

HB 514 -- TAX INCREMENT FINANCING

This bill authorizes tax increment financing, not to exceed \$4 million per year, for the redevelopment of a former automobile manufacturing plant or a former insurance company national service center located in St. Louis County. The former automobile manufacturing plant must be a redevelopment area containing a minimum of 100 acres that was previously used primarily for the manufacture of automobiles but ceased operations after the 2007 calendar year.

The bill adds an additional \$12 million per year to the tax increment financing cap to be used solely for the purpose of tax increment financing projects for the retention of a federal employer employing over 2,000 geospatial-intelligence jobs. The bill authorizes the state and St. Louis City to enter into a financing agreement relating to the redevelopment of an area contiguous with a former public housing site that has been declared blighted that may lead to the retention of a federal employer employing over 2,000 geospatial-intelligence jobs. The agreement may provide for the appropriation and disbursement of state withholding tax revenues and city tax revenues generated from the employer for up to 30 years to fund costs associated with the retention of the employer. The department must request an appropriation from the General Assembly of an amount sufficient to offset any reduction in available withholding tax revenues resulting directly from the tax rate reduction or replacement that cannot exceed the amount that would have been received had the state income tax rates not been reduced or replaced.