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HOUSE MOTION _____

MR. SPEAKER:

I move that House Bill 1427 be amended to read as follows:

- 1 Page 29, between lines 17 and 18, begin a new paragraph and insert:
- 2 "SECTION 23. IC 6-3.6-7-21, AS ADDED BY P.L.243-2015,
- 3 SECTION 10, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
- 4 JANUARY 1, 2025 (RETROACTIVE)]; Sec. 21. (a) This section
- 5 applies only to Starke County.
- 6 (b) Starke County possesses unique governmental and economic
- 7 development challenges due to:
- 8 (1) the county's predominantly rural geography, demography, and
- 9 economy;
- 10 (2) the county's relatively low tax base and relatively high
- 11 property tax rates;
- 12 (3) the current maximum capacity of the county jail, which was
- 13 constructed in 1976; and
- 14 (4) pending federal class action litigation seeking a mandate to
- 15 address capacity and living conditions in the county jail.
- 16 The use of a tax under this section is necessary for the county to
- 17 address jail capacity and appropriate inmate living conditions and to
- 18 maintain low property tax rates essential to economic development.
- 19 The use of a tax under this section for the purposes described in this
- 20 section promotes these purposes.
- 21 (c) The county fiscal body may impose a tax on the adjusted gross

1 income of local taxpayers at a tax rate that does not exceed the lesser
 2 of the following:
 3 (1) Sixty-five hundredths percent (0.65%).
 4 (2) The rate necessary to carry out the purposes described in this
 5 section.
 6 (d) Revenue from a tax under this section may be used only for the
 7 following purposes:
 8 (1) To finance, construct, acquire, and equip the county jail and
 9 related buildings and parking facilities, including costs related to
 10 the demolition of existing buildings, the acquisition of land, and
 11 any other reasonably related costs.
 12 (2) To repay bonds issued or leases entered into for constructing,
 13 acquiring, and equipping the county jail and related buildings and
 14 parking facilities, including costs related to the demolition of
 15 existing buildings, the acquisition of land, and any other
 16 reasonably related costs.
 17 **(3) To operate and maintain the facilities described in**
 18 **subdivision (1).**
 19 (e) The tax imposed under this section may be imposed only until
 20 the last of the following dates:
 21 (1) The date on which the purposes described in subsection (d)(1)
 22 are completed.
 23 (2) The date on which the last of any bonds issued (including any
 24 refunding bonds) or leases described in subsection (d)(2) are fully
 25 paid.
 26 The term of the bonds issued (including any refunding bonds) or a
 27 lease entered into under subsection (d)(2) may not exceed twenty-five
 28 (25) years."
 29 Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.
 (Reference is to HB 1427 as printed February 13, 2025.)

Representative Pressel