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IN Local Roads & Streets Initiative: Increased Funding a Top Priority!

New Flexible Road Funding Program

[HB 1067](#) – Federal Fund Exchange Program (Rep. Cherry, R-Greenfield; Sen. Becker, R-Evansville)

HB 1067 establishes the federal fund exchange program to allow a county, city or town that receives funds from the Federal Surface Transportation Program to exchange the federal funds at a rate of not less than \$0.75 of state funds for each \$1 of federal funds for capital projects. The Department of Transportation is charged with administrating the program and the municipality is still required to provide matching funds of 10% of the project cost.

This bill is headed for conference committee where IACT will work to improve the flexibility of the program.

IACT Position: Support

Additional Road Funding and Local Road Impact Fee

[HB 1324](#) – Motor Fuels (Rep. Frye, R-Greensburg; Sen. Eckerty, R-Yorktown)

On April 10, 2013 the House passed HB 1324 with a final vote of 47-3. The House did amend this bill. A dissent has been filed in the House and it is headed for conference committee.

HB1324 provides for the imposition of the motor carrier fuel tax and surtax by imposing the existing rates on the diesel or gasoline gallon equivalents of the various forms of natural gas sold. The funds generated from this tax and surtax will be distributed to the Motor Vehicle Highway Fund among others. Local units may receive up to \$1.3 M in FY 2014 and \$1 M in FY 2015 in additional transportation revenues from the bill through the MVH and Highway Road and Street Fund.

The bill also contains a Local Road Impact Fee, which places a fee on electric vehicles that would be collected during the registration process with the BMV. It is estimated that this fee will generate approximately \$1 M in FY 2014 and \$1.5 M in FY 2015, with generated revenues being deposited into the Local Road and Street Account.

IACT Position: Support

Budget Headed to Conference Committee

[HB 1001](#) – Biennial Budget (Rep. Brown, R-Crawfordsville; Sen. Kenley, R-Noblesville)

On April 9, 2013, the full Senate passed its version of the budget with a final vote of 38-12 after being amended. It is now awaiting conference committee because a dissent was filed in the House.

The Senate version has strings attached to its \$337.4 M increase in road funding. It provides that distributions from the Motor Vehicle Highway Account to a county and cities and towns in the county are frozen at FY 2013 levels unless the county has adopted a county motor vehicle excise surtax and wheel tax at a rate that is at least 50% of the maximum rate. **This ordinance must be adopted before July 1, 2013.** This provision gives counties, cities and town more incentive to adopt the surtax and wheel tax at the maximum levy because it is a graduated allocation; if your community adopts a 50% levy then your community will receive 50% of the new funding. It also contains SB 389, which permits a county income tax council to impose a motor vehicle excise surtax and a wheel tax for a county and specifies that the body that initially imposes taxes is the body that is empowered to increase, decrease, or rescind the taxes.

The Senate version of the budget creates the Major Moves Trust Fund and puts \$400 M over the next to years into the fund, which is to be used exclusively for major highway expansion projects allocated by the General Assembly. It also removes distributions from for State Police from the Motor Vehicle Highway Account.

While the Senate budget does not include the full 10% reduction in income tax, it does provide for a 3% reduction. It also provides for the repeal of the inheritance tax on January 1, 2013 and reduces the corporate income tax and financial institutions tax.

IACT Position: Researching

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IN Bills of Concern

Two Moratoriums Eroding Home Rule Authority in One Bill Passes Both Houses

[HB 1313](#) – Regulation of Residential Landlords, Builders, and Remodelers (Rep. Speedy, R-Indianapolis; Sen. Holdman, R-Markle)

On April 10, 2013, the Senate passed HB 1313 with a final vote of 30-19. IACT worked hard to fight off amendments filed on 2nd reading that would have made a bad bill worse.

HB 1313 has two different moratoriums on cities and towns adopting certain ordinances or other requirements. The first is a one-year moratorium on a political subdivision from adopting a regulation relating to landlord/tenant relations, rental agreements, or real property subject to rental agreements that: (1) requires an owner or landlord to be licensed or to obtain a permit from the political subdivision to lease a rental unit; (2) requires an owner or landlord to enroll or participate in a class or government program as a condition for leasing a rental unit; or (3) imposes or increases a fee or other assessment for inspection of a rental unit, registration of an owner, landlord, or rental unit, or for any other purpose relating to landlord and tenant relations, rental agreements, or real property subject to a rental agreement. Because of ambiguous drafting in the legislation, it is unclear whether or not a city or town can impose a uniform fee such as a trash collection fee and have it apply to rental property. IACT will continue our efforts to clarify this language.

