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SENATE BILL No. 35

By Committee on Assessment and Taxation

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AN ACT concerning property taxation; relating to tax levies; discontinuing 1 2 the state tax levies for the Kansas educational building fund and the 3 state institutions building fund; providing financing therefor from the state general fund {property tax revenues of taxing jurisdictions; 4 5 authorizing the use of a protest petition to limit funding of a taxing jurisdiction by property tax revenues above a certain amount; 6 7 establishing the acknowledging stewardship of tax revenue and 8 appropriations (ASTRA) fund and authorizing certain transfers from the state general fund to qualifying cities and counties; 9 requiring reporting by the state treasurer of the cities and counties 10 that receive transfers; providing for a protest petition notice to be 11 12 sent to taxpayers; establishing the protest petition notification costs 13 fund; eliminating the revenue neutral rate requirements by taxing 14 subdivisions and the taxpayer notification costs fund; authorizing the continuation of the 20- mill statewide property tax levy for 15 schools}; amending K.S.A. 76-6b01, 76-6b02, 76-6b04 and 76-6b11-16 17 and K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 76-6b05 {72-5137, 72-5142, 79-1801 and 79-18 2929 {and repealing the existing sections {; also repealing K.S.A. 2024 19 Supp. 79-2988 and 79-2989}. 20

21 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

22 Section 1. K.S.A. 76-6b01 is hereby amended to read as follows: 76-23 6b01. (a) There is hereby levied an annual permanent state tax in the year 2025 a state tax of 1 mill upon all tangible property in this state which that 24 is subject to ad valorem taxation. The tax levy shall be .6 mill in the year 25 26 2003 and 1 mill in the year 2004 and each year thereafter until changed by 27 statute. Such tax levv shall be in addition to all other state tax levies-28 authorized by law. Such tax levy shall be for the use and benefit of the 29 state institutions of higher education. The proceeds of such tax levy shall be apportioned in accordance with this act. 30 31 (b) The county treasurer of each county shall make the proceeds of

32 the tax levy provided for in this section available to the state treasurer

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1 immediately upon collection. When available the state treasurer shall-2 withdraw from each county the proceeds of the taxes raised by such tax: 3 levy. Upon such withdrawal the state treasurer shall deposit the same in the 4 state treasury and shall credit the same as provided in K.S.A. 76-6b02, and 5 amendments thereto. 6 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 76-6b02 is hereby amended to read as follows: 76-7 6b02. (a) All moneys received by the state treasurer under K.S.A. 76-6b01, 8 and amendments thereto, and pursuant to subsection (c) shall be credited 9 to the Kansas educational building fund to be used for the construction, 10 reconstruction, equipment and repair of buildings and grounds at the state 11 educational institutions under the control and supervision of the state 12 board of regents and for payment of debt service on revenue bonds issued 13 to finance such projects, all subject to appropriation by the legislature. 14 (b) Subject to any restrictions imposed by appropriation acts, the state 15 board of regents is authorized to pledge funds appropriated to it from the 16 Kansas educational building fund or from any other source and transferred 17 to a special revenue fund of the state board of regents specified by statute 18 for the payment of debt service on revenue bonds issued for the purposes 19 set forth in subsection (a). Subject to any restrictions imposed by-20 appropriation acts, the state board of regents is also authorized to pledge 21 any funds appropriated to it from the Kansas educational building fund or 22 from any other source and transferred to a special revenue fund of the state 23 board of regents specified by statute as a priority for the payment of debt 24 service on such revenue bonds. Neither the state or the state board of-25 regents shall have the power to pledge the faith and credit or taxing power 26 of the state of Kansas for such purposes and any payment by the state 27 board of regents for such purposes shall be subject to and dependent on-28 appropriations being made from time to time by the legislature. Any-29 obligation of the state board of regents for payment of debt service on 30 revenue bonds and any such revenue bonds issued for the purposes set-31 forth in subsection (a) shall not be considered a debt or obligation of the 32 state for the purpose of section 6 of article 11 of the constitution of the 33 state of Kansas. 34 (c) On July 1, 2026, or as soon thereafter as moneys are available, 35 \$50,000,000 \$56,000,000 shall be transferred by the director of accounts: 36 and reports from the state general fund to the Kansas educational building 37 fund. On July 1, 2027, and on July 1 each year thereafter, or as soon: 38 thereafter as moneys are available, an amount equal to the amount-39 pursuant to this subsection for the immediately preceding year plus 2% of 40 \$50,000,000 a percentage of such amount for the preceding year shall be 41 transferred by the director of accounts and reports from the state general fund to the Kansas educational building fund. Such percentage shall be 42 43 <u>the average percentage change in statewide residential{ taxable}</u>_ SB 35—Am. by HCW

