

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2009 and 2010 SB1750

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 200/18-185 405 ILCS 20/4 405 ILCS 20/5

from Ch. 91 1/2, par. 304 from Ch. 91 1/2, par. 305

Amends the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law in the Property Tax Code. Provides that the term "aggregate extension" does not include special purpose extensions made for community mental health purposes. Amends the Community Mental Health Act. Provides that, if a governmental unit levies a tax for community mental health purposes at a rate of less than 0.15%, that levy may be increased to not more than 0.15% by submitting the question to the voters. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning revenue.

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

- 4 Section 5. The Property Tax Code is amended by changing
- 5 Section 18-185 as follows:
- 6 (35 ILCS 200/18-185)
- 7 Sec. 18-185. Short title; definitions. This Division 5 may
- 8 be cited as the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law. As used
- 9 in this Division 5:
- "Consumer Price Index" means the Consumer Price Index for
- 11 All Urban Consumers for all items published by the United
- 12 States Department of Labor.
- "Extension limitation" means (a) the lesser of 5% or the
- 14 percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index during the
- 15 12-month calendar year preceding the levy year or (b) the rate
- of increase approved by voters under Section 18-205.
- "Affected county" means a county of 3,000,000 or more
- inhabitants or a county contiguous to a county of 3,000,000 or
- 19 more inhabitants.
- 20 "Taxing district" has the same meaning provided in Section
- 21 1-150, except as otherwise provided in this Section. For the
- 22 1991 through 1994 levy years only, "taxing district" includes
- 23 only each non-home rule taxing district having the majority of

its 1990 equalized assessed value within any county or counties contiguous to a county with 3,000,000 or more inhabitants. Beginning with the 1995 levy year, "taxing district" includes only each non-home rule taxing district subject to this Law before the 1995 levy year and each non-home rule taxing district not subject to this Law before the 1995 levy year having the majority of its 1994 equalized assessed value in an affected county or counties. Beginning with the levy year in which this Law becomes applicable to a taxing district as provided in Section 18-213, "taxing district" also includes those taxing districts made subject to this Law as provided in Section 18-213.

"Aggregate extension" for taxing districts to which this Law applied before the 1995 levy year means the annual corporate extension for the taxing district and those special purpose extensions that are made annually for the taxing district, excluding special purpose extensions: (a) made for the taxing district to pay interest or principal on general obligation bonds that were approved by referendum; (b) made for any taxing district to pay interest or principal on general obligation bonds issued before October 1, 1991; (c) made for any taxing district to pay interest or principal on bonds issued to refund or continue to refund those bonds issued before October 1, 1991; (d) made for any taxing district to pay interest or principal on bonds issued to refund or continue to refund bonds issued after October 1, 1991 that were approved by

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referendum; (e) made for any taxing district to pay interest or principal on revenue bonds issued before October 1, 1991 for payment of which a property tax levy or the full faith and credit of the unit of local government is pledged; however, a tax for the payment of interest or principal on those bonds shall be made only after the governing body of the unit of local government finds that all other sources for payment are insufficient to make those payments; (f) made for payments under a building commission lease when the lease payments are for the retirement of bonds issued by the commission before October 1, 1991, to pay for the building project; (g) made for payments due under installment contracts entered into before October 1, 1991; (h) made for payments of principal and bonds issued under the Metropolitan Water interest on Reclamation District Act to finance construction projects initiated before October 1, 1991; (i) made for payments of principal and interest on limited bonds, as defined in Section 3 of the Local Government Debt Reform Act, in an amount not to exceed the debt service extension base less the amount in items (b), (c), (e), and (h) of this definition for non-referendum obligations, except obligations initially issued pursuant to referendum; (j) made for payments of principal and interest on bonds issued under Section 15 of the Local Government Debt Reform Act; (k) made by a school district that participates in the Special Education District of Lake County, created by special education joint agreement under Section 10-22.31 of the

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School Code, for payment of the school district's share of the amounts required to be contributed by the Special Education District of Lake County to the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund under Article 7 of the Illinois Pension Code; the amount of any extension under this item (k) shall be certified by the school district to the county clerk; (1) made to fund expenses of providing joint recreational programs for the handicapped under Section 5-8 of the Park District Code or Section 11-95-14 of the Illinois Municipal Code; (m) made for temporary relocation loan repayment purposes pursuant to Sections 2-3.77 and 17-2.2d of the School Code; (n) made for payment of principal and interest on any bonds issued under the authority of Section 17-2.2d of the School Code; and (o) made for contributions to a firefighter's pension fund created under Article 4 of the Illinois Pension Code, to the extent of the amount certified under item (5) of Section 4-134 of the Illinois Pension Code; and (p) made for community mental health purposes as provided in the Community Mental Health Act.

