## SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4378

A bill to amend 1893 PA 206, entitled "The general property tax act,"

by amending sections 14a, 27, and 34d (MCL 211.14a, 211.27, and 211.34d), section 14a as amended by 2021 PA 164, section 27 as amended by 2022 PA 156, and section 34d as amended by 2019 PA 117.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 14a. Notwithstanding any provision of this act to the contrary, including any provision to the contrary in section 13(1) or 14(1), for the 2021, and 2022, and 2023 tax years only, personal

- 4 property, including exempt personal property, that is located on
- 5 tax day in an alternate location due to the COVID-19 pandemic must
- 6 not be assessed in that alternate location but instead must be
- 7 assessed in its ordinary location. As used in this section:



- (a) "Alternate location" means the geographic area of a local
  tax collecting unit in this state that is not the ordinary location
  of an item of personal property but is the location to which the
  property was moved due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- (b) "Exempt personal property" means personal property exempt
  from the collection of taxes under this act, including personal
  property exempt under sections 7 to 7xx and sections 9 to 90.9p.
- 9 tax collecting unit in this state where an item of personal
  10 property would have been located for its primary use but for the
  11 need to move it to an alternate location due to the COVID-19
  12 pandemic. For purposes of this subdivision, evidence of the
  13 ordinary location of personal property includes, but is not limited
  14 to, either or both of the following:
- (i) A business location of the owner or other person
  beneficially entitled to the property or in possession of it, as
  described in section 13(1), where the property usually is deployed
  under conditions unaffected by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- (ii) If the property was located in the geographic area of a
  local tax collecting unit in this state on December 31, 2019, that
  location.
- (d) "Tax day" means that term as described in section 2(2).
  - Sec. 27. (1) As used in this act, "true cash value" means the usual selling price at the place where the property to which the term is applied is at the time of assessment, being the price that could be obtained for the property at private sale, and not at auction sale except as otherwise provided in this section, or at forced sale. The usual selling price may include sales at public auction held by a nongovernmental agency or person if those sales

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- 1 have become a common method of acquisition in the jurisdiction for
- 2 the class of property being valued. The usual selling price does
- 3 not include sales at public auction if the sale is part of a
- 4 liquidation of the seller's assets in a bankruptcy proceeding or if
- 5 the seller is unable to use common marketing techniques to obtain
- 6 the usual selling price for the property. A sale or other
- 7 disposition by this state or an agency or political subdivision of
- 8 this state of land acquired for delinquent taxes or an appraisal
- 9 made in connection with the sale or other disposition or the value
- 10 attributed to the property of regulated public utilities by a
- 11 governmental regulatory agency for rate-making purposes is not
- 12 controlling evidence of true cash value for assessment purposes. In
- 13 determining the true cash value, the assessor shall also consider
- 14 the advantages and disadvantages of location; quality of soil;
- 15 zoning; existing use; present economic income of structures,
- 16 including farm structures; present economic income of land if the
- 17 land is being farmed or otherwise put to income producing use;
- 18 quantity and value of standing timber; water power and privileges;
- 19 minerals, quarries, or other valuable deposits not otherwise exempt
- 20 under this act known to be available in the land and their value.
- 21 In determining the true cash value of personal property owned by an
- 22 electric utility cooperative, the assessor shall consider the
- 23 number of kilowatt hours of electricity sold per mile of
- 24 distribution line compared to the average number of kilowatt hours
- 25 of electricity sold per mile of distribution line for all electric
- 26 utilities.
- 27 (2) The assessor shall not consider the increase in true cash
- 28 value that is a result of expenditures for normal repairs,
- 29 replacement, and maintenance in determining the true cash value of

