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BILL ANALYSIS

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Senate Bill 897 (as introduced 6-6-24)

Sponsor: Senator Darrin Camilleri

Committee: Local Government

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CONTENT

The bill would amend Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, which governs the powers and duties of townships, to allow a township with a population between 10,000 and 15,000 individuals, located in a county with a population greater than 1.5 million, to acquire, own, or operate a public service facility that provided transportation to the township. The bill also would allow the township that owned or operated the public service facility to charge a user fee.

Under the bill, a township with a population between 10,000 and 15,000, located in a county with a population greater than 1.5 million, could acquire, own, or operate, within or outside the township's corporate limits, a public service facility that provided transportation to the township and the township's inhabitants.

"Public service facility" would mean a bridge, a roadway or ramp that supports the bridge, and any other equipment, building, structure, parking area, appurtenance, or other real or personal property necessary or desirable for and any future construction to replace a bridge, the roadway or ramp that supports the bridge, and any other equipment, building, structure, parking area, appurtenance, or other real or personal property that is necessary for the bridge.

A township that owned or operated a public service facility that provided transportation to the township and the township's inhabitants could charge a user fee.

"User fee" would mean a toll, consumption charge, rent, license fee, or another similar or ancillary charge that is related to the use or purchase of a public service facility. User fee would include a fee or charge for creating, maintaining, administering, billing, and collecting an account.

Proposed MCL 41.2b

BACKGROUND

Grosse Ile Township in Wayne County would meet the bill's population requirements.

Legislative Analyst: Alex Krabill

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would allow townships in Wayne County with populations between 10,000 and 15,000 to create a public service facility that provided transportation. It would not have a fiscal impact on the State. It could have a fiscal impact on the townships if they choose to create this public service facility. The bill would allow for the collection of fees to pay for this service. Assuming

the township created the public service facility, the bill would increase costs for the township and increase revenue from the fees. It is unknown whether the fees generated would cover the full cost of the service.

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