HOUSE BILL NO. 5744

May 23, 2024, Introduced by Rep. VanWoerkom and referred to the Committee on Tax Policy.

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

by amending sections 27 and 34d (MCL 211.27 and 211.34d), as amended by 2022 PA 240, and by adding section 9q.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 9q. For taxes levied after December 31, 2024, all
- 2 personal property classified under section 34c as industrial
- 3 personal property or commercial personal property and constituting
- 4 a qualified hydrogen fuel pump is exempt from the collection of
- 5 taxes under this act. As used in this section:

(a) "Motor vehicle" means that term as defined in section 33 of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.33.

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3 (b) "Qualified hydrogen fuel pump" means a machine or other
4 device, including, but not limited to, a hydrogen pump, hydrogen
5 dispenser, or combined hydrogen pump and dispenser, located in this
6 state that is used to fill motor vehicles with hydrogen fuel and
7 that meets either the H35 or H70 standard, where H35 indicates a
8 dispensing pressure of 35 Megapascals (MPa) and H70 indicates a
9 dispensing pressure of 70 MPa.

10 Sec. 27. (1) As used in this act, "true cash value" means the 11 usual selling price at the place where the property to which the term is applied is at the time of assessment, being the price that 12 could be obtained for the property at private sale, and not at 13 14 auction sale except as otherwise provided in this section, or at 15 forced sale. The usual selling price may include sales at public 16 auction held by a nongovernmental agency or person if those sales have become a common method of acquisition in the jurisdiction for 17 18 the class of property being valued. The usual selling price does 19 not include sales at public auction if the sale is part of a 20 liquidation of the seller's assets in a bankruptcy proceeding or if 21 the seller is unable to use common marketing techniques to obtain 22 the usual selling price for the property. A sale or other 23 disposition by this state or an agency or political subdivision of 24 this state of land acquired for delinquent taxes or an appraisal 25 made in connection with the sale or other disposition or the value attributed to the property of regulated public utilities by a 26 27 governmental regulatory agency for rate-making purposes is not 28 controlling evidence of true cash value for assessment purposes. In 29 determining the true cash value, the assessor shall also consider

- 1 the advantages and disadvantages of location; quality of soil;
- 2 zoning; existing use; present economic income of structures,
- 3 including farm structures; present economic income of land if the
- 4 land is being farmed or otherwise put to income producing use;
- 5 quantity and value of standing timber; water power and privileges;
- 6 minerals, quarries, or other valuable deposits not otherwise exempt
- 7 under this act known to be available in the land and their value.
- 8 In determining the true cash value of personal property owned by an
- 9 electric utility cooperative, the assessor shall consider the
- 10 number of kilowatt hours of electricity sold per mile of
- 11 distribution line compared to the average number of kilowatt hours
- 12 of electricity sold per mile of distribution line for all electric
- 13 utilities.
- 14 (2) The assessor shall not consider the increase in true cash
- 15 value that is a result of expenditures for normal repairs,
- 16 replacement, and maintenance in determining the true cash value of
- 17 property for assessment purposes until the property is sold. For
- 18 the purpose of implementing this subsection, the assessor shall not
- 19 increase the construction quality classification or reduce the
- 20 effective age for depreciation purposes, except if the appraisal of
- 21 the property was erroneous before nonconsideration of the normal
- 22 repair, replacement, or maintenance, and shall not assign an
- 23 economic condition factor to the property that differs from the
- 24 economic condition factor assigned to similar properties as defined
- 25 by appraisal procedures applied in the jurisdiction. The increase
- 26 in value attributable to the items included in subdivisions (a) to
- 27 (g) (that is known to the assessor and excluded from true cash
- 28 value must be indicated on the assessment roll. This subsection
- 29 applies only to residential property. The following repairs are

