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HB3466

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 200/12-20

35 ILCS 200/12-55

Amends the Property Tax Code. Provides that in counties with 3,000,000 or more inhabitants, the publication of assessment changes may be published as a class (rather than individually) if the changes result from application by the county assessor of a factor to all assessments in a particular major class in any township or assessment district within the county. Sets forth the form for publishing the class of assessment changes. Provides that in counties with 3,000,000 or more inhabitants, a revision by the county assessor that causes a change in all assessments in a particular major class in any township or assessment district within the county by the application of a factor shall not require notice to the person to whom the most recent tax bill was mailed. Effective immediately.

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AN ACT in relation to taxation.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 2 represented in the General Assembly: 3

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Section 5. The Property Tax Code is amended by changing 5 Sections 12-20 and 12-55 as follows:

(35 ILCS 200/12-20) 6

7 Sec. 12-20. Publication of assessments; counties of 3,000,000 or more. In counties with 3,000,000 or more 8 inhabitants, in each year of a general assessment, for each 9 county or assessment district therein if the county is divided 10 into assessment districts as provided in Section 9-220, the 11 county assessor shall publish a complete assessment list as 12 soon as the assessment is completed as required under this 13 14 Section. If the county assessor revises the assessment after 15 the complete assessment list is published, then the county 16 assessor must publish a subsequent list of all the revised 17 assessments for that year. In years other than years of a 18 general assessment or reassessment, the county assessor shall 19 cause to be published, within the time and in the manner 20 described here, a complete list of assessments in which changes 21 are made together with the changes made in the valuation or 22 assessment of property since the last preceding assessment. The 23 publication of individual assessment changes, however, is not required if the changes result from application by the county 24 25 assessor of a factor to all assessments in a particular major 26 class in any township or assessment district within the county, in which case the list shall include a general statement 27 28 indicating that all assessments in a particular major class in certain townships or assessment districts have been changed 29 30 because of an application of a factor and shall set forth the percentage of increase or decrease represented by the factor. 31 32 The publication shall contain a copy of the land value map for

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1 the township, if required by the Department.

2 The publication of the assessments or the changes shall be 3 printed in some newspaper or newspapers of general circulation published in the county except that, in every township or 4 5 incorporated town which has superseded a civil township, in 6 which there is published one or more newspapers of general circulation, the assessment list of each township shall be 7 published in one of the newspapers. In cities of more than 8 9 2,000,000 inhabitants, the assessment list of the city shall be 10 printed in one or more newspapers of general circulation 11 published in the township assessment district within the city 12 or, in the event a newspaper of general circulation is not published within the township assessment district, in one or 13 more newspapers of general circulation published within the 14 15 city.

Any newspaper publishing an assessment list under this Section is entitled to a fee of 40¢ per column line for publishing the list.

At the top of the list of assessments there shall be a notice in substantially the following form printed in type no smaller than eleven point:

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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

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(insert here the township or assessment district)

24 (insert here the particular major class)

All assessments for (insert here particular major class) in (insert here township or assessment district) have been revised by the county assessor through the application of a factor. The factor (insert here increases or decreases) your assessment by (insert here percentage of increase or decrease represented by the factor). (Source: P.A. 93-759, eff. 1-1-05.)

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(35 ILCS 200/12-55)

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2 Sec. 12-55. Notice requirement if assessment is increased; counties of 3,000,000 or more. 3

(a) In counties with 3,000,000 or more inhabitants, a 4 5 revision by the county assessor, except where such revision is 6 made on complaint of the owner, shall not increase an assessment without notice to the person to whom the most recent 7 8 tax bill was mailed and an opportunity to be heard before the 9 assessment is verified. When a notice is mailed by the county assessor to the address of a mortgagee, the mortgagee, within 7 10 11 business days after the mortgagee receives the notice, shall 12 forward a copy of the notice to each mortgagor of the property 13 referred to in the notice at the last known address of each mortgagor as shown on the records of the mortgagee. There shall 14 15 be no liability for the failure of the mortgagee to forward the 16 notice to each mortgagor. The assessor may provide for the 17 filing of complaints and make revisions at times other than those dates published under Section 14-35. When the county 18 19 assessor has completed the revision and correction and entered 20 the changes and revision in the assessment books, an affidavit shall be attached to the assessment books in the form required 21 22 by law, signed by the county assessor.

23 (a-5) In counties with 3,000,000 or more inhabitants, 24 however, and beginning with the 2005 assessment year, a revision by the county assessor that causes a change in all 25 26 assessments in a particular major class in any township or 27 assessment district within the county by the application of a factor shall not require notice to the person to whom the most 28 recent tax bill was mailed as provided in subsection (a). 29

30 (b) In counties with 3,000,000 or more inhabitants, for parcels, other than parcels in the class that includes the 31 majority of the single-family residential parcels under a 32 33 county ordinance adopted in accordance with Section 4 of Article IX of the Illinois Constitution, located in the 34 35 assessment district for which the current assessment year is a general assessment year, within 30 days after sending the 36

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1 required notices under this Section, the county assessor shall 2 file with the board of appeals (until the first Monday in 3 December 1998, and the board of review beginning the first 4 Monday in December 1998 and thereafter) a list of the parcels 5 for which the notices under this Section were sent, showing the following information for each such parcel: the parcel index 6 7 number, the township in which the parcel is located, the class 8 for the current year, the previous year's final total assessed 9 value, the total assessed value proposed by the county assessor, and the name of the person to whom the notice 10 required under this Section was sent. The list shall be 11 12 available for public inspection at the office of the board 13 during the regular office hours of the board. The list shall be retained by the board for at least 10 years after the date it 14 15 is initially filed by the county assessor.

16 (c) The provisions of subsection (b) of this Section shall 17 be applicable beginning with the assessment for the 1997 tax 18 year.

19 (Source: P.A. 90-4, eff. 3-7-97; 91-751, eff. 6-2-00.)

20 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 21 becoming law.