1	valuation of all residential real property for the preceding 10 years and
2	shall not be less than zero. The director of property valuation, in-
3	consultation with the director of legislative research and the director of
4	the budget, shall determine such percentage and the amount of moneys
5	that are authorized to be transferred pursuant to this subsection for such
6	fiscal year. On or before February 1, 2027, and on or before February 1
7	of each year thereafter, the director of property valuation shall certify.
8	the amount of each transfer to the director of accounts and reports and
9	transmit a copy of each such certification to the director of legislative:
10	research and the director of the budget. {All transfers made in_
11	accordance with the provisions of this subsection shall be considered to
12	<u>be demand transfers from the state general fund.}</u>
13	See. 3. K.S.A. 76-6b04 is hereby amended to read as follows: 76-
14	<u>6b04. (a) There is hereby levied</u> an annual permanent state tax <u>in the year</u>
15	2025 a state tax of 0.5 mill upon all tangible property in this state which
16	that is subject to ad valorem taxation. The tax levy shall be .3 mill in the
17	year 2003 and .5 mill in the year 2004 and each year thereafter until-
18	changed by statute. The tax levy shall be in addition to all other state tax
19	levies authorized by law. The tax levy shall be for the use and benefit of
20	state institutions caring for persons who are mentally ill, retarded, visually
21	handicapped, with a handicapping hearing loss or tubercular or state-
22	institutions caring for children who are deprived, wayward, misereant,-
23	delinquent, children in need of care or juvenile offenders and who are in
24	need of residential care or treatment, or institutions designed primarily to
25	provide vocational rehabilitation for handicapped persons. As used in this
26	section, "state institutions" shall include, but not be limited to, those-
27	institutions under the authority of the commissioner of juvenile justice.
28	The proceeds of such tax levy shall be apportioned in accordance with this
29	act.
30	(b) The county treasurer of each county shall make the proceeds of
31	the tax levy provided for in this section available to the state treasurer
32	immediately upon collection. When available, the state treasurer shall
33	withdraw from each county the proceeds of the taxes raised by such tax
34	levy. Upon such withdrawal the state treasurer shall deposit the same in the
35	state treasury and shall credit the same as provided in K.S.A. 76-6b05, and
36	amendments thereto.
37	See. 4. K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 76-6b05 is hereby amended to read as-
38	follows: 76-6b05. (a) All moneys received by the state treasurer under-
39	K.S.A. 76-6b04, and amendments thereto, and pursuant to subsection (e)
40	shall be credited to the state institutions building fund, which is hereby
41	ereated in the state treasury, to be used for the construction, reconstruction,
42	equipment and repair of buildings and grounds at institutions specified in
43	K.S.A. 76-6b04, and amendments thereto, and for payment of debt service

1 on revenue bonds issued to finance such projects, all subject to-2 appropriation by the legislature.

3 (b) Subject to any restrictions imposed by appropriation acts, the 4 juvenile justice authority is authorized to pledge funds appropriated to it 5 from the state institutions building fund or from any other source and-6 transferred to a special revenue fund of the juvenile justice authority-7 specified by statute for the payment of debt service on revenue bonds-8 issued for the purposes set forth in subsection (a). Subject to any-9 restrictions imposed by appropriation acts, the juvenile justice authority is 10 also authorized to pledge any funds appropriated to it from the state 11 institutions building fund or from any other source and transferred to a 12 special revenue fund of the juvenile justice authority specified by statute as 13 a priority for the payment of debt service on such revenue bonds. Neither the state or the juvenile justice authority shall have the power to pledge the 14 15 faith and credit or taxing power of the state of Kansas for such purposes 16 and any payment by the juvenile justice authority for such purposes shall 17 be subject to and dependent on appropriations being made from time to 18 time by the legislature. Any obligation of the juvenile justice authority for 19 payment of debt service on revenue bonds and any such revenue bonds-20 issued for the purposes set forth in subsection (a) shall not be considered a 21 debt or obligation of the state for the purpose of section 6 of article 11 of 22 the constitution of the state of Kansas. 23 (c) Subject to any restrictions imposed by appropriation acts, the-24 Kansas department for aging and disability services is authorized to pledge 25 funds appropriated to it from the state institutions building fund or from 26 any other source and transferred to a special revenue fund of the Kansas 27 department for aging and disability services specified by statute for the

