

SENATE FILE NO. SF0058

Community colleges-property tax expenditures.

Sponsored by: Joint Education Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to community colleges; removing
2 restrictions on use of revenues from additional mill
3 levies; specifying applicability; and providing for an
4 effective date.

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6 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 21-18-311(f)(intro), (i), (g)(intro)
9 and by creating a new subsection (h) is amended to read:

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11 **21-18-311. Election for increase of tax mill levy;**
12 **additional levy in excess of four mills; distribution of**
13 **additional levy revenues.**

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15 (f) If the qualified electors of any community
16 college district have previously approved a tax levy of
17 four (4) mills for the regular support and operation of a

1 community college, the community college district board may
2 submit to the electors of the district a proposition
3 calling for an additional levy of not to exceed five (5)
4 mills on the assessed value of the district for community
5 college purposes. For elections held pursuant to this
6 subsection on or after April 1, 2007, the additional mills
7 may be used for the regular support and operation and for
8 the capital outlay needs of a community college as provided
9 under subsection (h) of this section. The proposition
10 shall be submitted at an election held on a date authorized
11 under W.S. 22-21-103. Subsections (b) and (c) of this
12 section apply to any election held under this subsection.
13 At the election, the ballot shall contain the words "for
14 the additional mill levy (not to exceed five (5)
15 mills) of the Community College District" and "against
16 the additional mill levy (not to exceed five (5)
17 mills) of the Community College District". Following
18 the election, each county clerk of the counties involved
19 shall immediately give notice of the election result to the
20 county commissioners and:

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22 (i) If the additional levy is approved by the
23 district electors, each involved board of county
24 commissioners shall levy the additional tax and the same

1 proposition shall be submitted at each second general
2 election following approval of the additional levy until
3 the proposition is defeated. The tax shall be levied and
4 collected separate from the four (4) mill levy imposed
5 under W.S. 21-18-304(a)(vii), and any levy imposed under
6 W.S. 21-18-303(b), and for elections held pursuant to this
7 subsection before April 1, 2007, shall be distributed in
8 accordance with subsection (g) of this section;

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10 (g) The county treasurer shall distribute revenues
11 collected under any additional levy authorized under
12 subsection (f) of this section at an election held before
13 April 1, 2007, to the treasurer of the appropriate
14 community college district board of trustees, who shall
15 deposit the revenue collections as follows:

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17 (h) The county treasurer shall distribute revenues
18 collected under any additional levy authorized under
19 subsection (f) of this section at an election held on or
20 after April 1, 2007, to the treasurer of the appropriate
21 community college district board of trustees in the same
22 manner as revenues from the levy imposed under W.S.
23 21-18-304(a)(vii). Revenues distributed pursuant to this
24 subsection shall be included within the district's

1 estimated and reportable revenues for purposes of the
2 biennial funding report of the district under W.S.
3 21-18-205(b) but shall not be restricted by the commission
4 in any manner. The revenues may be used for the regular
5 support and operation of a community college and subject to
6 approval of the commission and legislature pursuant to W.S.
7 21-18-205(g), for purposes of capital outlay for district
8 capital facility repair, maintenance, construction and
9 renovation needs.

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11 **Section 2.** This act is effective immediately upon
12 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
13 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
14 Constitution.

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16 (END)