- 1 considered normal maintenance if they are not part of a structural
- 2 addition or completion:
- 3 (a) Outside painting.
- 4 (b) Repairing or replacing siding, roof, porches, steps,
- 5 sidewalks, or drives.
- 6 (c) Repainting, repairing, or replacing existing masonry.
- 7 (d) Replacing awnings.
- 8 (e) Adding or replacing gutters and downspouts.
- 9 (f) Replacing storm windows or doors.
- 10 (g) Insulating or weatherstripping.
- 11 (h) Complete rewiring.
- 12 (i) Replacing plumbing and light fixtures.
- (j) Replacing a furnace with a new furnace of the same type orreplacing an oil or gas burner.
- 15 (k) Repairing plaster, inside painting, or other redecorating.
- 16 (l) New ceiling, wall, or floor surfacing.
- 17 (m) Removing partitions to enlarge rooms.
- 18 (n) Replacing an automatic hot water heater.
- 19 (o) Replacing dated interior woodwork.
- 20 (p) Installing, replacing, or repairing an alternative energy
- 21 system, without regard to ownership of the system, with a
- 22 generating capacity of not more than 150 kilowatts, the annual
- 23 energy output of which does not exceed the annual energy
- 24 consumption measured by the utility-provided electrical meter on
- 25 the system to which it is connected. As used in this subdivision,
- 26 "alternative energy system" means that term as defined in section 2
- 27 of the Michigan next energy authority act, 2002 PA 593, MCL
- 28 207.822.
- 29 (q) Installing, replacing, or repairing a whole-home

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- (r) Installing, replacing, or repairing 1 or more qualified hydrogen fuel pumps. As used in this subdivision, "qualified hydrogen fuel pump" means that term as defined in section 9q.
- 5 (3) A city or township assessor, a county equalization 6 department, or the state tax commission before utilizing real 7 estate sales data on real property purchases, including purchases 8 by land contract, to determine assessments or in making sales ratio 9 studies to assess property or equalize assessments shall exclude 10 from the sales data the following amounts allowed by subdivisions 11 (a), (b), and (c) to the extent that the amounts are included in 12 the real property purchase price and are so identified in the real 13 estate sales data or certified to the assessor as provided in 14 subdivision (d):
- (a) Amounts paid for obtaining financing of the purchase priceof the property or the last conveyance of the property.
- (b) Amounts attributable to personal property that wereincluded in the purchase price of the property in the lastconveyance of the property.
 - (c) Amounts paid for surveying the property pursuant to the last conveyance of the property. The legislature may require local units of government, including school districts, to submit reports of revenue lost under subdivisions (a) and (b) and this subdivision so that the state may reimburse those units for that lost revenue.
- 25 (d) The purchaser of real property, including a purchaser by
 26 land contract, may file with the assessor of the city or township
 27 in which the property is located 2 copies of the purchase agreement
 28 or of an affidavit that identifies the amount, if any, for each
 29 item listed in subdivisions (a) to (c). The assessor shall forward

1 copy to the county equalization department. The affidavit must be2 as prescribed by the state tax commission.

- (4) In finalizing sales studies for property classified as 3 agricultural real property under section 34c, an assessor and 4 5 equalization director shall determine if an affidavit for the 6 property has been filed under section 27a(7)(o). If an affidavit 7 has not been filed, the property must be reviewed to determine if 8 classification as agricultural real property under section 34c is 9 correct or should be changed. The assessor for the local tax 10 collecting unit in which the property is located shall contact the 11 property owner to determine why the property owner did not file an 12 affidavit under section 27a(7)(o). Unless there are convincing facts to the contrary, the sale of property classified as 13 14 agricultural real property under section 34c for which an affidavit 15 under section 27a(7)(o) has not been filed must not be included in 16 a sales study.
- 17 (5) As used in subsection (1), "present economic income" means 18 for leased or rented property the ordinary, general, and usual economic return realized from the lease or rental of property 19 20 negotiated under current, contemporary conditions between parties equally knowledgeable and familiar with real estate values. The 21 actual income generated by the lease or rental of property is not 22 23 the controlling indicator of its true cash value in all cases. This 24 subsection does not apply to property subject to a lease entered 25 into before January 1, 1984 for which the terms of the lease 26 governing the rental rate or tax liability have not been 27 renegotiated after December 31, 1983. This subsection does not 28 apply to a nonprofit housing cooperative subject to regulatory 29 agreements between the state or federal government entered into