28 payment of debt service on revenue bonds issued for a new state security 29 hospital on the Larned state hospital grounds or any other capital 30 improvement projects at any other institution or facility of the Kansas-

31 department for aging and disability services. Subject to any restrictions-32 imposed by appropriation acts, the Kansas department for aging and-

33 disability services is also authorized to pledge any funds appropriated to it

34 from the state institutions building fund or from any other source and-

35 transferred to a special revenue fund of the Kansas department for aging 36 and disability services specified by statute as a priority for the payment of

37 debt service on such revenue bonds. Neither the state or the Kansas-

38 department for aging and disability services shall have the power to pledge

39 the faith and credit or taxing power of the state of Kansas for such-40

purposes and any payment by the Kansas department for aging and-

41 disability services for such purposes shall be subject to and dependent on

42 appropriations being made from time to time by the legislature. Any-

43 obligation of the Kansas department for aging and disability services for

1 payment of debt service on revenue bonds and any such revenue bonds 2 issued for a new state security hospital on the Larned state hospital-3 grounds or any other capital improvement projects at any other institution 4 or facility of the Kansas department for aging and disability services shall 5 not be considered a debt or obligation of the state for the purpose of 6 section 6 of article 11 of the constitution of the state of Kansas. 7 (d) Subject to any restrictions imposed by appropriation acts, the 8 director of the Kansas office of veterans services is authorized to pledge 9 funds appropriated to it from the state institutions building fund or from-10 any other source and transferred to a special revenue fund of the Kansas 11 office of veterans services specified by statute for the payment of debt 12 service on revenue bonds issued for veterans' home HVAC system-13 replacement. Subject to any restrictions imposed by appropriation acts, the 14 director of the Kansas office of veterans services is also authorized to 15 pledge any funds appropriated to it from the state institutions building fund 16 or from any other source and transferred to a special revenue fund of the 17 Kansas office of veterans services specified by statute as a priority for the 18 payment of debt service on such revenue bonds. Neither the state nor the 19 director of the Kansas office of veterans services shall have the power to 20 pledge the faith and credit or taxing power of the state of Kansas for such 21 purposes and any payment by the Kansas office of veterans services for 22 such purposes shall be subject to and dependent on appropriations being 23 made from time to time by the legislature. Any obligation of the Kansas 24 office of veterans services for payment of debt service on revenue bonds 25 and any such revenue bonds issued for veterans' home HVAC system-26 replacement shall not be considered a debt or obligation of the state for the 27 purpose of section 6 of article 11 of the constitution of the state of Kansas. 28 (e) On July 1, 2026, or as soon thereafter as moneys are available, 29 \$25,000,000 shall be transferred by the director of accounts and reports: 30 from the state general fund to the state institutions building fund. On July 31 1, 2027, and on July 1 each year thereafter, or as soon thereafter as-32 moneys are available, an amount equal to the amount pursuant to this 33 subsection for the immediately preceding year plus 2% of \$25,000.000-34 shall be transferred by the director of accounts and reports from the state 35 general fund to the state institutions building fund. {All transfers made in 36 accordance with the provisions of this subsection shall be considered to 37 be demand transfers from the state general fund.} 38 Sec. 5. K.S.A. 76-6b11 is hereby amended to read as follows: 76-39 <u>6b11. (a) Except as provided in subsection (e), On July 1 of each year, the</u> 40 director of accounts and reports shall record a debit to the state treasurer's 41 receivables for the Kansas educational building fund, the state institutions 42 building fund and the state general fund and shall record a corresponding 43 eredit to each such fund in an amount equal to 95% of the amount credited