The second is a two-year moratorium on an ordinance or other requirement that would require a builder or remodeler to be licensed, certified, permitted, registered, or listed by the political subdivision as a condition to the builder or remodeler constructing or remodeling a residential dwelling. While it provides that a political subdivision is not prohibited from licensing, permitting, or registering specific trades or issuing permits and approvals that regulate the use, planning, and development of property, this is still an unjustified intrusion on home rule authority.

IACT Position: Oppose

Kenley Redevelopment Bill May or May Not be Revived

[SB 325](#) Redevelopment Commissions and Authorities (Kenley, R-Noblesville; Cherry, R-Greenfield)

For the past couple of years, Senator Kenley has filed a bill dealing with redevelopment commission powers. It has been stopped in the House each time. SB 325 did not receive a hearing in the House Government and Regulatory Reform Committee. While IACT's Legislative Committee officially voted to oppose the bill, we had worked on compromise language at Senator Kenley's request. The bill could perhaps be revived in a conference committee report, so for now, we are on stand-by.

IACT Position: Opposed, but Willing to Compromise

Bill Dealing with Wholesale Sewer Contract Disputes Passes with Concerning Amendments

[SB 385](#) – Regional Sewer Districts (Charbonneau, R-Valparaiso; Wolkins, R-Winona Lake)

SB 385 allows a purchaser of wholesale sewage service to petition the IURC for the settlement of a dispute (currently, going to court is the only option). It also provides that certain fees shall be deposited into the public utility fund instead of being deposited with the state treasury. Further, it provides that a contract for the construction of a municipal sewage works may not require certain landowners to waive the right to remonstrate against annexation by the municipality.

The bill passed the House this week by a 60-33 vote after two concerning amendments were added to the bill. One amendment, added by Rep. Bob Morris of Fort Wayne states that for utility that provides wholesale sewage service, they may not: (1) intervene; or (2) use utility funds or assets; in a proceeding before the department of environmental management that may terminate the need of another utility to remain connected to the works of the wholesale provider. The other amendment added by Tim Wesco amends the law that allows extraterritorial customers to petition the IURC if their outside rates are 15% or more than what inside ratepayers pay. The concern here is that the Wesco language changes the definition of "rates and charges" for purposes of calculating the 15%. Now other fees, such as hydrant rental fees, in-lieu of annexation fees would be calculated into the formula to determine whether the petitioners meet the 15% threshold. This change in the definition of rates and charges will likely mean that a lot more city/town utilities will be subject to IURC review for extraterritorial rates.

IACT Position: Opposed

Extraterritorial Water/Sewer Rates Bill Passes 40-10 in the Senate – Bill Would Now Make it Nearly Impossible for a Municipality to Buy Back its Water or Sewer Utility

[HB 1307](#) Extraterritorial Utility Rates and Charges (Braun, R-Zionsville; Merritt, R-Indianapolis)

Last year, HEA 1126 passed into law which allowed users of a municipal water utility who live outside of the municipal boundaries to petition the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission for a review of their rates in charges when their rates and charges are 15% or greater than what inside customers pay. The opportunity to petition occurs at the time when the municipality is proposing a rate increase. Under HB 1307, however, there is a six month window starting in July for the outside users of water *and sewer* to petition the IURC for a review of rates and charges when the rates and charges 50% or more than what inside customers pay. The opportunity to petition is regardless of whether there is a rate increase proposal by the municipality. In the Senate Utilities Committee, an amendment was added which would

allow extraterritorial customers to compare their rates to “anywhere” in the municipality. This amendment is aimed at a specific situation in Whitestown where the in-town users pay differing rates based on whether the user is in the northern district or southern district.

Another amendment was added to the bill which is a positive step. It requires the petitioner to first petition at the municipal level before it can petition the IURC. At the local level, it must be verified that the outside users do indeed have extraterritorial rates that are 50% or above.

