregate base assessed value included in allocation areas within the county would exceed ten percent (10%) of the assessed value of property in the county;

unless each designated taxing unit wholly or partially located within the redevelopment district first adopts a resolution approving the proposed declaratory resolution or amendment to a declaratory resolution.

SECTION 26. IC 36-7-15.1-26.2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.172-2011, SECTION 153, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 26.2. (a) As used in this section, "depreciable personal property" refers to all of the designated taxpayer's depreciable personal property that is located in the allocation area.

(b) As used in this section, "designated taxpayer" means a taxpayer designated by the commission in a declaratory resolution adopted or amended under section 8 or 10.5 of this chapter, and with respect to which the commission finds that:

(1) taxes to be derived from the taxpayer's depreciable personal property in the allocation area, in excess of the taxes attributable to the base assessed value of that personal property, are needed to pay debt service for bonds issued under section 17 of this chapter or to make payments on leases payable under section 17.1 of this chapter in order to provide local public improvements for a particular allocation area;

(2) the taxpayer's property in the allocation area will consist primarily of industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, research and development, processing, distribution, transportation, or convention center hotel related projects or regulated amusement devices (as defined in IC 22-12-1-19.1) and related improvements; and

(3) the taxpayer's property in the allocation area will not consist primarily of retail, commercial, or residential projects, other than an amusement park or tourism industry project.

For purposes of subdivision (3), a convention center hotel project is not considered a retail, commercial, or residential project.

(c) The allocation provision of a declaratory resolution may modify the definition of "property taxes" under section 26(a) of this chapter to include taxes imposed under IC 6-1.1 on the depreciable personal property of designated taxpayers in accordance with the procedures and limitations set forth in this section and section 26 of this chapter. If such a modification is included in the resolution, for purposes of section 26 of this chapter the term "base assessed value" with respect to the depreciable personal property of designated taxpayers means the net assessed value of the depreciable personal property as finally determined for the assessment date immediately preceding:

(1) the effective date of the modification, for modifications adopted before July 1, 1995; and

(2) the adoption date of the modification for modifications adopted after June 30, 1995;

as adjusted under section ~~26(h)~~ **26(i)** of this chapter.".

Page 51, line 13, strike "operating".

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1266 as introduced.)

BROWN T, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 16, nays 5.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that House Bill 1266 be amended to read as follows:

Page 26, line 4, after "counties" delete "." and insert "**and also has total annual appropriations of more than two million dollars ($2,000,000).**".

Page 27, line 8, after "county" delete ";" and insert "**or, in the case of a public library that governs a taxing district within at least two (2) counties, has total annual appropriations of not more than two million dollars ($2,000,000);**".

(Reference is to HB 1266 as printed January 28, 2014.)

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HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that House Bill 1266 be amended to read as follows:

Page 33, between lines 12 and 13, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 29. IC 10-19-11 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]:

Chapter 11. Public Safety Equipment Revolving Loan Fund

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "division" refers to the division of preparedness and training established by IC 10-19-5-1.

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "fund" refers to the public safety equipment revolving loan fund established by section 6 of this chapter.

Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "public safety equipment" includes new or used equipment or apparatus for firefighting, law enforcement, emergency medical, or other emergency services.

Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "purchaser" has the meaning set forth in IC 4-13-1-25(c).

Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "qualified purchaser" means a purchaser that the division has approved for a loan from the fund.

Sec. 6. (a) The public safety equipment revolving loan fund is established to:

(1) provide loans to purchasers for the purchase of public safety equipment; and

(2) pay the costs of administering this chapter.

(b) The division shall administer the fund.

(c) The fund consists of the following:

(1) Amounts appropriated to the fund by the general assembly.

(2) Repayment proceeds, including interest, of loans made from the fund.

(3) Donations, grants, and money received from any other source.

(4) Amounts transferred to the fund under IC 22-14-6-9.

(d) The treasurer of state shall invest money in the fund not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same manner as other public funds may be invested.

(e) Money in the fund at the end of a fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund.

(f) The fund is subject to an annual audit by the state board of accounts. The cost of the audit shall be paid from the fund.

Sec. 7. (a) The division shall do the following:

(1) Establish the policies and procedures to be used in administering the fund.

(2) Specify the information that a purchaser must submit with a loan application.

(3) Establish a loan priority rating system.

(4) Prescribe the forms to be used in administering the fund.

(5) Prescribe the persons authorized to execute loan documents on behalf of a qualified purchaser.

(6) Take other actions necessary to implement this chapter.

(b) The executive director, in consultation with the division, may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement this section.

(c) The division may enter into contracts necessary to administer this chapter, including contracts for the servicing of loans.

Sec. 8. The total amount of loans under this chapter that may be outstanding at any time may not exceed five million dollars ($5,000,000).

Sec. 9. The total amount of loans under this chapter that may be outstanding at any time to a single loan recipient may not exceed one hundred fifty thousand dollars ($150,000).

Sec. 10. (a) The division shall do the following:

(1) Review and approve or disapprove applications for loans from the fund.

(2) Establish the terms of loans from the fund.

(3) Manage loans from the fund.

(b) The division shall review applications for loans from the fund on June 1 and December 1 of each calendar year. The deadline for submitting an application is:

(1) May 17, to be eligible for review on June 1; or

(2) November 16, to be eligible for review on December 1.

An application received after a deadline has passed is eligible for review on the next review date.

Sec. 11. (a) The division shall assign a loan priority rating to each application under this chapter.

(b) A loan priority rating must be assigned in conformity with the loan priority rating system established under section 7(a)(3) of this chapter.

(c) A loan priority rating that is assigned to an applicant must reflect the need of the applicant relative to the need of all other applicants during the same review period.

(d) The division shall make loans available to qualified purchasers in descending order beginning with the qualified purchaser with the highest loan priority rating.

Sec. 12. A loan under this chapter is subject to the following conditions:

(1) The qualified purchaser may use the loan only for:

(A) the purchase of public safety equipment; and

(B) legal or other incidental expenses directly related to acquiring the public safety equipment.

(2) The repayment period may not exceed seven (7) years.

(3) The amount of the loan may not be less than ten thousand dollars ($10,000).

(4) The interest rate is to be set by the state board of finance at a rate that is not more than two percent (2%) below the prime bank lending rate prevailing at the time the application is approved.

(5) All interest reverts to the fund.

(6) The loan must be repaid in installments, including interest on the unpaid balance of the loan.

(7) The repayment of principal may be deferred for a period not to exceed two (2) years.

(8) The repayment of the loan may be limited to a specified revenue source of the recipient. If the repayment is limited under this subdivision, the repayment:

(A) is not a general obligation of the recipient; and

(B) is payable solely from the specified revenue source.

(9) The loan is not subject to a prepayment penalty.

(10) The division shall have a security interest for the balance of the loan, accrued interest, penalties, and collection expenses in the public safety equipment purchased with the proceeds of the loan.

(11) Any other conditions the division considers appropriate.

Sec. 13. Notwithstanding any other law, a loan to a qualified purchaser under this chapter may be directly negotiated with the division without public sale of bonds or other evidences of indebtedness of the qualified purchaser.

Sec. 14. Before applying for a loan under this chapter, a purchaser must obtain the approval of the fiscal unit of the purchaser, or the fiscal unit that contracts with the purchaser, if:

(1) the fiscal unit provides more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the purchaser's revenue in the year the purchaser applies for the loan; and

(2) any part of the loan will be repaid from funds paid to the purchaser by the fiscal unit.

Sec. 15. A loan from the fund does not constitute the lending of credit by the state for purposes of any other statute or the Constitution of the State of Indiana.

Sec. 16. If a qualified purchaser fails to repay a loan under this chapter or is in any way indebted to the fund for any amount incurred or accrued, the amount payable may be recovered in an action by the state on relation of the department that is prosecuted by the attorney general in the circuit or superior court of the county in which the recipient is located.

