Local impact assistance payments-percentage discretion.

FISCAL NOTE

The fiscal impact in the form of increased impact assistance payments from the general fund is indeterminable due to the unknown number and scope of future industrial projects.

Impact assistance payments to counties are paid out of the general fund share of sales and use taxes, up to a certain maximum percentage of the total estimated material cost of an industrial project in the county. The bill allows the Industrial Siting Council (Council) to increase impact assistance payments to up to 2.76 percent of the total estimated material cost of an industrial project if the Council finds that the otherwise applicable maximum allowable percentage is insufficient to mitigate impacts of that project.

On an approved industrial project with total estimated material costs of \$350 million, the increase in impact assistance payments from the general fund could be as high as \$1.78 million if the Council uses the discretion given in the bill to raise the maximum allowable percentage from 2.25 percent to 2.76 percent.

On an approved industrial project with total estimated material costs of \$850 million, the increase in impact assistance payments from the general fund could be as high as \$10.71 million if the Council uses the discretion given in the bill to raise the maximum allowable percentage from 1.5 percent to 2.76 percent.

This bill shall only apply to impact assistance payments for industrial facility permit applications submitted on and after the bill's effective date.

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