

Summary
Board Bill Number 160
Introduced by Alderwoman Anne Schweitzer
February 13, 2026

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COSPONSORS: ALDERMAN MICHAEL BROWNING/ALDERWOMAN SHAMEEM CLARK-HUBBARD**

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3 Plan Act of 2021, Pub. L. No. 117-2 (March 11, 2021) (ARPA); and authorizing the transfer of
4 such funds for water infrastructure repair and replacement project purposes; and containing an
5 emergency clause.

6 **WHEREAS**, the City has received Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds awarded under the
7 American Rescue Plan Act (“ARPA Funds”), which may be used “to respond to the public health
8 emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) or its negative economic
9 impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted
10 industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality” and for other governmental purposes; and

11 **WHEREAS**, the City is earning investment interest from the ARPA Funds deposits; and

12 **WHEREAS**, the United States Department of the Treasury’s ARPA State and Local Fiscal
13 Relief Funds (SLFRF) Final Rule, in Rule 10.1, provides that local governments have the ability
14 to place their funds in interest-gathering accounts, and furthermore that the U.S. Treasury does
15 not require local governments to expend the interest according to the parameters of ARPA
16 restrictions and eligible uses; and

17 **WHEREAS**, the City has substantial need for repairs and improvements to its aging water
18 infrastructure.

19 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

20 **SECTION ONE.** There is hereby appropriated the sum of ONE MILLION TWO HUNDRED
21 THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,200,000.00) of the interest earned on the ARPA Funds to the

1 Water Division of the Department of Public Utilities for water infrastructure repair and
2 replacement. The Comptroller is authorized and directed to issue warrants upon the City
3 Treasury for payment of all expenditures authorized in this Section provided that such warrants
4 do not exceed the total amount of funds appropriated by this Section.

5 **SECTION TWO.** Emergency Clause.

6 This being an ordinance providing for the immediate preservation and providing public work or
7 improvements and repairs thereof, it is hereby declared to be an emergency measure within the
8 meaning of Sections 19 and 20 of Article IV of the Charter of the City of St. Louis and therefore
9 this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

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FISCAL NOTE

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Bill Sponsor Alderwoman Anne Schweitzer

Bill Synopsis:	<i>An ordinance recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment appropriating \$1,200,000.00 of interest funds earned on the City's funds received under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021; and authorizing the transfer of such funds for water infrastructure repair and replacement project purposes; and containing an emergency clause.</i>
Type of Impact:	<i>Appropriation / Fund Transfer</i>
Agencies Affected:	<i>Comptroller's Office</i>

SECTION A

Does this bill authorize:

- An expansion of services which entails additional costs beyond that approved in the current adopted city budget? ___ Yes ___ X No
- An undertaking of a new service for which no funding is provided in the current adopted city budget? ___ Yes ___ X No
- A commitment of city funding in the future under certain specified conditions? ___ Yes ___ X No
- An issuance of bonds, notes and lease-purchase agreements which may require additional funding beyond that approved in the current adopted city budget? ___ Yes ___ X No
- An execution or initiation of an activity as a result of federal or state mandates or requirements? ___ Yes ___ X No
- A capital improvement project that increases operating costs over the current adopted city budget? ___ Yes ___ X No

- A capital improvement project that requires funding not approved in the current adopted city budget or that will require funding in future years? Yes No

If the answer is yes to any of the above questions, then a fiscal note must be attached to the board bill. Complete Section B of the form below.

SECTION B

- Does the bill require the construction of any new physical facilities? Yes No

- If yes, describe the facilities and provide the estimated cost:

- Is the bill estimated to have a direct fiscal impact on any city department or office? Yes No

- If yes, explain the impact and the estimated cost:

The ordinance appropriates and authorizes transfer of \$1,200,000.00 in ARPA interest earnings, resulting in a direct fiscal impact through expenditure of special revenue funds processed through City financial administration.

- Does the bill create a program or administrative subdivision? Yes No

- If yes, then is there a similar existing program or administrative subdivision? Yes No

- If yes, explain the how the proposed programs or administrative subdivisions may overlap:

- Describe the annual operating, equipment, and maintenance costs that would result from the proposed bill, as well as any funding sources:

The ordinance does not specify ongoing operating, equipment, or maintenance costs. No funding sources for such costs are identified in the bill language.

Complete the chart below to list the total estimated expenditures required of the City resulting from the proposed board bill and any estimated savings or additional revenue.

Financial Estimate of Impact on General Fund			
Fiscal Impact	<u>Year 1 (current)</u>	<u>Year 2</u>	<u>Year 3</u>
Additional Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0
Additional Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net	\$0	\$0	\$0
Financial Estimate of Impact on Special Funds			
Fiscal Impact	<u>Year 1 (current)</u>	<u>Year 2</u>	<u>Year 3</u>
Additional Expenditures	\$1,200,000	\$0	\$0
Additional Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net	\$1,200,000	\$0	\$0

- Describe any assumptions used in preparing this fiscal note:

This fiscal note was prepared based on review of the language contained within the Board Bill. The ordinance appropriates \$1,200,000.00 of interest earned on ARPA funds and authorizes transfer for water infrastructure repair and replacement purposes. The fiscal impact reflects expenditure of existing interest earnings. No implementing agency, fund coding, or departmental cost estimates were specified in the bill language; therefore, no additional operational impacts are assumed beyond the appropriation.

- List any sources of information (including any City officials, agencies, or departments) used in preparing this fiscal note:

Review of the language contained within Board Bill No. 160.

- Have the financial estimates of this bill been verified by the City Budget Division?
 Yes No
 - If yes, by whom? _____ .