

SENATE BILL No. 166

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 6-3.5-7.

Synopsis: CEDIT revenue for library property tax replacement. Allows Hancock County to use county economic development income tax revenue for purposes of replacing public library property taxes.

Effective: Upon passage.

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January 6, 1999, read first time and referred to Committee on Finance.

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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 6-3.5-7-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. (a) **Except as**
3 **provided in section 23 of this chapter**, the county auditor shall
4 distribute in the manner specified in this section the certified
5 distribution to the county.
6 (b) Except as provided in subsections (c) and (h) and section 15 of
7 this chapter, the amount of the certified distribution that the county and
8 each city or town in a county is entitled to receive during May and
9 November of each year equals the product of:
10 (1) the amount of the certified distribution for that month;
11 multiplied by
12 (2) a fraction. The numerator of the fraction equals the total
13 property taxes that are first due and payable to the county, city, or
14 town during the calendar year in which the month falls. The
15 denominator of the fraction equals the total property taxes that are
16 first due and payable to the county and all cities and towns of the
17 county during the calendar year in which the month falls.



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1 (c) This subsection applies to a county council or county income tax
 2 council that imposes a tax under this chapter after June 1, 1992. The
 3 body imposing the tax may adopt an ordinance before July 1 of a year
 4 to provide for the distribution of certified distributions under this
 5 subsection instead of a distribution under subsection (b). The following
 6 apply if an ordinance is adopted under this subsection:

7 (1) The ordinance is effective January 1 of the following year.

8 (2) The amount of the certified distribution that the county and
 9 each city and town in the county is entitled to receive during May
 10 and November of each year equals the product of:

11 (A) the amount of the certified distribution for the month;
 12 multiplied by

13 (B) a fraction. For a city or town, the numerator of the fraction
 14 equals the population of the city or the town. For a county, the
 15 numerator of the fraction equals the population of the part of
 16 the county that is not located in a city or town. The
 17 denominator of the fraction equals the sum of the population
 18 of all cities and towns located in the county and the population
 19 of the part of the county that is not located in a city or town.

20 (3) The ordinance may be made irrevocable for the duration of
 21 specified lease rental or debt service payments.

22 (d) The body imposing the tax may not adopt an ordinance under
 23 subsection (c) if, before the adoption of the proposed ordinance, any of
 24 the following have pledged the county economic development income
 25 tax for any purpose permitted by IC 5-1-14 or any other statute:

26 (1) The county.

27 (2) A city or town in the county.

28 (3) A commission, a board, a department, or an authority that is
 29 authorized by statute to pledge the county economic development
 30 income tax.

31 (e) The state board of tax commissioners shall provide each county
 32 auditor with the fractional amount of the certified distribution that the
 33 county and each city or town in the county is entitled to receive under
 34 this section.

35 (f) Money received by a county, city, or town under this section
 36 shall be deposited in the unit's economic development income tax fund.

37 (g) In determining the fractional amount of the certified distribution
 38 the county and its cities and towns are entitled to receive under
 39 subsection (b) during a calendar year, the state board of tax
 40 commissioners shall consider only property taxes imposed on tangible
 41 property subject to assessment in that county.

42 (h) In a county having a consolidated city, only the consolidated city



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1 is entitled to the certified distribution, subject to the requirements of
2 section 15 of this chapter.

3 SECTION 2. IC 6-3.5-7-13.1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
4 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 13.1. (a) The fiscal
5 officer of each county, city, or town for a county in which the county
6 economic development tax is imposed shall establish an economic
7 development income tax fund. **Except as provided in section 23 of**
8 **this chapter**, the revenue received by a county, city, or town under this
9 chapter shall be deposited in the unit's economic development income
10 tax fund.

11 (b) Except as provided in ~~section~~ **sections 15 and 23** of this chapter,
12 revenues from the county economic development income tax may be
13 used as follows:

14 (1) By a county, city, or town for economic development projects,
15 for paying, notwithstanding any other law, under a written
16 agreement all or a part of the interest owed by a private developer
17 or user on a loan extended by a financial institution or other
18 lender to the developer or user if the proceeds of the loan are or
19 are to be used to finance an economic development project, for
20 the retirement of bonds under section 14 of this chapter for
21 economic development projects, for leases under section 21 of
22 this chapter, or for leases or bonds entered into or issued prior to
23 the date the economic development income tax was imposed if
24 the purpose of the lease or bonds would have qualified as a
25 purpose under this chapter at the time the lease was entered into
26 or the bonds were issued.

