

OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

Bill Analysis

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H.B. 470

132nd General Assembly (As Reported by H. State & Local Government)

Reps. Edwards, Hambley, Perales

BILL SUMMARY

• Authorizes political subdivisions to levy a property tax specifically to fund lighting for roads and public places.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Property tax levy to fund lighting for roads and public places

The bill authorizes a political subdivision to levy a property tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation solely to provide funding for the installation, operation, and maintenance of lighting for roads and public places. The levy must be approved by the voters of the subdivision, and may be levied for a term of up to five years.¹

Under continuing law, a political subdivision must generally pay for lighting from its general fund. Townships and municipal corporations may also levy a special assessment on property to fund lighting projects, which is allocated among properties on the basis of the benefit to each property.²

HISTORY

ACTION	DATE
Introduced	01-17-18
Reported, H. State & Local Government	02-21-18

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¹ R.C. 5705.19(ZZ).

² R.C. Chapter 515. and R.C. 727.01.