

SENATE BILL No. 476

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 8-23-33.

Synopsis: Microtransit pilot program. Establishes the microtransit pilot program for the purpose of providing microtransit services to residents of eligible counties.

Effective: July 1, 2025.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 8-23-33 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
2 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2025]:
4 **Chapter 33. Microtransit Pilot Program**
5 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "eligible county" means a county**
6 **that has a population of greater than two hundred fifty thousand**
7 **(250,000).**
8 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "microtransit service" means an**
9 **on-demand transportation service using multi-passenger vehicles**
10 **that is provided:**
11 **(1) for a fixed fee; and**
12 **(2) to a designated service area.**
13 **Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "pilot program" means the pilot**
14 **program established by section 4 of this chapter.**
15 **Sec. 4. The microtransit pilot program is established for the**
16 **purpose of providing affordable microtransit services to residents**
17 **of eligible counties.**



1 **Sec. 5. (a) The department shall administer the pilot program.**

2 **(b) The department shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to**
 3 **implement this chapter.**

4 **Sec. 6. The department may issue a grant to an eligible county**
 5 **to participate in the pilot program, subject to the following:**

6 **(1) An eligible county must apply to participate in the pilot**
 7 **program in the form and manner prescribed by the**
 8 **department.**

9 **(2) An eligible county may receive a grant of up to two**
 10 **hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) annually.**

11 **(3) If the department approves a grant to an eligible county,**
 12 **the eligible county must provide a local matching amount of**
 13 **twenty percent (20%) of the amount of the approved grant**
 14 **award.**

15 **(4) The eligible county must have at least one (1) or more of**
 16 **the following in its designated service area for the pilot**
 17 **program:**

18 **(A) A postsecondary educational institution.**

19 **(B) An adult education center.**

20 **Sec. 7. An eligible county that receives a grant under section 6**
 21 **of this chapter may administer the pilot program locally through**
 22 **a public or regional transportation or transit authority.**

23 **Sec. 8. (a) Not later than June 30 of each year following the year**
 24 **an eligible county is awarded a grant under section 6 of this**
 25 **chapter, the eligible county shall report the following information**
 26 **regarding the pilot program to the department:**

27 **(1) The number of individuals who used the microtransit**
 28 **service.**

29 **(2) The number of rides provided using the microtransit**
 30 **service.**

31 **(3) Any other information required by the department.**

32 **(b) The department shall compile the information received**
 33 **under subsection (a) and, not later than October 1 of each year,**
 34 **submit a report with a summary of the pilot program to the**
 35 **governor and legislative council. A report to the legislative council**
 36 **must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.**

37 **Sec. 9. (a) There is appropriated from the state general fund to**
 38 **the department four million five hundred thousand dollars**
 39 **(\$4,500,000) to provide grants to eligible counties for the purpose**
 40 **of the pilot program.**

41 **(b) This section expires June 30, 2028.**

42 **Sec. 10. This chapter expires July 1, 2028.**

