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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This legislation is the result of a cooperative effort by local government and other stakeholders. Impact areas are areas outside city limits where cities plan growth in the near future. This legislation acknowledges the respective jurisdiction of the counties and the cities and seeks to balance their interests. The bill provides criteria for impact area boundary decisions, establishes a two-mile distance standard and provides a five year planning time frame for impact areas. It promotes cooperation between counties and cities in determining impact area boundaries but makes it clear that the jurisdiction and decision regarding the impact area boundary remains with the county. It also provides for a focused and timely process for the court to review decisions when a county and city disagree.

FISCAL NOTE

This legislation should not have a significant fiscal impact on the state because this is primarily a local government issue. This process for the cities and counties is more streamlined which should save time and resources. It requires more regular review of impact areas which may involve more local staff time if there are major changes proposed but the review does not require that any adjustments be made. Most impact areas are successfully negotiated but if there is a disagreement and a request for review there would be additional time for the court and legal counsel to review the decision. A fiscal impact is difficult to determine as the impacts are dependent on specific decisions by the local entities involved.

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