- 1 property for assessment purposes until the property is sold. For
- 2 the purpose of implementing this subsection, the assessor shall not
- 3 increase the construction quality classification or reduce the
- 4 effective age for depreciation purposes, except if the appraisal of
- 5 the property was erroneous before nonconsideration of the normal
- 6 repair, replacement, or maintenance, and shall not assign an
- 7 economic condition factor to the property that differs from the
- 8 economic condition factor assigned to similar properties as defined
- 9 by appraisal procedures applied in the jurisdiction. The increase
- 10 in value attributable to the items included in subdivisions (a) to
- 11 (p) (q) that is known to the assessor and excluded from true cash
- 12 value must be indicated on the assessment roll. This subsection
- 13 applies only to residential property. The following repairs are
- 14 considered normal maintenance if they are not part of a structural
- 15 addition or completion:
- 16 (a) Outside painting.
- 17 (b) Repairing or replacing siding, roof, porches, steps,
- 18 sidewalks, or drives.
- (c) Repainting, repairing, or replacing existing masonry.
- 20 (d) Replacing awnings.
- 21 (e) Adding or replacing gutters and downspouts.
- 22 (f) Replacing storm windows or doors.
- 23 (g) Insulating or weatherstripping.
- (h) Complete rewiring.
- 25 (i) Replacing plumbing and light fixtures.
- 26 (j) Replacing a furnace with a new furnace of the same type or
- 27 replacing an oil or gas burner.
- 28 (k) Repairing plaster, inside painting, or other redecorating.
- 29 (l) New ceiling, wall, or floor surfacing.



- 1 (m) Removing partitions to enlarge rooms.
- 2 (n) Replacing an automatic hot water heater.
- 3 (o) Replacing dated interior woodwork.
- 4 (p) Installing, replacing, or repairing an alternative energy
- 5 system, without regard to ownership of the system, with a
- 6 generating capacity of not more than 150 kilowatts, the annual
- 7 energy output of which does not exceed the annual energy
- 8 consumption measured by the utility-provided electrical meter on
- 9 the system to which it is connected. As used in this subdivision,
- 10 "alternative energy system" means that term as defined in section 2
- 11 of the Michigan next energy authority act, 2002 PA 593, MCL
- **12** 207.822.
- 13 (q) Installing, replacing, or repairing a whole-home
- 14 generator.
- 15 (3) A city or township assessor, a county equalization
- 16 department, or the state tax commission before utilizing real
- 17 estate sales data on real property purchases, including purchases
- 18 by land contract, to determine assessments or in making sales ratio
- 19 studies to assess property or equalize assessments shall exclude
- 20 from the sales data the following amounts allowed by subdivisions
- 21 (a), (b), and (c) to the extent that the amounts are included in
- 22 the real property purchase price and are so identified in the real
- 23 estate sales data or certified to the assessor as provided in
- 24 subdivision (d):
- 25 (a) Amounts paid for obtaining financing of the purchase price
- 26 of the property or the last conveyance of the property.
- (b) Amounts attributable to personal property that were
- 28 included in the purchase price of the property in the last
- 29 conveyance of the property.

- 1 (c) Amounts paid for surveying the property pursuant to the
  2 last conveyance of the property. The legislature may require local
  3 units of government, including school districts, to submit reports
  4 of revenue lost under subdivisions (a) and (b) and this subdivision
  5 so that the state may reimburse those units for that lost revenue.
  - (d) The purchaser of real property, including a purchaser by land contract, may file with the assessor of the city or township in which the property is located 2 copies of the purchase agreement or of an affidavit that identifies the amount, if any, for each item listed in subdivisions (a) to (c). The assessor shall forward 1 copy to the county equalization department. The affidavit must be as prescribed by the state tax commission.
  - (4) In finalizing sales studies for property classified as agricultural real property under section 34c, an assessor and equalization director shall determine if an affidavit for the property has been filed under section 27a(7)(o). If an affidavit has not been filed, the property must be reviewed to determine if classification as agricultural real property under section 34c is correct or should be changed. The assessor for the local tax collecting unit in which the property is located shall contact the property owner to determine why the property owner did not file an affidavit under section 27a(7)(o). Unless there are convincing facts to the contrary, the sale of property classified as agricultural real property under section 34c for which an affidavit under section 27a(7)(o) has not been filed must not be included in a sales study.
  - (5) As used in subsection (1), "present economic income" means for leased or rented property the ordinary, general, and usual economic return realized from the lease or rental of property

