

Dear Senate Committee and Finance Review Members,

I am writing to respectfully urge you to remove the Resilience Fund provision from HB4148 and to pause further action on this bill until its fiscal impact and long-term consequences can be more thoroughly evaluated.

While I understand and appreciate the intent behind HB4148, the creation of a new Resilience Fund raises significant concerns about transparency, accountability, and financial sustainability. Establishing a new fund without clearly defined guardrails, oversight mechanisms, and measurable outcomes risks creating an open-ended financial obligation at a time when taxpayers and local businesses are already under strain.

Before moving forward, I strongly encourage the legislature to:

- Conduct a comprehensive fiscal analysis outlining the true long-term costs.
- Clarify how funds would be allocated and what oversight safeguards would be in place.
- Provide greater opportunity for public input and stakeholder review.
- Explore whether existing programs or appropriations could achieve the same goals more efficiently.

Pausing HB4148 would allow lawmakers the necessary time to fully examine unintended consequences and ensure that any action taken reflects sound financial stewardship and responsible governance.

I respectfully ask that you oppose the Resilience Fund as currently drafted and support efforts to slow the legislative process until these concerns are addressed.

Thank you for your time, your service, and your careful consideration.

Sincerely,
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