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CSSB 359(FIN) – Municipal Organization Grants

[This bill](#) amends current statutes regarding organization grants to boroughs and unified municipalities. It also directs the Local Boundary Commission to report to the Twenty-Third Legislature on areas in the unorganized boroughs that could be incorporated as boroughs.

Currently, statutes do not provide for an organization grant to be disbursed to a unified municipality that merges or consolidates by occupying an area formerly occupied by a borough.

The bill amends the statutes by providing for organizations grants for a municipality that unifies after January 1, 2002 in an area formerly occupied by a third class borough.

The grants are for \$200,000 for the first full or partial fiscal year and another \$200,000 for the second fiscal year after the merger or consolidation.