HB 1639 -- Aviation Trust Fund

Sponsor: Bruns

This bill removes the \$6 million cap on the Aviation Trust Fund and specifies that if \$6 million is deposited into the fund in the previous calendar year, \$2 million may be expended annually to study or promote expanded or intrastate scheduled commercial service or to assist airport sponsors participating in a federally funded air service program supporting intrastate scheduled commercial service.

The bill also allows up to \$500,000 in the fund to be used annually to meet the local match requirement under a federal cost-sharing program for air traffic control towers. Any expenditure under this program will require a nonfederal match, with a ratio of 50% state and 50% local funds. Expenditures on any individual control tower will be capped at \$100,000 per year.