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H 528. UNION COUNTY IMPACT FEES. *TO AUTHORIZE UNION COUNTY TO IMPOSE AN IMPACT FEE TO GENERATE FUNDS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL NEEDS.* Permits Union County Board of Commissioners, by ordinance, to create impact fee to be paid for each new dwelling in the county. Outlines procedure for imposing the fee, which includes public hearing with notice and an opportunity for the county planning board to make comments or recommendations. Establishes guidelines for determining amount of fee, with the objective that the fee attempt to have each new dwelling contribute to a public school capital costs reserve fund an amount of revenue that bears a reasonable relationship to that dwelling's fair share of the costs to the County of public school capital needs that are needed in part because of that dwelling. Requires that ordinance set out process of payment and provide appeals process. Requires that County deposit collected impact fees in a Public School Capital Costs Reserve Fund. Permits County to divide County into two or more districts or zones, in which to track fees and their expenditure. Provides for refund of paid impact fees if the ordinance is declared invalid. Requires that an action contesting the ordinance's validity be commenced not later than nine months after the impact fee is paid.

Intro. by Melton. Ref. to Rules

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