

SENATE BILL No. 283

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 6-1.1-48.

Synopsis: State payments in lieu of property taxes. Requires the state to make payments in lieu of property taxes (PILOTs) for qualified parcels in counties in which at least 15% of all land in the county is: (1) in the aggregate, owned or leased by the state of Indiana or the federal government; and (2) subject to an exemption from property taxes. Defines "qualified parcel" as a parcel that is: (1) owned or leased by the state of Indiana; (2) subject to an exemption from property taxes; and (3) located in a county to which this act applies. Provides that a county containing qualified parcels is entitled to receive PILOTs from the state. Provides that for purposes of calculating a PILOT, each acre of the qualified parcel is considered to have an assessed value of 1/2 of the statewide agricultural land base rate value. Provides that money received from the PILOTs must be used by the taxing units for one or more of the following purposes: (1) Public safety. (2) Capital improvements. (3) Purchase or lease of equipment. Annually appropriates from the state general fund the amount necessary to pay the required PILOTs.

Effective: July 1, 2019.

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January 7, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Appropriations.



First Regular Session of the 121st General Assembly (2019)

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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 2018 Regular and Special Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning taxation and to make an appropriation.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 6-1.1-48 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2019]:
4 **Chapter 48. Payments in Lieu of Property Taxes**
5 **Sec. 1. This chapter applies to a county in which at least fifteen**
6 **percent (15%) of all land in the county is:**
7 **(1) in the aggregate, owned or leased by the state of Indiana**
8 **or the federal government; and**
9 **(2) subject to an exemption from property taxes.**
10 **Sec. 2. This chapter applies to property taxes first due and**
11 **payable after December 31, 2019.**
12 **Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "adjusted assessed value" means**
13 **the assessed value of a qualified parcel determined by using the**
14 **following formula:**
15 **STEP ONE: Determine the number of acres included in the**
16 **qualified parcel.**
17 **STEP TWO: Determine the product of:**



- 1 (A) the statewide agricultural land base rate in effect on
2 the assessment date of the year immediately preceding the
3 year in which the PILOT is due; multiplied by
4 (B) the STEP ONE result.
- 5 **STEP THREE: Determine the quotient of:**
6 (A) the STEP TWO result; divided by
7 (B) two (2).
- 8 **STEP FOUR: Round the STEP THREE result to the nearest**
9 **dollar.**
- 10 **Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "federal government" refers to**
11 **the United States or an agency, board, bureau, commission,**
12 **department, division, instrumentality, or office of the United**
13 **States.**
- 14 **Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "PILOT" refers to a payment in**
15 **lieu of taxes.**
- 16 **Sec. 6. As used in this chapter, "qualified parcel" means a**
17 **parcel of land that is:**
18 (1) owned or leased by the state of Indiana;
19 (2) subject to an exemption from property taxes; and
20 (3) situated in a county to which this chapter applies.
- 21 **Sec. 7. As used in this chapter, "state of Indiana" includes an**
22 **agency of state government. The term does not include a political**
23 **subdivision.**
- 24 **Sec. 8. As used in this chapter, "statewide agricultural land base**
25 **rate" means the statewide agricultural land base rate value per**
26 **acre used to determine the value of agricultural land as provided**
27 **under IC 6-1.1-4-13.2.**
- 28 **Sec. 9. A county is entitled to receive a PILOT from the state for**
29 **qualified parcels.**
- 30 **Sec. 10. The assessing official shall assess the qualified parcels**
31 **as provided under section 11 of this chapter as though the land**
32 **were not exempt from the payment of property taxes.**
- 33 **Sec. 11. The total amount of each PILOT due to a county under**
34 **this chapter in a particular year equals the total amount of**
35 **property taxes that would have been levied in that year in the**
36 **county upon the qualified parcel, as determined using the qualified**
37 **parcel's adjusted assessed value.**
- 38 **Sec. 12. PILOTs:**
39 (1) shall be collected and distributed in the same manner as
40 property taxes are collected and distributed; and
41 (2) are otherwise treated in the same manner as property
42 taxes for purposes of all procedural and substantive



1 provisions of law.
2 **Sec. 13. Money received by a taxing unit from PILOTs must be**
3 **used by the taxing unit for one (1) or more of the following**
4 **purposes:**
5 **(1) Public safety.**
6 **(2) Construction, renovation, improvement, equipping, or**
7 **maintenance of capital improvements, including the pledge of**
8 **money under IC 5-1-14-4 for bonds, leases, or obligations for**
9 **the capital improvements.**
10 **(3) Purchase or lease of equipment for use by the taxing unit**
11 **for any purpose of the taxing unit.**
12 **Sec. 14. There is annually appropriated from the state general**
13 **fund the amount necessary to pay the PILOTs required by this**
14 **chapter.**

