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Session of 2003

HOUSE BILL No. 2021

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AN ACT concerning schools; relating to the capital outlay levy and fund; amending K.S.A. 72-8801 and 72-8804 and repealing the existing sections.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 72-8801 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-8801. (a) The board of education of any school district may make an annual tax levy at a mill rate not to exceed the statutorily prescribed mill rate for a period of not to exceed five years upon the taxable tangible property in the school district for the purposes specified in this act K.S.A. 72-8804, and amendments thereto, and for the purpose of paying a portion of the principal and interest on bonds issued by cities under the authority of K.S.A. 12-1774, and amendments thereto, for the financing of redevelopment projects upon property located within the school district. No such levy shall be made under this act until a resolution is adopted by the board of education in the following form:

Unified School District No. _____,

_____ County, Kansas.

RESOLUTION

Be It Resolved that:

The above-named school board shall be authorized to make an annual tax levy for a period not to exceed ______ years in an amount not to exceed _____ mills upon the taxable tangible property in the school district for the purpose of acquisition, construction, reconstruction, repair, remodeling, additions to, furnishing and equipping of buildings necessary for school district purposes, including housing and boarding pupils enrolled in an area vocational school operated under the board, architectural expenses incidental thereto, the acquisition of building sites, the undertaking and maintenance of asbestos control projects, the acquisition of school buses and the acquisition of other equipment _____ (specify appropriate uses pursuant to K.S.A. 72-8804, and amendments thereto) _____ and for the purpose of paying a portion of the principal and interest on bonds issued by cities under the authority of K.S.A. 12-1774, and amendments thereto, for the financing of redevelopment projects upon property located within the school district. The tax levy authorized by this resolution may be made, unless a petition in opposition to the same, signed by not less than 10% of the qualified electors of the school district, is filed with the county

election officer of the home county of the school district within 40 days after the last publication of this resolution. In the event a petition is filed the county election officer shall submit the question of whether the tax levy shall be authorized to the electors in the school district at an election called for the purpose or at the next general election, as is specified by the board of education of the above school district.

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the board of education of Unified School District No. ______, _____ County, Kansas, on the ______ day of ______, _____ (year).

Clerk of the above board of education.

All of the blanks in the above resolution shall be appropriately filled. The blank preceding the word "years" shall be filled with a specific number, and the blank preceding the word "mills" shall be filled with a specific number, and no word shall be inserted in either of the blanks. The resolution shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper having general circulation in the school district. If no petition as specified above is filed in accordance with the provisions of the resolution, the board of education may make the tax levy specified in the resolution. If a petition is filed as provided in the resolution, the board of education may notify the county election officer of the date of an election to be held to submit the question of whether the tax levy shall be authorized. If the board of education fails to notify the county election officer within 60 days after a petition is filed, the resolution shall be deemed abandoned and no like resolution shall be adopted by the board of education within the nine months following the first publication of the resolution.

- (b) As used in this act K.S.A. 72-8801, et seq., and amendments thereto:
- (1) "Unconditionally authorized to make a capital outlay tax levy" means that the school district has adopted a resolution under this section, has published the same, and either that the resolution was not protested or that it was protested and an election has been held by which the tax levy specified in the resolution was approved;
- (2) "statutorily prescribed mill rate" means four mills or the mill rate necessary to produce the same amount of money that would have been produced by a levy of four mills in the 1988-89 school year;
- (3) "asbestos control project" means any activity which is necessary or incidental to the control of asbestos-containing material in buildings of school districts and includes, but not by way of limitation, any activity undertaken for the removal or encapsulation of asbestos-containing material, for any remodeling, renovation, replacement, rehabilitation or other restoration necessitated by such removal or encapsulation, for con-

 ducting inspections, reinspections and periodic surveillance of buildings, performing response actions, and developing, implementing and updating operations and maintenance programs and management plans;

- (4) "asbestos" means the asbestiform varieties of chrysotile (serpentine), crocidolite (riebeckite), amosite (cummingtonitegrunerite), anthophyllite, tremolite, and actinolite; and
- (5) "asbestos-containing material" means any material or product which contains more than 1% asbestos.
- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 72-8804 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-8804. (a) If the resolution adopted under K.S.A. 72-8801, and amendments thereto, so specified, any moneys in the capital outlay fund of any school district and any moneys received from issuance of bonds under K.S.A. 72-8805 or 72-8810, and amendments thereto, may be used for the purpose of:
- (1) The acquisition, construction, reconstruction, repair, remodeling, additions to, furnishing and equipping of buildings necessary for school district purposes, including housing and boarding pupils enrolled in an area vocational school operated under the board of education, architectural expenses incidental thereto.
 - (2) The acquisition of building sites,
 - (3) The undertaking and maintenance of asbestos control projects,
 - (4) The acquisition of school buses and.
 - (5) The acquisition of other equipment.
- (6) The payment of expenses for utility services provided to school facilities after July 1, 2003 and prior to June 30, 2006. Utility services shall include, but shall not be limited to, gas, electric, water, telephone, storm water, sewage and solid waste disposal.
- (b) The board of education of any school district is hereby authorized to may invest any portion of the capital outlay fund of the school district which is not currently needed in investments authorized by K.S.A. 12-1675, and amendments thereto, in the manner prescribed therein or may invest the same in direct obligations of the United States government maturing or redeemable at par and accrued interest within three years from date of purchase, the principal and interest whereof is guaranteed by the government of the United States. All interest received on any such investment shall upon receipt thereof be credited to the capital outlay fund.
 - Sec. 3. K.S.A. 72-8801 and 72-8804 are hereby repealed.
- Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.