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Senate Bill 24

Sponsor: Senator Harmon Cropsey

Committee: Local Government and Veterans

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SUMMARY OF SENATE BILL 24 as introduced 1-11-89:

The bill would amend the Tax Tribunal Act to increase the jurisdiction of the residential property and small claims division of the State Tax Tribunal, and to require that the division's decisions and opinions be made within a "reasonable period", be in writing, and include a concise statement of the facts and conclusions of law. Under the Act, the small claims division hears disputes involving residential property, other property whose assessed value was not increased or decreased by over \$20,000, and nonproperty tax disputes over which the tribunal has jurisdiction involving a tax of \$1,000 or less. Under the bill, the division's jurisdiction over nonresidential property would cover property whose valuation was increased or decreased by \$100,000 or less, and the division could hear appeals involving up to \$5,000 in other taxes.

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Legislative Analyst: S. Margules

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government, although written conclusions of law could lead to more appeals to the Court of Appeals.

Fiscal Analyst: A. Allie

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