

# Legislative Analysis

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## **SHARING COSTS FOR IMPROVEMENTS BORDERING PRIVATE ROADS**

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**House Bill 4030 as introduced**  
**Sponsor: Rep. Sue Allor**  
**Committee: Local Government and Municipal Finance**  
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### **SUMMARY:**

House Bill 4030 would amend the Maintenance of Private Roads Act. Currently, if at least 51% of property owners owning frontage along a private road petition for improvement or maintenance, the township board can create a special assessment district and the cost of maintenance or improvement is shared by owners in the district on a pro rata frontage basis (in other words, proportionately based on the amount of land bordering the road).

The bill would retain that cost sharing option and add the alternative that the cost be shared in any other equitable manner as determined by the township board in consultation with all of the owners in the district to be benefited.

MCL 247.392

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the state or local units of government. However, the bill could change the distribution of the cost for maintenance or improvement of private roads to owners in the private road special assessment district.

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