

HB 762 -- MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE DATABASE

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This bill establishes the "Missouri Municipal Government Expenditure Database," to be maintained by the Office of Administration. For each fiscal year beginning on or after January 1, 2022, the database must include extensive information about a given municipality's expenditures and the vendors to whom payments were made. The data base must be accessible by the public without charge and have multiple ways to search and filter the information. Municipalities with websites must provide a link to the database.

A municipality must provide the information to the Office of Administration on a biannual basis or it will be fined \$100 per day after 30 days. The fine will be collected by offsetting sales and use tax distributions due to the municipality not to exceed 10% of the total collected. The Director of the Department of Revenue will retain 2% for the cost of the collection and the remaining revenue collected will be distributed annually to the schools of the county in the same manner that penalties, forfeitures, and fines for breaches of penal laws are distributed. If a municipality fails to report the required information within one year of the expiration of the 30 days, it will be subject to dissolution.

Other duties and responsibilities of the Office of Administration regarding the database are detailed in the bill.

This bill is similar to SB 125 (2019) and HCS HB 2242 (2018).