"Aggregate extension" for the taxing districts to which this Law did not apply before the 1995 levy year (except taxing districts subject to this Law in accordance with Section 18-213) means the annual corporate extension for the taxing district and those special purpose extensions that are made annually for the taxing district, excluding special purpose extensions: (a) made for the taxing district to pay interest or principal on general obligation bonds that were approved by

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firefighter's pension fund created under Article 4 of the Illinois Pension Code, to the extent of the amount certified under item (5) of Section 4-134 of the Illinois Pension Code; and (q) made by Ford Heights School District 169 under Section 17-9.02 of the School Code; and (r) made for community mental health purposes as provided in the Community Mental Health Act.

"Aggregate extension" for all taxing districts to which this Law applies in accordance with Section 18-213, except for those taxing districts subject to paragraph (2) of subsection (e) of Section 18-213, means the annual corporate extension for the taxing district and those special purpose extensions that are made annually for the taxing district, excluding special purpose extensions: (a) made for the taxing district to pay interest or principal on general obligation bonds that were approved by referendum; (b) made for any taxing district to pay interest or principal on general obligation bonds issued before the date on which the referendum making this Law applicable to the taxing district is held; (c) made for any taxing district to pay interest or principal on bonds issued to refund or continue to refund those bonds issued before the date on which the referendum making this Law applicable to the taxing district is held; (d) made for any taxing district to pay interest or principal on bonds issued to refund or continue to refund bonds issued after the date on which the referendum making this Law applicable to the taxing district is held if the bonds were approved by referendum after the date on which

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the referendum making this Law applicable to the taxing district is held; (e) made for any taxing district to pay interest or principal on revenue bonds issued before the date on which the referendum making this Law applicable to the taxing district is held for payment of which a property tax levy or the full faith and credit of the unit of local government is pledged; however, a tax for the payment of interest or principal on those bonds shall be made only after the governing body of the unit of local government finds that all other sources for payment are insufficient to make those payments; (f) made for payments under a building commission lease when the lease payments are for the retirement of bonds issued by the commission before the date on which the referendum making this Law applicable to the taxing district is held to pay for the building project; (g) made for payments due under installment contracts entered into before the date on which the referendum making this Law applicable to the taxing district is held; (h) made for payments of principal and interest on limited bonds, as defined in Section 3 of the Local Government Debt Reform Act, in an amount not to exceed the debt service extension base less the amount in items (b), (c), and (e) of this definition for non-referendum obligations, except obligations initially issued pursuant to referendum; (i) made for payments of principal and interest on bonds issued under Section 15 of the Local Government Debt Reform Act; (j) made for a qualified airport authority to pay interest or principal

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on general obligation bonds issued for the purpose of paying obligations due under, or financing airport facilities required to be acquired, constructed, installed or equipped pursuant to, contracts entered into before March 1, 1996 (but not including any amendments to such a contract taking effect on or after that date); (k) made to fund expenses of providing joint recreational programs for the handicapped under Section 5-8 of the Park District Code or Section 11-95-14 of the Illinois Municipal Code; and (1) made for contributions to a firefighter's pension fund created under Article 4 of the Illinois Pension Code, to the extent of the amount certified under item (5) of Section 4-134 of the Illinois Pension Code; and (m) made for community mental health purposes as provided in the Community Mental Health Act.

