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BILL ANALYSIS

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Senate Bill 102 (as reported without amendment)
Sponsor: Senator Paul Wojno
Committee: Local Government

CONTENT

The bill would amend Public Act (PA) 161 of 1895, which requires county treasurers to provide transcripts and records upon request, to do the following:

-- Require a county treasurer to fulfill a request for specific documentation in the treasurer's possession for a requested tax year instead of the current tax year.
-- Require a county treasurer to consider a request for a winter tax bill and a summer tax bill as a single request when charging a fee for their request.
-- Allow a request for certain electronic records from a county treasurer if the treasurer possessed those records.

MCL 48.101

BRIEF RATIONALE

In 2022, the Legislature amended PA 161 to require a county treasurer that maintains, controls, or manages electronic records of specific information to provide those electronic records for each parcel of real property in the county for the current tax year. According to testimony, county treasurers often do not have property tax information for a tax year until the following tax year. Therefore, the bill would allow county treasurers to better comply with requests and preserve the right of requesters to request needed documentation.

PREVIOUS LEGISLATION

(This section does not provide a comprehensive account of previous legislative efforts on this subject matter.)

The bill is a reintroduction of Senate Bill 705 from the 2023-2024 Legislative Session. Senate Bill 705 passed the Senate and was reported by the House Local Government and Municipal Finance Committee but saw no further action.

Legislative Analyst: Alex Krabill

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State revenue or expenses but could alter local revenue by an unknown and likely minimal amount. The bill would require local units to treat certain information requests as a single request and not separate requests. For affected requests, local units would receive half the revenue they would otherwise receive and the maximum revenue reduction per request would total $2,000. The bill also would expand the types of local records for which local units could levy a charge to include records possessed, rather than just records maintained, controlled or managed, by the county treasurer. The net impact on a local unit would depend on the number of requests affected by each provision of the number.

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