- 1 before January 1, 1984. As used in this subsection, "nonprofit
- 2 cooperative housing corporation" means a nonprofit cooperative
- 3 housing corporation that is engaged in providing housing services
- 4 to its stockholders and members and that does not pay dividends or
- 5 interest upon stock or membership investment but that does
- 6 distribute all earnings to its stockholders or members.
- 7 (6) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (7), the
- 8 purchase price paid in a transfer of property is not the
- 9 presumptive true cash value of the property transferred. In
- 10 determining the true cash value of transferred property, an
- 11 assessing officer shall assess that property using the same
- 12 valuation method used to value all other property of that same
- 13 classification in the assessing jurisdiction. As used in this
- 14 subsection and subsection (7), "purchase price" means the total
- 15 consideration agreed to in an arms-length transaction and not at a
- 16 forced sale paid by the purchaser of the property, stated in
- 17 dollars, whether or not paid in dollars.
- 18 (7) For a transfer of eligible nonprofit housing property from
- 19 a charitable nonprofit housing organization to a low-income person
- 20 that occurs after December 31, 2010 through December 30, 2021, the
- 21 purchase price paid is the presumptive true cash value of the
- 22 eligible nonprofit housing property transferred. For a transfer of
- 23 eligible nonprofit housing property from a charitable nonprofit
- 24 housing organization to a low-income person that occurs on or after
- 25 December 31, 2021, the loan amount stated in the closing disclosure
- 26 form for the transfer is the presumptive true cash value of the
- 27 eligible nonprofit housing property transferred. In the year
- 28 immediately succeeding the year in which the transfer of eligible
- 29 nonprofit housing property occurs and each year thereafter, the

taxable value of the eligible nonprofit housing property must be
adjusted as provided under section 27a. As used in this subsection:

- 3 (a) "Charitable nonprofit housing organization" means a
 4 charitable nonprofit organization the primary purpose of which is
 5 the construction or renovation of residential housing for
 6 conveyance to a low-income person.
- 7 (b) "Eligible nonprofit housing property" means property owned 8 by a charitable nonprofit housing organization, the ownership of 9 which the charitable nonprofit housing organization intends to 10 transfer to a low-income person after construction or renovation of 11 the property is completed.
- (c) "Family income" and "statewide median gross income" mean
 those terms as defined in section 11 of the state housing
 development authority act of 1966, 1966 PA 346, MCL 125.1411.
- 15 (d) "Low-income person" means a person with a family income of 16 not more than 80% of the statewide median gross income who is 17 eligible to participate in the charitable nonprofit housing 18 organization's program based on criteria established by the 19 charitable nonprofit housing organization.

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(8) For purposes of a statement submitted under section 19, the true cash value of a standard tool is the net book value of that standard tool as of December 31 in each tax year as determined using generally accepted accounting principles in a manner consistent with the established depreciation method used by the person submitting that statement. The net book value of a standard tool for federal income tax purposes is not the presumptive true cash value of that standard tool. As used in this subsection, "standard tool" means that term as defined in section 9b.

Sec. 34d. (1) As used in this section or section 27a, or

1 section 3 or 31 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963:

- (a) For taxes levied before 1995, "additions" means all
 increases in value caused by new construction or a physical
 addition of equipment or furnishings, and the value of property
 that was exempt from taxes or not included on the assessment unit's
 immediately preceding year's assessment roll.
- 7 (b) For taxes levied after 1994, "additions" means, except as 8 provided in subdivision (c), all of the following:
- 9 (i) Omitted real property. As used in this subparagraph, 10 "omitted real property" means previously existing tangible real property not included in the assessment. Omitted real property does 11 12 not increase taxable value as an addition unless the assessing 13 jurisdiction has a property record card or other documentation 14 showing that the omitted real property was not previously included in the assessment. The assessing jurisdiction has the burden of 15 16 proof in establishing whether the omitted real property is included 17 in the assessment. Omitted real property for the current and the 2 immediately preceding years, discovered after the assessment roll 18 19 has been completed, must be added to the tax roll pursuant to the 20 procedures established in section 154. For purposes of determining 21 the taxable value of real property under section 27a, the value of 22 omitted real property is based on the value and the ratio of 23 taxable value to true cash value the omitted real property would 24 have had if the property had not been omitted.
 - (ii) Omitted personal property. As used in this subparagraph, "omitted personal property" means previously existing tangible personal property not included in the assessment. Omitted personal property must be added to the tax roll pursuant to section 154.
 - (iii) New construction. As used in this subparagraph, "new

