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## Corporate Personal Property Replacement Tax Diversion Enacted Into Law

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Governor Quinn signed legislation authorizing a one-year diversion of approximately \$13 million in CPPRT revenue into law as [P.A. 97-0619](#).

The General Assembly advanced the diversion language during the second week of the Fall Veto Session. Working into the afternoon on Thursday, November 10, the full Senate concurred with House Amendments to approve legislation that diverts Corporate Personal Property Replacement Tax (CPPRT) revenue away from local governments in order to fund the salaries and benefits of regional superintendents of education. The vote was [38-16-1](#) on each of the two amendments.

During the previous evening, the Senate Education Committee voted 9-1 to approve a one-year diversion of approximately \$13 million in CPPRT revenue away from local governments to fund the regional superintendents of education. The IML testified against [SB 2147](#) (Senator Sullivan, D-Rushville) on behalf of affected local governments. Legislators were told that, while the CPPRT diversion within SB 2147 is not substantial, the IML has serious concerns that the state will increasingly look to cost-shift its financial obligations onto local governments. Committee members were very sympathetic to this concern during what became an extended discussion. Despite their discomfort in taking money from local governments to fund the regional superintendents, Committee member believed themselves to be constrained by a lack of other available options to pay for the salaries of individuals who are performing a job. School groups that were previously opposed to the CPPRT diversion changed their position and supported SB 2147 based upon the one-year limitation for re-routing CPPRT revenues.

The [Illinois Issues Blog](#), affiliated with *Illinois Issues Magazine*, posted on Wednesday's activity concerning SB 2147 and interviewed the IML for the story.

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