## HOUSE BILL No. 2630

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AN ACT concerning property tax; relating to revenues produced by property tax levies; mill levy adjustments; repealing K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 79-2925b.

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

Section 1. (a) Subject to the provisions of subsection (c), if the total taxable real property valuation in any municipality increases due to increases in the assessed valuation of existing real property, then the governing body shall lower the mill levy rate to such rate that would equal the amount of ad valorem property taxes levied in the next previous year. This subsection shall not apply to ad valorem taxes levied under K.S.A. 72-6431, 76-6b01 and 76-6b05, and amendments thereto, or any other ad valorem tax levy which was previously approved by the voters of such municipality. Property that, in the current year, is new construction, is located within added jurisdictional territory, or has changed in use shall not be considered when determining whether the total taxable real property valuation has increased from the prior year.

- (b) If the total taxable real property valuation in any municipality decreases, then the governing body may increase the mill levy rate, subject to any statutory restrictions, to a rate that would equal the amount of ad valorem property taxes levied in the next previous year. A municipality which increases mill levy rates pursuant to this subsection shall not be required to comply with the election requirement in subsection (c).
- (c) Whenever the governing body of any municipality which levies or certifies a levy of ad valorem property taxes proposes the adoption of a mill levy rate which exceeds that rate allowed pursuant to subsection (a) or the rate levied in the next previous year, unless such increase is authorized under subsection (b) of this section, it must hold an election on whether the mill levy rate shall be increased. The municipality may choose to hold such election in any manner as allowed by law. If such election is held, no mill levy increase shall be allowed unless approved by a majority of the electors voting in such election. Nothing in this subsection shall prevent any municipality from holding more than one election in any year.

- 1 (d) The provisions of subsections (a) and (c) shall not apply to or limit 2 the levy of ad valorem taxes for the payment of principal and interest on 3 bonds, temporary notes and no-fund warrants or judgments rendered 4 against any such taxing subdivision.
- 5 (e) For the purposes of this section, "Municipality" means any county, township, city, municipal university, school district, community college, drainage district and any other taxing district or political subdivision which levies taxes on property.
- 9 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 79-2925b is hereby repealed.
- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.