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- 1 construction" means property not in existence on the immediately
- 2 preceding tax day and not replacement construction. New
- 3 construction includes the physical addition of equipment or
- 4 furnishings, subject to the provisions set forth in section
- 5 27(2)(a) to $\frac{(q)}{(r)}$. For purposes of determining the taxable value
- 6 of property under section 27a, the value of new construction is the
- 7 true cash value of the new construction multiplied by 0.50.
- (iv) Previously exempt property. As used in this subparagraph,
- 9 "previously exempt property" means property that was exempt from ad
- 10 valorem taxation under this act on the immediately preceding tax
- 11 day but is subject to ad valorem taxation on the current tax day
- 12 under this act. For purposes of determining the taxable value of
- 13 real property under section 27a:
- 14 (A) The value of property previously exempt under section 7u
- 15 is the taxable value the entire parcel of property would have had
- 16 if that property had not been exempt, minus the product of the
- 17 entire parcel's taxable value in the immediately preceding year and
- 18 the lesser of 1.05 or the inflation rate.
- 19 (B) The taxable value of property that is a facility as that
- 20 term is defined in section 2 of 1974 PA 198, MCL 207.552, that was
- 21 previously exempt under section 7k is the taxable value that
- 22 property would have had under this act if it had not been exempt.
- 23 (C) The value of property previously exempt under any other
- 24 section of law is the true cash value of the previously exempt
- 25 property multiplied by 0.50.
- 26 (v) Replacement construction. As used in this subparagraph,
- 27 "replacement construction" means construction that replaced
- 28 property damaged or destroyed by accident or act of God and that
- 29 occurred after the immediately preceding tax day to the extent the

- construction's true cash value does not exceed the true cash value 1 of property that was damaged or destroyed by accident or act of God 2 in the immediately preceding 3 years. Except as otherwise provided 3 in this subparagraph, for purposes of determining the taxable value 4 5 of property under section 27a, the value of the replacement 6 construction is the true cash value of the replacement construction 7 multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the taxable 8 value of the property to which the construction was added in the 9 immediately preceding year and the denominator of which is the true 10 cash value of the property to which the construction was added in 11 the immediately preceding year, and then multiplied by the lesser of 1.05 or the inflation rate. However, after December 31, 2011, 12 for purposes of determining the taxable value of property under 13 14 section 27a, if the property's replacement construction is of 15 substantially the same materials as determined by the state tax 16 commission, if the square footage is not more than 5% greater than the property that was damaged or destroyed, and if the replacement 17 18 construction is completed not later than December 31 in the year 3 19 years after the accident or act of God occurred, the replacement 20 construction's taxable value is equal to the taxable value of the 21 property in the year immediately preceding the year in which the property was damaged or destroyed, adjusted annually as provided in 22 23 section 27a(2). Any construction materials required to bring the 24 property into compliance with any applicable health, sanitary, 25 zoning, safety, fire, or construction codes or ordinances must be 26 considered to be substantially the same materials by the state tax 27 commission for the sake of replacement construction under this 28 section.
- (vi) An increase in taxable value attributable to the complete

- 1 or partial remediation of environmental contamination existing on
- 2 the immediately preceding tax day. The department of environment,
- 3 Great Lakes, and energy shall determine the degree of remediation
- 4 based on information available in existing department of
- 5 environment, Great Lakes, and energy records or information made
- 6 available to the department of environment, Great Lakes, and energy
- 7 if the appropriate assessing officer for a local tax collecting
- 8 unit requests that determination. The increase in taxable value
- 9 attributable to the remediation is the increase in true cash value
- 10 attributable to the remediation multiplied by a fraction, the
- 11 numerator of which is the taxable value of the property had it not
- 12 been contaminated and the denominator of which is the true cash
- 13 value of the property had it not been contaminated.
- 14 (vii) Public services. As used in this subparagraph, "public
- 15 services" means water service, sewer service, a primary access
- 16 road, natural gas service, electrical service, telephone service,
- 17 sidewalks, or street lighting. For purposes of determining the
- 18 taxable value of real property under section 27a, the value of
- 19 public services is the amount of increase in true cash value of the
- 20 property attributable to the available public services multiplied
- 21 by 0.50, and must be added in the calendar year following the
- 22 calendar year when those public services are initially available.
- (c) For taxes levied after 1994, additions do not include
- 24 increased value attributable to any of the following:
- 25 (i) Platting, splits, or combinations of property.
- 26 (ii) A change in the zoning of property.
- 27 (iii) For the purposes of the calculation of the millage
- 28 reduction fraction under subsection (7) only, increased taxable
- 29 value under section 27a(3) after a transfer of ownership of

