SENATE BILL No. 436

By Legislative Educational Planning Committee

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AN ACT concerning community colleges; providing districtwide retailers' sales tax authority; procedure and requirements; protest petition.

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

Section 1. (a) The board of trustees of any community college may adopt a resolution imposing a districtwide retailers' sales tax within the taxing district of such community college for the purpose specified in subsection (c). Such resolution shall be published once each week for two consecutive weeks in the official newspaper of the county in which the taxing district is located. The rate of any such tax shall not exceed .5%. Such community college is prohibited from administering or collecting such tax locally, but shall utilize the services of the state department of revenue to administer, enforce and collect such tax. Such tax shall be identical in its application and exemptions therefrom to the Kansas retailers' sales tax act, and all laws and rules and regulations of the state department of revenue relating to the Kansas retailers' sales tax act shall apply to such tax insofar as the same may be made applicable.

(b) The secretary of revenue is authorized to administer, enforce and collect the districtwide retailers' sales tax provided in this section and to adopt such rules and regulations necessary for the efficient and effective administration, enforcement and collection thereof. The state director of taxation shall cause such taxes to be collected within the boundaries of the taxing district at the same time and in the same manner provided for the collection of the state retailers' sales tax. All moneys collected by the director of taxation pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the community college retailers' sales tax fund, which fund is hereby established in the state treasury. Any refund due on any tax collected pursuant to this section shall be paid out of the sales tax refund fund and reimbursement to such fund shall be made by the director of taxation from collections of the community college sales tax revenue. All moneys collected pursuant to this section for such community college shall be remitted at least quarterly by the state treasurer to 1

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the treasurer of such community college.

- (c) All revenue received by a community college from its retailers' sales tax shall be used solely for the purpose of financing the costs of property tax relief within the taxing district in direct relationship to amounts collected pursuant to this section.
- (d) If within 30 days of the final publication of a resolution adopted pursuant to subsection (a), a petition signed by a number of electors of the taxing district of the community college equal to not less than 5% of the number of qualified electors of the taxing district shall be filed in the office of the county election officer of the county in which the taxing district is located demanding that such resolution be submitted to a vote of the electors, it shall not take effect until submitted to and approved by the qualified electors of the taxing district. Such election shall be noticed, called and held in the manner provided by law for question submitted elections. Such election may be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the mail ballot election act. The proposition shall be: "Shall - Community College be authorized to impose a districtwide retailers' sales tax not to exceed .5% for purposes of financing the costs of property tax relief by eliminating _____ mills of ad valorem property taxes now levied on taxpayers owning property within the taxing district ____ Community College?" of _
- (e) The provisions of K.S.A. 12-191, and amendments thereto, insofar as may be made applicable, shall apply to sales subject to the tax imposed pursuant to this section.
- (f) The powers conferred by this section are for public uses or purposes for which public money may be expended, and such powers shall be in addition to any other power provided by law.
 - (g) As used in this section:
- (1) "Community college" has the meaning ascribed thereto in K.S.A. 71-701, and amendments thereto.
 - (2) "Taxing district" means the taxing district of a community college.
- (3) "Board of trustees" or "board" means the board of trustees of a
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