

3175-S

Sponsor(s): House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Grant, Chandler, Mastin, Hatfield, Buck, Linville and Kessler)

Brief Description: Providing financial assistance to counties. Revised for 1st Substitute: Creating the county financial assistance advisory council.

**HB 3175-S - DIGEST**

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/13/04)

Creates the county financial assistance advisory council within the department of community, trade, and economic development.

Directs the advisory council to determine which counties have a tax base insufficient to provide basic county services to their citizens and shall determine the county allocation of funds deposited in the county assistance account created in this act. Counties that had a decrease of less than six percent in their current expense budget due to the repeal of the state motor vehicle excise tax are not eligible for the disbursement of funds under this act. The advisory council shall make disbursement recommendations to the department on an annual basis.