A third amendment was added to the bill which was proposed by Indiana American Water. It would make it nearly impossible for a municipality to buy-back a water or sewer utility from a private company unless the company was willing to sell. Unless a company is found by the IURC to be out of compliance, could a buy-back occur. ALL CITIES AND TOWNS SHOULD BE CONCERNED ABOUT THIS! Water is the next gold and without the ability to protect it, there could be big problems ahead.

IACT Position: Opposed

Bill Changes Property Tax Assessment Rules Which Result in \$17 Million Loss State Wide
[HB 1544](#) Various Tax Matters (Turner, R-Cicero; Hershman, R-Buck Creek)

SB 1544 passed the Senate by a vote of 41-9 this week. There is one provision in the bill which changes the assessment rules on rental housing. Common areas for these properties are currently capped at 3% while the other portions of the property are capped at 2%. This bill makes a change so that the common areas are capped at 2% as well. This would include swimming pools, club houses, parking lots, etc. The change results in a \$17 million loss in property tax revenue statewide.

IACT Position: Oppose assessment change

Bill Would Require Redevelopment Commissions to Have Two New Voting Members Appointed by School Corporations
[SB 494](#) State and Local Taxation (Hershman, R-Buck Creek; Brown, R-Crawfordsville)

An amendment was added to SB 494 last week by Rep. Ed Clere. The amendment would require two new voting members on redevelopment commissions that are appointed by school corporations starting December 31, 2013. IACT opposes this measure. The bill passed 90-4 in the House this week.

IACT Position: Oppose RDC appointment change

Reorganization Bill Passes the House 94-1
[SB 343](#) Local Government Reorganization (Head, R-Logansport; Richardson, R-Noblesville)

SB 343 is a lengthy bill that makes several changes to the government modernization statute. One portion of the bill that is concerning to IACT deals with the vote tallies for a proposed reorganization. For instance, the bill requires separate voting blocks for a city – county merger where the citizens in the unincorporated area vote separately from those in the incorporated area. IACT testified that this should be left up to local decision. The bill passed the House last week by a 94-1.

IACT Position: Oppose Vote Tally Provision

Limitation on Debt Service Fund Headed to Conference Committee

[SB 517](#) – Local Government Finance (Sen. Peter Miller, R-Brownsburg; Rep. Huston, R-Fishers)

On April 10, 2013 the House passed SB 517 with a final vote of 94-0. This bill will be sent to conference committee where IACT will work to mitigate the troubling language regarding the operational balances of debt service funds. SB 517 provides that for all taxing unites, the maximum amount allowed for an operating balance in the debt service fund is the sum of: (1) 50% of the budget estimate for the debt service on debt incurred before January 1, 2009 or on debt incurred between 2008 and July 1, 2013, if a bond payment is due in the first ten days of the year; plus (2) 25% of the amount budgeted for the ensuing year for other debt service.

IACT Position: Oppose

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Abandoned Property Bill Passes the House 93-0

[SB 433](#) Abandoned Property (Paul, R-Richmond; Hamm, R-Richmond)

As it came from the Senate, SB 433 establishes a procedure to permit a county executive to dispose of certain properties that did not sell at the tax sale to a person able to repair and maintain the properties. It also provides that before the county executive may transfer properties that did not sell at a tax sale to a nonprofit corporation, an abutting property owner, or a person satisfactorily able to repair and maintain the property, a person with a substantial interest in the property must be given an opportunity to redeem the property. It also requires certain notices concerning demolition and removal under the unsafe building law be served on each person with a known or recorded substantial property interest and authorizes a municipality or county to bring an action to collect unpaid expenses relating to the abatement of high weeds and grass. (Under current law, the municipality or county may obtain only a lien on the property containing the high weeds and grass.)

Rep. John Price of Greenwood assisted IACT in getting an amendment adopted to the bill in the House Local Government Committee which would facilitate communication between cities and towns and counties regarding abandoned/vacant properties eligible for tax sale. The amendment would also allow a city or town to access the courts in order to deem a property as abandoned. The bill passed the House by a 93-0 vote.