- 1 negotiated under current, contemporary conditions between parties
- 2 equally knowledgeable and familiar with real estate values. The
- 3 actual income generated by the lease or rental of property is not
- 4 the controlling indicator of its true cash value in all cases. This
- 5 subsection does not apply to property subject to a lease entered
- 6 into before January 1, 1984 for which the terms of the lease
- 7 governing the rental rate or tax liability have not been
- 8 renegotiated after December 31, 1983. This subsection does not
- 9 apply to a nonprofit housing cooperative subject to regulatory
- 10 agreements between the state or federal government entered into
- 11 before January 1, 1984. As used in this subsection, "nonprofit
- 12 cooperative housing corporation" means a nonprofit cooperative
- 13 housing corporation that is engaged in providing housing services
- 14 to its stockholders and members and that does not pay dividends or
- 15 interest upon stock or membership investment but that does
- 16 distribute all earnings to its stockholders or members.
- 17 (6) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (7), the
- 18 purchase price paid in a transfer of property is not the
- 19 presumptive true cash value of the property transferred. In
- 20 determining the true cash value of transferred property, an
- 21 assessing officer shall assess that property using the same
- 22 valuation method used to value all other property of that same
- 23 classification in the assessing jurisdiction. As used in this
- 24 subsection and subsection (7), "purchase price" means the total
- 25 consideration agreed to in an arms-length transaction and not at a
- 26 forced sale paid by the purchaser of the property, stated in
- 27 dollars, whether or not paid in dollars.
- 28 (7) For a transfer of eligible nonprofit housing property from
- 29 a charitable nonprofit housing organization to a low-income person

- 1 that occurs after December 31, 2010 through December 30, 2021, the
- 2 purchase price paid is the presumptive true cash value of the
- 3 eligible nonprofit housing property transferred. For a transfer of
- 4 eligible nonprofit housing property from a charitable nonprofit
- 5 housing organization to a low-income person that occurs on or after
- 6 December 31, 2021, the loan amount stated in the closing disclosure
- 7 form for the transfer is the presumptive true cash value of the
- 8 eligible nonprofit housing property transferred. In the year
- 9 immediately succeeding the year in which the transfer of eligible
- 10 nonprofit housing property occurs and each year thereafter, the
- 11 taxable value of the eligible nonprofit housing property must be
- 12 adjusted as provided under section 27a. As used in this subsection:
- 13 (a) "Charitable nonprofit housing organization" means a
- 14 charitable nonprofit organization the primary purpose of which is
- 15 the construction or renovation of residential housing for
- 16 conveyance to a low-income person.
- 17 (b) "Eligible nonprofit housing property" means property owned
- 18 by a charitable nonprofit housing organization, the ownership of
- 19 which the charitable nonprofit housing organization intends to
- 20 transfer to a low-income person after construction or renovation of
- 21 the property is completed.
- 22 (c) "Family income" and "statewide median gross income" mean
- 23 those terms as defined in section 11 of the state housing
- 24 development authority act of 1966, 1966 PA 346, MCL 125.1411.
- 25 (d) "Low-income person" means a person with a family income of
- 26 not more than 80% of the statewide median gross income who is
- 27 eligible to participate in the charitable nonprofit housing
- 28 organization's program based on criteria established by the
- 29 charitable nonprofit housing organization.

- (8) For purposes of a statement submitted under section 19, the true cash value of a standard tool is the net book value of that standard tool as of December 31 in each tax year as determined using generally accepted accounting principles in a manner consistent with the established depreciation method used by the person submitting that statement. The net book value of a standard tool for federal income tax purposes is not the presumptive true cash value of that standard tool. As used in this subsection, "standard tool" means that term as defined in section 9b.
- 10 Sec. 34d. (1) As used in this section or section 27a, or 11 section 3 or 31 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963:
  - (a) For taxes levied before 1995, "additions" means all increases in value caused by new construction or a physical addition of equipment or furnishings, and the value of property that was exempt from taxes or not included on the assessment unit's immediately preceding year's assessment roll.
- 17 (b) For taxes levied after 1994, "additions" means, except as 18 provided in subdivision (c), all of the following:
  - "omitted real property" means previously existing tangible real property not included in the assessment. Omitted real property shall—does not increase taxable value as an addition unless the assessing jurisdiction has a property record card or other documentation showing that the omitted real property was not previously included in the assessment. The assessing jurisdiction has the burden of proof in establishing whether the omitted real property is included in the assessment. Omitted real property for the current and the 2 immediately preceding years, discovered after the assessment roll has been completed, shall—must be added to the

