



Senate Fiscal Agency
P. O. Box 30036
Lansing, Michigan 48909-7536



Telephone: (517) 373-5383
Fax: (517) 373-1986

House Bill 4487 (as reported without amendment)
Sponsor: Representative Stacy Erwin Oakes
House Committee: Commerce
Senate Committee: Economic Development

CONTENT

The bill would amend the downtown development authority (DDA) Act to allow a DDA board to take certain actions related to the promotion of local agriculture.

The Act allows municipalities (cities, villages, and townships) to form DDAs in order to fund improvements to their business districts, and provides for the powers and duties of DDA boards. An authority may finance its activities by various methods, including tax increment financing.

The bill would authorize a DDA board to create, operate, and fund marketing initiatives, infrastructure improvements, billing and payment systems, and technology updates that promoted local agriculture, locally produced agricultural products, locally produced value-added agricultural products, locally processed agricultural products, and local farmers markets.

MCL 125.1657

Legislative Analyst: Patrick Affholter

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

Date Completed: 4-1-14

Fiscal Analyst: Elizabeth Pratt