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House Bill 4730 (Substitute H-1 as passed by the House)
Sponsor: Representative Julie Calley
House Committee: Commerce and Tourism
Senate Committee: Economic and Small Business Development

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CONTENT

The bill would amend Public Act 161 of 1895, which requires county treasurers to provide transcripts and records upon request and prescribes the associated fees, to change the definition of "qualified data file" and require county treasurers to provide specified electronic records upon request.

Currently, a county treasurer must provide transcripts, certificates, and abstracts of records to a resident, upon request, for a specified fee that is then credited to the county's general fund. If the request is for an electronic copy of records in a qualified data file maintained with the county treasurer, a response must be transmitted electronically using a format documented by open standards organization.

"Qualified data file" means an electronic data file that includes the following information in the record for each parcel of real property in the county for the current tax year:

- The taxable value.
- The State equalized value.
- The assessed value.
- Past sale data.
- Property classification.
- Property address.
- Parcel identification number.
- Owner name and address.
- Taxpayer name and address.
- Principal residence status.
- Other tax equalization data.
- Special assessments.
- Total millage rate.
- Enumerated millage list.
- Tax bill amount for winter tax bill.
- Tax bill amount for summer tax bill.

The bill would amend the definition of "qualified data file" to mean an electronic data file that includes *any* of the preceding information (rather than *at least* the information listed). The bill also would require a county treasurer to provide any electronic records containing any of the preceding information if the county treasurer maintained electronic records containing that information.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the State and an indeterminate, though likely small, fiscal impact on local governments. The bill's provisions would expand the definition of qualified data file, requiring the county treasurer to provide electronic copies of the records upon request. The Act allows the treasurer to charge a fee for the records, and if the maximum fee is less than the additional cost to provide the records, there would be a cost to the county.

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