

HB 2677 -- COUNTY BUDGET LAW

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This bill changes the due date from January 15 to December 1 by which each county office, department, and commission, among others, in counties of the third and fourth classification must submit its budget requirement estimates to the county budget officer.

The bill also changes the due date from February 1 to December 15 by which the budget officer in counties of the third and fourth classification must prepare the budget and submit it to the county commission.

The bill changes the due date from the first day of its regular January term to five days after receiving the budget by which the county commission in counties of the third and fourth classification must review and revise the budget.

The county clerk is given two extra days from the date of approval of the budget in which to file copies of the budget with the County Treasurer and the State Auditor.

This bill repeals provisions regarding the required two-year assessment maintenance plan, including the results of failure to file a plan.

Beginning July 1, 2018, the bill also changes the percentage of how much of the assessment fund each county and city not within a county shall receive:

- (1) For any city not within a county and all counties of the first classification as of January 1, 1996, the percentage will be 1.5%;
- (2) For counties of the second and fourth classification, the percentage will be 2%; and
- (3) For counties of the third classification, 3%.

The bill repeals provisions:

- (1) Authorizing an additional percentage of the fund for charter counties and counties of the first classification;
- (2) Regarding withholding reimbursement if a county is non compliant with its assessment plan;
- (3) Repeals provisions listing which items are not reimbursable; and

(4) Repeals two sections dealing with the collection of taxation.