COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY STATE FISCAL NOTE STATEMENT LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION 2015 REGULAR SESSION

MEASURE

2015 BR NUMBER <u>0379</u>

HOUSE BILL NUMBER 100

RESOLUTION NUMBER

AMENDMENT NUMBER

SUBJECT/TITLE An ACT relating to energy project assessment districts or EPAD.

SPONSOR Representative James Kay

NOTE SUMMARY

LEVEL(S) OF IMPACT:	STATE	LOCAL	☐ FEDERAL
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BUDGET UNIT(S) IMPACT:

FUND(S) IMPACT:
GENERAL
ROAD
FEDERAL
RESTRICTED AGENCY
OTHER

FISCAL SUMMARY

FISCAL ESTIMATES	2014-2015	2015-2016	ANNUAL IMPACT AT FULL IMPLEMENTATION
REVENUES			
EXPENDITURES			
NET EFFECT			

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MEASURE'S PURPOSE: The measure allows for the creation of energy project assessment districts (EPADs) by local governments and the levying of assessments on real property within such districts in order to finance energy improvement projects that intend to increase efficiency of energy use or decrease water or energy consumption or demand.

PROVISIONS/MECHANICS: The measure creates new sections of KRS Chapter 65 to allow local governments to establish energy project assessment district programs in order to advance the efficient use of energy and water resources by allowing for energy projects to be financed by assessments imposed on only those properties participating in a program; defines terms; establishes the basic required parameters of a program; allows local governments to impose assessments on participating properties and provide the terms for the collection of the assessments, including the grant of senior tax lien status therefor; allows local governments to issue bonds to finance a program; prohibits a local government from imposing an assessment on property under a program except upon the request of the owner of record; provides that no provision of this Act shall be interpreted to expand the statutory powers of eminent domain belonging to a local government, state agency, or private entity; provides that a local government may only engage financing to administer a program from certain financial institutions.

FISCAL EXPLANATION: The measure has no fiscal impact and provides only local governments the option of establishing EPADs as a potential project financing mechanism.

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