

# SENATE BILL No. 725

September 24, 2003, Introduced by Senators KUIPERS, TOY, PATTERSON, BIRKHOLZ, GOSCHKA and McMANUS and referred to the Committee on Local, Urban and State Affairs.

A bill to amend 1947 PA 359, entitled  
 "The charter township act,"  
 by amending section 27 (MCL 42.27), as amended by 1988 PA 82.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1       Sec. 27. (1) ~~Not later than 60 days~~ **Except as otherwise**  
 2 **provided by this subsection**, prior to the commencement of the  
 3 fiscal year, the township board shall, by resolution, adopt the  
 4 budget for the next fiscal year, ~~and shall, in that resolution,~~  
 5 make an appropriation of the money needed for township purposes,  
 6 ~~during the ensuing fiscal year of the township~~ and provide for  
 7 a levy of ~~the amount necessary to be raised by~~ taxes upon real  
 8 and personal property. ~~for the municipal purposes of the~~  
 9 ~~township. This levy~~ **If a township operates on a calendar year**  
 10 **budget cycle, a public hearing on the proposed budget shall be**  
 11 **held not later than December 15 and adopted not later than**

1 December 31, in the year preceding the calendar year covered by  
2 the budget.

3 (2) The levy allowed under subsection (1) shall not exceed  
4 1/10 of 1% of the assessed valuation of all real and personal  
5 property subject to taxation within the limits of a village  
6 located within the township and 1/2 of 1% of the assessed  
7 valuation of all real and personal property subject to taxation  
8 in the balance of the township. The electors of a charter  
9 township may increase the tax levy limitation ~~to~~ not to exceed  
10 a total of 1% of the assessed valuation of all real and personal  
11 property in the township for a period ~~of~~ not to exceed 20 years  
12 at ~~one~~ 1 time. ~~In a township in which there is located~~

13 (3) If a township has 1 or more villages ~~which~~ that  
14 maintain either **or both** a fire department or a police department,  
15 ~~which is not limited solely to the village marshal, or both a~~  
16 ~~fire department and a police department,~~ the expense of a  
17 township fire department or police department ~~, or both of the~~  
18 ~~departments, in case both are maintained by the township,~~ shall  
19 be appropriated separately from the other expenses of the  
20 township and a tax levy **for these expenses** shall not be spread  
21 upon the township assessment roll against the property, either  
22 real or personal, located in these villages.

23 (4) The adoption of the resolution ~~shall constitute complete~~  
24 ~~and~~ **under this section is the** final authority for the township  
25 supervisor to spread ~~the levy or levies provided~~ **any approved**  
26 **levies** upon the tax roll for the current year ~~, according and in~~  
27 ~~proportion to the valuations entered by the board of review in~~

1 ~~the assessment roll of the township~~ and to include the amount of  
2 each levy in his or her warrant to the township treasurer. The  
3 township treasurer shall collect and return the warrant ~~in the~~  
4 ~~manner provided by the general property tax act, Act No. 206 of~~  
5 ~~the Public Acts of 1893, being sections 211.1 to 211.157 of the~~  
6 ~~Michigan Compiled Laws~~ **as provided under the general property**  
7 **tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.1 to 211.157.**

8 (5) Within 60 days after the incorporation of a township as a  
9 charter township under this act, the township board shall, **by**  
10 **resolution,** adopt an interim budget ~~to defray the expenses of~~  
11 ~~the township~~ until the commencement of the next fiscal year ~~as~~  
12 ~~established in this act and shall, in the adopting resolution,~~  
13 **and** make an appropriation ~~of the money needed for these~~  
14 ~~purposes~~ from the funds and assets of the township available for  
15 these purposes.