# 94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY 

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## HB1330

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## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

| 30 | ILCS $740 / 2-2.02$ |
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| 30 | ILCS $740 / 2-2.04$ |
| 30 | ILCS $740 / 2-3$ |

Amends the Downstate Public Transportation Act. Includes the West Central Transit District serving Morgan and Scott counties as a participant in the Downstate Public Transportation Fund. Beginning July 1, 2005, requires the Comptroller to order transferred and requires the Treasurer to transfer, from the General Revenue Fund to the West Central Public Transportation Fund, an amount equal to $2 / 32$ of the net revenue realized from retail and occupation taxes within the boundaries of Morgan and Scott counties. Limits the amount paid into the Fund to $2 / 32$ of $80 \%$ of the net revenue realized for tax periods beginning on or after January 1, 2006. Requires a local match based on the amount that could be raised by a tax levy at the rate of .05\% on the assessed value of property within the boundaries of Morgan and Scott counties. Provides that failure to raise the local match will result in a reduced deposit into the West Central Public Transportation Fund. Makes other changes. Amends the State Finance Act. Establishes the West Central Public Transportation Fund, a special fund in the State treasury. Effective immediately.

AN ACT concerning finance.

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

Section 5. The Downstate Public Transportation Act is amended by changing Sections 2-2.02, 2-2.04, 2-3, 2-6, 2-7, and 2-15 as follows:
(30 ILCS 740/2-2.02) (from Ch. 111 2/3, par. 662.02)
Sec. 2-2.02. "Participant" means:
(1) a city, village, or incorporated town, or a local mass transit district organized under the Local Mass Transit District Act (a) serving an urbanized area of over 50,000 population on December 28,1989 , (b) receiving State mass transportation operating assistance pursuant to the Downstate Public Transportation Act during Fiscal Year 1979, or (c) serving a nonurbanized area and receiving federal rural public transportation assistance on or before June 30, 2002; or
(2) any Metro-East Transit District established pursuant to Section 3 of the Local Mass Transit District Act and serving one or more of the Counties of Madison, Monroe, and St. Clair during Fiscal Year 1989, all located outside the boundaries of the Regional Transportation Authority as established pursuant to the Regional Transportation Authority Act; or -
(3) any West Central Transit District established under the Local Mass Transit District and serving Morgan and Scott counties.
(Source: P.A. 91-357, eff. 7-29-99; 92-258, eff. 8-7-01; 92-464, eff. 8-22-01.)
(30 ILCS 740/2-2.04) (from Ch. 111 2/3, par. 662.04)
Sec. 2-2.04. "Eligible operating expenses" means all expenses required for public transportation, including employee wages and benefits, materials, fuels, supplies,
rental of facilities, taxes other than income taxes, payment made for debt service (including principal and interest) on publicly owned equipment or facilities, and any other expenditure which is an operating expense according to standard accounting practices for the providing of public transportation. Eligible operating expenses shall not include allowances: (a) for depreciation whether funded or unfunded; (b) for amortization of any intangible costs; (c) for debt service on capital acquired with the assistance of capital grant funds provided by the State of Illinois; (d) for profits or return on investment; (e) for excessive payment to associated entities; (f) for Comprehensive Employment Training Act expenses; (g) for costs reimbursed under Sections 6 and 8 of the "Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964", as amended; (h) for entertainment expenses; (i) for charter expenses; (j) for fines and penalties; (k) for charitable donations; (l) for interest expense on long term borrowing and debt retirement other than on publicly owned equipment or facilities; (m) for income taxes; or (n) for such other expenses as the Department may determine consistent with federal Department of Transportation regulations or requirements.

With respect to participants other than any Metro-East Transit District participant, any West Central Transit District participant, and those receiving federal research development and demonstration funds pursuant to Section 6 of the "Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964", as amended, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1979, the maximum eligible operating expenses for any such participant in any fiscal year after Fiscal Year 1980 shall be the amount appropriated for such participant for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1980, plus in each year a $10 \%$ increase over the maximum established for the preceding fiscal year. For Fiscal Year 1980 the maximum eligible operating expenses for any such participant shall be the amount of projected operating expenses upon which the appropriation for such participant for Fiscal Year 1980 is based.

With respect to participants receiving federal research development and demonstration operating assistance funds for operating assistance pursuant to Section 6 of the "Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964", as amended, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1979, the maximum eligible operating expenses for any such participant in any fiscal year after Fiscal Year 1980 shall not exceed such participant's eligible operating expenses for the fiscal year ending June 30 , 1980, plus in each year a 10\% increase over the maximum established for the preceding fiscal year. For Fiscal Year 1980, the maximum eligible operating expenses for any such participant shall be the eligible operating expenses incurred during such fiscal year, or projected operating expenses upon which the appropriation for such participant for the Fiscal Year 1980 is based; whichever is less.

