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CHAPTER 85

AN ACT to repeal 38.16 (1) (d); to renumber 38.16 (1) (e); and to amend 38.16 (1) (a) and (b) and 65.07 (1) (e), (f) and (g) of the statutes, relating to school operation fund taxes and the mill-tax levy for the school extension fund in cities.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 38.16 (1) (a) and (b) of the statutes are amended to read:

38.16 (1) (a) The * * * board shall report to the common council of the city at or before the second regular meeting of the council in October in each year * * * the amount of money required for the next fiscal year for the * * * operation of all public schools, including all trade schools established and maintained under s. 38.28, in said city * * * and * * * for the repair and keeping in order of school buildings, fixtures * * * and the repair of broken or worn-out furniture, the making of material betterments to school property and the purchase of the necessary additions to school sites, in accordance with * * * this chapter, and said common council shall levy and collect a tax upon all the * * * property * * * subject to taxation *in said city*, at the same time and in the same manner as other taxes are levied and collected *by law*, which * * * , *together with the other funds provided by law and placed at the disposal of said city for the same purposes, shall constitute the school operations fund and shall be equal to the amount of money so required by the * * * board of school directors for the * * * purposes * * * provided in this chapter.* Whenever the board deems it necessary by resolution adopted by two-thirds of the membership elect * * * to provide moneys for the purchase of school

sites or for the erection of school buildings and additions to school buildings, or both, or for the remodeling of * * * existing * * * buildings, which shall be in addition to the moneys received or which may be received from the sale of bonds, * * * the board of school directors may send a communication to the common council of such city stating the amount of funds so needed; and upon receipt of such request from the * * * board * * * the common council shall levy and collect a tax upon all property, real and personal, in such city subject to taxation in the same manner and at the same time as other taxes are levied and collected, which shall constitute the construction fund and shall be equal to the amount of money so required by the * * * board, for the purposes aforementioned, and such * * * taxes shall be in addition to all other taxes which the city is authorized to levy.

(b) The * * * school operations fund taxes for the * * * operation of all public schools, including trade schools, so levied upon each dollar of equalized valuation of all property in said city, subject to taxation, shall not in any one year exceed * * * 15.0 mills on the dollar of the total equalized valuation of all such property, except for the years: * * * 1964 when such levy shall not exceed * * * 11.0 mills; * * * 1965 when such levy shall not exceed * * * 11.5 mills; * * * 1966 when such levy shall not exceed * * * 12.0 mills; * * * 1967 when such levy shall not exceed 12.5 mills; 1968 when such levy shall not exceed 13.0 mills; 1969 when such levy shall not exceed 13.5 mills; 1970 when such levy shall not exceed 14.0 mills; 1971 when such levy shall not exceed 14.5 mills; and the construction fund taxes shall not in any one year exceed six-tenths of a mill upon the dollar of the total assessed valuation of all such real and personal property, and * * * said taxes for the purposes named in this section shall be in addition to all taxes provided for by law for other city purposes. The common council shall have the option: 1. to levy and collect such tax equal to the amount of money requested by the board for the school construction fund, or 2. to levy and collect a tax to realize part of the money so requested and provide the remainder thereof from taxes levied and collected by the common council for its permanent improvement fund, or 3. to decline to levy and collect a construction fund tax and provide the entire amount of money so requested for such school construction fund from its said permanent improvement fund. Such school construction fund tax levy shall be reduced in any year only by the amount which the common council * * * in such year * * * provides from such permanent improvement fund. The school * * * construction fund may be allowed to accumulate from year to year in the discretion of the board of school directors.

SECTION 2. 38.16 (1) (d) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 3. 38.16 (1) (e) of the statutes is renumbered 38.16 (1) (d).

SECTION 4. 65.07 (1) (e), (f) and (g) of the statutes are amended to read:

65.07 (1) (e) A * * * school operations fund for the * * * operation of all public schools, including trade schools, not exceeding * * * 15.0 mills, except for the years: * * * 1964 when such levy shall not exceed * * * 11.0 mills; * * * 1965 when such levy shall not exceed * * * 11.5 mills; * * * 1966 when such levy shall not exceed * * * 12.0 mills * * * ; 1967 when such levy shall not exceed 12.5 mills; 1968 when such levy shall not exceed 13.0 mills; 1969 when such levy shall not exceed 13.5 mills; 1970 when such levy shall not exceed 14.0 mills; 1971 when such levy shall not exceed 14.5 mills, all based on equalized valuation subject to s. 38.16 (1) (a) and (b).

(f) A * * * school construction fund, as provided by law, for the purchase of school sites, the erection of school buildings and additions to

school buildings, and the remodeling of existing school buildings, not exceeding six-tenths of a mill subject to * * * s. 38.16 (1) (a) and (b).

(g) A school extension fund as provided by law, not exceeding * * * *1.1 mills* for * * * 1960 and subsequent years unless such maximum mill tax * * * is increased as hereinafter provided. The maximum mill tax shall be increased to not to exceed * * * *six-tenths* of a mill for the year * * * 1964 and subsequent years up to * * * 1966, and to not to exceed * * * *sixty-five hundredths of a mill* for the year * * * 1966 and subsequent years up to * * * 1968, and to not to exceed * * * *seven-tenths of a mill* for the year * * * 1968 and subsequent years up to 1970, and to not to exceed *seventy-five hundredths of a mill for the year 1970 and subsequent years*, and such increased taxes for * * * 1964 and subsequent years shall be, *based on equalized valuation and shall be* levied and collected only * * * *if* the question of increased levy and collection of such taxes * * * *has* been submitted to the qualified electors of the city pursuant to law and * * * *has* been favorably voted by a majority of those voting upon such question, at a regular or special election, as provided in s. 43.50 (3) and (5).

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