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**A B I L L**

To enact section 149.60 of the Revised Code to 1  
establish the Local Government Information 2  
Exchange Grant Program and to make an 3  
appropriation. 4

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That section 149.60 of the Revised Code be enacted 5  
to read as follows: 6

**Sec. 149.60.** (A) As used in this section "local government" 7  
means a county, township, or municipal corporation. 8

(B) There is the local government information exchange grant 9  
program in the department of administrative services. The program 10  
shall be administered by the director of administrative services. 11  
The director shall adopt rules under Chapter 119. of the Revised 12  
Code as are necessary to administer the program. The rules shall 13  
include all of the following: 14

(1) Grant eligibility criteria, that shall include a 15  
requirement that a grantee be a local government; 16

(2) Specifications for what data points must be included by 17

local governments in order for the local governments to be 18  
eligible for the grant funding; 19

(3) A requirement that electronic data satisfying the grant 20  
criteria be posted on the internet, by the local government or by 21  
the state, in an open format that is capable of being searched, 22  
viewed, and downloaded by the public; 23

(4) Specifications for consistent formatting and technology 24  
standards for electronic data satisfying the grant eligibility 25  
criteria; and 26

(5) Specifications for accounting standards for data provided 27  
by local governments. 28

The director may require different data points between 29  
counties, townships, and municipal corporations. Required data 30  
points may be different among local governments of the same type. 31

(C) The director shall disburse a grant of ten thousand 32  
dollars to each local government that meets the grant eligibility 33  
criteria established by the director. Grants shall be awarded in 34  
the order in which the local governments have met the eligibility 35  
criteria. The total amount of grants awarded shall not exceed the 36  
amount that can be funded with appropriations made by the general 37  
assembly for this purpose. 38

**Section 2.** All items in this section are hereby appropriated 39  
as designated out of any moneys in the state treasury to the 40  
credit of the General Revenue Fund. For all appropriations made in 41  
this act, those in the first column are for fiscal year 2015 and 42  
the appropriations in the second column are for fiscal year 2016. 43  
The appropriations made in this act are in addition to any other 44  
appropriations made for the FY 2014-FY 2015 biennium and the FY 45  
2016-FY 2017 biennium. 46

General Revenue Fund				48	
GRF 100501 Local Government	\$	12,500,000	\$	12,500,000	49
Information Exchange					
Grants					
TOTAL GRF General Revenue Fund	\$	12,500,000	\$	12,500,000	50
TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS	\$	12,500,000	\$	12,500,000	51

LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFORMATION EXCHANGE GRANTS 52

Of the foregoing appropriation item 100501, Local Government 53  
Information Exchange Grants, up to \$250,000 in fiscal year 2015 54  
shall be used by the Director of Administrative Services for 55  
administration and maintenance of the Local Government Information 56  
Exchange Grant Program and for administration of Local Government 57  
Information Exchange Grants. The remainder of the foregoing 58  
appropriation item 100501, Local Government Information Exchange 59  
Grants, shall be used by the Director of Administrative Services 60  
to disburse grant awards to eligible counties, townships, and 61  
municipal corporations under section 149.60 of the Revised Code. 62

**Section 3.** Within the limits set forth in this act, the 63  
Director of Budget and Management shall establish accounts 64  
indicating the source and amount of funds for each appropriation 65  
made in this act, and shall determine the form and manner in which 66  
appropriation accounts shall be maintained. Expenditures from the 67  
FY 2015 appropriations contained in this act shall be accounted 68  
for as though made in H.B. 59 of the 130th General Assembly. 69

The FY 2015 appropriations made in this act are subject to 70  
all provisions of H.B. 59 of the 130th General Assembly that are 71  
generally applicable to such appropriations. 72

Expenditures from the FY 2016 appropriation contained in this 73  
act shall be accounted for as though made in the main operating 74  
appropriations act of the 131st General Assembly. The FY 2016 75  
appropriation made in this act is subject to all provisions of the 76

main operating appropriations act of the 131st General Assembly	77
that are generally applicable to such appropriations.	78