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The Impact of Transfer Revenue, Personnel Expenditures and Capital Expenditures to Financial Distress in Local Government in Indonesia

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Abstract: This study aims to examine the effect of Transfer Revenue, Personnel Expenditure, and Capital Expenditure to Financial Distress in Local Governments in Indonesia. Previous research has not explored much of financial distress, making it quite difficult for stakeholders to make effective policies and an early warning system related to financial distress. This study strengthens the previous financial distress literature by using 3,024 observations, 504 local governments in Indonesia during the 2014-2019 period. Secondary data were obtained from Local Government Financial Reports which havd been audited by Indonesian Supreme Audit Institutions. Data were analyzed using logistic regression. The results showed that high Transfer Revenue was able to reduce financial distress, accordance with the research hypothesis. These findings can be used as a reference for the executive and legislature to make right policies about Transfer Revenue and allocate effective Capital Expenditure to encourage regional economic growth.

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