SECTION 30. IC 22-14-6-8 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]. ~~Sec. 8. (a) Notwithstanding the repeal of IC 22-14-5, the firefighting and emergency equipment revolving loan fund established by IC 22-14-5-1 (before its repeal) remains in existence after June 30, 2007, if any money remains in the fund on June 30, 2007. Money that remains in the firefighting and emergency equipment revolving loan fund on June 30, 2007, does not revert to the state general fund. Deposits or transfers may not be made to the firefighting and emergency equipment revolving loan fund, and new loans may not be made from the firefighting and emergency equipment revolving loan fund after June 30, 2007.~~

~~(b) Money remaining in the firefighting and emergency equipment revolving loan fund on June 30, 2007, must be transferred before August 1, 2007, to the fund.~~

~~(c) If money in the firefighting and emergency equipment revolving loan fund is transferred under subsection (b), the firefighting and~~

~~emergency equipment revolving loan fund is abolished immediately after the transfer under subsection (b) is completed.~~

~~(d) Notwithstanding the repeal of IC 22-14-5, if a loan provided under IC 22-14-5-1 (before its repeal) remains outstanding on June 30, 2007, the qualified entity to whom the loan was provided shall repay the loan, subject to the original terms and conditions of the loan, to the department of homeland security established by IC 10-19-2-1 for deposit in the fund.~~

~~(e) This section expires on the later of the following:~~

~~(1) August 1, 2007.~~

~~(2) The date on which the last outstanding loan provided under IC 22-14-5-1 (before its repeal) is repaid to the department of homeland security under subsection (d).~~

SECTION 31. IC 22-14-6-9 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: **Sec. 9. (a) Not later than December 1, 2014, the division shall transfer from the fund to the public safety equipment revolving loan fund established by IC 10-19-11-6 an amount equal to the amount of any loan repayments deposited in the fund under section 8(d) of this chapter (before its repeal).**

(b) This section expires on the earlier of the following dates:

(1) The date on which the transfer described in subsection (a) is complete.

(2) January 1, 2015.".

Page 63, between lines 8 and 9, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 44. IC 36-8-12-13, AS AMENDED BY P.L.208-2011, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 13. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), the volunteer fire department that responds first to an incident may impose a charge on the owner of property, the owner of a vehicle, or a responsible party (as defined in IC 13-11-2-191(e)) that is involved in a hazardous material or fuel spill or chemical or hazardous material related fire (as defined in IC 13-11-2-96(b)):

(1) that is responded to by the volunteer fire department; and

(2) that members of that volunteer fire department assisted in extinguishing, containing, or cleaning up.

A second or subsequently responding volunteer fire department may not impose a charge on an owner or responsible party under this section, although it may be entitled to reimbursement from the first responding volunteer fire department in accordance with an interlocal or other agreement.

(b) A volunteer fire department that is funded, in whole or in part:

(1) by taxes imposed by a unit; or

(2) by a contract with a unit;

may not impose a charge under subsection (a) on a natural person who resides or pays property taxes within the boundaries of the unit described in subdivision (1) or (2), unless the spill or the chemical or hazardous material fire poses an imminent threat to persons or property.

(c) The volunteer fire department shall bill the owner or responsible party of the vehicle for the total dollar value of the assistance that was provided, with that value determined by a method that the state fire marshal shall establish under section 16 of this chapter. A copy of the fire incident report to the state fire marshal must accompany the bill. This billing must take place within thirty (30) days after the assistance was provided. The owner or responsible party shall remit payment directly to the governmental unit providing the service. Any money that is collected under this section may be:

(1) deposited in the township firefighting fund established in IC 36-8-13-4;

(2) used to pay principal and interest on a loan made by the department of homeland security established by IC 10-19-2-1 or a division of the department for the purchase of new or used firefighting and other emergency equipment or apparatus, **including a loan made from the public safety equipment revolving loan fund under IC 10-19-11 for the purchase of public safety equipment;** or

(3) used for the purchase of equipment, buildings, and property for firefighting, fire protection, and other emergency services.

(d) Any administrative fees charged by a fire department's agent must be paid only from fees that are collected and allowed by Indiana law and the fire marshal's schedule of fees.

(e) An agent who processes fees on behalf of a fire department shall send all bills, notices, and other related materials to both the fire department and the person being billed for services.

(f) All fees allowed by Indiana law and the fire marshal's fee schedule must be itemized separately from any other charges.

(g) The volunteer fire department may maintain a civil action to recover an unpaid charge that is imposed under subsection (a) and may, if it prevails, recover all costs of the action, including reasonable attorney's fees.

SECTION 45. IC 36-8-12-16, AS AMENDED BY P.L.208-2011, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 16. (a) A volunteer fire department that provides

service within a jurisdiction served by the department may establish a schedule of charges for the services that the department provides not to exceed the state fire marshal's recommended schedule for services. The volunteer fire department or its agent may collect a service charge according to this schedule from the owner of property that receives service if the following conditions are met:

(1) At the following times, the department gives notice under IC 5-3-1-4(d) in each political subdivision served by the department of the amount of the service charge for each service that the department provides:

(A) Before the schedule of service charges is initiated.

(B) When there is a change in the amount of a service charge.

(2) The property owner has not sent written notice to the department to refuse service by the department to the owner's property.

(3) The bill for payment of the service charge:

(A) is submitted to the property owner in writing within thirty (30) days after the services are provided;

(B) includes a copy of a fire incident report in the form prescribed by the state fire marshal, if the service was provided for an event that requires a fire incident report;

(C) must contain verification that the bill has been approved by the chief of the volunteer fire department; and

(D) must contain language indicating that correspondence from the property owner and any question from the property owner regarding the bill should be directed to the department.

(4) Payment is remitted directly to the governmental unit providing the service.

(b) A volunteer fire department shall use the revenue collected from the fire service charges under this section:

(1) for the purchase of equipment, buildings, and property for firefighting, fire protection, or other emergency services;

(2) for deposit in the township firefighting fund established under IC 36-8-13-4; or

(3) to pay principal and interest on a loan made by the department of homeland security established by IC 10-19-2-1 or a division of the department for the purchase of new or used firefighting and other emergency equipment or apparatus, **including a loan made from the public safety equipment revolving loan fund under IC 10-19-11 for the purchase of public safety equipment.**

(c) Any administrative fees charged by a fire department's agent must be paid only from fees that are collected and allowed by Indiana

law and the fire marshal's schedule of fees.

(d) An agent who processes fees on behalf of a fire department shall send all bills, notices, and other related materials to both the fire department and the person being billed for services.

(e) All fees allowed by Indiana law and the fire marshal's fee schedule must be itemized separately from any other charges.

(f) If at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the money received by a volunteer fire department for providing fire protection or emergency services is received under one (1) or more contracts with one (1) or more political subdivisions (as defined in IC 34-6-2-110), the legislative body of a contracting political subdivision must approve the schedule of service charges established under subsection (a) before the schedule of service charges is initiated in that political subdivision.

(g) A volunteer fire department that:

(1) has contracted with a political subdivision to provide fire protection or emergency services; and

(2) charges for services under this section;

must submit a report to the legislative body of the political subdivision before April 1 of each year indicating the amount of service charges collected during the previous calendar year and how those funds have been expended.

(h) The state fire marshal shall annually prepare and publish a recommended schedule of service charges for fire protection services.

(i) The volunteer fire department or its agent may maintain a civil action to recover an unpaid service charge under this section and may, if it prevails, recover all costs of the action, including reasonable attorney's fees.

SECTION 46. IC 36-8-12-17, AS AMENDED BY P.L.208-2011, SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 17. (a) If a political subdivision has not imposed its own false alarm fee or service charge, a volunteer fire department that provides service within the jurisdiction may establish a service charge for responding to false alarms. The volunteer fire department may collect the false alarm service charge from the owner of the property if the volunteer fire department dispatches firefighting apparatus or personnel to a building or premises in the township in response to:

(1) an alarm caused by improper installation or improper maintenance; or

(2) a drill or test, if the fire department is not previously notified that the alarm is a drill or test.

However, if the owner of property that constitutes the owner's residence

establishes that the alarm is under a maintenance contract with an alarm company and that the alarm company has been notified of the improper installation or maintenance of the alarm, the alarm company is liable for the payment of the fee or service charge.

(b) Before establishing a false alarm service charge, the volunteer fire department must provide notice under IC 5-3-1-4(d) in each political subdivision served by the department of the amount of the false alarm service charge. The notice required by this subsection must be given:

(1) before the false alarm service charge is initiated; and

(2) before a change in the amount of the false alarm service charge.

