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URBAN TOWNSHIP: AMEND DEFINITION

House Bill 5566

Sponsor: Rep. Beverly Hammerstrom
**Committee: Urban Policy and Economic
Development**

Complete to 2-25-98

A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5566 AS INTRODUCED 2-11-98

The bill would amend the Local Development Financing Act to expand the definition of an urban township to include certain townships with populations of under 20,000 people. Currently, an urban township is defined as a township that provides sewer, water, and other public services to all or part of the township, adopted a master zoning plan before February 1, 1987, and has a population of 20,000 or more (or a population of 10,000 or more, if the township is located in a county with a population of 400,000 or more).

The bill would allow a township with a population of less than 20,000 that was located in a county with a population of 250,000 or more to be defined as an urban township. The township would have to be in a county that was located within a metropolitan statistical area and have a parcel of property within its boundaries under common ownership that was 800 acres or larger, capable of being served by a railroad, and located within 3 miles of a limited access highway.

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