REVENUE IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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MEASURE: HB 30/1

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Measure Description:

Extends sunset date of enterprise zone program.

Revenue Impact (in \$Millions):

Revenue Losses		2011-13	2013-15
Counties and Taxing Districts	Local	\$0	A small portion of \$62.1

Impact Explanation: The measure extends the sunset dates for property tax exemptions associated with enterprise zones from after June 30, 2013 to after June 30, 2025. The measure changes the sunset dates for long-term rural enterprise zones but not their associated income tax credit. Enterprise zone property tax exemptions affected by the measure are given in the amounts below for each biennium.

Property Tax Expenditures for Enterprise Zones By Biennium					
	2009-11	2011-13	2013-15		
Enterprise Zone Businesses (Loss, not Shift)	32,900,000	34,600,000	34,600,000		
Long Term Rural Enterprise Zone (Loss, not					
Shift)	29,400,000	27,500,000	27,500,000		

Statutes related to the dissolution of an enterprise zone allow for businesses receiving the tax exemption to continue receiving it for the period of time for which it was originally scheduled. Any new property constructed by a business with property already exempted is also eligible for an exemption, provided that it meets the usual requirements. The termination of the enterprise zone does not interfere with application for tax exemptions on new property or improvements for these businesses until 10 years after the termination of the enterprise zone. For businesses that do not construct new property, the period of their exemption will simply run out in the specified amount of time. This is 3 to 5 years for standard enterprise zones and 7 to 15 years for rural enterprise zones. The main effect of the enterprise zone termination would be that

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new businesses would not be able to apply for an exemption. Revenue gains from this measure would not be realized until exemptions received by businesses begin to expire. Revenue impacts could begin as early as the middle of 2013-15, but are not expected to reach the full impact until all exemptions have expired. Due to the varying time periods on these exemptions, the initial revenue impact is not possible to predict. It may be possible to have tax expenditures on new property by participating businesses as late as 10 years after the sunset date, extending for 3 to 15 years depending on what type of enterprise zone exemption is claimed. However, this would likely be a rare scenario.

Creates, Extends, or Expands Tax Expenditure:	Yes 🗌 No 🔀
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