

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to ad valorem taxation for public
 3 education; amending ss. 1011.71 and 1011.73, F.S.;
 4 extending the maximum duration of voted ad valorem millage
 5 for school district operations; providing an effective
 6 date.

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 8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 10 Section 1. Subsection (6) of section 1011.71, Florida
 11 Statutes, is amended to read:

12 1011.71 District school tax.--

13 (6) In addition to the maximum millage levied under this
 14 section and the General Appropriations Act, a school district
 15 may levy, by local referendum or in a general election,
 16 additional millage for school operational purposes up to an
 17 amount that, when combined with nonvoted millage levied under
 18 this section, does not exceed the 10-mill limit established in
 19 s. 9(b), Art. VII of the State Constitution. Any such levy shall
 20 be for a maximum of 10 4 years and shall be counted as part of
 21 the 10-mill limit established in s. 9(b), Art. VII of the State
 22 Constitution. Millage elections conducted under the authority
 23 granted pursuant to this section are subject to s. 1011.73.
 24 Funds generated by such additional millage do not become a part
 25 of the calculation of the Florida Education Finance Program
 26 total potential funds in 2001-2002 or any subsequent year and
 27 must not be incorporated in the calculation of any hold-harmless
 28 or other component of the Florida Education Finance Program

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29 formula in any year. If an increase in required local effort,
30 when added to existing millage levied under the 10-mill limit,
31 would result in a combined millage in excess of the 10-mill
32 limit, any millage levied pursuant to this subsection shall be
33 considered to be required local effort to the extent that the
34 district millage would otherwise exceed the 10-mill limit.

35 Section 2. Subsection (2) of section 1011.73, Florida
36 Statutes, is amended to read:

37 1011.73 District millage elections.--

38 (2) MILLAGE AUTHORIZED NOT TO EXCEED 10 4 YEARS.--The
39 district school board, pursuant to resolution adopted at a
40 regular meeting, shall direct the county commissioners to call
41 an election at which the electors within the school district may
42 approve an ad valorem tax millage as authorized under s.
43 1011.71(6). Such election may be held at any time, except that
44 not more than one such election shall be held during any 12-
45 month period. Any millage so authorized shall be levied for a
46 period not in excess of 10 4 years or until changed by another
47 millage election, whichever is earlier. If any such election is
48 invalidated by a court of competent jurisdiction, such
49 invalidated election shall be considered not to have been held.

50 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.