

SENATE BILL No. 157

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 6-1.1-50.2.

Synopsis: Landlocked property. Defines "landlocked property" as real property that has been shut off from all public highways as a result of the vacation of one or more public highways. Provides that if an action of the state, or an agency or political subdivision of the state, causes real property to become landlocked property, either: (1) the state must purchase the landlocked property from the owner of the landlocked property at an amount equal to the assessed value of the landlocked property in a time and manner prescribed by the department of local government finance; or (2) the county assessor of the county in which the landlocked property is located must assess the value of the landlocked property at zero for as long as the property qualifies as landlocked property.

Effective: January 1, 2024 (retroactive).

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January 8, 2024, read first time and referred to Committee on Local Government.



Second Regular Session of the 123rd General Assembly (2024)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

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 2023 Regular 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:

1 SECTION 1. IC 6-1.1-50.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JANUARY 1, 2024 (RETROACTIVE)];

4 **Chapter 50.2. Vacation of a Public Highway Resulting in**
5 **Landlocked Property**

6 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "landlocked property" means**
7 **real property that has been shut off from all public highways as a**
8 **result of the vacation of one (1) or more public highways.**

9 **Sec. 2. If an action of the state, or an agency or political**
10 **subdivision of the state, causes real property to become landlocked**
11 **property, either:**

12 **(1) the state must purchase the landlocked property from the**
13 **owner of the landlocked property at an amount equal to the**
14 **assessed value of the landlocked property in a time and**
15 **manner prescribed by the department; or**

16 **(2) the county assessor of the county in which the landlocked**
17 **property is located must assess the value of the landlocked**



1 **property at an amount equal to zero (0) for as long as the**
2 **property qualifies as landlocked property.**
3 SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2024 (RETROACTIVE)]
4 **(a) IC 6-1.1-50.2, as added by this act, applies to assessment dates**
5 **occurring after December 31, 2023.**
6 **(b) This SECTION expires January 1, 2027.**
7 SECTION 3. An emergency is declared for this act.

