



OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: H.B. 715 of the 132nd G.A.

Status: As Reported by House State and Local Government

Sponsor: Reps. Schuring and West

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Subject: Authorizes municipal corporations to use up to 5% of water and sewer moneys for projects related to economic development

The bill gives municipalities more flexibility in the way they may use the proceeds from water and sewer fees. Specifically, the bill authorizes a municipal corporation, in each fiscal year, to use up to 5% of the gross amount of money deposited into the water fund or sewer fund during the preceding fiscal year to extend water or sewer service when the extension is for economic development purposes. Using Canton as an example, the bill would allow the city to use up to approximately \$985,000 to extend water service or up to approximately \$960,000 to extend sewer service for economic development purposes in calendar year 2018. This is based on the 2017 Comprehensive Financial Annual Report for the city that showed \$19.7 million was deposited into the Water Operating Fund and \$19.2 million was deposited into the Sewer Operating Fund.