With respect to all participants other than any Metro-East Transit District participant or any West Central Transit District, the maximum eligible operating expenses for any such participant in any fiscal year after Fiscal Year 1985 shall be the amount appropriated for such participant for the fiscal year ending June 30 , 1985, plus in each year a 10\% increase over the maximum established for the preceding year. For Fiscal Year 1985, the maximum eligible operating expenses for any such participant shall be the amount of projected operating expenses upon which the appropriation for such participant for Fiscal Year 1985 is based.

With respect to any mass transit district participant that has increased its district boundaries by annexing counties since 1998 and is maintaining a level of local financial support, including all income and revenues, equal to or greater than the level in the State fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, the maximum eligible operating expenses for any State fiscal year after 2002 shall be the amount appropriated for that participant for the State fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, plus, in each State fiscal year, a 10\% increase over the preceding State fiscal year. For State fiscal year 2002, the
maximum eligible operating expenses for any such participant shall be the amount of projected operating expenses upon which the appropriation for that participant for State fiscal year 2002 is based. For that participant, eligible operating expenses for State fiscal year 2002 in excess of the eligible operating expenses for the State fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, plus 10\%, must be attributed to the provision of services in the newly annexed counties.

With respect to a participant that receives an initial appropriation in State fiscal year 2002, the maximum eligible operating expenses for any State fiscal year after 2003 shall be the amount appropriated for that participant for the State fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, plus, in each year, a 10\% increase over the preceding year. For State fiscal year 2003, the maximum eligible operating expenses for any such participant shall be the amount of projected operating expenses upon which the appropriation for that participant for State fiscal year 2003 is based.
(Source: P.A. 92-258, eff. 8-7-01; 92-464, eff. 8-22-01; 92-651, eff. 7-11-02.)
(30 ILCS 740/2-3) (from Ch. 111 2/3, par. 663)
Sec. 2-3. Downstate Public Transportation Fund.
(a) As soon as possible after the first day of each month, beginning July 1, 1984, upon certification of the Department of Revenue, the Comptroller shall order transferred, and the Treasurer shall transfer, from the General Revenue Fund to a special fund in the State Treasury which is hereby created, to be known as the "Downstate Public Transportation Fund", an amount equal to $2 / 32$ of the net revenue realized from the "Retailers' Occupation Tax Act", as now or hereafter amended, the "Service Occupation Tax Act", as now or hereafter amended, the "Use Tax Act", as now or hereafter amended, and the "Service Use Tax Act", as now or hereafter amended, from persons incurring municipal or county retailers' or service occupation tax liability for the benefit of any municipality or
county located wholly within the boundaries of each participant other than any Metro-East Transit District participant or any West Central District participant certified pursuant to subsection (c) of this Section during the preceding month, except that the Department shall pay into the Downstate Public Transportation Fund $2 / 32$ of $80 \%$ of the net revenue realized under the State tax Acts named above within any municipality or county located wholly within the boundaries of each participant, other than (i) any Metro-East participant, for tax periods beginning on or after January 1, 1990 or (ii) any West Central District participant, for tax periods beginning on or after January 1, 2006; provided, however, that beginning with fiscal year 1985, the transfers into the Downstate Public Transportation Fund during any fiscal year shall not exceed the annual appropriation from the Downstate Public Transportation Fund for that year. The Department of Transportation shall notify the Department of Revenue and the Comptroller at the beginning of each fiscal year of the amount of the annual appropriation from the Downstate Public Transportation Fund. Net revenue realized for a month shall be the revenue collected by the state pursuant to such Acts during the previous month from persons incurring municipal or county retailers' or service occupation tax liability for the benefit of any municipality or county located wholly within the boundaries of a participant, less the amount paid out during that same month as refunds or credit memoranda to taxpayers for overpayment of liability under such Acts for the benefit of any municipality or county located wholly within the boundaries of a participant.
(b) As soon as possible after the first day of each month, beginning July 1, 1989, upon certification of the Department of Revenue, the Comptroller shall order transferred, and the Treasurer shall transfer, from the General Revenue Fund to a special fund in the State Treasury which is hereby created, to be known as the "Metro-East Public Transportation Fund", an amount equal to $2 / 32$ of the net revenue realized, as above,
from within the boundaries of Madison, Monroe and St. Clair Counties, except that the Department shall pay into the Metro-East Public Transportation Fund $2 / 32$ of $80 \%$ of the net revenue realized under the State tax Acts specified in subsection (a) of this Section within the boundaries of Madison, Monroe and St. Clair Counties for tax periods beginning on or after January 1, 1990. A local match equivalent to an amount which could be raised by a tax levy at the rate of $.05 \%$ on the assessed value of property within the boundaries of Madison, Monroe and St. Clair Counties is required annually to cause a total of $2 / 32$ of the net revenue to be deposited in the Metro-East Public Transportation Fund. Failure to raise the required local match annually shall result in only $1 / 32$ being deposited into the Metro-East Public Transportation Fund after July 1, 1989, or $1 / 32$ of $80 \%$ of the net revenue realized for tax periods beginning on or after January 1, 1990.
$(b-5)$ As soon as possible after the first day of each month, beginning July 1, 2005, upon certification of the Department of Revenue, the Comptroller shall order transferred, and the Treasurer shall transfer, from the General Revenue Fund to the West Central Public Transportation Fund, a special fund in the state treasury, an amount equal to $2 / 32$ of the net revenue realized, as above, from within the boundaries of Morgan and Scott counties, except that the Department shall pay into the West Central Public Transportation Fund 2/32 of $80 \%$ of the net revenue realized under the state tax Acts specified in subsection (a) of this Section within the boundaries of Morgan and Scott counties for tax periods beginning on or after January 1, 2006. A local match equivalent to an amount which could be raised by a tax levy at the rate of $.05 \%$ on the assessed value of property within the boundaries of Morgan and Scott counties is required annually to cause a total of $2 / 32$ of the net revenue to be deposited in the West Central Public Transportation Fund. Failure to raise the required local match annually shall result in only $1 / 32$ being deposited into the West Central Public Transportation Fund after July 1, 2005,
or $1 / 32$ of $80 \%$ of the net revenue realized for tax periods beginning on or after January 1, 2006.
(c) The Department shall certify to the Department of Revenue the eligible participants under this Article and the territorial boundaries of such participants for the purposes of the Department of Revenue in subsections (a) and (b) of this Section.
(d) For the purposes of this Article the Department shall include in its annual request for appropriation of ordinary and contingent expenses an amount equal to the sum total funds projected to be paid to the participants pursuant to section 2-7.
(e) In addition to any other permitted use of moneys in the Fund, and notwithstanding any restriction on the use of the Fund, moneys in the Downstate Public Transportation Fund may be transferred to the General Revenue Fund as authorized by Public Act 87-14. The General Assembly finds that an excess of moneys existed in the Fund on July 30, 1991, and the Governor's order of July 30, 1991, and the Governor's order of July 30, 1991, requesting the Comptroller and Treasurer to transfer an amount from the Fund to the General Revenue Fund is hereby validated. (Source: P.A. 86-590; 86-953; 87-838.)
(30 ILCS 740/2-6) (from Ch. 111 2/3, par. 666)
Sec. 2-6. Allocation of funds.
(a) With respect to all participants other than any Metro-East Transit District participant or any West Central Transit District participant, the Department shall allocate the funds to be made available to each participant under this Article for the following fiscal year and shall notify the chief official of each participant not later than the first day of the fiscal year of this amount. For Fiscal Year 1975, notification shall be made not later than January 1, 1975, of the amount of such allocation. In determining the allocation for each participant, the Department shall estimate the funds available to the participant from the Downstate Public