1 respectively to each such fund during the immediately preceding fiscal 2 year, except that such amount shall be proportionally adjusted with respect to any such fund in any fiscal year for any change in the tax levy rate for 3 4 any such fund. 5 (b) All taxes received by the state treasurer under K.S.A. 76-6b01, 6 and 76-6b04 and section 15 [L. 2003, ch. 146, § 15], and amendments 7 thereto, and the provisions of section 15 of chapter 146 of the 2003-8 Session Laws of Kansas during the current fiscal year shall be deposited in 9 the state treasury to the credit of the Kansas educational building fund, the 10 state institutions building fund and the state general fund, respectively, and shall reduce the amount debited and credited to such funds under-11 12 subsection (a). 13 (c) On June 30 of each year, the director of accounts and reports shall adjust the amounts debited and credited to the state treasurer's receivables 14 and to the Kansas educational building fund, the state institutions building 15 16 fund and the state general fund pursuant to this section, to reflect the taxes 17 actually received by the state treasurer and deposited during the fiscal year in the state treasury to the credit of each such fund. 18 19 (d) The director of accounts and reports shall notify the state treasurer 20 of all amounts debited and credited to the Kansas educational building-21 fund, the state institutions building fund and the state general fund-22 pursuant to this section and all reductions and adjustments thereto made 23 pursuant to this section. The state treasurer shall enter all such amounts-24 debited and credited and shall make reductions and adjustments thereto on 25 the books and records kept and maintained for such funds by the statetreasurer in accordance with the notice thereof. 26 27 (e) On October 1, 2003, the director of accounts and reports shall-28 make such adjustments and amendments as may be required to reflect and 29 account for the property tax imposed by K.S.A. 79-2976 as if such tax had 30 been in effect on July 1, 2003. The provisions of this section shall expire on 31 June 30, 2026. 32 Sec. 6. K.S.A. 76-6b01, 76-6b02, 76-6b04 and 76-6b11 and K.S.A. 33 2024 Supp. 76-6b05 are hereby repealed. 34 {New Section 1. (a) (1) The governing body of any taxing 35 jurisdiction that approves any appropriation or budget that provides 36 for funding by property tax revenues in excess of the amount provided 37 in subsection (b) may have such appropriation or budget subject to a 38 protest petition and a reduction in the amount of property tax 39 revenues allowed to be levied by the taxing jurisdiction. A protest 40 petition contesting the increase in property tax revenues for the taxing jurisdiction may be submitted to the county clerk within 30 days, or 41 the next business day after if the 30th day falls on a weekend or county 42 43 holiday, following the date that the governing body of a taxing

jurisdiction certifies to the county clerk the amount of ad valorem tax
 to be levied pursuant to K.S.A. 79-1801, and amendments thereto. If a
 taxing jurisdiction fails to timely certify the amount of ad valorem tax
 to be levied pursuant to K.S.A. 79-1801, and amendments thereto, the
 taxing jurisdiction shall be limited to funding by property tax
 revenues at the maximum amount provided in subsection (b).

7 (2) The county clerk shall notify the county treasurer of all taxing 8 jurisdictions that approve any appropriation or budget that provides 9 for funding by property tax revenues in excess of the amount provided 10 in subsection (b). The county treasurer's office shall post on} {the county} {website} {and social media, if such website} {or social media} 11 {exists, and post in the county treasurer's office whether any protest 12 petitions are available for any taxing jurisdiction within the county. 13 The county treasurer shall also make available in the county 14 treasurer's office during business hours a copy of each protest petition 15 16 with the signature page in order to obtain signatures. The 17 requirements set forth in K.S.A. 25-3602, and amendments thereto, 18 relating to the filing of petitions at one time all in one group and the petition circulator and signature requirements shall not apply to 19 20 protest petitions maintained by a county treasurer.} {The director of 21 accounts and reports shall design, revise and publish on the website of 22 the department of administration a standard protest petition form 23 pursuant to the provisions of this section and K.S.A. 25-3602, and 24 amendments thereto.} {In the event that a protest petition is signed by 25 at least 10% of the qualified voters of the votes cast for the office of} {president of the United States} {at the last general election in such 26 taxing jurisdiction, and is filed within 30 days with the county clerk of 27 28 the county, the taxing jurisdiction shall be limited to funding by 29 property tax revenues at the maximum amount provided in subsection (b). Upon the finding that a petition protesting the increase in funding 30 31 by property tax revenues was signed by less than the required number 32 of voters, the taxing jurisdiction shall proceed with the increases in 33 funding by property tax revenues. The provisions of this subsection 34 shall not apply in the event the transfer provided in section 2(b), and 35 amendments thereto, is not provided.

