An Economic Analysis of

Intra-governmental Account Transfers

-Social Security and Public Infrastructure in japan-*

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Abstract

In the context of limited local government resources, it is often targeted to secure financial

resources for social security expenditures for the aging society and upkeep expenditures

against the aging of public infrastructure facilities. This paper examines whether transfers

from general accounts to special accounts and public enterprise accounts have a

significant impact on the financial burden of local governments, using panel data from

Japanese local governments. We find that transfer to special accounts and public

enterprise can inflate the net liabilities.

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