(c) A volunteer fire department may not collect a false alarm service charge from a property owner or alarm company unless the department's bill for payment of the service charge:

(1) is submitted to the property owner in writing within thirty (30) days after the false alarm; and

(2) includes a copy of a fire incident report in the form prescribed by the state fire marshal.

(d) A volunteer fire department shall use the money collected from the false alarm service charge imposed under this section:

(1) for the purchase of equipment, buildings, and property for fire fighting, fire protection, or other emergency services;

(2) for deposit in the township firefighting fund established under IC 36-8-13-4; or

(3) to pay principal and interest on a loan made by the department of homeland security established by IC 10-19-2-1 or a division of the department for the purchase of new or used firefighting and other emergency equipment or apparatus, **including a loan made from the public safety equipment revolving loan fund under IC 10-19-11 for the purchase of public safety equipment.**

(e) If at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the money received by a volunteer fire department for providing fire protection or emergency services is received under one (1) or more contracts with one (1) or more political subdivisions (as defined in IC 34-6-2-110), the legislative body of a contracting political subdivision must approve the false alarm service charge established under subsection (a) before the service charge is initiated in that political subdivision.

(f) A volunteer fire department that:

(1) has contracted with a political subdivision to provide fire protection or emergency services; and

(2) imposes a false alarm service charge under this section;

must submit a report to the legislative body of the political subdivision before April 1 of each year indicating the amount of false alarm charges collected during the previous calendar year and how those funds have been expended.

(g) The volunteer fire department may maintain a civil action to recover unpaid false alarm service charges imposed under this section and may, if it prevails, recover all costs of the action, including reasonable attorney's fees.".

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to HB 1266 as printed January 28, 2014.)

MACER

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that House Bill 1266 be amended to read as follows:

Page 53, between lines 19 and 20, begin a new paragraph and insert:

""**Designated taxing unit" means a municipality, a township, a school corporation, a library, a public transportation corporation, and a health and hospital corporation.**".

Page 62, reset in roman lines 6 through 21.

(Reference is to HB 1266 as printed January 28, 2014.)

PRYOR

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred House Bill 1266, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 4, line 7, delete "IC 36-7-14-39(i)" and insert "**IC 36-7-14-39(j)**".

Page 4, line 7, strike "IC 36-7-15.1-26(g)." and insert "**IC 36-7-15.1-26(h).**".

Page 5, line 15, delete "to the electric rail service fund established by" and insert "**for railroad car maintenance and improvements provided under IC 6-1.1-8.2.**".

Page 5, delete line 16.

Page 19, between lines 21 and 22, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 20. IC 6-1.1-15-12, AS AMENDED BY P.L.172-2011, SECTION 31, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. (a) Subject to the limitations contained in subsections (c), ~~and~~ (d), **and (i),** a county auditor shall correct errors which are discovered in the tax duplicate for any one (1) or more of the following reasons:

(1) The description of the real property was in error.

(2) The assessment was against the wrong person.

(3) Taxes on the same property were charged more than one (1) time in the same year.

(4) There was a mathematical error in computing the taxes or penalties on the taxes.

(5) There was an error in carrying delinquent taxes forward from one (1) tax duplicate to another.

(6) The taxes, as a matter of law, were illegal.

(7) There was a mathematical error in computing an assessment.

(8) Through an error of omission by any state or county officer, the taxpayer was not given:

(A) the proper credit under IC 6-1.1-20.6-7.5 for property taxes imposed for an assessment date after January 15, 2011;

(B) any other credit permitted by law;

(C) an exemption permitted by law; or

(D) a deduction permitted by law.

(b) **Subject to subsection (i),** the county auditor shall correct an error described under subsection (a)(1), (a)(2), (a)(3), (a)(4), or (a)(5) when the county auditor finds that the error exists.

(c) If the tax is based on an assessment made or determined by the

department of local government finance, the county auditor shall not correct an error described under subsection (a)(6), (a)(7), or (a)(8) until after the correction is either approved by the department of local government finance or ordered by the tax court.

(d) If the tax is not based on an assessment made or determined by the department of local government finance, the county auditor shall correct an error described under subsection (a)(6), (a)(7), or (a)(8) only if the correction is first approved by at least two (2) of the following officials:

(1) The township assessor (if any).

(2) The county auditor.

(3) The county assessor.

If two (2) of these officials do not approve such a correction, the county auditor shall refer the matter to the county board for determination. The county board shall provide a copy of the determination to the taxpayer and to the county auditor.

(e) A taxpayer may appeal a determination of the county board to the Indiana board for a final administrative determination. An appeal under this section shall be conducted in the same manner as appeals under sections 4 through 8 of this chapter. The Indiana board shall send the final administrative determination to the taxpayer, the county auditor, the county assessor, and the township assessor (if any).

(f) If a correction or change is made in the tax duplicate after it is delivered to the county treasurer, the county auditor shall transmit a certificate of correction to the county treasurer. The county treasurer shall keep the certificate as the voucher for settlement with the county auditor.

(g) A taxpayer that files a personal property tax return under IC 6-1.1-3 may not petition under this section for the correction of an error made by the taxpayer on the taxpayer's personal property tax return. If the taxpayer wishes to correct an error made by the taxpayer on the taxpayer's personal property tax return, the taxpayer must instead file an amended personal property tax return under IC 6-1.1-3-7.5.

(h) A taxpayer that files a statement under IC 6-1.1-8-19 may not petition under this section for the correction of an error made by the taxpayer on the taxpayer's statement. If the taxpayer wishes to correct an error made by the taxpayer on the taxpayer's statement, the taxpayer must instead initiate an objection under IC 6-1.1-8-28 or an appeal under IC 6-1.1-8-30.

(i) A taxpayer is not entitled to relief under this section unless the taxpayer files a petition to correct an error:

(1) with the auditor of the county in which the taxes were originally paid; and

(2) within three (3) years after the taxes were first due.".

Page 21, delete lines 12 through 42.

Page 22, delete lines 1 through 26.

Page 25, line 24, reset in roman "a public library" and insert "**that has its proposed budget and proposed property tax levy approved under section 20.3 of this chapter**".

Page 25, line 25, reset in roman "or".

Page 25, line 26, after "." insert "**The term includes a public library that has a taxing district located within at least two (2) counties.**".

Page 26, delete lines 25 through 42, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 23. IC 6-1.1-17-20.3, AS ADDED BY P.L.137-2012, SECTION 28, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 20.3. (a) This section applies only to the governing body of a public library that:

(1) governs a taxing district that is located within a single county;

~~(1)~~ **(2)** is not comprised of a majority of officials who are elected to serve on the governing body; and

~~(2)~~ **(3)** has a percentage increase in the proposed budget for the taxing unit for the ensuing calendar year that is more than the result of:

(A) the assessed value growth quotient determined under IC 6-1.1-18.5-2 for the ensuing calendar year; minus

(B) one (1).

For purposes of this section, an individual who qualifies to be appointed to a governing body or serves on a governing body because of the individual's status as an elected official of another taxing unit shall be treated as an official who was not elected to serve on the governing body.

(b) This section does not apply to an entity whose tax levies are subject to review and modification by a city-county legislative body under IC 36-3-6-9.

(c) If:

(1) the assessed valuation of a public library is entirely contained within a city or town; or

(2) the assessed valuation of a public library is not entirely contained within a city or town but the public library was originally established by the city or town;

the governing body shall submit its proposed budget and property tax levy to the city or town fiscal body in the manner prescribed by the department of local government finance before September 2 of a year. However, the governing body shall submit its proposed budget and property tax levy to the county fiscal body in the manner provided in subsection (d), rather than to the city or town fiscal body, if more than fifty percent (50%) of the parcels of real property within the jurisdiction of the public library are located outside the city or town.

(d) If subsection (c) does not apply, the governing body of the public library shall submit its proposed budget and property tax levy to the county fiscal body in the county where the public library has the most assessed valuation. The proposed budget and levy shall be submitted to the county fiscal body in the manner prescribed by the department of local government finance before September 2 of a year.

