

**FISCAL NOTE**

The fiscal impact is indeterminable.

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) indicates that the proposed legislation will result in a decrease in expenditures from the General Fund in impact assistance payments to impacted communities.

For projects other than wind and solar, a jurisdictional project must currently have construction costs in excess of \$227 million. Under current legislation, the Industrial Siting Council can distribute no more than 2.76% of a project's material cost as impact assistance. The amount of impact assistance available would be:  $2.76\% \times 227,000,000 = \$6,265,000$ . If the maximum amount of impact assistance available is reduced to 2.00% of a project's material cost under the proposed legislation, then the amount of impact assistance available for distribution would be:  $2.00\% \times \$227,000,000 = \$4,540,000$ . Reducing the amount of impact assistance available from 2.76% to 2.00% on a project with construction costs of \$227 million would reduce General Fund expenditures by \$1,725,000.

This bill shall only apply to impact assistance payments for industrial facilities approved on or after the effective date of this act. This bill is effective July 1, 2021.

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