



ANALYSIS

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House Bill 6090 (as reported without amendment) Sponsor: Representative Joseph N. Bellino, Jr.

House Committee: Local Government Senate Committee: Local Government

CONTENT

The bill would amend the County Public Improvement Act to delete the requirement for a board of review to meet twice a year for the purpose of reviewing rates, charges, or assessments, and require them to meet within 60 days of a written request to review rates, charges, or assessments, instead.

Under the Act, the county board of commissioners must designate either a committee selected from its membership or the board of auditors to be constituted as a board of review to hear and review rates, charges, or assessments. At the request of any unit of government, person, firm, or corporation charged for services rendered by any county acting under the Act, and on sufficient cause being shown, or upon information presented to or obtained by the board of review of the respective county, the board must review the action of the county agency in fixing or adjusting charges or assessments. The charges or assessments must in all cases be sufficient to pay the operating expenses of the system and to meet sinking fund and interest requirements on bonds and to meet principal and interest payments on notes if any, and any other requirements under which the bonds or notes may be issued.

The board of review must meet at the room of the county board of commissioners in the county building on the second Monday in May and September of each year, at 3:00 P.M. and continue in session during the day until 5:00 P.M. and during the same hours of the two days following. Additional time for hearings may be granted by the board of review. Under the bill, instead, the board of review would have to meet at the room of the county board of commissioners in the county building within 60 days of a written request to review rates, charges, or assessments. The board of review would have to allow sufficient time for the hearing.

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FISCAL IMPACT

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

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