

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2017 and 2018 SB1680

Introduced 2/9/2017, by Sen. Martin A. Sandoval

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

605 ILCS 5/6-901

from Ch. 121, par. 6-901

Amends the Illinois Highway Code. Provides that, in the case of funds received by a county from the Department of Transportation to be apportioned to road districts for the construction of bridges, a road district shall, in order to be eligible for the expenditure of the apportioned funds, levy taxes for road and bridge purposes under a provision in the Motor Fuel Tax Law (rather than levy taxes under certain provisions of the Illinois Highway Code). Removes a provision allowing a road district that is otherwise ineligible to receive apportioned funds due to a property tax limitation to become eligible if certain conditions are met. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

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1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Illinois Highway Code is amended by changing

 Section 6-901 as follows:
- 6 (605 ILCS 5/6-901) (from Ch. 121, par. 6-901)

Sec. 6-901. Annually, the General Assembly shall appropriate to the Department of Transportation from the road fund, the general revenue fund, any other State funds or a combination of those funds, \$15,000,000 for apportionment to counties for the use of road districts for the construction of bridges 20 feet or more in length, as provided in Sections 6-902 through 6-905.

The Department of Transportation shall apportion among the several counties of this State for the use of road districts the amounts appropriated under this Section. The amount apportioned to a county shall be in the proportion which the total mileage of township or district roads in the county bears to the total mileage of all township and district roads in the State. To be eligible for the expenditure of the apportioned funds, a road district shall levy taxes for road and bridge purposes under Section 8 of the Motor Fuel Tax Law. Each county shall allocate to the several road districts in the county the

districts shall be made in the same manner and be subject to the same conditions and qualifications as are provided by Section 8 of the "Motor Fuel Tax Law", approved March 25, 1929, as amended, with respect to the allocation to road districts of the amount allotted from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund for apportionment to counties for the use of road districts, but no allocation shall be made to any road district that has not levied taxes for road and bridge purposes and for bridge construction purposes at the maximum rates permitted by Sections 6-501, 6-508 and 6-512 of this Act, without referendum. "Road district" and "township or district road" have the meanings ascribed to those terms in this Act.

Road districts in counties in which a property tax extension limitation is imposed under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law that are made ineligible for receipt of this appropriation due to the imposition of a property tax extension limitation may become eligible if, at the time the property tax extension limitation was imposed, the road district was levying at the required rate and continues to levy the maximum allowable amount after the imposition of the property tax extension limitation. The road district also becomes eligible if it levies at or above the rate required for eligibility by Section 8 of the Motor Fuel Tax Law.

The amounts apportioned under this Section for allocation to road districts may be used only for bridge construction as

- 1 provided in this Division. So much of those amounts as are not
- 2 obligated under Sections 6-902 through 6-904 and for which
- 3 local funds have not been committed under Section 6-905 within
- 4 48 months of the date when such apportionment is made lapses
- 5 and shall not be paid to the county treasurer for distribution
- 6 to road districts.
- 7 (Source: P.A. 96-366, eff. 1-1-10.)
- 8 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 9 becoming law.