

HOUSE BILL No. 5792

April 28, 1998, Introduced by Reps. Wetters, McNutt, Hammerstrom, Llewellyn, Kukuk, Gilmer, Oxender, Varga, Bodem, Brater, Brackenridge, Jelinek and Voorhees and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

A bill to amend 1851 PA 156, entitled

"An act to define the powers and duties of the county boards of commissioners of the several counties, and to confer upon them certain local, administrative and legislative powers; and to prescribe penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act,"

(MCL 46.1 to 46.32) by adding section 22.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 22. (1) A COUNTY MAY LEVY A TAX AND REMIT THE PROCEEDS
2 OF THAT TAX TO A SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT AS PROVIDED IN THIS
3 SECTION.

4 (2) A COUNTY, BY RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMIS-
5 SIONERS, MAY PLACE ON THE BALLOT AT THE NEXT REGULAR ELECTION OR
6 AT A SPECIAL ELECTION THE QUESTION TO LEVY UPON ALL TAXABLE PROP-
7 ERTY IN THE COUNTY A TAX OF NOT MORE THAN 1 MILL FOR NOT MORE
8 THAN 20 YEARS AND TO REMIT THE PROCEEDS OF THAT TAX TO A SOIL
9 CONSERVATION DISTRICT ESTABLISHED IN THAT COUNTY.

1 (3) IF THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS DOES NOT APPROVE A
2 RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (2), THE QUESTION TO LEVY UPON
3 ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY IN THE COUNTY A TAX OF NOT MORE THAN 1 MILL
4 FOR NOT MORE THAN 20 YEARS AND TO REMIT THE PROCEEDS OF THAT TAX
5 TO A SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT ESTABLISHED IN THAT COUNTY SHALL
6 BE PLACED ON THE BALLOT AT THE NEXT REGULAR ELECTION OR AT A SPE-
7 CIAL ELECTION UPON PETITION OF 5% OF THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF
8 THE COUNTY.

9 (4) IF A SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT IS ESTABLISHED IN MORE
10 THAN 1 COUNTY AND THE COUNTIES IN WHICH IT IS ESTABLISHED APPROVE
11 DIFFERENT MILLAGE RATES AS PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, THE LOWEST
12 MILLAGE RATE APPROVED SHALL BE THE MILLAGE RATE LEVIED IN EACH
13 COUNTY.

14 (5) IF A COUNTY CALLS A SPECIAL ELECTION TO APPROVE A MILL-
15 AGE PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (2) OR (3), THE SOIL CONSERVATION DIS-
16 TRICT ESTABLISHED IN THAT COUNTY SHALL REIMBURSE THAT COUNTY FOR
17 ALL EXPENSES INCURRED AS A RESULT OF THAT SPECIAL ELECTION.

18 (6) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT"
19 MEANS A SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT CREATED UNDER PART 93 OF THE
20 NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT, 1994 PA 451,
21 MCL 324.9301 TO 324.9313.