36 (3) A majority vote of the governing body, by the adoption of a 37 resolution or ordinance to approve exceeding the funding by property 38 tax revenues in excess of the amount provided in subsection (b), shall 39 be required prior to adoption of a proposed budget that will result in 40 an increase in property tax revenues for the taxing jurisdiction in excess of the amount provided in subsection (b). Such vote of the 41 governing body shall be conducted at a public hearing and shall be a 42 43 roll call vote. A copy of the resolution or ordinance to approve an increase in property tax revenues for the taxing jurisdiction in excess
 of the amount provided in subsection (b) and a certified copy of any
 roll call vote reporting, at a minimum, the name and vote of each
 member of the governing body shall be published on the website of the
 department of administration.

6 (b) A taxing jurisdiction shall be limited in its budget to a total 7 amount of ad valorem tax to be levied in an amount that is equal to or 8 less than the total amount of ad valorem tax levied for the preceding 9 tax year, increased by an amount that is equal to or less than such ad 10 valorem tax when the following are included:

(1) An increase of not more than the amount of the annual
percentage of consumer price index for all urban consumers in the
midwest region as published by the bureau of labor statistics of the
United States department of labor multiplied by the total amount of
ad valorem tax levied for the preceding tax year;

16 (2) increased property tax revenues that, in the current year, are produced and attributable to the taxation of the construction of any 17 18 new structures or improvements or the remodeling or renovation of 19 any existing structures or improvements on real property, excluding 20 any ordinary maintenance or repair of any existing structures or 21 improvements on the property. The director of property valuation 22 shall provide to the state treasurer any information required under 23 this paragraph; and

(3) increased property tax revenues that are dedicated to paying
off a bond issuance that was approved by a vote of the electors at an
election held on and after July 1, 2025.

(c) The provisions of this section shall not apply to the state of
Kansas or a school district.

29 (d) (1) The county clerk shall provide a protest petition notice to 30 each taxpayer with property in taxing jurisdictions that approve any 31 appropriation or budget that provides for funding by property tax 32 revenues in excess of the amount provided in subsection (b). The 33 county clerk shall transmit the notice to each taxpayer by mail 34 directed to the taxpayer's last known address or by electronic means if 35 such taxpayer and county clerk have consented in writing to service 36 by electronic means. The notice shall be in a format prescribed by the 37 director of accounts and reports. The notice shall include:

(A) An explanation of the protest petition process and
requirements, including, but not limited to, the deadline for
signatures, the physical location of publicly held protest petitions, a
website address where the protest petition form is available and the
results of a successful protest petition;

43 (B) the taxes levied of all taxing jurisdictions within the county

1 for the previous year and the current year;

2 (C) the difference between previous and current year tax levied 3 expressed in dollars and percentage; and

4 **(D)** a clear and conspicuous identification of the taxing 5 jurisdictions that approved any appropriation or budget that is 6 subject to a protest petition pursuant to this section.

7 (2) In the event that a county clerk incurred costs of printing and 8 postage that were not reimbursed pursuant to paragraph (3), such 9 county clerk may seek reimbursement from all taxing jurisdictions with an appropriation or budget that is subject to a protest petition. 10 Such costs shall be shared proportionately by all such taxing 11 jurisdictions that were included on the same notice based on the total 12 property tax levied by each taxing jurisdiction. Payment of such costs 13 shall be due to the county clerk by December 31. 14

(3) (A) For calendar years 2025 and 2026, if a county clerk has 15 16 printing or postage costs pursuant to paragraph (1), the county clerk 17 shall notify and provide documentation of such costs to the secretary 18 of revenue. The secretary of revenue shall certify the amount of 19 moneys attributable to such costs and transmit a copy of such 20 certification to the director of accounts and reports. Upon such receipt 21 of such certification, the director of accounts and reports shall 22 transfer an amount of moneys equal to such certified amount from the 23 state general fund to the protest petition notification costs fund of the 24 department of revenue. The secretary of revenue shall transmit a copy 25 of each such certification to the director of legislative research and the 26 director of the budget.

27 (B) There is hereby established in the state treasury the protest 28 petition notification costs fund that shall be administered by the 29 secretary of revenue. All expenditures from the protest petition notification costs fund shall be for the purpose of paying county 30 31 printing and postage costs pursuant to paragraph (1). All expenditures 32 from such fund shall be made in accordance with appropriations acts 33 upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant 34 to vouchers approved by the secretary of revenue or the secretary's 35 designee.