- tax roll pursuant to the procedures established in section 154. For
  purposes of determining the taxable value of real property under
  section 27a, the value of omitted real property is based on the
- 4 value and the ratio of taxable value to true cash value the omitted5 real property would have had if the property had not been omitted.
- 6 (ii) Omitted personal property. As used in this subparagraph,
  7 "omitted personal property" means previously existing tangible
  8 personal property not included in the assessment. Omitted personal
  9 property shall must be added to the tax roll pursuant to section
  10 154.
- 11 (iii) New construction. As used in this subparagraph, "new 12 construction" means property not in existence on the immediately 13 preceding tax day and not replacement construction. New 14 construction includes the physical addition of equipment or 15 furnishings, subject to the provisions set forth in section 16 27(2) (a) to  $\frac{(p)}{(p)}$ . For purposes of determining the taxable value 17 of property under section 27a, the value of new construction is the 18 true cash value of the new construction multiplied by 0.50.
  - (*iv*) Previously exempt property. As used in this subparagraph, "previously exempt property" means property that was exempt from ad valorem taxation under this act on the immediately preceding tax day but is subject to ad valorem taxation on the current tax day under this act. For purposes of determining the taxable value of real property under section 27a:
- 25 (A) The value of property previously exempt under section 7u
  26 is the taxable value the entire parcel of property would have had
  27 if that property had not been exempt, minus the product of the
  28 entire parcel's taxable value in the immediately preceding year and
  29 the lesser of 1.05 or the inflation rate.

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- (B) The taxable value of property that is a facility as that term is defined in section 2 of 1974 PA 198, MCL 207.552, that was previously exempt under section 7k is the taxable value that property would have had under this act if it had not been exempt.
- (C) The value of property previously exempt under any other section of law is the true cash value of the previously exempt property multiplied by 0.50.
- (v) Replacement construction. As used in this subparagraph, 8 9 "replacement construction" means construction that replaced 10 property damaged or destroyed by accident or act of God and that occurred after the immediately preceding tax day to the extent the 11 12 construction's true cash value does not exceed the true cash value 13 of property that was damaged or destroyed by accident or act of God 14 in the immediately preceding 3 years. Except as otherwise provided 15 in this subparagraph, for purposes of determining the taxable value 16 of property under section 27a, the value of the replacement 17 construction is the true cash value of the replacement construction multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the taxable 18 19 value of the property to which the construction was added in the 20 immediately preceding year and the denominator of which is the true 21 cash value of the property to which the construction was added in 22 the immediately preceding year, and then multiplied by the lesser 23 of 1.05 or the inflation rate. However, after December 31, 2011, 24 for purposes of determining the taxable value of property under 25 section 27a, if the property's replacement construction is of 26 substantially the same materials as determined by the state tax 27 commission, if the square footage is not more than 5% greater than 28 the property that was damaged or destroyed, and if the replacement 29 construction is completed not later than December 31 in the year 3

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- 1 years after the accident or act of God occurred, the replacement
- 2 construction's taxable value shall be is equal to the taxable value
- 3 of the property in the year immediately preceding the year in which
- 4 the property was damaged or destroyed, adjusted annually as
- 5 provided in section 27a(2). Any construction materials required to
- 6 bring the property into compliance with any applicable health,
- 7 sanitary, zoning, safety, fire, or construction codes or ordinances
- 8 shall must be considered to be substantially the same materials by
- 9 the state tax commission for the sake of replacement construction
- 10 under this section.
- (vi) An increase in taxable value attributable to the complete
- 12 or partial remediation of environmental contamination existing on
- 13 the immediately preceding tax day. The department of environmental
- 14 quality environment, Great Lakes, and energy shall determine the
- 15 degree of remediation based on information available in existing
- 16 department of environmental quality environment, Great Lakes, and
- 17 energy records or information made available to the department of
- 18 environmental quality environment, Great Lakes, and energy if the
- 19 appropriate assessing officer for a local tax collecting unit
- 20 requests that determination. The increase in taxable value
- 21 attributable to the remediation is the increase in true cash value
- 22 attributable to the remediation multiplied by a fraction, the
- 23 numerator of which is the taxable value of the property had it not
- 24 been contaminated and the denominator of which is the true cash
- value of the property had it not been contaminated.
- 26 (vii) Public services. As used in this subparagraph, "public
- 27 services" means water service, sewer service, a primary access
- 28 road, natural gas service, electrical service, telephone service,
- 29 sidewalks, or street lighting. For purposes of determining the

