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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to ad valorem taxation for public education; amending ss. 1011.71 and 1011.73, F.S.; extending the maximum duration of voted ad valorem millage for school district operations; providing an effective date.

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

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

1011.71 District school tax.--

(6) In addition to the maximum millage levied under this section and the General Appropriations Act, a school district may levy, by local referendum or in a general election, additional millage for school operational purposes up to an amount that, when combined with nonvoted millage levied under this section, does not exceed the 10-mill limit established in s. 9(b), Art. VII of the State Constitution. Any such levy shall be for a maximum of 10 ~~4~~ years and shall be counted as part of the 10-mill limit established in s. 9(b), Art. VII of the State Constitution. Millage elections conducted under the authority granted pursuant to this section are subject to s. 1011.73. Funds generated by such additional millage do not become a part of the calculation of the Florida Education Finance Program total potential funds in 2001-2002 or any subsequent year and must not be incorporated in the calculation of any hold-harmless or other component of the Florida Education Finance Program formula in any year. If an increase in required local effort, when added to existing millage levied under the 10-mill limit, would result in a

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1 combined millage in excess of the 10-mill limit, any millage
2 levied pursuant to this subsection shall be considered to be
3 required local effort to the extent that the district millage
4 would otherwise exceed the 10-mill limit.

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

7 1011.73 District millage elections.--

8 (2) MILLAGE AUTHORIZED NOT TO EXCEED 10 4 YEARS.--The
9 district school board, pursuant to resolution adopted at a
10 regular meeting, shall direct the county commissioners to call
11 an election at which the electors within the school district
12 may approve an ad valorem tax millage as authorized under s.
13 1011.71(6). Such election may be held at any time, except that
14 not more than one such election shall be held during any
15 12-month period. Any millage so authorized shall be levied for
16 a period not in excess of 10 4 years or until changed by
17 another millage election, whichever is earlier. If any such
18 election is invalidated by a court of competent jurisdiction,
19 such invalidated election shall be considered not to have been
20 held.

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

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25 SENATE SUMMARY

26 Extends from 4 years to 10 years the maximum duration of
27 voted ad valorem millage that may be levied for school
28 district operations.
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