

HB 951 -- LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ACT

SPONSOR: Austin

This bill establishes the "Local Workforce Development Act of 2017," and authorizes Greene County and any city within the county to impose a sales tax, upon voter approval, not to exceed one-fourth of 1% for the purpose of funding early childhood education in the county or city.

The county or city must enter into an agreement with the Director of the Department of Revenue to collect the tax and the director is responsible for the administration, collection, enforcement, and operation of the tax. All revenue collected, except for 1% for the cost of collection which shall be deposited in the state's General Revenue Fund, must be deposited in the newly created, "Early Childhood Education Sales Tax Trust Fund." The governing body of the county or city must select an existing community task force to administer the revenue received. Such revenue may only be expended upon approval of an existing community task force selected by the governing body of the county or city to administer the funds and only in accordance with a budget approved by the county or city governing body.

This bill is the same as SB 264 (2017).