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**TO:** County Assessors, Auditors, and Treasurers  
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**RE:** HEA 1116 – Property Change/Installment Payments  
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On May 9, 2013, Governor Pence signed House Enrolled Act No. 1116 (“HEA 1116”) which becomes effective July 1, 2013. Section 13 adds Indiana Code 6-1.1-22-9.9 which permits an owner to pay property taxes attributable to changes in the owner's property over the same number of years that corresponds to any delay in the proper assessment of the owner's property, provided the owner complied with the applicable statutes concerning filing an assessment registration notice or obtaining permits for the changes to the real property.

If the owner of real property makes changes to the real property and complies with IC 6-1.1-5-15(a) or IC 6-1.1-5-15(b), as applicable; and the assessing official responsible for assessing the real property subsequently fails to make a correct assessment of the real property in one (1) or more years by failing to take the changes into account, when the assessing official finally makes the correct assessment, the owner may pay the amount attributable to the changes over the same number of years that the assessing officials took to make the correct assessment.

For example, a taxpayer constructed a detached garage in June 2010, which would have first been assessable for the March 1, 2011 assessment date. The assessing official, however, misses the garage until 2014 and then retroactively adds the new garage to the taxpayer's assessment for the March 1, 2011 assessment date in 2014. Under the new statute, the taxpayer may pay the property taxes attributable to the new construction over three (3) years (i.e. the number of years corresponding to the delay by the assessing official in picking up the new construction).

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