(e) The fiscal body of the city, town, or county (whichever applies) shall review each budget and proposed tax levy and adopt a final budget and tax levy for the public library. The fiscal body may reduce or modify but not increase the proposed budget or tax levy.

(f) If a public library fails to file the information required in subsection (c) or (d), whichever applies, with the appropriate fiscal body by the time prescribed by this section, the most recent annual appropriations and annual tax levy of that public library are continued for the ensuing budget year.

(g) If the appropriate fiscal body fails to complete the requirements of subsection (e) before the adoption deadline in section 5 of this chapter for any public library subject to this section, the most recent annual appropriations and annual tax levy of the city, town, or county, whichever applies, are continued for the ensuing budget year.

SECTION 24. IC 6-1.1-18-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.137-2012, SECTION 29, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 5. (a) If the proper officers of a political subdivision desire to appropriate more money for a particular year than the amount prescribed in the budget for that year as finally determined under this article, they shall give notice of their proposed additional appropriation. The notice shall state the time and place at which a public hearing will be held on the proposal. The notice shall be given once in accordance with IC 5-3-1-2(b).

(b) If the additional appropriation by the political subdivision is made from a fund that receives:

(1) distributions from the motor vehicle highway account established under IC 8-14-1-1 or the local road and street account established under IC 8-14-2-4; or

(2) revenue from property taxes levied under IC 6-1.1;

the political subdivision must report the additional appropriation to the department of local government finance. If the additional appropriation is made from a fund described under this subsection, subsections (f), (g), (h), and (i) apply to the political subdivision.

(c) However, if the additional appropriation is not made from a fund described under subsection (b), subsections (f), (g), (h), and (i) do not apply to the political subdivision. Subsections (f), (g), (h), and (i) do not apply to an additional appropriation made from the cumulative bridge fund if the appropriation meets the requirements under IC 8-16-3-3(c).

(d) A political subdivision may make an additional appropriation without approval of the department of local government finance if the additional appropriation is made from a fund that is not described under subsection (b). However, the fiscal officer of the political subdivision shall report the additional appropriation to the department of local government finance.

(e) After the public hearing, the proper officers of the political subdivision shall file a certified copy of their final proposal and any other relevant information to the department of local government finance.

(f) When the department of local government finance receives a certified copy of a proposal for an additional appropriation under subsection (e), the department shall determine whether sufficient funds are available or will be available for the proposal. The determination shall be made in writing and sent to the political subdivision not more than fifteen (15) days after the department of local government finance receives the proposal.

(g) In making the determination under subsection (f), the department of local government finance shall limit the amount of the additional appropriation to revenues available, or to be made available, which have not been previously appropriated.

(h) If the department of local government finance disapproves an additional appropriation under subsection (f), the department shall specify the reason for its disapproval on the determination sent to the political subdivision.

(i) A political subdivision may request a reconsideration of a determination of the department of local government finance under this section by filing a written request for reconsideration. A request for reconsideration must:

(1) be filed with the department of local government finance within fifteen (15) days of the receipt of the determination by the

political subdivision; and

(2) state with reasonable specificity the reason for the request.

The department of local government finance must act on a request for reconsideration within fifteen (15) days of receiving the request.

(j) This subsection applies to an additional appropriation by a political subdivision that must have the political subdivision's annual appropriations and annual tax levy adopted by a city, town, or county fiscal body under IC 6-1.1-17-20 or by a legislative or fiscal body under IC 36-3-6-9. The fiscal or legislative body of the city, town, or county that adopted the political subdivision's annual appropriation and annual tax levy must adopt the additional appropriation by ordinance before the department of local government finance may approve the additional appropriation.

(k) This subsection applies to a public library that:

(1) is required to submit the public library's budgets, tax rates, and tax levies for nonbinding review under IC 6-1.1-17-3.5; and

(2) is not required to submit the public library's budgets, tax rates, and tax levies for binding review and approval under IC 6-1.1-17-20.

If a public library subject to this subsection proposes to make an additional appropriation for a year, and the additional appropriation would result in the budget for the library for that year increasing (as compared to the previous year) by a percentage that is greater than the result of the assessed value growth quotient determined under IC 6-1.1-18.5-2 for the calendar year minus one (1), the additional appropriation must first be approved by the city, town, or county fiscal body described in IC 6-1.1-17-20.3(c) or ~~IC 6-1.1-17-20(d),~~ **IC 6-1.1-17-20.3(d),** as appropriate.".

Delete pages 27 through 28.

Page 29, delete lines 1 through 35, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 26. IC 6-1.1-18-22 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 22. (a) As used in this section, "qualified taxing unit" refers to the following taxing units:**

(1) DeKalb County.

(2) The town of Middlebury in Elkhart County.

(b) Before July 1, 2014, the department shall calculate and certify to the fiscal body of a qualified taxing unit the result of:

(1) the amount of the property tax levy that could have been imposed for property taxes first due and payable in 2014, if the budgets and levies of the qualified taxing unit had been

properly advertised; minus

(2) the amount of the property tax levy approved by the department under IC 6-1.1-17 for property taxes first due and payable in calendar year 2014, after reducing the qualified taxing unit's budget and property tax levy because the qualified taxing unit's budget and property tax levy information were not properly advertised.

(c) After receiving the certifications required under subsection (b), the fiscal body of a qualified taxing unit may adopt an ordinance authorizing the qualified taxing unit to borrow money from a financial institution to replace part or all of the amount certified under subsection (b).

(d) If a qualified taxing unit receives a loan under this section, the fiscal officer of the qualified taxing unit shall deposit the loan in each fund affected by the reduction of the qualified taxing unit's budget and property tax levy. The amount deposited may be used for any of the lawful purposes of that fund.

(e) If a qualified taxing unit borrows money under subsection (c), the qualified taxing unit shall impose a property tax levy in calendar year 2015 for the qualified taxing unit's debt service fund to repay the total amount borrowed. The property tax levy under this subsection must be treated as:

(1) protected taxes (as defined in IC 6-1.1-20.6-9.8); and

(2) property taxes that are exempt from the levy limitations of IC 6-1.1-18.5.

(f) This section expires June 30, 2016.".

Page 34, between lines 20 and 21, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 32. IC 36-7-14-15.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.119-2012, SECTION 206, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 15.5. (a) This section applies to a county having a population of more than two hundred fifty thousand (250,000) but less than two hundred seventy thousand (270,000).

(b) In adopting a declaratory resolution under section 15 of this chapter, a redevelopment commission may include a provision stating that the redevelopment project area is considered to include one (1) or more additional areas outside the boundaries of the redevelopment project area if the redevelopment commission makes the following findings and the requirements of subsection (c) are met:

(1) One (1) or more taxpayers presently located within the boundaries of the redevelopment project area are expected within one (1) year to relocate all or part of their operations outside the boundaries of the redevelopment project area and have expressed

an interest in relocating all or part of their operations within the boundaries of an additional area.

(2) The relocation described in subdivision (1) will contribute to the continuation of the conditions described in IC 36-7-1-3 in the redevelopment project area.

(3) For purposes of this section, it will be of public utility and benefit to include the additional areas as part of the redevelopment project area.

(c) Each additional area must be designated by the redevelopment commission as a redevelopment project area or an economic development area under this chapter.

(d) Notwithstanding section 3 of this chapter, the additional areas shall be considered to be a part of the redevelopment special taxing district under the jurisdiction of the redevelopment commission. Any excess property taxes that the commission has determined may be paid to taxing units under section ~~39(b)(4)~~ **39)(b)(5)** of this chapter shall be paid to the taxing units from which the excess property taxes were derived. All powers of the redevelopment commission authorized under this chapter may be exercised by the redevelopment commission in additional areas under its jurisdiction.

(e) The declaratory resolution must include a statement of the general boundaries of each additional area. However, it is sufficient to describe those boundaries by location in relation to public ways, streams, or otherwise, as determined by the commissioners.

(f) The declaratory resolution may include a provision with respect to the allocation and distribution of property taxes with respect to one (1) or more of the additional areas in the manner provided in section 39 of this chapter. If the redevelopment commission includes such a provision in the resolution, allocation areas in the redevelopment project area and in the additional areas considered to be part of the redevelopment project area shall be considered a single allocation area for purposes of this chapter.