- 1 taxable value of real property under section 27a, the value of
- 2 public services is the amount of increase in true cash value of the
- 3 property attributable to the available public services multiplied
- 4 by 0.50, and shall must be added in the calendar year following the
- 5 calendar year when those public services are initially available.
- 6 (c) For taxes levied after 1994, additions do not include
- 7 increased value attributable to any of the following:
- 8 (i) Platting, splits, or combinations of property.
- 9 (ii) A change in the zoning of property.
- 10 (iii) For the purposes of the calculation of the millage
- 11 reduction fraction under subsection (7) only, increased taxable
- value under section 27a(3) after a transfer of ownership of
- 13 property.
- 14 (d) "Assessed valuation of property as finally equalized"
- 15 means taxable value under section 27a.
- 16 (e) "Financial officer" means the officer responsible for
- 17 preparing the budget of a unit of local government.
- 18 (f) "General price level" means the annual average of the 12
- 19 monthly values for the United States Consumer Price Index for all
- 20 urban consumers as defined and officially reported by the United
- 21 States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.
- 22 (q) For taxes levied before 1995, "losses" means a decrease in
- 23 value caused by the removal or destruction of real or personal
- 24 property and the value of property taxed in the immediately
- 25 preceding year that has been exempted or removed from the
- 26 assessment unit's assessment roll.
- 27 (h) For taxes levied after 1994, "losses" means, except as
- 28 provided in subdivision (i), all of the following:
- (i) Property that has been destroyed or removed. For purposes

- of determining the taxable value of property under section 27a, the value of property destroyed or removed is the product of the true cash value of that property multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the taxable value of that property in the immediately preceding year and the denominator of which is the true cash value of that property in the immediately preceding year.
  - (ii) Property that was subject to ad valorem taxation under this act in the immediately preceding year that is now exempt from ad valorem taxation under this act. For purposes of determining the taxable value of property under section 27a, the value of property exempted from ad valorem taxation under this act is the amount exempted.
  - (iii) Prior to Before December 31, 2013, an adjustment in value, if any, because of a decrease in the property's occupancy rate, to the extent provided by law. For purposes of determining the taxable value of real property under section 27a, the value of a loss for a decrease in the property's occupancy rate is the product of the decrease in the true cash value of the property attributable to the decreased occupancy rate multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the taxable value of the property in the immediately preceding year and the denominator of which is the true cash value of the property in the immediately preceding year.
    - (iv) A decrease in taxable value attributable to environmental contamination existing on the immediately preceding tax day. The department of environmental quality environment, Great Lakes, and energy shall determine the degree to which environmental contamination limits the use of property based on information available in existing department of environmental quality environment, Great Lakes, and energy records or information made

- 1 available to the department of environmental quality environment,
- 2 Great Lakes, and energy if the appropriate assessing officer for a
- 3 local tax collecting unit requests that determination. The
- 4 department of environmental quality's environment, Great Lakes, and
- 5 energy's determination of the degree to which environmental
- 6 contamination limits the use of property shall must be based on the
- 7 criteria established for the categories set forth in section
- 8 20120a(1) of the natural resources and environmental protection
- 9 act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.20120a. The decrease in taxable value
- 10 attributable to the contamination is the decrease in true cash
- 11 value attributable to the contamination multiplied by a fraction,
- 12 the numerator of which is the taxable value of the property had it
- 13 not been contaminated and the denominator of which is the true cash
- 14 value of the property had it not been contaminated.
- 15 (i) For taxes levied after 1994, losses do not include
- 16 decreased value attributable to either of the following:
- 17 (i) Platting, splits, or combinations of property.
- 18 (ii) A change in the zoning of property.
- 19 (j) "New construction and improvements" means additions less
- 20 losses.
- 21 (k) "Current year" means the year for which the millage
- 22 limitation is being calculated.
- (l) "Inflation rate" means the ratio of the general price level
- 24 for the state fiscal year ending in the calendar year immediately
- 25 preceding the current year divided by the general price level for
- 26 the state fiscal year ending in the calendar year before the year
- 27 immediately preceding the current year.
- 28 (2) On or before the first Monday in May of each year, the
- 29 assessing officer of each township or city shall tabulate the