27 (2) By a county, city, or town for:

28 (A) the construction or acquisition of, or remedial action with
29 respect to, a capital project for which the unit is empowered to
30 issue general obligation bonds or establish a fund under any
31 statute listed in IC 6-1.1-18.5-9.8;

32 (B) the retirement of bonds issued under any provision of
33 Indiana law for a capital project;

34 (C) the payment of lease rentals under any statute for a capital
35 project;

36 (D) contract payments to a nonprofit corporation whose
37 primary corporate purpose is to assist government in planning
38 and implementing economic development projects;

39 (E) operating expenses of a governmental entity that plans or
40 implements economic development projects;

41 (F) to the extent not otherwise allowed under this chapter,
42 funding substance removal or remedial action in a designated

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1 unit; or
 2 (G) funding of a revolving fund established under
 3 IC 5-1-14-14.

4 (c) As used in this section, an economic development project is any
 5 project that:

6 (1) the county, city, or town determines will:

7 (A) promote significant opportunities for the gainful
 8 employment of its citizens;
 9 (B) attract a major new business enterprise to the unit; or
 10 (C) retain or expand a significant business enterprise within
 11 the unit; and

12 (2) involves an expenditure for:

13 (A) the acquisition of land;
 14 (B) interests in land;
 15 (C) site improvements;
 16 (D) infrastructure improvements;
 17 (E) buildings;
 18 (F) structures;
 19 (G) rehabilitation, renovation, and enlargement of buildings
 20 and structures;
 21 (H) machinery;
 22 (I) equipment;
 23 (J) furnishings;
 24 (K) facilities;
 25 (L) administrative expenses associated with such a project,
 26 including contract payments authorized under subsection
 27 (b)(2)(D);
 28 (M) operating expenses authorized under subsection (b)(2)(E);
 29 or
 30 (N) to the extent not otherwise allowed under this chapter,
 31 substance removal or remedial action in a designated unit;

32 or any combination of these.

33 SECTION 3. IC 6-3.5-7-23 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
 34 AS A **NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE**
 35 **UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 23. (a) This section applies only to a county**
 36 **having a population of at least forty-five thousand (45,000) but not**
 37 **more than forty-seven thousand (47,000).**

38 **(b) The county council may by ordinance determine that, in**
 39 **order to promote the development of libraries in the county and**
 40 **thereby encourage economic development, it is necessary to use**
 41 **economic development income tax revenue to replace library**
 42 **property taxes in the county.**



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1 (c) If the county council makes a determination under
 2 subsection (b), the county council may designate the county
 3 economic development income tax revenue generated by the tax
 4 rate adopted under section 5 of this chapter, or revenue generated
 5 by a portion of the tax rate, as revenue that will be used to replace
 6 public library property taxes imposed by public libraries in the
 7 county.

8 (d) The county treasurer shall establish a library property tax
 9 replacement fund to be used only for the purposes described in this
 10 section. County economic development income tax revenues
 11 derived from the portion of the tax rate designated for property tax
 12 replacement credits under subsection (c) shall be deposited in the
 13 library property tax replacement fund before certified
 14 distributions are made under section 12 of this chapter.

15 (e) The amount of county economic development income tax
 16 revenue dedicated to providing library property tax replacement
 17 credits shall, in the manner prescribed in this section, be allocated
 18 to public libraries operating in the county and shall be used by
 19 those public libraries as property tax replacement credits. The
 20 amount of property tax replacement credits that each public
 21 library in the county is entitled to receive during a calendar year
 22 under this section equals the lesser of:

23 (1) the product of:

24 (A) the amount of revenue deposited by the county auditor
 25 in the library property tax replacement fund; multiplied
 26 by

27 (B) a fraction described as follows:

28 (i) The numerator of the fraction equals the sum of the
 29 total property taxes that would have been collected by
 30 the public library during the previous calendar year
 31 from taxpayers located within the library district if the
 32 property tax replacement under this section had not been
 33 in effect.

34 (ii) The denominator of the fraction equals the sum of
 35 the total property taxes that would have been collected
 36 during the previous year from taxpayers located within
 37 the county by all public libraries that are eligible to
 38 receive property tax replacement credits under this
 39 section if the property tax replacement under this section
 40 had not been in effect; or

41 (2) the total property taxes that would otherwise be collected
 42 by the public library for the calendar year if the property tax

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1 replacement credit under this section were not in effect.
 2 The state board of tax commissioners shall make any adjustments
 3 necessary to account for the expansion of a library district.
 4 However, a public library is eligible to receive property tax
 5 replacement credits under this section only if it has entered into
 6 reciprocal borrowing agreements with all other public libraries in
 7 the county.

