

hospitals, libraries, soil conservation, and some emergency medical services. Other special districts cover a smaller area and are not county-wide, such as fire districts and watershed districts. A county may have several special districts or just a few.

The result of HB 150 for all taxing districts that assess a property tax rate on motor vehicles is expected to be a loss in tax revenue. In 2023, the statewide value of motor vehicles, including taxable recreational vehicles, trailers, and semi-trailers was \$48,833,019,832.

The fiscal impact for local governments is dependent upon the total assessed value of the exempt property located within each local government's district and the applicable tax rate for the property. While assessments and tax rate data are publicly available at the county level, the total assessment by taxing district within the county is not publicly available. Therefore, the fiscal impact for cities cannot be estimated.

Below is a chart depicting the potential negative fiscal impact of HB 150 for each county government based on an estimation of the 2023 motor vehicle property tax receipts. These estimates do not pertain to cities, schools, or other taxing districts.

2023 Motor Vehicle Tax Receipts Estimated for Each County Government							
County	Motor Vehicle Tax Receipts*		County	Motor Vehicle Tax Receipts*		County	Motor Vehicle Tax Receipts*
ADAIR	170,949		CARROLL	162,085		GRANT	385,812
ALLEN	169,674		CARTER	187,642		GRAVES	419,116
ANDERSON	340,577		CASEY	106,762		GRAYSON	183,766
BALLARD	192,212		CHRISTIAN	576,302		GREEN	125,927
BARREN	619,352		CLARK	408,033		GREENUP	303,881
BATH	145,701		CLAY	125,996		HANCOCK	58,213
BELL	236,169		CLINTON	58,899		HARDIN	1,184,579
BOONE	2,356,537		CRITTENDEN	102,717		HARLAN	362,739
BOURBON	376,282		CUMBERLAND	54,924		HARRISON	261,130
BOYD	471,331		DAVIESS	1,682,719		HART	175,052
BOYLE	188,785		EDMONSON	204,876		HENDERSON	373,129
BRACKEN	156,887		ELLIOTT	86,694		HENRY	197,241
BREATHITT	93,914		ESTILL	116,160		HICKMAN	57,385
BRECKINRIDGE	259,091		FAYETTE	2,848,410		HOPKINS	455,918
BULLITT	1,348,555		FLEMING	248,717		JACKSON	109,325
BUTLER	138,843		FLOYD	693,963		JEFFERSON	12,452,725
CALDWELL	150,990		FRANKLIN	846,187		JESSAMINE	700,969
CALLOWAY	509,820		FULTON	57,692		JOHNSON	223,307
CAMPBELL	1,162,851		GALLATIN	145,517		KENTON	2,517,116
CARLISLE	81,358		GARRARD	193,785		KNOTT	169,592

County	Motor Vehicle Tax Receipts*
KNOX	335,388
LARUE	345,206
LAUREL	623,740
LAWRENCE	237,850
LEE	97,482
LESLIE	130,026
LETCHER	268,293
LEWIS	149,924
LINCOLN	280,369
LIVINGSTON	95,473
LOGAN	281,939
LYON	98,545
MCCRACKEN	871,237
MCCREARY	202,283
MCLEAN	129,984
MADISON	918,216
MAGOFFIN	160,898
MARION	194,983
MARSHALL	426,697
MARTIN	157,205

County	Motor Vehicle Tax Receipts*
MASON	246,985
MEADE	395,406
MENIFEE	75,275
MERCER	217,925
METCALFE	67,254
MONROE	77,025
MONTGOMERY	335,414
MORGAN	94,499
MUHLENBERG	295,010
NELSON	856,965
NICHOLAS	105,875
OHIO	111,299
OLDHAM	1,115,611
OWEN	177,440
OWSLEY	44,481
PENDLETON	233,861
PERRY	355,773
PIKE	805,696
POWELL	147,095
PULASKI	521,263

County	Motor Vehicle Tax Receipts*
ROBERTSON	40,223
ROCKCASTLE	106,821
ROWAN	161,578
RUSSELL	137,675
SCOTT	1,151,620
SHELBY	920,813
SIMPSON	312,515
SPENCER	200,227
TAYLOR	208,623
TODD	112,134
TRIGG	145,083
TRIMBLE	78,008
UNION	196,400
WARREN	2,195,111
WASHINGTON	98,480
WAYNE	148,328
WEBSTER	234,426
WHITLEY	333,942
WOLFE	45,485
WOODFORD	304,370

* Tax receipts are an estimation and a small percentage may be attributable to the taxation of motorboats.

Some of the lost tax revenues from the exemption created by HB 150 could be recuperated by an adjustment of the personal property tax rate; however, current law limits local governments on tax rate increases. Therefore, it is not likely the total tax revenues lost would be recouped.

Additionally, county clerk offices are fee-based and their operating budget is comprised of the fees they collect. KRS 134.805 provides a 4% commission to the county clerk for collecting property taxes for the state, county, school, and special districts. For 2023, the county clerks' aggregate commission for collecting motor vehicle property tax was approximately:

- \$8 million for the state portion;
- \$2 million for the county portion; and
- \$1.5 million for county-wide special districts.

The county clerk's commission for the collection of motor vehicle property taxes for cities, schools, and the remaining special districts cannot be estimated due to the limited availability of data.

Since HB 150 does not exempt motorboats, the county clerks will continue to receive a 4% commission for collecting the property taxes on motorboats.

Data Source(s): LRC Staff and Kentucky Department of Revenue's Statewide Certified Property Values 2023 and Motor Vehicle Tax Rate Book 2023.

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