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BilNo. HB 2503

Consideration of income level/stormwater control
Brief title

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BACKGROUND:

County legislative authorities are authorized to fix the rate and charges for furnishing stormwater control services by resolution. These rates and charges may be levied against anyone who receives services or benefits from any stormwater control facility or anyone who contributes to an increase of surface water runoff.

When fixing rates and charges, counties have discretion to consider five factors:

- the services furnished;
- the benefits received;
- the character and use or water runoff characteristics of the land being served;
- the non-profit or public benefit status of the land user or
- any other matters presenting a reasonable difference as a ground for distinction.

SUMMARY:

Counties are authorized to consider six factors when fixing rates for stormwater control facilities.

In addition to the other specific factors, county legislative authority may consider the income level of persons, including senior citizens and disabled persons provided stormwater control benefits.

FISCAL NOTE: Not requested.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill passed.