New Sec. 2. (a) There is hereby created the acknowledging stewardship of tax revenue and appropriations (ASTRA) fund. All moneys transferred or credited to such fund under the provisions of this act or any other law shall be apportioned and distributed in the manner provided herein.

(b) On July 15 of each year, or as soon thereafter as moneys are
available, \$60,000,000 shall be transferred by the director of accounts
and reports from the state general fund to the acknowledging

stewardship of tax revenue and appropriations (ASTRA) fund. All
 transfers made in accordance with the provisions of this section shall
 be considered to be demand transfers from the state general fund.
 Commencing with the transfer on July 15, 2026, the amount to be
 transferred pursuant to this subsection shall be increased by 2% from
 the prior year's transfer.

7 (c) The state treasurer shall calculate the apportionment for each 8 county based on the following: (1) 65% of the amount to be 9 distributed shall be apportioned on the basis of the population figures 10 of the counties certified to the secretary of state pursuant to K.S.A. 11-11 201, and amendments thereto, on July 1 of the preceding year; and (2) 12 35% of such amount shall be apportioned on the basis of the equalized 13 assessed tangible valuations on the tax rolls of the counties on November 1 of the preceding year as certified by the director of 14 15 property valuation. The county and each city contained therein, if 16 eligible pursuant to subsection (d), shall receive a proportion of such 17 apportionment based on the total assessed valuations used to calculate 18 such county's and each city's ad valorem property taxes in the 19 preceding year. The state treasurer shall send notice to every county 20 and city by August 1 with the maximum amount of ad valorem tax to 21 be levied to qualify pursuant to section 1(b), and amendments thereto, 22 and the amount of payment from the acknowledging stewardship of 23 tax revenue and appropriations (ASTRA) fund. The director of 24 property valuation shall provide to the state treasurer any information 25 required under this paragraph.

26 The director of property valuation shall certify to the state (d) 27 treasurer on or before November 15, the amount of ad valorem tax to 28 be levied pursuant to K.S.A. 79-1801, and amendments thereto, 29 whether the county's or any city's budget provides for a total amount 30 of ad valorem tax to be levied in an amount that is less than or equal 31 to the amount of ad valorem tax levied for the preceding year 32 increased by an amount that is equal to or less than the amount 33 provided in section 1(b), and amendments thereto.

(e) On or before January 15th following the transfer provided in subsection (b), the state treasurer shall pay the amount specified in subsection (c) to each eligible county and city. Such funds shall only be used for services, including, but not limited to, roads and bridges, law enforcement, elections, public health and safety or any other services mandated by law.

40 (f) If it is determined a county or city received payment and was
41 not entitled to the payment, the county or city shall return or remit
42 such payment to the state treasurer. Upon receipt of each such
43 remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the

1 state treasury to the credit of the state general fund.

(g) Any amounts that are not transferred because a city or county
did not comply with the provisions of this act shall be deposited by the
state treasurer in the state treasury to the credit of the state general
fund.

6 (h) The state treasurer shall provide to the house committee on 7 taxation and the senate committee on assessment and taxation on or 8 before January 31 of each year the list of cities and counties that 9 received a transfer from the acknowledging stewardship of tax 10 revenue and appropriations (ASTRA) fund and a list of those cities 11 and counties that did not receive a transfer.}

{Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 72-5137 is hereby amended to read as 12 13 follows: 72-5137. On or before October 10 of each school year, the clerk or superintendent of each school district shall certify under oath 14 to the state board a report showing the total enrollment of the school 15 16 district by grades maintained in the schools of the school district and 17 such other reports as the state board may require. Each such report 18 shall show postsecondary education enrollment, career technical 19 education enrollment, special education enrollment, bilingual 20 education enrollment, at-risk student enrollment and virtual school 21 enrollment in such detail and form as is specified by the state board. 22 Upon receipt of such reports, the state board shall examine the reports 23 and if the state board finds any errors in any such report, the state 24 board shall consult with the school district officer furnishing the 25 report and make any necessary corrections in the report. On or before August 25 of each year, each such clerk or superintendent shall also 26 certify to the state board a copy of the budget adopted by the school 27 28 district, except when a school district must conduct a public hearing to 29 approve exceeding the revenue neutral rate under K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 79-2988, and amendments thereto, a copy of such budget shall be certified to 30 31 the state board on or before September 20.}