(g) The additional areas must be located within the same county as the redevelopment project area but are not otherwise required to be within the jurisdiction of the redevelopment commission, if the redevelopment commission obtains the consent by ordinance of:

(1) the county legislative body, for each additional area located within the unincorporated part of the county; or

(2) the legislative body of the city or town affected, for each additional area located within a city or town.

In granting its consent, the legislative body shall approve the plan of development or redevelopment relating to the additional area.

(h) A declaratory resolution previously adopted may be amended to include a provision to include additional areas as set forth in this section and an allocation provision under section 39 of this chapter with respect to one (1) or more of the additional areas in accordance with sections 15, 16, and 17 of this chapter.

(i) The redevelopment commission may amend the allocation provision of a declaratory resolution in accordance with sections 15, 16, and 17 of this chapter to change the assessment date that determines the base assessed value of property in the allocation area to any assessment date following the effective date of the allocation provision of the declaratory resolution. Such a change may relate to the assessment date that determines the base assessed value of that portion of the allocation area that is located in the redevelopment project area alone, that portion of the allocation area that is located in an additional area alone, or the entire allocation area.".

Page 34, line 35, delete "(j);" and insert "**(i);**".

Page 35, line 5, delete "(j);" and insert "**(i);**".

Page 35, line 21, delete "(j)." and insert "**(i).**".

Page 35, line 26, delete "(j)." and insert "**(i).**".

Page 36, line 8, delete "A" and insert "**Subject to subsection (k),** a".

Page 36, line 12, delete "A" and insert "**Subject to subsection (k),** a".

Page 39, line 29, delete "(i)," and insert "**(h),**".

Page 40, delete lines 17 through 28.

Page 40, line 29, delete "(d)" and insert "**(c)**".

Page 40, line 36, reset in roman "commission".

Page 40, line 36, delete "fiscal body".

Page 40, line 39, reset in roman "commission".

Page 40, line 39, delete "fiscal body".

Page 41, delete line 1.

Page 41, line 2, delete "with the written notice.".

Page 41, line 4, after "the" reset in roman "commission.".

Page 41, line 4, delete "fiscal body.".

Page 41, line 4, after "The" reset in roman "commission".

Page 41, line 4, delete "fiscal".

Page 41, line 5, delete "body".

Page 41, line 9, delete "(e)" and insert "**(d)**".

Page 41, line 17, delete "(f)" and insert "**(e)**".

Page 41, line 21, delete "(g)" and insert "**(f)**".

Page 41, line 25, delete "(h)" and insert "**(g)**".

Page 41, line 33, delete "(i)" and insert "**(h)**".

Page 42, line 23, delete "(j)" and insert "**(i)**".

Page 43, line 12, delete "(k)" and insert "**(j)**".

Page 43, between lines 26 and 27, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"**(k) After June 30, 2014, a redevelopment commission may not adopt a proposed declaratory resolution or an amendment to a declaratory resolution that includes a provision for the allocation and distribution of property taxes in accordance with subsection (b) if the allocation provision would establish or enlarge an allocation area in such a manner that, if the resolution or amendment were adopted:**

(1) the aggregate geographic area included in allocation areas within the county would exceed twelve percent (12%) of the geographic area of the county; or

(2) the aggregate base assessed value included in allocation areas within the county would exceed twelve percent (12%) of the assessed value of property in the county;

unless each taxing unit wholly or partially located within the allocation area first adopts a resolution approving the proposed declaratory resolution or amendment to a declaratory resolution.".

Page 43, line 35, delete "39(j)" and insert "**39(i)**".

Page 47, line 4, delete "39(j)" and insert "**39(i)**".

Page 48, between lines 36 and 37, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 35. IC 36-7-15.1-26, AS AMENDED BY P.L.112-2012, SECTION 56, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 26. (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 8 of this chapter refers for purposes of distribution and allocation of property taxes.

"Base assessed value" means the following:

(1) If an allocation provision is adopted after June 30, 1995, in a declaratory resolution or an amendment to a declaratory resolution establishing an economic development area:

(A) 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);~~ **(i);** plus

(B) to the extent that it is not included in clause (A), the net assessed value of property that is assessed as residential property under the rules of the department of local government finance, as finally determined for any assessment date after the effective date of the allocation provision.

(2) If an allocation provision is adopted after June 30, 1997, in a

declaratory resolution or an amendment to a declaratory resolution establishing a redevelopment project area:

(A) 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);~~ **(i);** plus

(B) to the extent that it is not included in clause (A), the net assessed value of property that is assessed as residential property under the rules of the department of local government finance, as finally determined for any assessment date after the effective date of the allocation provision.

(3) If:

(A) an allocation provision adopted before June 30, 1995, in a declaratory resolution or an amendment to a declaratory resolution establishing a redevelopment project area expires after June 30, 1997; and

(B) after June 30, 1997, a new allocation provision is included in an amendment to the declaratory resolution;

the net assessed value of all the property as finally determined for the assessment date immediately preceding the effective date of the allocation provision adopted after June 30, 1997, as adjusted under subsection ~~(h).~~ **(i).**

(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).~~ **(i).**

(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.

"Obligation" includes currently outstanding bonds, leases, and contracts.

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) **Subject to subsection (k),** a resolution adopted under section 8 of this chapter on or before the allocation deadline determined under subsection ~~(i)~~ **(j)** 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. **Subject to subsection (k),** 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)~~ **(j)** in accordance with the procedures required for its original adoption. 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 a special 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 that are incurred by the redevelopment district for the purpose of financing or refinancing the redevelopment of that allocation area.

(B) Establish, augment, or restore the debt service reserve for bonds payable solely or in part from allocated tax proceeds in that allocation area.

(C) Pay the principal of and interest on bonds payable from allocated tax proceeds in that allocation area and from the special tax levied under section 19 of this chapter.

(D) Pay the principal of and interest on bonds issued by the consolidated city to pay for local public improvements that are physically located in or physically connected to that allocation area.

(E) Pay premiums on the redemption before maturity of bonds payable solely or in part from allocated tax proceeds in that allocation area.

(F) Make payments on leases payable from allocated tax proceeds in that allocation area under section 17.1 of this chapter.

(G) Reimburse the consolidated city for expenditures for local public improvements (which include buildings, parking facilities, and other items set forth in section 17 of this chapter) that are physically located in or physically connected to that allocation area.

(H) Reimburse the unit for rentals paid by it for a building or parking facility that is physically located in or physically connected to that allocation area under any lease entered into under IC 36-1-10.

(I) Reimburse public and private entities for expenses incurred in training employees of industrial facilities that are located:

(i) in the allocation area; and

(ii) on a parcel of real property that has been classified as industrial property under the rules of the department of local government finance.

However, the total amount of money spent for this purpose in any year may not exceed the total amount of money in the allocation fund that is attributable to property taxes paid by the industrial facilities described in this clause. The reimbursements under this clause must be made within three (3) years after the date on which the investments that are the basis for the increment financing are made.

(J) Pay the costs of carrying out an eligible efficiency project (as defined in IC 36-9-41-1.5) within the unit that established the redevelopment commission. However, property tax proceeds may be used under this clause to pay the costs of carrying out an eligible efficiency project only if those property tax proceeds exceed the amount necessary to do the following:

(i) Make, when due, any payments required under clauses (A) through (I), including any payments of principal and interest on bonds and other obligations payable under this subdivision, any payments of premiums under this subdivision on the redemption before maturity of bonds, and any payments on leases payable under this subdivision.

(ii) Make any reimbursements required under this subdivision.

(iii) Pay any expenses required under this subdivision.

(iv) Establish, augment, or restore any debt service reserve under this subdivision.

The special fund may not be used for operating expenses of the commission.

(4) Before July 15 of each year, the commission shall ~~do the following:~~ **conduct a public hearing. Notice of the hearing shall be given in accordance with IC 5-3-1. The commission shall also provide a copy of the notice to the department of local government finance and each taxing unit within an**

allocation area governed by the commission at least ten (10) days before the hearing. The notice must include:

(A) estimated incremental revenues for the ensuing year;

(B) estimated obligations to be paid for the ensuing year;

(C) actual obligations paid in the previous year; and

(D) estimated fiscal impact to the taxing units if:

(i) the commission captures the amount it intends to capture; and

(ii) the commission releases all incremental assessed valuation.

