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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	___	(Y/N)
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OTHER	_____	

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Judiciary Committee
2 Representative Fine offered the following:

Amendment (with directory amendment)

Remove lines 982-994 and insert:

6 (a) For taxing authorities other than school districts
7 which have tentatively adopted a millage rate in excess of 100
8 percent of the rolled-back rate computed pursuant to subsection
9 (1), the advertisement shall be in the following form:

NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE

11 The ...(name of the taxing authority)... has tentatively
12 adopted a measure to increase its property tax levy.

13 Last year's property tax levy:

14 A. Initially proposed tax levy.....\$XX,XXX,XXX

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15 B. Less tax reductions due to Value Adjustment Board and
16 other assessment changes.....(\$XX,XXX,XXX)

17 C. Actual property tax levy.....\$XX,XXX,XXX
18 This year's proposed tax levy.....\$XX,XXX,XXX

19 All concerned citizens are invited to attend a public
20 hearing on the tax increase to be held on ...(date and time)...
21 at ...(meeting place)....

22 A FINAL DECISION on the proposed tax increase and the
23 budget will be made at this hearing.

24 (b) In all instances in which the provisions of paragraph
25 (a) are inapplicable for taxing authorities other than school
26 districts, the advertisement shall be in the following form:

27 NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

28 The ...(name of taxing authority)... has tentatively
29 adopted a budget for ...(fiscal year).... A public hearing to
30 make a FINAL DECISION on the budget AND TAXES will be held on
31 ...(date and time)... at ...(meeting place)....

32 (c) For school districts which have proposed a millage
33 rate in excess of 100 percent of the rolled-back rate computed
34 pursuant to subsection (1) and which propose to levy nonvoted
35 millage in excess of the minimum amount required pursuant to s.
36 1011.60(6), the advertisement shall be in the following form:

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37 NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE

38 The ...(name of school district)... will soon consider a
39 measure to increase its property tax levy.

40 Last year's property tax levy:

41 A. Initially proposed tax levy.....\$XX,XXX,XXX

42 B. Less tax reductions due to Value Adjustment Board and
43 other assessment changes.....(\$XX,XXX,XXX)

44 C. Actual property tax levy.....\$XX,XXX,XXX

45 This year's proposed tax levy.....\$XX,XXX,XXX

46 A portion of the tax levy is required under state law in
47 order for the school board to receive \$...(amount A)... in state
48 education grants. The required portion has ...(increased or
49 decreased)... by ...(amount B)... percent and represents
50 approximately ...(amount C)... of the total proposed taxes.

51 The remainder of the taxes is proposed solely at the
52 discretion of the school board.

53 All concerned citizens are invited to a public hearing on
54 the tax increase to be held on ...(date and time)... at
55 ...(meeting place)....

56 A DECISION on the proposed tax increase and the budget will
57 be made at this hearing.

58 1. AMOUNT A shall be an estimate, provided by the
59 Department of Education, of the amount to be received in the

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60 current fiscal year by the district from state appropriations
61 for the Florida Education Finance Program.

62 2. AMOUNT B shall be the percent increase over the rolled-
63 back rate necessary to levy only the required local effort in
64 the current fiscal year, computed as though in the preceding
65 fiscal year only the required local effort was levied.

66 3. AMOUNT C shall be the quotient of required local-effort
67 millage divided by the total proposed nonvoted millage, rounded
68 to the nearest tenth and stated in words; however, the stated
69 amount shall not exceed nine-tenths.

70 (d) For school districts which have proposed a millage
71 rate in excess of 100 percent of the rolled-back rate computed
72 pursuant to subsection (1) and which propose to levy as nonvoted
73 millage only the minimum amount required pursuant to s.
74 1011.60(6), the advertisement shall be the same as provided in
75 paragraph (c), except that the second and third paragraphs shall
76 be replaced with the following paragraph:

77 This increase is required under state law in order for the
78 school board to receive \$...(amount A)... in state education
79 grants.

