

First Regular Session 117th General Assembly (2011)

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## HOUSE ENROLLED ACT No. 1543

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AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.

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

SECTION 1. IC 36-1-20 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]:

**Chapter 20. Regulation of Residential Leases**

**Sec. 1. The definitions in IC 32-31-3 apply throughout this chapter.**

**Sec. 2. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), the owner of a rental unit assessed any inspection, registration, or other fee by a political subdivision pertaining to the rental unit may:**

- (1) notify the tenants of the rental unit of the assessment of the fee; and**
- (2) require the tenants of the rental unit to reimburse the owner for the payment of the fee.**

**(b) Tenants of a rental unit may not be required to reimburse the owner of a rental unit for fees assessed by a political subdivision relating to the construction of the rental unit, such as building permit fees.**

**Sec. 3. Any inspection, registration, or other fee assessed under section 2 of this chapter and collected by a political subdivision must be maintained in a special fund dedicated solely to reimbursing the costs reasonably related to services actually**

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**performed by the political subdivision that justified the imposition and amount of the fee. Each fund shall be maintained as a separate line item in the political subdivision's budget. Money in the fund may not at any time revert to the general fund or any other fund of the political subdivision.**

**SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.**

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