(5) At the close of the hearing, the commission shall:

(A) Determine the amount, if any, by which the assessed value of the taxable property in the allocation area for the most recent assessment date minus the base assessed value, when multiplied by the estimated tax rate of the allocation area will exceed the amount of assessed value needed to provide the property taxes necessary to make, when due, principal and interest payments on bonds described in subdivision (3) plus the amount necessary for other purposes described in subdivision (3) and subsection ~~(g).~~ **(h).**

(B) Determine the tax increment replacement amount under IC 6-1.1-21.2-11.

(C) Present an estimate of tax increment revenues and financial obligations for the ensuing year.

~~(B)~~ **(c) Following the hearing, the commission shall** provide a written notice to the county auditor, the legislative body of the consolidated city, and the officers who are authorized to fix budgets, tax rates, and tax levies under IC 6-1.1-17-5 for each of the other taxing units that is wholly or partly located within the allocation area. The notice must:

~~(i)~~ **(1)** state the amount, if any, of excess assessed value that the commission has determined may be allocated to the respective taxing units in the manner prescribed in ~~subdivision (1);~~ **subsection (b)(1);** or

~~(ii)~~ **(2)** state that the commission has determined that there is no excess assessed value that may be allocated to the respective taxing units in the manner prescribed in ~~subdivision (1).~~ **subsection (b)(1).**

The county auditor shall allocate to the respective taxing units the amount, if any, of excess assessed value determined by the commission. The commission may not authorize an allocation to the respective taxing units under this subdivision if to do so would

endanger the interests of the holders of bonds described in ~~subdivision (3).~~ **subsection (b)(3).**

~~(c)~~ **(d)** For the purpose of allocating taxes levied by or for any taxing unit or units, the assessed value of taxable property in a territory in the allocation area that is annexed by any taxing unit after the effective date of the allocation provision of the resolution is the lesser of:

(1) the assessed value of the property for the assessment date with respect to which the allocation and distribution is made; or

(2) the base assessed value.

~~(d)~~ **(e)** Property tax proceeds allocable to the redevelopment district under subsection (b)(3) may, subject to subsection ~~(b)(4),~~ **(b)(5),** be irrevocably pledged by the redevelopment district for payment as set forth in subsection (b)(3).

~~(e)~~ **(f)** 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)~~ **(g)** 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.

~~(g)~~ **(h)** 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 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)~~ **(i)** 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)~~ **(j)** 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.

(k) After June 30, 2014, the commission may not adopt a proposed declaratory resolution or an amendment to a declaratory resolution that includes a provision for the allocation and distribution of property taxes in accordance with subsection (b) if the allocation provision would establish or enlarge an allocation area in such a manner that, if the resolution or amendment were adopted:

(1) the aggregate geographic area included in allocation areas within the county would exceed ten percent (10%) of the geographic area of the county; or

(2) the aggregate base assessed value included in allocation areas within the county would exceed ten percent (10%) of the assessed value of property in the county;

unless each designated taxing unit wholly or partially located within the redevelopment district first adopts a resolution approving the proposed declaratory resolution or amendment to a declaratory resolution.

SECTION 26. IC 36-7-15.1-26.2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.172-2011, SECTION 153, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 26.2. (a) As used in this section, "depreciable personal property" refers to all of the designated taxpayer's depreciable personal property that is located in the allocation area.

(b) As used in this section, "designated taxpayer" means a taxpayer designated by the commission in a declaratory resolution adopted or amended under section 8 or 10.5 of this chapter, and with respect to which the commission finds that:

(1) taxes to be derived from the taxpayer's depreciable personal property in the allocation area, in excess of the taxes attributable to the base assessed value of that personal property, are needed to pay debt service for bonds issued under section 17 of this chapter or to make payments on leases payable under section 17.1 of this chapter in order to provide local public improvements for a particular allocation area;

(2) the taxpayer's property in the allocation area will consist primarily of industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, research and development, processing, distribution, transportation, or convention center hotel related projects or regulated amusement devices (as defined in IC 22-12-1-19.1) and related improvements; and

(3) the taxpayer's property in the allocation area will not consist primarily of retail, commercial, or residential projects, other than an amusement park or tourism industry project.

For purposes of subdivision (3), a convention center hotel project is not considered a retail, commercial, or residential project.

(c) The allocation provision of a declaratory resolution may modify the definition of "property taxes" under section 26(a) of this chapter to include taxes imposed under IC 6-1.1 on the depreciable personal property of designated taxpayers in accordance with the procedures and limitations set forth in this section and section 26 of this chapter. If such a modification is included in the resolution, for purposes of section 26 of this chapter the term "base assessed value" with respect to the depreciable personal property of designated taxpayers means the net assessed value of the depreciable personal property as finally determined for the assessment date immediately preceding:

(1) the effective date of the modification, for modifications adopted before July 1, 1995; and

(2) the adoption date of the modification for modifications adopted after June 30, 1995;

as adjusted under section ~~26(h)~~ **26(i)** of this chapter.".

Page 51, line 13, strike "operating".

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1266 as introduced.)

BROWN T, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 16, nays 5.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that House Bill 1266 be amended to read as follows:

Page 26, line 4, after "counties" delete "." and insert "**and also has total annual appropriations of more than two million dollars ($2,000,000).**".

Page 27, line 8, after "county" delete ";" and insert "**or, in the case of a public library that governs a taxing district within at least two (2) counties, has total annual appropriations of not more than two million dollars ($2,000,000);**".

(Reference is to HB 1266 as printed January 28, 2014.)

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HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that House Bill 1266 be amended to read as follows:

Page 33, between lines 12 and 13, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 29. IC 10-19-11 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]:

Chapter 11. Public Safety Equipment Revolving Loan Fund

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "division" refers to the division of preparedness and training established by IC 10-19-5-1.

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "fund" refers to the public safety equipment revolving loan fund established by section 6 of this chapter.

Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "public safety equipment" includes new or used equipment or apparatus for firefighting, law enforcement, emergency medical, or other emergency services.

Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "purchaser" has the meaning set forth in IC 4-13-1-25(c).

Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "qualified purchaser" means a purchaser that the division has approved for a loan from the fund.

Sec. 6. (a) The public safety equipment revolving loan fund is established to:

(1) provide loans to purchasers for the purchase of public safety equipment; and

(2) pay the costs of administering this chapter.

(b) The division shall administer the fund.

(c) The fund consists of the following:

(1) Amounts appropriated to the fund by the general assembly.

(2) Repayment proceeds, including interest, of loans made from the fund.

(3) Donations, grants, and money received from any other source.

(4) Amounts transferred to the fund under IC 22-14-6-9.

(d) The treasurer of state shall invest money in the fund not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same manner as other public funds may be invested.

(e) Money in the fund at the end of a fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund.

(f) The fund is subject to an annual audit by the state board of accounts. The cost of the audit shall be paid from the fund.

Sec. 7. (a) The division shall do the following:

(1) Establish the policies and procedures to be used in administering the fund.

(2) Specify the information that a purchaser must submit with a loan application.

(3) Establish a loan priority rating system.

(4) Prescribe the forms to be used in administering the fund.

(5) Prescribe the persons authorized to execute loan documents on behalf of a qualified purchaser.

(6) Take other actions necessary to implement this chapter.

(b) The executive director, in consultation with the division, may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement this section.

(c) The division may enter into contracts necessary to administer this chapter, including contracts for the servicing of loans.

Sec. 8. The total amount of loans under this chapter that may be outstanding at any time may not exceed five million dollars ($5,000,000).

Sec. 9. The total amount of loans under this chapter that may be outstanding at any time to a single loan recipient may not exceed one hundred fifty thousand dollars ($150,000).

Sec. 10. (a) The division shall do the following:

(1) Review and approve or disapprove applications for loans from the fund.

(2) Establish the terms of loans from the fund.

(3) Manage loans from the fund.