80 (e) In all instances in which the provisions of paragraphs
81 (c) and (d) are inapplicable for school districts, the
82 advertisement shall be in the following form:

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83 NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

84 The ...(name of school district)... will soon consider a
85 budget for ...(fiscal year).... A public hearing to make a
86 DECISION on the budget AND TAXES will be held on ...(date and
87 time)... at ...(meeting place)....

88 (f) In lieu of publishing the notice set out in this
89 subsection, the taxing authority may mail a copy of the notice
90 to each elector residing within the jurisdiction of the taxing
91 authority.

92 (g) In the event that the mailing of the notice of
93 proposed property taxes is delayed beyond September 3 in a
94 county, any multicounty taxing authority which levies ad valorem
95 taxes within that county shall advertise its intention to adopt
96 a tentative budget and millage rate in a newspaper of paid
97 general circulation within that county, as provided in this
98 subsection, and shall hold the hearing required pursuant to
99 paragraph (2)(c) not less than 2 days or more than 5 days
100 thereafter, and not later than September 18. The advertisement
101 shall be in the following form, unless the proposed millage rate
102 is less than or equal to the rolled-back rate, computed pursuant
103 to subsection (1), in which case the advertisement shall be as
104 provided in paragraph (e):

105 NOTICE OF TAX INCREASE

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106 The ...(name of the taxing authority)... proposes to
107 increase its property tax levy by ...(percentage of increase
108 over rolled-back rate)... percent.

109 All concerned citizens are invited to attend a public
110 hearing on the proposed tax increase to be held on ...(date and
111 time)... at ...(meeting place)....

112 (h) In no event shall any taxing authority add to or
113 delete from the language of the advertisements as specified
114 herein unless expressly authorized by law, except that, if an
115 increase in ad valorem tax rates will affect only a portion of
116 the jurisdiction of a taxing authority, advertisements may
117 include a map or geographical description of the area to be
118 affected and the proposed use of the tax revenues under
119 consideration. In addition, if published in the newspaper, the
120 map must be part of the online advertisement required by s.
121 50.0211 or s. 50.0311. The advertisements required herein shall
122 not be accompanied, preceded, or followed by other advertising
123 or notices which conflict with or modify the substantive content
124 prescribed herein.

125 (i) The advertisements required pursuant to paragraphs (b)
126 and (e) need not be one-quarter page in size or have a headline
127 in type no smaller than 18 point.

128 (j) The amounts to be published as percentages of increase
129 over the rolled-back rate pursuant to this subsection shall be

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130 based on aggregate millage rates and shall exclude voted millage
131 levies unless expressly provided otherwise in this subsection.

132 (k) Any taxing authority which will levy an ad valorem tax
133 for an upcoming budget year but does not levy an ad valorem tax
134 currently shall, in the advertisement specified in paragraph
135 (a), paragraph (c), paragraph (d), or paragraph (g), replace the
136 phrase "increase its property tax levy by ...(percentage of
137 increase over rolled-back rate)... percent" with the phrase
138 "impose a new property tax levy of \$...(amount)... per \$1,000
139 value."

140 (l) Any advertisement required pursuant to this section
141 shall be accompanied by an adjacent notice meeting the budget
142 summary requirements of s. 129.03(3)(b). Except for those taxing
143 authorities proposing to levy ad valorem taxes for the first
144 time, the following statement shall appear in the budget summary
145 in boldfaced type immediately following the heading, if the
146 applicable percentage is greater than zero:

147 THE PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET EXPENDITURES OF ...(name of
148 taxing authority)... ARE ...(percent rounded to one decimal
149 place)... MORE THAN LAST YEAR'S TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES.

150 For purposes of this paragraph, "proposed operating budget
151 expenditures" or "operating expenditures" means all moneys of
152 the local government, including dependent special districts,
153 that:

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154 1. Were or could be expended during the applicable fiscal
155 year, or

156 2. Were or could be retained as a balance for future
157 spending in the fiscal year.

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159 Provided, however, those moneys held in or used in trust,
160 agency, or internal service funds, and expenditures of bond
161 proceeds for capital outlay or for advanced refunded debt
162 principal, shall be excluded.

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165 **D I R E C T O R Y A M E N D M E N T**

166 Remove line 957 and insert:

167 Section 22. Subsection (3) of section