

# HOUSE BILL No. 1607

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 6-1.1-31-1.

**Synopsis:** Department of local government finance. Requires the department of local government finance to adopt a rule when the department is establishing an administrative policy or requirement that will apply to all taxing units in the state. Makes a technical correction.

**Effective:** July 1, 2015.

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January 20, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Government and Regulatory Reform.

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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.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state offices and administration.

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

1           SECTION 1. IC 6-1.1-31-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008,  
2 SECTION 269, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015]: Sec. 1. (a) The department of local  
4 government finance shall do the following:  
5           (1) Prescribe the property tax forms and returns which taxpayers  
6           are to complete and on which the taxpayers' assessments will be  
7           based.  
8           (2) Prescribe the forms to be used to give taxpayers notice of  
9           assessment actions.  
10          (3) Adopt rules concerning the assessment of tangible property.  
11          (4) Develop specifications that prescribe state requirements for  
12          computer software and hardware to be used by counties for  
13          assessment purposes. The specifications developed under this  
14          subdivision apply only to computer software and hardware  
15          systems purchased for assessment purposes after July 1, 1993.



1 The specifications, including specifications in a rule or other  
2 standard adopted under IC 6-1.1-31.5, must provide for:

3 (A) maintenance of data in a form that formats the information  
4 in the file with the standard data, field, and record coding  
5 jointly required and approved by the department of local  
6 government finance and the legislative services agency;

7 (B) data export and transmission that is compatible with the  
8 data export and transmission requirements in a standard format  
9 prescribed by the office of technology established by  
10 IC 4-13.1-2-1 and jointly approved by the department of local  
11 government finance and legislative services agency; and

12 (C) maintenance of data in a manner that ensures prompt and  
13 accurate transfer of data to the department of local government  
14 finance and the legislative services agency, as jointly approved  
15 by the department of local government **finance** and legislative  
16 services agency.

17 (5) Adopt rules establishing criteria for the revocation of a  
18 certification under IC 6-1.1-35.5-6.

19 **(6) Adopt a rule when the department is establishing an**  
20 **administrative policy or requirement that will apply to all**  
21 **taxing units in the state.**

22 (b) The department of local government finance may adopt rules  
23 that are related to property taxation or the duties or the procedures of  
24 the department.

25 (c) Rules of the state board of tax commissioners are for all  
26 purposes rules of the department of local government finance and the  
27 Indiana board until the department and the Indiana board adopt rules  
28 to repeal or supersede the rules of the state board of tax commissioners.

