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COLLECTING FIRE SERVICE FEES

House Bill 4159

Sponsor: Rep. Sandra Hill

Committee: Local Government

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4159 AS INTRODUCED 1-17-95

Under Public Act 133 of 1951, which applies to townships, villages, and cities with populations under 15,000, municipalities providing emergency police or fire services, including municipalities acting jointly, are permitted to collect fees for the service. House Bill 4159 would amend the act to allow the legislative body of a municipality to collect fees imposed for emergency fire service in a manner similar to that used to collect property taxes. The local unit could provide that such fees were a lien upon the property for which the service was rendered and that fees delinquent for more than three months could be certified to the proper tax assessing officer or agency of the municipality and entered upon the next tax roll against the property. The fees would be collected and the lien enforced as provided for the collection of taxes and the enforcement of a lien for unpaid taxes under the General Property Tax Act.

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