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Senate Bill 870 (Substitute S-1 as reported)
Sponsor: Senator Tom George
Committee: Local, Urban and State Affairs

CONTENT

The bill would amend Public Act 51 of 1951, the Michigan Transportation Fund (MTF) law, to allow the electronic submission of information that county road commissions, cities, and villages must provide to the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT). Beginning January 1, 2007, information required under Section 14 or 15 could be submitted on a single consolidated form, which MDOT would have to develop and make available electronically. The form would have to allow county road commissions, cities, and villages to summarize the required information. If MDOT established with good cause that the information submitted to it was insufficient, the Department could separately request additional information from any county road commission, city, or village.

Section 14 requires county road commissions, cities, and villages to report to MDOT the mileage of each road system under their jurisdiction and the receipts and disbursements of road and street funds. A county road commission also must report on its compliance in the preceding year with the Act's provisions regarding the expenditure of funds from the MTF and Federal revenue distributed to the use of the county road commission.

Under Section 15, before May 2 of each year, every county road commission, or the county executive or other agency acting as the county road commission, must report to the MDOT Director, each township in the county, and the county clerk on the disposition of funds appropriated, apportioned, or allocated under the Act to the county. The bill would require a county road commission (or county executive or other agency) to provide this information to the MDOT Director on and after January 1, 2007, and beginning each May 2 of each year. The information would not have to be reported to each township and the county clerk.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill could result in additional administrative costs associated with the electronic submission of required information beginning in January 2007.

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