



February 22, 2002

ENGROSSED
SENATE BILL No. 156

DIGEST OF SB 156 (Updated February 20, 2002 6:30 PM - DI 92)

Citations Affected: IC 4-6.

Synopsis: Attorney's fees awarded to attorney general. Creates a fund to cover litigation expenses incurred by the attorney general. Makes an appropriation.

Effective: July 1, 2002.

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(HOUSE SPONSOR — STURTZ)

January 7, 2002, read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.
January 17, 2002, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.
January 22, 2002, read second time, ordered engrossed.
January 23, 2002, engrossed.
January 24, 2002, read third time, passed. Yeas 49, nays 0.

HOUSE ACTION

January 31, 2002, read first time and referred to Committee on Ways and Means.
February 21, 2002, amended, reported — Do Pass.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2001 General Assembly.

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL No. 156

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state and local administration and to make an appropriation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 4-6-2-6.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2002]: **Sec. 6.1. (a) As used in this section, "account" refers to the**
4 **attorney general litigation expenses account established by**
5 **subsection (b).**

6 **(b) The attorney general litigation expenses account is**
7 **established within the state general fund for the purpose of**
8 **reimbursing the office of the attorney general for expenses**
9 **incurred in settlements and litigation. The account consists of**
10 **attorney's fees awarded to the state as a result of settlements or**
11 **litigation in which the office of the attorney general provided legal**
12 **counsel. The account shall be administered by the attorney general.**

13 **(c) The expenses of administering the account shall be paid from**
14 **money in the account.**

15 **(d) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the account**
16 **not currently needed to meet the obligations of the account in the**
17 **same manner as other public money may be invested. Interest that**

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1 **accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the account.**
2 **(e) Money in the account at the end of a state fiscal year does not**
3 **revert to the state general fund.**
4 **(f) Money in the account is annually appropriated to the**
5 **attorney general for legal expenses related to the purposes of this**
6 **article and may be used at the request of the attorney general with**
7 **the approval of the budget agency after review by the budget**
8 **committee.**

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. President: The Senate Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 156, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 2, line 5, after "for" insert "**legal expenses related to**".

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 156 as introduced.)

BRAY, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred Senate Bill 156, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 2, line 6, after "article" insert "**and may be used at the request of the attorney general with the approval of the budget agency after review by the budget committee**".

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 156 as printed January 18, 2002.)

BAUER, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 23, nays 0.

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