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**HB17-1174**

**REVISED  
FISCAL NOTE**

(replaces fiscal note dated February 20, 2017)

**FISCAL IMPACT:**  State  Local  Statutory Public Entity  Conditional  No Fiscal Impact

<b>Drafting Number:</b> LLS 17-0747	<b>Date:</b> March 22, 2017
<b>Prime Sponsor(s):</b> Rep. Wilson	<b>Bill Status:</b> Senate Local Government
Sen. Crowder; Guzman	<b>Fiscal Analyst:</b> Jessika Shipley (303-866-3528)

**BILL TOPIC:** EXEMPT RURAL TELECOM LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT REQMNTS

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2017-2018	FY 2018-2019
State Revenue		
State Expenditures	Potential workload increase.	
<b>Appropriation Required:</b> None.		
<b>Future Year Impacts:</b> Ongoing potential workload increase.		

**Summary of Legislation**

Current law requires a county seeking to establish a local improvement district (LID) for the purpose of financing a telecommunications service improvement to enter into an agreement with a telecommunications service provider to provide services, facilities, plants, or systems in the area in which the telecommunications service improvement will be constructed. Additionally, the new telecommunications service must be wholly owned, operated, and maintained by the telecommunications service provider, rather than the county.

This **reengrossed** bill permits a rural county with a population of fewer than 50,000 residents to establish a LID in an unserved area to contract with a telecommunications service provider or an advanced service provider to fund the construction of an advanced service improvement.

**State Expenditures**

Beginning in FY 2017-18, the Department of Local Affairs may see additional technical and financial assistance requests from counties with fewer than 50,000 residents that consider forming a LID for advanced service improvements, driving an increase in workload. No change in appropriations is required.

**Local Government Impact**

To the extent that counties with fewer than 50,000 residents decide to establish LIDs and contract for the construction of an advanced service improvement under the provisions of this bill, costs and workload will increase. As the bill is permissive rather than prescriptive, the number of counties to which the provisions will apply and the expenditure impact on those counties are not known at this time.

## Effective Date

The bill takes effect August 9, 2017, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 10, 2017, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

## State and Local Government Contacts

Counties	Information Technology
Local Affairs	Special Districts

## Research Note Available

An LCS Research Note for HB17-1174 is available online and through the iLegislate app. Research notes provide additional policy and background information about the bill and summarize action taken by the General Assembly concerning the bill.