"Aggregate extension" for all taxing districts to which this Law applies in accordance with paragraph (2) of subsection (e) of Section 18-213 means the annual corporate extension for the taxing district and those special purpose extensions that are made annually for the taxing district, excluding special purpose extensions: (a) made for the taxing district to pay interest or principal on general obligation bonds that were approved by referendum; (b) made for any taxing district to pay interest or principal on general obligation bonds issued before the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1997; (c) made for any taxing district to pay interest or principal on bonds issued to refund or continue to refund those bonds issued

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before the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1997; (d) made for any taxing district to pay interest or principal on bonds issued to refund or continue to refund bonds issued after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1997 if the bonds were approved by referendum after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1997; (e) made for any taxing district to pay interest or principal on revenue bonds issued before the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1997 for payment of which a property tax levy or the full faith and credit of the unit of local government is pledged; however, a tax for the payment of interest or principal on those bonds shall be made only after the governing body of the unit of local government finds that all other sources for payment are insufficient to make those payments; (f) made for payments under a building commission lease when the lease payments are for the retirement of bonds issued by the commission before the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1997 to pay for the building project; (q) made for payments due under installment contracts entered into before the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1997; (h) made for payments of principal and interest on limited bonds, as defined in Section 3 of the Local Government Debt Reform Act, in an amount not to exceed the debt service extension base less the amount in items (b), (c), and (e) of non-referendum obligations, definition for obligations initially issued pursuant to referendum; (i) made for payments of principal and interest on bonds issued under

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Section 15 of the Local Government Debt Reform Act; (j) made for a qualified airport authority to pay interest or principal on general obligation bonds issued for the purpose of paying obligations due under, or financing airport facilities required to be acquired, constructed, installed or equipped pursuant to, contracts entered into before March 1, 1996 (but not including any amendments to such a contract taking effect on or after that date); (k) made to fund expenses of providing joint recreational programs for the handicapped under Section 5-8 of the Park District Code or Section 11-95-14 of the Illinois Municipal Code; and (1) made for contributions to a firefighter's pension fund created under Article 4 of the Illinois Pension Code, to the extent of the amount certified under item (5) of Section 4-134 of the Illinois Pension Code; and (m) made for community mental health purposes as provided in the Community Mental Health Act.

"Debt service extension base" means an amount equal to that portion of the extension for a taxing district for the 1994 levy year, or for those taxing districts subject to this Law in accordance with Section 18-213, except for those subject to paragraph (2) of subsection (e) of Section 18-213, for the levy year in which the referendum making this Law applicable to the taxing district is held, or for those taxing districts subject to this Law in accordance with paragraph (2) of subsection (e) of Section 18-213 for the 1996 levy year, constituting an extension for payment of principal and interest on bonds issued

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by the taxing district without referendum, but not including excluded non-referendum bonds. For park districts (i) that were first subject to this Law in 1991 or 1995 and (ii) whose extension for the 1994 levy year for the payment of principal and interest on bonds issued by the park district without referendum (but not including excluded non-referendum bonds) was less than 51% of the amount for the 1991 levy year constituting an extension for payment of principal and interest on bonds issued by the park district without referendum (but not including excluded non-referendum bonds), "debt service extension base" means an amount equal to that portion of the extension for the 1991 levy year constituting an extension for payment of principal and interest on bonds issued by the park district without referendum (but not including excluded non-referendum bonds). The debt service extension base may be established or increased as provided under Section 18-212. "Excluded non-referendum bonds" means (i) bonds authorized by Public Act 88-503 and issued under Section 20a of the Chicago Park District Act for aquarium and museum projects; (ii) bonds issued under Section 15 of the Local Government Debt Reform Act; or (iii) refunding obligations issued to refund or to continue to refund obligations initially issued pursuant to referendum.

"Special purpose extensions" include, but are not limited to, extensions for levies made on an annual basis for unemployment and workers' compensation, self-insurance,

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1 contributions to pension plans, and extensions made pursuant to

2 Section 6-601 of the Illinois Highway Code for a road

district's permanent road fund whether levied annually or not.

The extension for a special service area is not included in the

aggregate extension.

"Aggregate extension base" means the taxing district's last preceding aggregate extension as adjusted under Sections 18-135, 18-215, and 18-230. An adjustment under Section 18-135 shall be made for the 2007 levy year and all subsequent levy years whenever one or more counties within which a taxing district is located (i) used estimated valuations or rates when extending taxes in the taxing district for the last preceding levy year that resulted in the over or under extension of taxes, or (ii) increased or decreased the tax extension for the last preceding levy year as required by Section 18-135(c). Whenever an adjustment is required under Section 18-135, the aggregate extension base of the taxing district shall be equal to the amount that the aggregate extension of the taxing district would have been for the last preceding levy year if either or both (i) actual, rather than estimated, valuations or rates had been used to calculate the extension of taxes for the last levy year, or (ii) the tax extension for the last preceding levy year had not been adjusted as required by subsection (c) of Section 18-135.

