## **HOUSE BILL NO. 6240**

June 16, 2022, Introduced by Reps. Yaroch and Bellino and referred to the Committee on Local Government and Municipal Finance.

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

by amending section 24f (MCL 211.24f), as amended by 2000 PA 244.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 24f. (1) If a taxing unit submits a proposal on the
- ${f 2}$  question of authorizing the issuance of bonds, imposing a new
- 3 millage, or increasing or renewing an existing millage, except an4 ad valorem special assessment millage for police or fire protection
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- **5** under 1951 PA 33, MCL 41.801 to 41.813, the ballot shall must fully

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- 1 disclose each local unit of government to which the revenue from
- 2 that millage will be disbursed. As used in this subsection:
- 3 (a) "Local unit of government" means a county, city, village,
- 4 township, school district, intermediate school district, community
- 5 college district, public library, or local authority created under
- 6 state law.
- 7 (b) "Public library" means that term as defined in section 2
- 8 of the state aid to public libraries act, 1977 PA 89, MCL 397.552.
- 9 (2) In addition to the requirement set forth in subsection (1)
- 10 and any other requirement provided by law, when submitting a
- 11 proposal on the question of authorizing a millage rate to be levied
- 12 under this act, the ballot shall must state all of the following:
- 13 (a) The millage rate to be authorized.
- 14 (b) The estimated amount of revenue that will be collected in
- 15 the first year that the millage is authorized and levied.
- 16 (c) The duration of the millage in years.
- 17 (d) A clear statement of the purpose for the millage.
- 18 (e) A clear statement indicating whether the proposed millage
- 19 is a renewal of a previously authorized millage or the
- 20 authorization of a new additional millage.
- 21 (3) In addition to any other requirement provided by law, when
- 22 submitting a proposal to authorize the issuance of bonds, the
- 23 ballot shall must state all of the following:
- 24 (a) The principal amount to be borrowed.
- 25 (b) The maximum number of years the bonds may be outstanding,
- 26 exclusive of any refunding.
- (c) A clear statement of the purpose for which the proceeds of
- 28 the bonds will be used.
- 29 (d) For bonds other than bonds that are intended to be paid

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- 1 from a separate revenue source or from taxes levied in less than
- 2 the entire taxing unit, the estimated millage that will be levied
- 3 for the proposed bonds in the first year that the levy is
- 4 authorized and the estimated simple average annual millage that
- 5 will be required to retire the debt. Inaccuracies in the estimates
- 6 provided under this subdivision shall not affect the validity of
- 7 the bonds, the general obligation unlimited tax status requiring
- 8 the levy of taxes sufficient to pay the bonds, or the results of an
- 9 election.
- 10 (e) For bonds that are intended to be paid from a separate
- 11 revenue source or from taxes levied in less than the entire taxing
- 12 unit, the primary source of the revenue that is intended to be used
- 13 to retire the bonds.
- 14 (4) A Before January 1, 2023, a taxing unit shall hold not
- 15 more than 2 elections in a calendar year concerning the
- 16 authorization of a millage rate greater than the product of the
- 17 immediately preceding year's reduced maximum authorized rate or
- 18 rates as defined in section  $\frac{34d(16)}{34d}$  multiplied by the current
- 19 year's millage reduction fraction, regardless of the number of
- 20 questions presented at the election. After December 31, 2022, a
- 21 local taxing unit shall submit a proposal on a question of imposing
- 22 a new millage or increasing or renewing an existing millage only at
- 23 an election held on the May regular election date, the August
- 24 regular election date, or the November regular election date, as
- 25 provided under section 641 of the Michigan election law, 1954 PA
- 26 116, MCL 168.641.
- 27 (5) A taxing unit that levies **a** millage under this act shall
- 28 not submit a single question to the electors of the taxing unit
- 29 requesting both the renewal of voter authorized millage and the

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- 1 authorization of new additional millage if the additional millage
- 2 is greater than 0.5 mill. If authorization to levy a millage has
- 3 expired and the taxing unit submits to the electors the
- 4 authorization of a millage greater than the number of expired mills
- 5 reduced pursuant to the millage reduction in section  $\frac{34d(11)}{7}$
- 6 34d(7), and if the additional millage is greater than 0.5 mill, the
- 7 taxing unit shall submit 1 question for authorization of the number
- 8 of expired mills reduced pursuant to the millage reduction in
- 9 section 34d(11) 34d(7) and 1 or more additional questions for the
- 10 authorization of the millage in excess of that amount.
- 11 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 12 unless Senate Bill No. or House Bill No. 6239 (request no.
- 13 05197'21 a) of the 101st Legislature is enacted into law.