tentative taxable value as approved by the local board of review 1 and as modified by county equalization for each classification of 2 property that is separately equalized for each unit of local 3 government and provide the tabulated tentative taxable values to 4 5 the county equalization director. The tabulation by the assessing 6 officer shall must contain additions and losses for each 7 classification of property that is separately equalized for each 8 unit of local government or part of a unit of local government in 9 the township or city. If as a result of state equalization the 10 taxable value of property changes, the assessing officer of each 11 township or city shall revise the calculations required by this 12 subsection on or before the Friday following the fourth Monday in May. The county equalization director shall compute these amounts 13 14 and the current and immediately preceding year's taxable values for 15 each classification of property that is separately equalized for 16 each unit of local government that levies taxes under this act 17 within the boundary of the county. The county equalization director 18 shall cooperate with equalization directors of neighboring 19 counties, as necessary, to make the computation for units of local 20 government located in more than 1 county. The county equalization director shall calculate the millage reduction fraction for each 21 unit of local government in the county for the current year. The 22 23 financial officer for each taxing jurisdiction shall calculate the 24 compounded millage reduction fractions beginning in 1980 resulting 25 from the multiplication of successive millage reduction fractions and shall recognize a local voter action to increase the compounded 26 27 millage reduction fraction to a maximum of 1 as a new beginning fraction. Upon request of the superintendent of the intermediate 28 29 school district, the county equalization director shall transmit

- 1 the complete computations of the taxable values to the
- 2 superintendent of the intermediate school district within that
- 3 county. At the request of the presidents of community colleges, the
- 4 county equalization director shall transmit the complete
- 5 computations of the taxable values to the presidents of community
- 6 colleges within the county.
- 7 (3) On or before the first Monday in June of each year, the
- 8 county equalization director shall deliver the statement of the
- 9 computations signed by the county equalization director to the
- 10 county treasurer.
- 11 (4) On or before the second Monday in June of each year, the
- 12 treasurer of each county shall certify the immediately preceding
- 13 year's taxable values, the current year's taxable values, the
- 14 amount of additions and losses for the current year, and the
- 15 current year's millage reduction fraction for each unit of local
- 16 government that levies a property tax in the county.
- 17 (5) The financial officer of each unit of local government
- 18 shall make the computation of the tax rate using the data certified
- 19 by the county treasurer and the state tax commission. At the annual
- 20 session in October, or, for a county or local tax collecting unit
- 21 that approves under section 44a(2) the accelerated collection in a
- 22 summer property tax levy of a millage that had been previously
- 23 billed and collected as in a preceding tax year as part of the
- 24 winter property tax levy, before a special meeting held before the
- 25 annual levy on July 1, the county board of commissioners shall not
- 26 authorize the levy of a tax unless the governing body of the taxing
- 27 jurisdiction has certified that the requested millage has been
- 28 reduced, if necessary, in compliance with section 31 of article IX
- 29 of the state constitution of 1963.

- 1 (6) The number of mills permitted to be levied in a tax year
  2 is limited as provided in this section pursuant to section 31 of
  3 article IX of the state constitution of 1963. A unit of local
  4 government shall not levy a tax rate greater than the rate
  5 determined by reducing its maximum rate or rates authorized by law
  6 or charter by a millage reduction fraction as provided in this
  7 section without voter approval.
- 8 (7) A millage reduction fraction shall must be determined for 9 each year for each local unit of government. For ad valorem 10 property taxes that became a lien before January 1, 1983, the 11 numerator of the fraction shall be is the total state equalized 12 valuation for the immediately preceding year multiplied by the inflation rate and the denominator of the fraction shall be is the 13 14 total state equalized valuation for the current year minus new 15 construction and improvements. For ad valorem property taxes that 16 become a lien after December 31, 1982 and through December 31, 1994, the numerator of the fraction shall be is the product of the 17 18 difference between the total state equalized valuation for the 19 immediately preceding year minus losses multiplied by the inflation 20 rate and the denominator of the fraction shall be is the total state equalized valuation for the current year minus additions. For 21 22 ad valorem property taxes that are levied after December 31, 1994, 23 the numerator of the fraction shall be is the product of the 24 difference between the total taxable value for the immediately 25 preceding year minus losses multiplied by the inflation rate and the denominator of the fraction shall be is the total taxable value 26 27 for the current year minus additions. For each year after 1993, a millage reduction fraction shall must not exceed 1. 28
  - (8) The compounded millage reduction fraction shall must be

