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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: HB 1158

NOTE PREPARED: Feb 29, 2024

BILL AMENDED: Feb 27, 2024

SUBJECT: County Contracts.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Lehman

FIRST SPONSOR: Sen. Holdman

BILL STATUS: As Passed Senate

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill provides that for counties other than Marion County, contracts entered into by the county (including contracts executed by county elected officers) must meet certain requirements. It allows the county executive to adopt an ordinance that delegates authority to other county elected officers and employees to approve contracts. It requires county elected officers to have certain contracts: (1) executed by the county executive; or (2) submitted for review by the county attorney and county executive. It provides that if the county attorney advises the county executive that a contract of a county elected officer does not comply with state law or the public purchasing or bidding laws, the county executive may disapprove the contract. It also allows the county executive to void a contract if a county officer fails to comply with the review process.

Effective Date: July 1, 2024.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: The bill would increase workload for county officers to authorize a contract for the county. Marion County, a bond to finance the construction of a public facility, and a bond or other type of security for the payment of a lease obligation are exempt from the bill's provisions. The bill's requirements are within the county's routine administrative functions and should be able to be implemented with no additional appropriations, assuming near customary county staffing and resource levels.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Counties.

Information Sources:

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