IACT Position: Support

Land Bank, Tax Sale and Abandoned Housing Study Committee Bill Passes Senate

[HB 1317](#) Land Banks (Clere, R-New Albany; Holdman, R-Markle)

HB 1317 calls for an interim study on this issue of land banks. The bill was amended in the Senate Local Government Committee to include a study of the tax sale process and abandoned homes. The bill passed the Senate this week by a 48-2 vote.

IACT Position: Support

LOIT Distribution – Study Committee is Requested

[SB 544](#) State and Local Tax Administration (Hershman, R-Buck Creek; Brown, R-Crawfordsville)

One of IACT's legislative initiatives is to insure that locals are getting their full distribution of local option income taxes. Due to the processes at the Indiana Department of Revenue, locals are only receiving distributions based on tax returns filed. The state is keeping the local portion from those taxpayers who

don't file returns. We are told that in order to rectify the problem, the Department must buy a costly computer system. IACT is urging the state to rectify this problem by taking any necessary steps.

An amendment was added in the House Ways and Means Committee added an amendment to the bill which asks the Legislative Council to assign the topic of "imposition, administration and distribution" of local income taxes to an interim study committee. The bill passed the House 97-0 this week.

IACT Position: Support greater accountability of LOIT revenues

IACT Initiative Has Passed Both Houses

[HB 1070](#) – Local Food and Beverage Tax (Rep. Baird, R-Greencastle; Sen. Bray, R-Martinsville)

This bill authorizes the Cloverdale town council to adopt a 1% Food and Beverage Tax on taxable food and beverage transactions in the town that could go into effect as early as September 1, 2013. All funds collected must go into a separate account and may only be spent on the financing, construction, operation, maintenance, and debt service of sanitary sewers or wastewater treatment facilities, drainage or flood control facilities and water treatment, storage, or distribution facilities. HB 1070 also authorizes the town of Fishers to adopt a 1% Food and Beverage Tax and requires the revenue to be spent to reduce the town's property tax levy or on economic development. HB 1070 has been sent back to the House with amendments and is eligible for conference committee.

IACT Position: Support

IACT Initiative Headed to the Governor's Office for Signature

[SB 365](#) – Utility Facility Relocation (Sen. Crider, R-Greenfield; Rep. Koch, R-Bedord)

SB 365 authorizes a unit of local government to enter into an agreement with a utility concerning the relocation of the utility's facilities for a major highway, street, or road project undertaken by the local unit. The agreement must include a date for relocation and conditions under which the utility is excused from meeting the date, including a force majeure clause. Since this bill was amended in the second house, it is eligible for conference committee.

IACT Position: Support

IACT Initiative Has Passed Both Houses

[SB 496](#) – Regulation of Ephedrine and Pseudoephedrine (Sen. Yoder, R-Middlebury; Rep. McMillin, R-Brookville)

This bill prohibits a pharmacy/retailer from selling and an individual from purchasing more than 61.2 grams of ephedrine or pseudoephedrine in a 365-day period. It also prohibits a person convicted of certain offenses involving methamphetamine from possessing ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or phenylpropanolamine within seven years of the person's conviction, unless dispensed under a prescription. SB 496 has passed both houses and is awaiting further forward motion in the legislative process.

IACT Position: Support

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IN Other Bills

Late Fees For Handicapped Parking And Seat Belt Tickets

[HB1124](#) - City and town court late payment fees (Mahan, R-Hartford City; Holdman, R-Markle)

Representative Kevin Mahan sponsored HB 1124 at the request of city and town court judges. The State Board of Accounts had ruled that since Class D Infractions (including seat belt violations) and handicapped parking violations did not assess court costs but only a fine, then the city and town courts could not assess late fees if fines for violation were not paid promptly. The bill allowing late fees passed the House 99-0. In the Senate it was discovered that Circuit and Superior Courts could not collect the late fees unless the language was amended. The Senate Judiciary amended the bill so all of the courts could assess late fees when warranted for seat belt and handicapped violations and passed to the floor 7-0. This week the Senate passed the bill 35-15 without further amendment. Because of the amendment in the Senate the bill is eligible for a conference committee or a concurrence vote.

