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LOCAL AUDIT EXEMPTION

House Bill 4244
Sponsor: Rep. Ruth Jamnick
Committee: Local Government and Urban
Policy

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4244 AS INTRODUCED 2-9-99

Public Act 200 of 1957 (MCL 123.631. to 123.636) allows the governing bodies of any two or more municipalities (defined to mean any city, village, township, chartered township, or other incorporated political subdivision of the state) to establish an intermunicipality committee for the "purposes of studying area government problems of mutual interest and concern, including such matters as facility studies on sewers and sewage disposal, water, drains, roads, rubbish and garbage disposal, recreation and parks, and ports; and to formulate recommendations for review and action by the member governing bodies." Under the law, an intermunicipality committee may employ personnel or coordinate and conduct all types of surveys and studies; it must adopt by resolution of a majority any recommendations; it may publicize its purposes and findings and may distribute reports; and it must make an annual report of its activities to the member governing bodies. For the purpose of providing funds to meet the expenses of an intermunicipal committee, the member governing bodies, by resolution, may authorize the allocation of municipal funds.

House Bill 4244 would amend the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act to exempt intermunicipality committees from the audit and budget requirements set forth in the act. Specifically, House Bill 4244 would change the definitions of "legislative body" and "local unit" that are found in the act to specify that neither definition would include an intermunicipality committee established under Public Act 200 of 1957.

MCL 141.422d

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