32 {Sec. 4. K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 72-5142 is hereby amended to read as 33 follows: 72-5142. (a) The board of education of each school district 34 shall levy an ad valorem tax upon the taxable tangible property of the 35 school district in the school years specified in subsection (b) for the 36 purpose of:

37 (1) Financing that portion of the school district's general fund
38 budget that is not financed from any other source provided by law;

(2) paying a portion of the costs of operating and maintaining
 public schools in partial fulfillment of the constitutional obligation of
 the legislature to finance the educational interests of the state; and

42 (3) with respect to any redevelopment school district established 43 prior to July 1, 1997, pursuant to K.S.A. 12-1771, and amendments thereto, paying a portion of the principal and interest on bonds issued
 by cities under authority of K.S.A. 12-1774, and amendments thereto,
 for the financing of redevelopment projects upon property located
 within the school district.

5 (b) The tax required under subsection (a) shall be levied at a rate 6 of 20 mills in the school years 2023-2024 2025-2026 and 2024-2025-7 2026-2027.

8 (c) The proceeds from the tax levied by a district under authority 9 of this section, except the proceeds of such tax levied for the purpose 10 described in subsection (a)(3), shall be remitted to the state treasurer 11 in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments 12 thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall 13 deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the state 14 school district finance fund.

15 (d) No school district shall proceed under K.S.A. 79-1964, 79-16 1964a or 79-1964b, and amendments thereto.}

17 {Sec. 5. K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 79-1801 is hereby amended to read as 18 follows: 79-1801. (a) Except as provided by subsection (b), each year 19 the governing body of any city, the trustees of any township, the board 20 of education of any school district and the governing bodies of all 21 other taxing subdivisions shall certify, on or before August 25, to the 22 proper county clerk the amount of ad valorem tax to be levied. 23 Thereupon, the county clerk shall place the tax upon the tax roll of the 24 county, in the manner prescribed by law, and the tax shall be collected 25 by the county treasurer. The county treasurer shall distribute the proceeds of the taxes levied by each taxing subdivision in the manner 26 provided by K.S.A. 12-1678a, and amendments thereto. 27

28 (b) Prior to January 1, 2021, if the governing body of a city or county must conduct an election for an increase in property tax to fund any-29 appropriation or budget under K.S.A. 25-433a, and amendments thereto, 30 31 the governing body of the city or county shall certify, on or before October 32 1, to the proper county clerk the amount of ad valorem tax to be levied. On 33 and after January 1, 2021 2025, if the governing body of a taxing subdivision must conduct a public hearing to approve exceeding the-34 35 revenue neutral rate shall amend such governing body's budget pursuant 36 to a successful protest petition under K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 79-2988 section 37 1, and amendments thereto, the governing body of the taxing 38 subdivision shall certify, on or before October 1, to the proper county 39 clerk the amount of ad valorem tax to be levied.}

40 {Sec. 6. K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 79-2929 is hereby amended to read as
41 follows: 79-2929. Prior to the filing of the adopted budget with the
42 county clerk, the governing body of each taxing or political
43 subdivision or municipality shall meet for the purpose of answering

and hearing objections of taxpavers relating to the proposed budget 1 and for the purpose of considering amendments to such proposed 2 budget. The governing body shall give at least 10 days' notice of the 3 time and place of the meeting by publication in a weekly or daily 4 newspaper of the county having a general circulation therein. Such 5 6 notice shall include the proposed budget and shall set out all essential 7 items in the budget except such groupings as designated by the 8 director of accounts and reports on a special publication form prescribed by the director of accounts and reports and furnished with 9 the regular budget form. Such form shall also include the revenue neutral 10 rate as provided in K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 79-2988, and amendments thereto. 11 12 The notice of a governing body of any taxing subdivision or municipality having an annual expenditure of \$500 or less shall specify 13 14 the time and place of the meeting required by this section but shall not be required to include the proposed budget of such taxing subdivision 15 or municipality.} 16 {Sec. 7. K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 72-5137, 72-5142, 79-1801, 79-2929, 79-17 2988 and 79-2989 are hereby repealed.} 18

Sec. <u>7.</u> {8.} This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
publication in the statute book.