

3. Emergency medical services training or educational institution support.

Nonprofit entities and those serving/planning to serve underserved areas would be prioritized. The bill would establish in the State Treasury, the emergency medical services education grant fund consisting of state appropriations, contributions, donations, and gifts. Staffing and administrative costs of the grant fund would be prohibited from exceeding 5% of the fund amount.

Section 5 would establish that a driver's license would not be issued to a super speeder whose driving privilege have been suspended and who has not paid the assessed fees.

HB 484 SCS 1 as proposed would have no direct fiscal impact on local governments but could have a minimal to moderate positive fiscal impact on local governments.

The emergency medical services education grant program would be funded through state appropriations, donations, gifts, or contributions and not by local taxes. Awarded grant funds may reduce city costs for EMT training, equipment, and technology.

The Kentucky Association of Counties (KACo) reports that as of 2022 there existed 34 ambulance services owned by counties, 4 joint county/city enterprises, and 38 ambulance services were funded by their own taxing district.

The funds established by HB 484 SCS 1 would each have a positive fiscal impact on local governments. In addition to the services provided by the programs funded by the fees generated, each program could also increase employment opportunities, especially in small, rural communities.

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