"Levy year" has the same meaning as "year" under Section 1-155.

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"New property" means (i) the assessed value, after final board of review or board of appeals action, of new improvements or additions to existing improvements on any parcel of real property that increase the assessed value of that real property during the levy year multiplied by the equalization factor issued by the Department under Section 17-30, (ii) the assessed value, after final board of review or board of appeals action, of real property not exempt from real estate taxation, which real property was exempt from real estate taxation for any portion of the immediately preceding levy year, multiplied by the equalization factor issued by the Department under Section 17-30, including the assessed value, upon final stabilization of occupancy after new construction is complete, of any real property located within the boundaries of an otherwise or previously exempt military reservation that is intended for residential use and owned by or leased to a private corporation or other entity, and (iii) in counties that classify in accordance with Section 4 of Article IX of the Illinois Constitution, an incentive property's additional assessed value resulting from a scheduled increase in the level of assessment as applied to the first year final board of review market value. In addition, the county clerk in a county containing a population of 3,000,000 or more shall include in the 1997 recovered tax increment value for any school district, any recovered tax increment value that was applicable to the 1995 tax year calculations.

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"Qualified airport authority" means an airport authority organized under the Airport Authorities Act and located in a county bordering on the State of Wisconsin and having a population in excess of 200,000 and not greater than 500,000.

"Recovered tax increment value" means, except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, the amount of the current year's equalized assessed value, in the first year after municipality terminates the designation of an area as redevelopment project area previously established under the Tax Increment Allocation Development Act in the Illinois Municipal Code, previously established under the Industrial Jobs Recovery Law in the Illinois Municipal Code, previously established under the Economic Development Project Area Tax Increment Act of 1995, or previously established under the Economic Development Area Tax Increment Allocation Act, of each taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of real property in the redevelopment project area over and above the initial equalized assessed value of each property in the redevelopment project area. For the taxes which are extended for the 1997 levy year, the recovered tax increment value for a non-home rule taxing district that first became subject to this Law for the 1995 levy year because a majority of its 1994 equalized assessed value was in an affected county or counties shall be increased if a municipality terminated the designation of an area in 1993 as a redevelopment project area previously established under the Tax Increment Allocation Development Act in the Illinois

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Municipal Code, previously established under the Industrial Jobs Recovery Law in the Illinois Municipal Code, or previously established under the Economic Development Area Tax Increment Allocation Act, by an amount equal to the 1994 equalized assessed value of each taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of real property in the redevelopment project area over and above the initial equalized assessed value of each property in the redevelopment project area. In the first year after municipality removes a taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of real property from a redevelopment project area established under the Tax Increment Allocation Development Act in the Illinois Municipal Code, the Industrial Jobs Recovery Law in the Illinois Municipal Code, or the Economic Development Area Tax Increment Allocation Act, "recovered tax increment value" means the amount of the current year's equalized assessed value of each taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of real property removed from the redevelopment project area over and above the initial equalized assessed value of that real property before removal from the redevelopment project area.

Except as otherwise provided in this Section, "limiting rate" means a fraction the numerator of which is the last preceding aggregate extension base times an amount equal to one plus the extension limitation defined in this Section and the denominator of which is the current year's equalized assessed value of all real property in the territory under the jurisdiction of the taxing district during the prior levy year.

For those taxing districts that reduced their aggregate 1 2 extension for the last preceding levy year, the highest aggregate extension in any of the last 3 preceding levy years 3 shall be used for the purpose of computing the limiting rate. 4 5 The denominator shall not include new property or the recovered 6 tax increment value. If a new rate, a rate decrease, or a 7 limiting rate increase has been approved at an election held after March 21, 2006, then (i) the otherwise applicable 8 9 limiting rate shall be increased by the amount of the new rate 10 or shall be reduced by the amount of the rate decrease, as the 11 case may be, or (ii) in the case of a limiting rate increase, 12 the limiting rate shall be equal to the rate set forth in the proposition approved by the voters for each of the years 13 specified in the proposition, after which the limiting rate of 14 15 the taxing district shall be calculated as otherwise provided. 16 (Source: P.A. 94-974, eff. 6-30-06; 94-976, eff. 6-30-06; 17 94-1078, eff. 1-9-07; 95-90, eff. 1-1-08; 95-331, eff. 8-21-07; 95-404, eff. 1-1-08; 95-876, eff. 8-21-08.) 18