Transportation Fund for the purposes of this Article during the succeeding fiscal year, and shall allocate to each participant the amount attributable to it which shall be the amount paid into the Downstate Public Transportation Fund under Section 2-3 from within its boundaries. Said allocations may be exceeded for participants receiving assistance equal to one-third of their eligible operating expenses, only if an allocation is less than one-third of such participant's eligible operating expenses, provided, however, that no other participant is denied its one-third of eligible operating expenses. Beginning in Fiscal Year 1997, said allocation may be exceeded for participants receiving assistance equal to the percentage of their eligible operating expenses provided for in paragraph (b) of Section $2-7$, only if allocation is less than the percentage of such participant's eligible operating expenses provided for in paragraph (b) of Section $2-7$, provided however, that no other participant is denied its percentage of eligible operating expenses.
(b) With regard to any Metro-East Transit District organized under the Local Mass Transit District Act and serving one or more of the Counties of Madison, Monroe and St. Clair during Fiscal Year 1989, the Department shall allocate the funds to be made available to each participant for the following and succeeding fiscal years and shall notify the chief official of each participant not later than the first day of the fiscal year of this amount. The Department shall allocate 55\% of the amount paid into the Metro-East Public Transportation Fund to the District serving primarily the Counties of Monroe and St. Clair and 45\% of the amount to that District serving primarily the County of Madison.
(c) With regard to any West Central Transit District organized under the Local Mass Transit District Act and serving Morgan and Scott counties in Fiscal Year 2005, the Department shall allocate the funds to be made available to each participant for the following and succeeding fiscal years and shall notify the chief official of each participant not later

