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House Bill 4300 (Substitute H-1 as passed by the House)

Sponsor: Representative Lorence Wenke

House Committee: Local Government and Urban Policy Senate Committee: Local, Urban and State Affairs

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CONTENT

The bill would amend Public Act 380 of 1913, which regulates gifts of property to local units of government, to allow a county to grant or loan funds to a township, city, or village located in the county, for the purpose of encouraging and assisting businesses to locate and expand within the county. A grant or loan could not be derived from ad valorem taxes except for taxes approved by a vote of the people for economic development.

To receive a grant or loan, a county would have to establish an application process. The awarding of a grant or loan would have to be made at a public hearing of the county board of commissioners. A grant or loan contract would have to require a report to the board regarding the recipient's activities and the degree to which the recipient had met the stated public purpose of the funding.

MCL 123.872 Legislative Analyst: George Towne

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State government and a minimal fiscal impact on local government.

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