

Senate Bill 602

Sponsor: Sen. Gilbert Bursley

Senate Committee: Municipalities & Elections

House Committee: Appropriations

Material in this synopsis complete to 10-31-77. Additional information may follow.

THE FOLLOWING IS A SYNOPSIS OF SENATE BILL 602 AS PASSED BY THE SENATE:

The bill would require the state to pay local units for providing state facilities with protection against fires. The State Tax Commission would have to develop rules for determining the value of state facilities, and local assessors would use thoes rules to prepare annual reports on that value as of December 1 of the prior year. Before July 1 of each year, an assessor would send the Director of the Department of Management and Budget (DMB), the tax commission, and the local treasurer a copy of the valuation report. The tax commission would have to review the reports by August 1, determine the value of each state facility, and notify everyone involved, including the state agency responsible for each facility. A state agency, the Director of the DMB, and an assessor would have 10 days to ask the commission to hear an appeal. The commission would make its final determination by September 1, and no further appeals could be heard. In return, each local unit would have to show the Director of the DMB how much it spent for fire protection, list its state equalized valuation, and certify that the fire protection it provided a state facility was equal to that provided everyone else. The local unit would receive a payment for fire protection determined by dividing 1/2 the state equalized valuation of the state facilities by the local unit of the protection millage.

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