
Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill permits townships to create regulations necessary to control noise in the unincorporated area of a township. Current law only permits townships to regulate noise from motor vehicles and establishments, such as bars, that sell alcohol for consumption on the establishment's premises - if that establishment is adjacent to a residential area.

Counties and municipalities could have additional court and enforcement costs for any permissive noise control legislation passed by townships resulting in misdemeanor offenses or civil cases from private persons. The bill could also generate court fee revenue from such cases, but not fine revenue, which would go to the affected township.

Townships that chose to adopt regulations under the expanded authority provided in the bill could have additional enforcement costs and gain additional fine revenue from any violators fined under the regulations. Any violation is a minor misdemeanor.

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