- Section 10. The Community Mental Health Act is amended by changing Sections 4, 5, 6, and 7 as follows:
- 21 (405 ILCS 20/4) (from Ch. 91 1/2, par. 304)
- Sec. 4. In order to provide the necessary funds or to supplement existing funds for such community mental health facilities and services, including facilities and services for

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the person with a developmental disability or a substance use disorder, the governing body of any governmental unit, subject to the provisions of Section 5, may levy an annual tax of not to exceed .15% upon all of the taxable property in such governmental unit at the value thereof, as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue. If a governmental unit levies a tax under this Section at a rate of less than 0.15%, that levy may be increased to not more than 0.15% as provided in Section 5 of this Act. Such tax shall be levied and collected in the same manner as other governmental unit taxes, but shall not be included in any limitation otherwise prescribed as to the rate or amount of governmental unit taxes, but shall be in addition thereto and in excess thereof.

When collected, such tax shall be paid into a special fund to be designated as the "Community Mental Health Fund" which shall, upon authorization by the appropriate governmental unit, be administered by the community mental health board and used only for the purposes specified in this Act. Nothing contained herein shall in any way preclude the use of other funds available for such purposes under any existing Federal, State or local statute. Interest earned from moneys deposited in this Fund shall only be used for purposes which are authorized by this Act.

In any city, village, incorporated town, or township which levies a tax for the purpose of providing community mental health facilities and services and part or all of such city,

village, incorporated town, or township is in a county or township, as the case may be, which levies a tax to provide community mental health facilities and services under the provisions of this Act, such county or township, as the case may be, shall pay to such city, village, incorporated town, or township, as the case may be, the entire amount collected from taxes under this Section on property subject to a tax which any city, village, incorporated town, or township thereof levies to provide community mental health facilities and services.

Whenever any city, village, incorporated town, or township receives any payments from a county or township as provided above, such city, village, incorporated town, or township shall reduce and abate from the tax levied by the authority of this Section a rate which would produce an amount equal to the amount received from such county or township.

16 (Source: P.A. 95-336, eff. 8-21-07.)

17 (405 ILCS 20/5) (from Ch. 91 1/2, par. 305)

18 Sec. 5.

(a) When the governing body of a governmental unit passes a resolution as provided in Section 4 asking that an annual tax may be levied for the purpose of providing such mental health facilities and services, including facilities and services for the person with a developmental disability or a substance use disorder, in the community and so instructs the clerk of the governmental unit such clerk shall certify the proposition to

1	the proper election officials for submission at a regular
2	election in accordance with the general election law. The
3	proposition shall be in the following form:
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5	Shall (governmental
6	unit) levy an annual tax of not to YES
7	exceed .15% for the purpose of providing
8	community mental health facilities and
9	services including facilities and services
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11	disability or a substance use disorder?
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13	(b) If the governing body of a governmental unit passes a
14	resolution as provided in Section 4 asking that the annual tax
15	be increased, it shall so instruct the clerk of the
16	governmental unit, and the clerk shall certify the proposition
17	to the proper election officials for submission at a regular
18	election in accordance with the general election law. The
19	proposition shall be in the following form:
20	"Shall the tax imposed by (governmental unit) for the
21	purpose of providing community mental health facilities
22	and services, including facilities and services for
23	persons with a developmental disability or substance use
24	disorder be increased to (not more than 0.15%)?"
25	(c) If a majority of all the votes cast upon the
26	proposition are for the levy or increase of such tax, the

- 1 governing body of such governmental unit shall thereafter
- 2 annually levy a tax not to exceed the rate set forth in Section
- 3 4. Thereafter, the governing body shall in the annual
- 4 appropriation bill appropriate from such funds such sum or sums
- of money as may be deemed necessary, based upon the community
- 6 mental health board's budget, the board's annual mental health
- 7 report, and the local mental health plan to defray necessary
- 8 expenses and liabilities in providing for such community mental
- 9 health facilities and services.
- 10 (Source: P.A. 95-336, eff. 8-21-07.)
- 11 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 12 becoming law.