8 (f) Notwithstanding subsection (e), if a public library did not
 9 impose a property tax levy during the previous calendar year, that
 10 public library is entitled to receive a part of the property tax
 11 replacement credits to be distributed for the calendar year. The
 12 amount of property tax replacement credits the public library is
 13 entitled to receive during the calendar year equals the product of:

- 14 (1) the amount of revenue deposited in the library property
 15 tax replacement fund; multiplied by
- 16 (2) a fraction. The numerator of the fraction equals the
 17 budget of the public library for that calendar year. The
 18 denominator of the fraction equals the aggregate budgets of
 19 public libraries in the county for that calendar year.

20 If for a calendar year a public library is allocated a part of the
 21 property tax replacement credits under this subsection, then the
 22 amount of property tax credits distributed to other public libraries
 23 in the county for the calendar year shall be reduced by the amount
 24 to be distributed as property tax replacement credits under this
 25 subsection. The state board of tax commissioners shall make any
 26 adjustments required by this subsection and provide the
 27 adjustments to the county auditor.

28 (g) The state board of tax commissioners shall inform the county
 29 auditor of the amount of property tax replacement credits that
 30 each public library in the county is entitled to receive under this
 31 section. The county auditor shall certify to each public library the
 32 amount of property tax replacement credits that the public library
 33 is entitled to receive during that calendar year. The county auditor
 34 shall also certify these amounts to the county treasurer.

35 (h) A public library receiving property tax replacement credits
 36 under this section shall allocate the credits among each fund for
 37 which a distinct property tax levy is imposed. The amount that
 38 must be allocated to each fund equals:

- 39 (1) the amount of property tax replacement credits provided
 40 to the public library under this section; multiplied by
- 41 (2) the amount determined in STEP THREE of the following
 42 formula:



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1 **STEP ONE:** Determine the property taxes that would have
2 been collected for each fund by the public library during
3 the previous calendar year if the property tax replacement
4 under this section had not been in effect.

5 **STEP TWO:** Determine the sum of the total property taxes
6 that would have been collected for all funds by the public
7 library during the previous calendar year if the property
8 tax replacement under this section had not been in effect.

9 **STEP THREE:** Divide the STEP ONE amount by the
10 STEP TWO amount.

11 However, if a public library did not impose a property tax levy
12 during the previous calendar year or did not impose a property tax
13 levy for a particular fund during the previous calendar year, but
14 the public library is imposing a property tax levy in the current
15 calendar year or is imposing a property tax levy for the particular
16 fund in the current calendar year, the state board of tax
17 commissioners shall adjust the amount of property tax
18 replacement credits allocated among the various funds of the
19 public library and shall provide the adjustment to the county
20 auditor. If a public library receiving property tax replacement
21 credits under this section does not impose a property tax levy for
22 a particular fund that is first due and payable in a calendar year in
23 which the property tax replacement credits are being distributed,
24 the public library is not required to allocate to that fund a part of
25 the property tax replacement credits to be distributed to the public
26 library.

27 (i) For each public library that receives property tax credits
28 under this section, the state board of tax commissioners shall
29 certify to the county auditor the property tax rate applicable to
30 each fund after the property tax replacement credits are allocated.

31 (j) A public library shall treat property tax replacement credits
32 received during a particular calendar year under this section as a
33 part of the public library's property tax levy for each fund for that
34 same calendar year for purposes of fixing the public library's
35 budget and for purposes of the property tax levy limits imposed by
36 IC 6-1.1-18.5.

37 (k) The property tax replacement credits that are received
38 under this section do not reduce the total county tax levy that is
39 used to compute the state property tax replacement credit under
40 IC 6-1.1-21. For the purpose of computing and distributing
41 certified distributions under IC 6-3.5-1.1 and tax revenue under
42 IC 6-5-10, IC 6-5-11, IC 6-5-12, IC 6-5.5, or IC 6-6-5, the property

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1 **tax replacement credits that are received under this section shall**
 2 **be treated as though they were property taxes that were due and**
 3 **payable during that same calendar year.**
 4 SECTION 4. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a)
 5 **Notwithstanding IC 6-3.5-7-5, the county council of a county**
 6 **described in IC 6-3.5-7-23, as added by this act, may after January**
 7 **1 but before June 15 of a year adopt an ordinance to impose the**
 8 **county economic development income tax under IC 6-3.5-7.**
 9 **(b) This SECTION expires January 1, 2000.**
 10 SECTION 5. **An emergency is declared for this act.**

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