

FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 165

Committee: Fiscal Responsibility and Sponsor: Senator Arthur Orr

Economic Development

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Senate Bill 165 as introduced creates the Alabama Site Development Fund to be administered by the Board of Directors of the State Industrial Development Authority (SIDA) to be funded from legislative appropriations, revenue sources directed by the Legislature, gifts, grants, or investment income. The bill provides for local economic development organizations to apply to SIDA for site assessment and site development grants funded from this fund. The Governor's Recommended Fiscal Year 2023 Education Trust Fund Supplemental Appropriation bill includes a \$10 million appropriation to the Department of Commerce for the creation and funding of this new fund.

This bill would also provide further for the current annual appropriation of up to \$2 million from the Capital Improvement Trust Fund to the SIDA to allow use of these funds for site assessment grants and site development grants.