IACT Position: Support

(here's link to general page that could access the bill and the fiscal)

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Extraterritorial Water/Sewer Rates – Concerning Portion of the Bill is Fixed in the Senate

[HB 1137](#) IURC Review of Extraterritorial Water Rates (Frizzell, R-Indianapolis; Merritt, R-Indianapolis)

Last year, HEA 1126 passed into law which allowed users of a municipal water utility who live outside of the municipal boundaries to petition the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission for a review of their rates in charges when their rates and charges are 15% or greater than what inside customers pay. The IURC assured us last year that 120 days was sufficient time for them to review the rates and charges. Under HB 1137, however, the IURC is afforded 60 extra days to make the review if there is "good cause."

IACT has been opposed to this provision unless the 60 days are granted under the condition that all parties to the proceeding agree. Delays could force the municipality to have to rebid a project, push the project into the next construction season and cost the ratepayers more money.

HB 1137 was amended in the Senate to make sure that all parties were required to agree to the 60 day extension of time. With this amendment, IACT no longer opposes the bill. We are neutral. The bill passed the Senate by a 50-0 vote.

IACT Position: Neutral

Bill Which Gives All Municipalities Access to Insurance Proceeds for Structures Damaged by Fire or Explosion Will Go To Conference Committee

[SB 169](#) Insurance Proceeds Set Aside

SB 169 applies the law concerning insurance proceeds escrow deposits to all cities and towns, phased in over three years. (Current law applies only to first and second class cities.) It provides for insurer notice to a municipality of an insurance claim filed for structure damage caused by fire or explosion and provides for municipality notice to an insurer of estimated or actual costs to the municipality for demolition or rehabilitation of the structure under the unsafe building law. SB 169 requires a deposit of a certain amount of available insurance proceeds to an escrow account. Repeals: (1) a definition made obsolete by the bill; and (2) current notice requirements that apply to Gary and Hammond.

An amendment was added to the bill in the House Insurance Committee which requires municipalities that want to participate in the program to register with the state fire marshal and pay a \$100 fee to the

state! It also sets limitations for the availability of the funds. The bill passed the House by a 97-0 vote. Senator Randy Head, the bill's author, has filed a motion of dissent regarding the House changes. The bill will go to conference committee.

IACT Position: Support the Concept, Oppose Limitations and Fee

Annexation Waiver Bill Passes the House 93-0

[SB 285](#) Waiver of the Right to Remonstrate Against Annexation (Buck, R-Kokomo; Karickhoff, R-Kokomo)

SB 285 passed the House this week by a vote of 93-0. The bill requires that information be clear in the chain of title to a property that an annexation waiver exists. IACT supported the bill as it will provide greater transparency to property owners that an annexation waiver agreement is in place and applies to the property. An amendment was added to the bill on second reading by Rep. Jeff Thompson which deals with consensual annexation of agricultural property. IACT does not oppose the amendment, but we think it might need further clarification. Senator Buck has filed a dissent on the bill, so the bill will go to conference committee. We will be watching to make sure that the other "bad" annexation bills (such as the one which limits annexations to 15% of AV per year) do not get amended into SB 285.

IACT Position: Support

Bill Which Allows Excess Utility Funds to be Used for Economic Development is Narrowed

[SB 349](#) Utilities; Economic Development (Head, R-Logansport; Friend, R-Macy)

SB 349 allows a local unit to donate funds from the municipally owned utility's surplus earnings to a local economic development organization, as long as certain obligations of the municipally owned utility are met before the donation is made. This genesis of this bill was the City of Peru. There, the city wanted to use surplus utility funds to reapply a logo to their water tower after the tower had been repainted. An amendment was added to the bill which states that the funds given to the local economic development organization can only be used for maintenance of existing infrastructure. The bill also allows investor-owned public utility to add an improvement charge for sewer service if the IURC grants approval. Currently, the bill awaits a third reading vote in the House.