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than the first day of the fiscal year of this amount.
(Source: P.A. 89-598, eff. 8-1-96.)
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(30 ILCS 740/2-7) (from Ch. 111 2/3, par. 667)
Sec. 2-7. Quarterly reports; annual audit.
(a) Any Metro-East Transit District participant and any West Central Transit District participant shall, no later than 60 days following the end of each quarter of any fiscal year, file with the Department on forms provided by the Department for that purpose, a report of the actual operating deficit experienced during that quarter. The Department shall, upon receipt of the quarterly report, determine whether the operating deficits were incurred in conformity with the program of proposed expenditures approved by the Department pursuant to Section 2-11. Any Metro-East District may either monthly or quarterly for any fiscal year file a request for the participant's eligible share, as allocated in accordance with Section 2-6, of the amounts transferred into the Metro-East Public Transportation Fund. Any West Central Transit District may, either monthly or quarterly, for any fiscal year, file a request for the participant's eligible share, as allocated in accordance with Section $2-6$, of the amounts transferred into the West Central Public Transportation Fund.
(b) Each participant other than any Metro-East Transit District participant or any West Central Transit District participant shall, 30 days before the end of each quarter, file with the Department on forms provided by the Department for such purposes a report of the projected eligible operating expenses to be incurred in the next quarter and 30 days before the third and fourth quarters of any fiscal year a statement of actual eligible operating expenses incurred in the preceding quarters. Within 45 days of receipt by the Department of such quarterly report, the Comptroller shall order paid and the Treasurer shall pay from the Downstate Public Transportation Fund to each participant an amount equal to one-third of such participant's eligible operating expenses; provided, however,
that in Fiscal Year 1997, the amount paid to each participant from the Downstate Public Transportation Fund shall be an amount equal to $47 \%$ of such participant's eligible operating expenses and shall be increased to 49\% in Fiscal Year 1998, 51\% in Fiscal Year 1999, 53\% in Fiscal Year 2000, and 55\% in Fiscal Year 2001 and thereafter; however, in any year that a participant receives funding under subsection (i) of Section 2705-305 of the Department of Transportation Law (20 ILCS 2705/2705-305), that participant shall be eligible only for assistance equal to the following percentage of its eligible operating expenses: 42\% in Fiscal Year 1997, 44\% in Fiscal Year 1998, 46\% in Fiscal Year 1999, 48\% in Fiscal Year 2000, and 50\% in Fiscal Year 2001 and thereafter. Any such payment for the third and fourth quarters of any fiscal year shall be adjusted to reflect actual eligible operating expenses for preceding quarters of such fiscal year. However, no participant shall receive an amount less than that which was received in the immediate prior year, provided in the event of a shortfall in the fund those participants receiving less than their full allocation pursuant to Section 2-6 of this Article shall be the first participants to receive an amount not less than that received in the immediate prior year.
(c) No later than 180 days following the last day of the Fiscal Year each participant shall provide the Department with an audit prepared by a Certified Public Accountant covering that Fiscal Year. For those participants other than a Metro-East Transit District or a West Central Transit District, any discrepancy between the grants paid and the percentage of the eligible operating expenses provided for by paragraph (b) of this Section shall be reconciled by appropriate payment or credit. In the case of any Metro-East Transit District, any amount of payments from the Metro-East Public Transportation Fund which exceed the eligible deficit of the participant shall be reconciled by appropriate payment or credit. In the case of any West Central Transit District, any amount of payments from the West Central Public Transportation Fund which exceed the

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appropriate payment or credit.
(Source: P.A. 91-239, eff. 1-1-00; 91-357, eff. 7-29-99; 92-16,
eff. 6-28-01; 92-258, eff. 8-7-01; 92-464, eff. 8-22-01.)
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(30 ILCS 740/2-15) (from Ch. 111 2/3, par. 675.1)
Sec. 2-15. Except as otherwise provided in this Section, all funds which remain in the Downstate Public Transportation Fund, or the Metro-East Public Transportation Fund, or the West Central Public Transportation Fund after the payment of the fourth quarterly payment to participants other than Metro-East Transit District participants and West Central Transit District participants and the last monthly payment to Metro-East Transit participants and West Central Transit District participantsin each fiscal year shall be transferred to the General Revenue Fund no later than 90 days following the end of such fiscal year. However, such amount as the Department determines to be necessary for (1) allocation to participants for the purposes of Section 2-7 for the first quarter of the succeeding fiscal year and (2) an amount equal to $2 \%$ of the total allocations to participants in the fiscal year just ended to be used for the purpose of audit adjustments shall be retained in such Funds to be used by the Department for such purposes.
(Source: P.A. 86-590.)

Section 10. The State Finance Act is amended by adding Section 5.640 as follows:
(30 ILCS 105/5.640 new)
Sec. 5.640. The West Central Public Transportation Fund.

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.

