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Senate Bill 1252 (as reported without amendment)  
Sponsor: Senator Gerald Van Woerkom  
Committee: Local, Urban and State Affairs

### **CONTENT**

The bill would amend Public Act 253 of 1917 (which governs the transfer of money from a county's general fund to its road fund) to eliminate a prohibition against a transfer involving money raised by property taxes.

Under the Act, if a county operating under the county road system has a surplus of money in its general fund, the county board of commissioners may direct the transfer of part of the surplus to the county road fund for the construction, maintenance, and repair of highways under the supervision and direction of the board of county road commissioners. The Act, however, prohibits such a diversion of money raised by general taxes levied on the real and personal property of the county. The bill would delete this restriction.

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Legislative Analyst: Julie Cassidy

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would have no effect on State revenue or expenditures but would potentially change the way local revenue and expenditures are distributed across different activities. The bill would not increase local unit revenue but would allow surplus revenue in the county general fund from general property taxes to be transferred to the county road fund. The actual amount of any surplus or transfer is unknown and would vary based on the budgeting decisions of affected counties.

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