- 1 calculated by multiplying the local unit's previous year's
- 2 compounded millage reduction fraction by the current year's millage
- 3 reduction fraction. The compounded millage reduction fraction for
- 4 the year shall must be multiplied by the maximum millage rate
- 5 authorized by law or charter for the unit of local government for
- 6 the year, except as provided by subsection (9). A compounded
- 7 millage reduction fraction shall must not exceed 1.
- 8 (9) The millage reduction shall must be determined separately
- 9 for authorized millage approved by the voters. The limitation on
- 10 millage authorized by the voters on or before April 30 of a year
- 11 shall must be calculated beginning with the millage reduction
- 12 fraction for that year. Millage authorized by the voters after
- 13 April 30 shall is not be subject to a millage reduction until the
- 14 year following the voter authorization which shall must be
- 15 calculated beginning with the millage reduction fraction for the
- 16 year following the authorization. The first millage reduction
- 17 fraction used in calculating the limitation on millage approved by
- 18 the voters after January 1, 1979 shall must not exceed 1.
- 19 (10) A millage reduction fraction shall must be applied
- 20 separately to the aggregate maximum millage rate authorized by a
- 21 charter and to each maximum millage rate authorized by state law
- 22 for a specific purpose.
- 23 (11) A unit of local government may submit to the voters for
- 24 their approval the levy in that year of a tax rate in excess of the
- 25 limit set by this section. The ballot question shall must ask the
- 26 voters to approve the levy of a specific number of mills in excess
- 27 of the limit. The provisions of this section do not allow the levy
- 28 of a millage rate in excess of the maximum rate authorized by law
- 29 or charter. If the authorization to levy millage expires after 1993

- 1 and a local governmental unit is asking voters to renew the
- 2 authorization to levy the millage, the ballot question shall must
- ${f 3}$  ask for renewed authorization for the number of expiring mills as
- 4 reduced by the millage reduction required by this section. If the
- 5 election occurs before June 1 of a year, the millage reduction is
- 6 based on the immediately preceding year's millage reduction
- 7 applicable to that millage. If the election occurs after May 31 of
- 8 a year, the millage reduction shall must be based on that year's
- 9 millage reduction applicable to that millage had it not expired.
- 10 (12) A reduction or limitation under this section shall must
  11 not be applied to taxes imposed for the payment of principal and
  12 interest on bonds or other evidence of indebtedness or for the
  13 payment of assessments or contract obligations in anticipation of
  14 which bonds are issued that were authorized before December 23,
  15 1978, as provided by section 4 of chapter I of former 1943 PA 202,
  16 or to taxes imposed for the payment of principal and interest on
- 17 bonds or other evidence of indebtedness or for the payment of
- 18 assessments or contract obligations in anticipation of which bonds
- 19 are issued that are approved by the voters after December 22, 1978.
  - (13) If it is determined subsequent to after the levy of a tax that an incorrect millage reduction fraction has been applied, the amount of additional tax revenue or the shortage of tax revenue shall must be deducted from or added to the next regular tax levy for that unit of local government after the determination of the authorized rate pursuant to this section.
  - (14) If as a result of an appeal of county equalization or state equalization the taxable value of a unit of local government changes, the millage reduction fraction for the year shall must be recalculated. The financial officer shall effectuate an addition or

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- 1 reduction of tax revenue in the same manner as prescribed in 2 subsection (13).
- 3 (15) The fractions calculated pursuant to this section shall
  4 must be rounded to 4 decimal places, except that the inflation rate
  5 shall must be computed by the state tax commission and shall must
  6 be rounded to 3 decimal places. The state tax commission shall
  7 publish the inflation rate before March 1 of each year.
- 8 (16) Beginning with taxes levied in 1994, the millage 9 reduction required by section 31 of article IX of the state 10 constitution of 1963 shall permanently reduce reduces the maximum 11 rate or rates authorized by law or charter. The reduced maximum 12 authorized rate or rates for 1994 shall must equal the product of 13 the maximum rate or rates authorized by law or charter before 14 application of this section multiplied by the compounded millage 15 reduction applicable to that millage in 1994 pursuant to 16 subsections (8) to (12). The reduced maximum authorized rate or 17 rates for 1995 and each year after 1995 shall must equal the 18 product of the immediately preceding year's reduced maximum 19 authorized rate or rates multiplied by the current year's millage 20 reduction fraction and shall must be adjusted for millage for which 21 authorization has expired and new authorized millage approved by the voters pursuant to subsections (8) to (12). 22

Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect unless House Bill No. 4379 of the 101st Legislature is enacted into law.



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