BILL SUMMARY

1st Session of the 56th Legislature

Bill No.: HB 1165
Version: Introduced
Request Number: 5335
Author: Representative Murphey
Date: 2/20/2017
Impact: Modifies Apportionment of County
Improvements for Roads and Bridges Fund

Research Analysis

The measure modifies the County Improvements for Roads and Bridges Fund (CIRB) by transferring the apportionment of funds from the Transportation Commission districts to the counties. Second, the measure would transfer the authority to determine the use of funds from the Transportation Commission to the counties. Next, the measure removes the five year limit that counties are allowed to accumulate funds for specific projects. The measure directs that funding is to be held in a separate county revolving fund by the county treasure for the purpose of funding the County CIRB Construction Plan.

The measure directs the Department of Transportation to complete and close out all CIRB fund projects by October 30, 2022 that are present in the Department's five year construction plan as of October 17, 2017. Once this has occurred all funds are to be distributed in equal amounts to the various counties. By July 1, 2018, each county must maintain a County CIRB Construction Plan to be reviewed and updated annually by the board of county commissioners. Finally, by July 1 each year the county must submit a copy of the plan to the State Auditor and Inspector for review.

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Fiscal Analysis

Under the provisions of HB 1165, as introduced, the County Improvement for Roads and Bridges (CIRB) Fund would be directly apportioned to counties, rather than Transportation Commission districts. Projects that are currently in the Department of Transportation's 5-year construction plan are to be completed by October, 2022, and beginning in July 2018, counties will be required to maintain a County CIRB Construction Plan detailing projects and expenditures.

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Other Considerations

None.