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Senate Bill 136 (as enacted)
Sponsor: Senator Hildenbrand
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CONTENT

The bill would provide supplemental appropriations for fiscal year (FY) 2015-16 for the Flint water emergency. The bill proposes Gross appropriations of \$30.0 million, all from General Fund/General Purpose (GF/GP) revenue, for the Department of Treasury's "Grants" unit. These supplemental appropriations would be in addition to the \$9.4 million Gross (\$7.2 million GF/GP) previously enacted for Flint water services in Public Act 143 of 2015, and \$28.0 million Gross (\$22.6 million GF/GP) recently enacted for the Flint declaration of emergency in Public Act 3 of 2016. Table 1 summarizes the appropriations in the bill.

Table 1

Summary of Supplemental Appropriations				
Department	Gross	Federal	State Restricted	GF/GP
Treasury	\$30,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$30,000,000
Total	\$30,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$30,000,000

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would increase FY 2015-16 Gross State appropriations by \$30.0 million, all funded from GF/GP revenue. The \$30.0 million is appropriated to the Department of Treasury in a lump sum line item entitled "Flint declaration of emergency", with allocation provisions included in boilerplate language sections 301 and 302.

BOILERPLATE LANGUAGE SECTIONS

Sec. 201. General. Records amount of total State spending and payments to local units of government.

Sec. 202. General. Subjects appropriations and expenditures in the bill to the provisions of the Management and Budget Act.

Sec. 301. Department of Treasury. Allocates funds appropriated for the Department to reimburse the water enterprise fund of the City of Flint in an amount equal to credits posted to its customers' accounts; requires a quarterly report to the chairs of the Senate and House Appropriations Committees on the distribution of the funds.

Sec. 302. Department of Treasury. Prohibits administrative expenditures from the appropriations in the bill; requires the State Treasurer to authorize specific expenditures; requires the lapse to the General Fund of all unexpended funds at the end of the fiscal year; restricts residential water credits to no more than 65% of the amount billed between April 30, 2014, and the expiration of the disaster; restricts nonresidential water credits to no more

than 20% of the amount billed; prohibits reimbursement for sewer services; requires credits to reflect rates paid at the time of the billing; and allows the State Treasurer and the Auditor General to audit transactions.

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