Session of 2008

SENATE BILL No. 457

By Committee on Ways and Means

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10 AN ACT concerning municipalities and taxing subdivisions; amending 11 K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 79-2926, 79-2929a and 79-2930 and repealing the 21 existing sections.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 79-2926 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-2926. (a) Subject to the provisions of subsection (b), the director of accounts and reports shall prepare and prescribe forms for the annual budgets of all taxing subdivisions or municipalities of the state. Such forms shall show the information required by this act necessary and proper to disclose complete information as to the financial condition of such taxing subdivision or municipality, and the receipts and expenditures thereof, both past and anticipated.

- (b) (1) From and after July 1, 2004 and based upon recommendations by the state department of education, the director shall prepare and prescribe forms for the annual budget and a summary of the proposed budget of school districts. The state department of education shall make such recommendations after considering the best practices and standards established by the government finance officers association and the association of school business officials.
- (2) (A) The school district budget form shall include a separate table outlining the aggregate amount of expenditures for salaries and wages for the following categories:
 - (i) Certified and noncertified administrators;
 - (ii) persons employed full-time as teachers;
- 35 (iii) other certified employees who are not employed full-time as 36 teachers;
 - (iv) classified employees;
- 38 (v) other positions designated by the state department of education; 39 and
 - (vi) substitutes and other temporary employees.
 - (B) The school district budget form shall show the number of fulltime employee positions specified in paragraph (A) of this subsection and the average salaries or wages for such positions.

- (C) The school district budget form shall show any other information recommended by the state department of education.
 - (3) The summary of the proposed budget form shall include:
- (A) An overview of the proposed budget of the school district and the budgetary process;
- (B) a summary of the changes in the proposed budget from the previous budget year;
- (C) a summary of the estimated expenditures to be made and revenues to be received in the ensuing budget year and the sources of such revenue;
- $\left(D\right)$ the internet website address for school building report cards compiled by the state department of education; and
- (E) any other information specified by the state department of education.
- (4) Nothing in this subsection (b) shall be construed as limiting the authority of school districts to develop and provide material or information in addition to that required by the state department of education.
- (5) The state department of education shall provide technical advice and assistance to school districts to insure compliance with the provisions of this section.
- (c) All such budget and tax levy forms shall be printed by the division of printing in such quantity as required by the director. The director shall deliver the forms for school districts to the clerk of the board of education of each school district. The forms for all other taxing subdivisions or municipalities of the state shall be delivered by the director to the county clerk of each county, who shall deliver the same to the presiding officer of the governing body of the respective taxing subdivisions or municipalities within the county.
- (d) Beginning in 2009, all such forms required by this section, shall be in an electronic format to facilitate filing such forms electronically.
- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 79-2929a is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-2929a. (a) The governing body of any taxing subdivision or municipality which is subject to the budget law provisions of K.S.A. 79-2925 through 79-2936, and amendments thereto, which proposes to amend its adopted current budget during the year in which such budget is in effect, shall be subject to the same publication, notice and public hearing requirements as required by K.S.A. 79-2929, and amendments thereto, for the adoption of the original budget. In addition, such published budget shall show any proposed changes in the amount of expenditures, by fund. Any proposed increase in expenditures shall be balanced by previously unbudgeted increases in revenue other than ad valorem property taxes. A copy of the adopted amended budget shall be filed with the county clerk and with the director of accounts and reports. *Beginning*

in 2009, all such budget information shall be filed electronically with the county clerk and with the director of accounts and reports.

- (b) Whenever a clerical error in the calculation of the assessed valuation of any taxing subdivision or municipality which is subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 79-2925 through 79-2936, and amendments thereto, is discovered after the governing body has adopted the budget and prior to October 1, the governing body may amend such budget. Any budget amended pursuant to this subsection shall be subject to the same publication, notice and public hearing requirements as required by K.S.A. 79-2929, and amendments thereto, for the adoption of the original budget. A copy of such amended budget shall be filed with the county clerk and the director of the division of accounts and reports. Beginning in 2009, all such budget information shall be filed electronically with the county clerk and with the director of accounts and reports.
- (c) Upon request thereof, the county clerk shall provide, without charge, assistance to any taxing subdivision or municipality in complying with the electronic filing requirements of this section.
- Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 79-2930 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-2930. (a) Two copies of the budget certificate giving the amount of ad valorem tax to be levied and the total amount of the adopted budget of expenditures by fund, along with itemized budget forms for each and every fund and proof of publication of the notice of budget hearing containing the budget summary shall be presented to the county clerk within the time prescribed by K.S.A. 79-1801 and amendments thereto. Beginning in 2009, all such budget information shall be filed electronically with the county clerk. Where action has been taken under any statute to increase the amount of tax to be levied authorized by law, a statement showing the increased amount or tax levy rate voted, or a copy of the charter resolution or ordinance making the change, shall be attached to the budget each year the change is in effect.
- (b) The county clerk shall make any reductions to the ad valorem tax to be levied, compute the tax levy rates based on the final equalized assessed valuation, and enter such on the budget certificate before attesting the budget, except that with regard to levies made under K.S.A. 75-2551, and amendments thereto, such levies shall be based upon the certified preliminary abstract of property values submitted to the director of property valuation pursuant to K.S.A. 79-1604, and amendments thereto. A copy of all budgets for taxing subdivisions of the county, properly attested, shall be filed with the director of accounts and reports, along with a copy of the tax levy rate summary required of the county treasurer by K.S.A. 79-2002, and amendments thereto. Beginning in 2009, all such budget information shall be filed electronically with the director of accounts and reports.

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- (c) Each fund of the adopted budget certified to the county clerk in no event shall exceed the amount of ad valorem tax to be levied and the proposed expenditures of such fund in the proposed budget as originally published. The governing body of each taxing subdivision shall not certify an amount of ad valorem taxes to be levied that is in excess of any tax levy rate or amount limitations or any aggregate tax levy limitations. The governing bodies, in fixing the amount may take into consideration and make allowance for the taxes which may not be paid, such allowance, however, shall not exceed by more than 5% the percentage of delinquency for the preceding tax year.
- (d) Upon request thereof, the county clerk shall provide, without charge, assistance to any taxing subdivision or municipality in complying with the electronic filing requirements of this section.
- 14 Sec. 4. K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 79-2926, 79-2929a and 79-2930 are hereby 15 repealed.
 - Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.