

Legislative Analysis



ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF REAL PROPERTY OWNED/LEASED BY PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARDS

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House Bill 4567 as introduced
Sponsor: Rep. Bradford C. Jacobsen
Committee: Transportation and Infrastructure
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SUMMARY:

The bill would amend Section 1263 of the Revised School Code to specify that for all purposes under state and local law, real property owned or leased by a public school board is considered exempt and immune from local zoning and is considered to be "nonzoned" or "unzoned" property of a mixed public and commercial use for state and local zoning purposes, regardless of the local zoning classifications that might otherwise apply.

(Reportedly, the bill deals with the placing of billboards on public school property.)

The bill also provides new definitions. "School building" would mean any structure or facility that is used for an instructional or non-instructional school purpose and is located on real property owned or leased by the governing board of a public school. "School purpose" would mean any purpose that may provide a benefit to a public school or its governing board, including but not limited to, a benefit of a commercial or financial nature.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 4567 would have no fiscal impact on the state. The bill would have an indeterminate, but possible positive fiscal impact for local school districts regarding school property that under the bill would be exempt from local zoning and could possibly generate revenue where previously not permitted. More specifically, this bill would address a concern that would have prevented certain districts from constructing billboards on school district property, thus allowing districts a potential revenue stream from billboard advertising.

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