(b) The division shall review applications for loans from the fund on June 1 and December 1 of each calendar year. The deadline for submitting an application is:

(1) May 17, to be eligible for review on June 1; or

(2) November 16, to be eligible for review on December 1.

An application received after a deadline has passed is eligible for review on the next review date.

Sec. 11. (a) The division shall assign a loan priority rating to each application under this chapter.

(b) A loan priority rating must be assigned in conformity with the loan priority rating system established under section 7(a)(3) of this chapter.

(c) A loan priority rating that is assigned to an applicant must reflect the need of the applicant relative to the need of all other applicants during the same review period.

(d) The division shall make loans available to qualified purchasers in descending order beginning with the qualified purchaser with the highest loan priority rating.

Sec. 12. A loan under this chapter is subject to the following conditions:

(1) The qualified purchaser may use the loan only for:

(A) the purchase of public safety equipment; and

(B) legal or other incidental expenses directly related to acquiring the public safety equipment.

(2) The repayment period may not exceed seven (7) years.

(3) The amount of the loan may not be less than ten thousand dollars ($10,000).

(4) The interest rate is to be set by the state board of finance at a rate that is not more than two percent (2%) below the prime bank lending rate prevailing at the time the application is approved.

(5) All interest reverts to the fund.

(6) The loan must be repaid in installments, including interest on the unpaid balance of the loan.

(7) The repayment of principal may be deferred for a period not to exceed two (2) years.

(8) The repayment of the loan may be limited to a specified revenue source of the recipient. If the repayment is limited under this subdivision, the repayment:

(A) is not a general obligation of the recipient; and

(B) is payable solely from the specified revenue source.

(9) The loan is not subject to a prepayment penalty.

(10) The division shall have a security interest for the balance of the loan, accrued interest, penalties, and collection expenses in the public safety equipment purchased with the proceeds of the loan.

(11) Any other conditions the division considers appropriate.

Sec. 13. Notwithstanding any other law, a loan to a qualified purchaser under this chapter may be directly negotiated with the division without public sale of bonds or other evidences of indebtedness of the qualified purchaser.

Sec. 14. Before applying for a loan under this chapter, a purchaser must obtain the approval of the fiscal unit of the purchaser, or the fiscal unit that contracts with the purchaser, if:

(1) the fiscal unit provides more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the purchaser's revenue in the year the purchaser applies for the loan; and

(2) any part of the loan will be repaid from funds paid to the purchaser by the fiscal unit.

Sec. 15. A loan from the fund does not constitute the lending of credit by the state for purposes of any other statute or the Constitution of the State of Indiana.

Sec. 16. If a qualified purchaser fails to repay a loan under this chapter or is in any way indebted to the fund for any amount incurred or accrued, the amount payable may be recovered in an action by the state on relation of the department that is prosecuted by the attorney general in the circuit or superior court of the county in which the recipient is located.

SECTION 30. IC 22-14-6-8 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]. ~~Sec. 8. (a) Notwithstanding the repeal of IC 22-14-5, the firefighting and emergency equipment revolving loan fund established by IC 22-14-5-1 (before its repeal) remains in existence after June 30, 2007, if any money remains in the fund on June 30, 2007. Money that remains in the firefighting and emergency equipment revolving loan fund on June 30, 2007, does not revert to the state general fund. Deposits or transfers may not be made to the firefighting and emergency equipment revolving loan fund, and new loans may not be made from the firefighting and emergency equipment revolving loan fund after June 30, 2007.~~

~~(b) Money remaining in the firefighting and emergency equipment revolving loan fund on June 30, 2007, must be transferred before August 1, 2007, to the fund.~~

~~(c) If money in the firefighting and emergency equipment revolving loan fund is transferred under subsection (b), the firefighting and~~

~~emergency equipment revolving loan fund is abolished immediately after the transfer under subsection (b) is completed.~~

~~(d) Notwithstanding the repeal of IC 22-14-5, if a loan provided under IC 22-14-5-1 (before its repeal) remains outstanding on June 30, 2007, the qualified entity to whom the loan was provided shall repay the loan, subject to the original terms and conditions of the loan, to the department of homeland security established by IC 10-19-2-1 for deposit in the fund.~~

~~(e) This section expires on the later of the following:~~

~~(1) August 1, 2007.~~

~~(2) The date on which the last outstanding loan provided under IC 22-14-5-1 (before its repeal) is repaid to the department of homeland security under subsection (d).~~

SECTION 31. IC 22-14-6-9 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: **Sec. 9. (a) Not later than December 1, 2014, the division shall transfer from the fund to the public safety equipment revolving loan fund established by IC 10-19-11-6 an amount equal to the amount of any loan repayments deposited in the fund under section 8(d) of this chapter (before its repeal).**

(b) This section expires on the earlier of the following dates:

(1) The date on which the transfer described in subsection (a) is complete.

(2) January 1, 2015.".

Page 63, between lines 8 and 9, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 44. IC 36-8-12-13, AS AMENDED BY P.L.208-2011, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 13. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), the volunteer fire department that responds first to an incident may impose a charge on the owner of property, the owner of a vehicle, or a responsible party (as defined in IC 13-11-2-191(e)) that is involved in a hazardous material or fuel spill or chemical or hazardous material related fire (as defined in IC 13-11-2-96(b)):

(1) that is responded to by the volunteer fire department; and

(2) that members of that volunteer fire department assisted in extinguishing, containing, or cleaning up.

A second or subsequently responding volunteer fire department may not impose a charge on an owner or responsible party under this section, although it may be entitled to reimbursement from the first responding volunteer fire department in accordance with an interlocal or other agreement.

(b) A volunteer fire department that is funded, in whole or in part:

(1) by taxes imposed by a unit; or

(2) by a contract with a unit;

may not impose a charge under subsection (a) on a natural person who resides or pays property taxes within the boundaries of the unit described in subdivision (1) or (2), unless the spill or the chemical or hazardous material fire poses an imminent threat to persons or property.

(c) The volunteer fire department shall bill the owner or responsible party of the vehicle for the total dollar value of the assistance that was provided, with that value determined by a method that the state fire marshal shall establish under section 16 of this chapter. A copy of the fire incident report to the state fire marshal must accompany the bill. This billing must take place within thirty (30) days after the assistance was provided. The owner or responsible party shall remit payment directly to the governmental unit providing the service. Any money that is collected under this section may be:

(1) deposited in the township firefighting fund established in IC 36-8-13-4;

(2) used to pay principal and interest on a loan made by the department of homeland security established by IC 10-19-2-1 or a division of the department for the purchase of new or used firefighting and other emergency equipment or apparatus, **including a loan made from the public safety equipment revolving loan fund under IC 10-19-11 for the purchase of public safety equipment;** or

(3) used for the purchase of equipment, buildings, and property for firefighting, fire protection, and other emergency services.

(d) Any administrative fees charged by a fire department's agent must be paid only from fees that are collected and allowed by Indiana law and the fire marshal's schedule of fees.

(e) An agent who processes fees on behalf of a fire department shall send all bills, notices, and other related materials to both the fire department and the person being billed for services.

(f) All fees allowed by Indiana law and the fire marshal's fee schedule must be itemized separately from any other charges.

(g) The volunteer fire department may maintain a civil action to recover an unpaid charge that is imposed under subsection (a) and may, if it prevails, recover all costs of the action, including reasonable attorney's fees.

SECTION 45. IC 36-8-12-16, AS AMENDED BY P.L.208-2011, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 16. (a) A volunteer fire department that provides

service within a jurisdiction served by the department may establish a schedule of charges for the services that the department provides not to exceed the state fire marshal's recommended schedule for services. The volunteer fire department or its agent may collect a service charge according to this schedule from the owner of property that receives service if the following conditions are met:

(1) At the following times, the department gives notice under IC 5-3-1-4(d) in each political subdivision served by the department of the amount of the service charge for each service that the department provides:

(A) Before the schedule of service charges is initiated.

(B) When there is a change in the amount of a service charge.

(2) The property owner has not sent written notice to the department to refuse service by the department to the owner's property.

