COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 0780-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: SB 245

Subject: Counties; County Government; Roads and Highways; Taxation and Revenue -

Property

Type: Original

Date: February 17, 2015

Bill Summary: This proposal allows counties in which townships have been abolished to

continue to collect a property tax for road and bridge purposes for a

specified period of time.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2018			
Total Estimated Net Effect on All Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0	

☐ Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$100,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	
Local Government	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Oversight was unable to receive some of the agency responses in a timely manner due to the short fiscal note request time. Oversight has presented this fiscal note on the best current information that we have or on prior year information regarding a similar bill. Upon the receipt of agency responses, Oversight will review to determine if an updated fiscal note should be prepared and seek the necessary approval of the chairperson of the Joint Committee on Legislative Research to publish a new fiscal note.

Officials at the **Office of the State Auditor** and the **State Tax Commission** each assume no fiscal impact to their respective agencies from this proposal.

Oversight did not receive fiscal impact responses from counties with townships to make a determination whether these counties would experience a loss in property tax revenue from this proposal. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a \$0 to (Unknown) impact to counties in the fiscal note. The loss could also occur in FY 16 if the voters of the county approve a tax levy for road and bridge purposes.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2016 (10 Mo.)	FY 2017	FY 2018
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government COUNTY FUNDS	FY 2016 (10 Mo.)	FY 2017	FY 2018
<u>Loss</u> - Counties - in revenue from property taxes from abolished townships	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON COUNTY FUNDS	\$0 to <u>(Unknown)</u>	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)

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FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

This proposal could have a direct fiscal impact to small businesses.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This act allows counties in which townships have been abolished to continue to collect a property tax on a county-wide basis for road and bridge purposes for either one year following the abolishment of the townships or until the county voters have approved a property tax for such purposes, whichever occurs first. The property tax must be the same amount as the property tax being levied in the township with the lowest rate immediately before the townships were abolished. This act specifies that the collection of the property tax is to be considered a continuation of a tax and not a new tax.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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