IACT Position: Neutral

Clerk-Treasurers' Bill Passes the Senate 44-6

[HB 1145](#) Various Local Government Matters (Candelaria-Reardon, D-Hammond; Paul, R-Richmond)

SB 1145 contains several provisions that were requested by the municipal Clerk-Treasurers and it passed out of the Senate Local Government Committee this week. The bill allows a political subdivision to charge a reasonable fee for convenience, not to exceed \$3, when accepting a credit card or bank card for payments. It provides that unused and unencumbered funds from any fiscal year and certain specified sources may be transferred to a political subdivision's rainy day fund at any time. It also provides that unobligated cash balances from any fiscal year and sources not specified by statute may be transferred to the rainy day fund if the amount of the transfer is specified in an ordinance or resolution and the transfer is not more than 10% of the political subdivision's annual budget. It also allows towns to publish any of its ordinances in book or pamphlet and no other publication is required in order for the ordinance to take effect (cities can already do this.) In addition, an amendment was added to the bill in committee which allows more time for a redevelopment commission to file its annual report with the DLGF – until March 15 of each year (current law requires the report to be filed within 30 days after the close of the calendar year.). IACT was able to get an additional amendment put into the bill on second reading which provides that the redevelopment commission "or their designee" can submit the report to the DLGF on the Gateway system. The bill passed the Senate by a vote of 44-6.

IACT Position: Support

Changes Sought for Door-to-door Solicitation Provision Involving Cable Companies
[SB 235](#) Video Service Providers (Holdman, R-Markle; Koch, R-Bedford)

An amendment was adopted in the House Utilities Committee to SB 235 without the opportunity for IACT to testify. The amendment was sought by the Indiana Cable Association and it states that cable companies that do door-to-door direct sales marketing are exempt from any local peddler ordinance. Rather, the cable companies would be regulated by the IURC. IACT is opposed to this provision. The bill has passed the House by a 75-17 vote. Senator Holdman and Representative Koch have agreed to work further on the bill in conference committee.

IACT Position: Oppose the Peddler Ordinance Pre-emption Language

Senate Creates Summer Study on Mass Transit, Troubling Amendment Narrowed
[HB 1011](#) – Public Mass Transportation (Rep. Torr, R-Carmel; Sen. Miller, R-Avon)

On April 10, 2013 the Senate passed HB 1011 with a final vote of 39-11. It is starkly different from the House version of the bill and is eligible for conference committee. The bill establishes a 16 member Central Indiana Transit Study Committee. The bill requires the Committee to report to the Legislative Council before December 15, 2013, concerning specified transportation issues.

The bill also precludes ten counties from entering into interlocal cooperation agreements under which all of the counties participate in or are eligible to participate in a joint district or entity to provide public transportation services throughout those counties. However, it does not prohibit interlocal cooperation agreement to provide transportation services that existed prior to passage of the bill for the affected counties. It also prohibits certain counties and municipalities in those counties from establishing a new regional transportation authority or becoming a member of an existing regional transportation authority. The affected counties are as follows: (1) Boone; (2) Delaware; (3) Hamilton; (4) Hancock; (5) Hendricks; (6) Johnson; (7) Madison; (8) Marion; (9) Morgan; and (10) Shelby. This moratorium expires on March 15, 2014.

IACT Position: Support

Restructuring of a Consolidated City's Origination Headed to Conference Committee
[SB 621](#) – Local Government Issues (Sen. R. Michael Young, R-Milltown; Rep. Speedy, R-Indianapolis)

On April 9, 2013, the House amended this bill before passing it with a final vote of 57-41. SB 621 makes numerous changes to the organization and structure of a consolidated city's government. However, the provision eliminating the 4 at-large council members in a consolidated city was removed in Senate committee. This bill is headed to conference committee because Senate has dissented.

IACT Position: Neutral

Gaming Bill Headed to Conference Committee
[SB 528](#) – Gaming (Sen. Boots, R-Crawfordsville; Rep. Davis, R-Portland)

On April 11, 2013 the House passed SB 528 with a final vote of 62-27. The House amended the bill in committee and a conference committee will be scheduled in the near future. There is a group of Representatives who continue to push to allow for live dealers at racinos, a provision that the Senate included in the original bill. SB 528 provides for (1) no tax on \$2 M free play (per casino); (2) admissions tax to become 3.45% supplemental wagering tax; (3) gaming investment tax credit to be capped at \$40 M (tax credit equals 10% of the qualified capital project); and (4) the requirement that locals receiving funds from a casino to post the agreement on the transparency portal. Most importantly, the guaranteed \$33 M spread amongst municipalities is still included in the bill. This agreement dates back to 2002.

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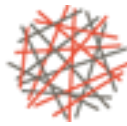
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