(3) The bill for payment of the service charge:

(A) is submitted to the property owner in writing within thirty (30) days after the services are provided;

(B) includes a copy of a fire incident report in the form prescribed by the state fire marshal, if the service was provided for an event that requires a fire incident report;

(C) must contain verification that the bill has been approved by the chief of the volunteer fire department; and

(D) must contain language indicating that correspondence from the property owner and any question from the property owner regarding the bill should be directed to the department.

(4) Payment is remitted directly to the governmental unit providing the service.

(b) A volunteer fire department shall use the revenue collected from the fire service charges under this section:

(1) for the purchase of equipment, buildings, and property for firefighting, fire protection, or other emergency services;

(2) for deposit in the township firefighting fund established under IC 36-8-13-4; or

(3) to pay principal and interest on a loan made by the department of homeland security established by IC 10-19-2-1 or a division of the department for the purchase of new or used firefighting and other emergency equipment or apparatus, **including a loan made from the public safety equipment revolving loan fund under IC 10-19-11 for the purchase of public safety equipment.**

(c) Any administrative fees charged by a fire department's agent must be paid only from fees that are collected and allowed by Indiana

law and the fire marshal's schedule of fees.

(d) An agent who processes fees on behalf of a fire department shall send all bills, notices, and other related materials to both the fire department and the person being billed for services.

(e) All fees allowed by Indiana law and the fire marshal's fee schedule must be itemized separately from any other charges.

(f) If at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the money received by a volunteer fire department for providing fire protection or emergency services is received under one (1) or more contracts with one (1) or more political subdivisions (as defined in IC 34-6-2-110), the legislative body of a contracting political subdivision must approve the schedule of service charges established under subsection (a) before the schedule of service charges is initiated in that political subdivision.

(g) A volunteer fire department that:

(1) has contracted with a political subdivision to provide fire protection or emergency services; and

(2) charges for services under this section;

must submit a report to the legislative body of the political subdivision before April 1 of each year indicating the amount of service charges collected during the previous calendar year and how those funds have been expended.

(h) The state fire marshal shall annually prepare and publish a recommended schedule of service charges for fire protection services.

(i) The volunteer fire department or its agent may maintain a civil action to recover an unpaid service charge under this section and may, if it prevails, recover all costs of the action, including reasonable attorney's fees.

SECTION 46. IC 36-8-12-17, AS AMENDED BY P.L.208-2011, SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 17. (a) If a political subdivision has not imposed its own false alarm fee or service charge, a volunteer fire department that provides service within the jurisdiction may establish a service charge for responding to false alarms. The volunteer fire department may collect the false alarm service charge from the owner of the property if the volunteer fire department dispatches firefighting apparatus or personnel to a building or premises in the township in response to:

(1) an alarm caused by improper installation or improper maintenance; or

(2) a drill or test, if the fire department is not previously notified that the alarm is a drill or test.

However, if the owner of property that constitutes the owner's residence

establishes that the alarm is under a maintenance contract with an alarm company and that the alarm company has been notified of the improper installation or maintenance of the alarm, the alarm company is liable for the payment of the fee or service charge.

(b) Before establishing a false alarm service charge, the volunteer fire department must provide notice under IC 5-3-1-4(d) in each political subdivision served by the department of the amount of the false alarm service charge. The notice required by this subsection must be given:

(1) before the false alarm service charge is initiated; and

(2) before a change in the amount of the false alarm service charge.

(c) A volunteer fire department may not collect a false alarm service charge from a property owner or alarm company unless the department's bill for payment of the service charge:

(1) is submitted to the property owner in writing within thirty (30) days after the false alarm; and

(2) includes a copy of a fire incident report in the form prescribed by the state fire marshal.

(d) A volunteer fire department shall use the money collected from the false alarm service charge imposed under this section:

(1) for the purchase of equipment, buildings, and property for fire fighting, fire protection, or other emergency services;

(2) for deposit in the township firefighting fund established under IC 36-8-13-4; or

(3) to pay principal and interest on a loan made by the department of homeland security established by IC 10-19-2-1 or a division of the department for the purchase of new or used firefighting and other emergency equipment or apparatus, **including a loan made from the public safety equipment revolving loan fund under IC 10-19-11 for the purchase of public safety equipment.**

(e) If at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the money received by a volunteer fire department for providing fire protection or emergency services is received under one (1) or more contracts with one (1) or more political subdivisions (as defined in IC 34-6-2-110), the legislative body of a contracting political subdivision must approve the false alarm service charge established under subsection (a) before the service charge is initiated in that political subdivision.

(f) A volunteer fire department that:

(1) has contracted with a political subdivision to provide fire protection or emergency services; and

(2) imposes a false alarm service charge under this section;

must submit a report to the legislative body of the political subdivision before April 1 of each year indicating the amount of false alarm charges collected during the previous calendar year and how those funds have been expended.

(g) The volunteer fire department may maintain a civil action to recover unpaid false alarm service charges imposed under this section and may, if it prevails, recover all costs of the action, including reasonable attorney's fees.".

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to HB 1266 as printed January 28, 2014.)

MACER

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that House Bill 1266 be amended to read as follows:

Page 53, between lines 19 and 20, begin a new paragraph and insert:

""**"Designated taxing unit" means a municipality, a township, a school corporation, a library, a public transportation corporation, and a health and hospital corporation.**".

Page 62, reset in roman lines 6 through 21.

(Reference is to HB 1266 as printed January 28, 2014.)

PRYOR

COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Tax and Fiscal Policy, to which was referred House Bill No. 1266, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 2, reset in roman lines 39 through 42.

Page 2, line 42, after "chapter." insert "**This subsection expires January 1, 2016.**".

Page 3, reset in roman lines 1 through 6.

Page 3, line 6, after "hearing." insert "**This subsection expires January 1, 2016.**".

Page 3, line 9, reset in roman "(a)".

Page 3, reset in roman lines 17 through 30.

Page 3, line 30, after "subdivision." insert "**This subsection expires January 1, 2016.**".

Page 3, delete lines 31 through 42.

Page 4, delete lines 1 through 36.

Page 21, line 18, after "shall" insert ", **(before January 1, 2016) at least ten (10) days before the public hearing,**".

Page 21, line 27, after "shall" insert "**(before January 1, 2016)**".

Page 21, line 27, reset in roman "publish the notice twice in".

Page 21, reset in roman lines 28 through 31.

Page 21, line 32, reset in roman "the publishing of the notice.".

Page 21, line 32, after "notice." insert "**The political subdivision shall**".

Page 21, line 35, after "taxpayers" insert "**, at least ten (10) days before the public hearing,**".

Page 21, line 37, after "request" insert "**mailed**".

Page 21, line 40, after "address." insert "**The department shall review only the submission to the department's computer gateway for compliance with this section.**".

Page 22, line 27, after "not" insert "**(before January 1, 2016) published and is not**".

Page 22, line 31, after "timely" insert "**publishes (before January 1, 2016) and**".

Page 22, line 36, after "gateway" insert "**and (before January 1, 2016) to publish the amended information**".

Page 22, after line 42, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 22. IC 6-1.1-17-5.6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.119-2012, SECTION 31, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 5.6. (a) For budget years beginning before July 1, 2011, this section applies only to a school corporation that is located in a city having a population of more than one hundred thousand (100,000) but less than one hundred ten thousand (110,000). For budget years beginning after June 30, 2011, this section applies to all school corporations. Beginning in 2011, 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 ~~February~~ **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(i) 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.

(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.".

Page 25, line 2, after "shall" insert "**, unless the department finds extenuating circumstances,**".

Page 25, line 8, after "site" insert "**and (before January 1, 2016) is published by the political subdivision according to a notice provided by the department**".

Page 25, line 17, delete "a" and insert "**an adopted**".

Page 25, line 18, after "shall" insert "**, unless the department finds extenuating circumstances,**".

Page 25, line 18, after "the" insert "**adopted**".

Page 25, delete lines 30 through 42.

Delete pages 26 through 29.

Page 30, delete lines 1 through 20.

Page 32, delete lines 40 through 42.

Delete pages 33 through 36.

Page 37, delete lines 1 through 40.

Page 38, delete lines 38 through 42.

Delete pages 39 through 71.

Page 72, delete line 1.

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1266 as reprinted January 31, 2014.)

HERSHMAN, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0.