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House Bill 6322 (as reported without amendment)  
Sponsor: Representative John Stakoe  
House Committee: Local Government and Urban Policy  
Senate Committee: Local, Urban and State Affairs

### **CONTENT**

The bill would amend Public Act 214 of 1979, which regulates the disposition and sale of stolen or abandoned property recovered in a village or township, to allow a law enforcement agency to request that a stolen or abandoned bicycle be donated to a State-licensed charitable organization.

Under the Act, if a law enforcement officer of a village or township recovers stolen property or discovers abandoned property within the village or township, and the property is not claimed within six months, the law enforcement officer must report the recovery or discovery of the property to the village council or township board of trustees and request authority to dispose of it as provided in the Act or to give it to the county sheriff to dispose of as provided in Public Act 54 of 1959 (which regulates the disposition and sale of stolen property recovered by a county sheriff).

The bill would include a city among the units of government subject to this provision, and would refer to a law enforcement agency, rather than a law enforcement officer. The bill would allow a law enforcement agency to request authority from its governing body to donate a stolen or abandoned bicycle to a State-licensed charitable organization.

Under Public Act 214, if the village council or township board of trustees authorizes a law enforcement officer to dispose of property as provided in the Act, the officer must sell the property, after the publication of notice, and the proceeds must be deposited in the village or township general fund.

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### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill potentially would reduce local unit revenue by a negligible amount, depending on the value and number of stolen or abandoned bicycles that were donated rather than sold.

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the State.

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