

# **FINAL FISCAL NOTE**

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#### **Bill Topic: DELINQUENT INTEREST PAYMENTS PROPERTY TAX** Summary of □ State Revenue □ TABOR Refund □ State Expenditure **Fiscal Impact:** □ State Transfer □ Statutory Public Entity Under certain conditions, this bill allows a board of county commissioners or a city council to reduce or waive delinquent property tax interest payments, and provide assistance to local taxing jurisdictions. The bill may result in a reduction of local property tax revenue. No appropriation is required. **Appropriation Summary: Fiscal Note** This fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.

## **Summary of Legislation**

Status:

Under certain conditions, this bill allows a board of county commissioners (board) or a city council to temporarily reduce, waive, or suspend delinquent interest payments for property taxes. Specifically, upon approval of the county treasurer, such authorization applies to a county or city that, between January 1 and June 1, 2020, collected less than 90 percent of the amount of property tax revenue that was collected between January 1 and June 1, 2019.

The bill also requires a board or city council to notify a local taxing jurisdiction of the intent to reduce, waive, or suspend delinquent property tax interest payments. If a local taxing jurisdiction would be unable to meet its bond payment obligations after the proposed reduction, waiver, or suspension, the local taxing jurisdiction must notify the board or city council within three business days.

Finally, the bill requires a county treasurer to advance property tax payments, up to 90 percent of the amount due, to local taxing jurisdictions to assist the jurisdiction in the payment of bonded indebtedness payments and monthly operation costs, if the jurisdiction demonstrates a financial need due to the waiver or reduction of interest payment. The bill is repealed on December 31, 2020.

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## **Local Government Impact**

By allowing boards of county commissioners or city councils to reduce, waive or suspend the collection of delinquent property tax interest payments, this bill may result in less property tax revenue to the impacted county or municipality.

### **Effective Date**

The bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect on June 14, 2020.

#### **State and Local Government Contacts**

Counties County Assessors Local Affairs

Municipalities Property Tax Division