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- 2 (d) "Assessed valuation of property as finally equalized"3 means taxable value under section 27a.
- 4 (e) "Financial officer" means the officer responsible for5 preparing the budget of a unit of local government.
- (f) "General price level" means the annual average of the 12
 monthly values for the United States Consumer Price Index for all
 urban consumers as defined and officially reported by the United
 States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.
- 10 (g) For taxes levied before 1995, "losses" means a decrease in 11 value caused by the removal or destruction of real or personal 12 property and the value of property taxed in the immediately 13 preceding year that has been exempted or removed from the 14 assessment unit's assessment roll.
- 15 (h) For taxes levied after 1994, "losses" means, except as 16 provided in subdivision (i), all of the following:
 - (i) Property that has been destroyed or removed. For purposes of determining the taxable value of property under section 27a, the value of property destroyed or removed is the product of the true cash value of that property multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the taxable value of that property in the immediately preceding year and the denominator of which is the true cash value of that property in the immediately preceding year.
 - (ii) Property that was subject to ad valorem taxation under this act in the immediately preceding year that is now exempt from ad valorem taxation under this act. For purposes of determining the taxable value of property under section 27a, the value of property exempted from ad valorem taxation under this act is the amount exempted.

(iii) Before December 31, 2013, an adjustment in value, if any, 1 2 because of a decrease in the property's occupancy rate, to the 3 extent provided by law. For purposes of determining the taxable value of real property under section 27a, the value of a loss for a 4 decrease in the property's occupancy rate is the product of the 5 6 decrease in the true cash value of the property attributable to the 7 decreased occupancy rate multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of 8 which is the taxable value of the property in the immediately 9 preceding year and the denominator of which is the true cash value 10 of the property in the immediately preceding year.

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(iv) A decrease in taxable value attributable to environmental contamination existing on the immediately preceding tax day. The department of environment, Great Lakes, and energy shall determine the degree to which environmental contamination limits the use of property based on information available in existing department of environment, Great Lakes, and energy records or information made available to the department of environment, Great Lakes, and energy if the appropriate assessing officer for a local tax collecting unit requests that determination. The department of environment, Great Lakes, and energy's determination of the degree to which environmental contamination limits the use of property must be based on the criteria established for the categories set forth in section 20120a(1) of the natural resources and environmental protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.20120a. The decrease in taxable value attributable to the contamination is the decrease in true cash value attributable to the contamination multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the taxable value of the property had it not been contaminated and the denominator of which

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- 1 contaminated.
- 2 (i) For taxes levied after 1994, losses do not include3 decreased value attributable to either of the following:
- 4 (i) Platting, splits, or combinations of property.
- 5 (ii) A change in the zoning of property.
- 6 (j) "New construction and improvements" means additions less7 losses.
- 8 (k) "Current year" means the year for which the millage9 limitation is being calculated.
- 10 (*l*) "Inflation rate" means the ratio of the general price level
 11 for the state fiscal year ending in the calendar year immediately
 12 preceding the current year divided by the general price level for
 13 the state fiscal year ending in the calendar year before the year
 14 immediately preceding the current year.
- 15 (2) On or before the first Monday in May of each year, the assessing officer of each township or city shall tabulate the 16 17 tentative taxable value as approved by the local board of review 18 and as modified by county equalization for each classification of 19 property that is separately equalized for each unit of local 20 government and provide the tabulated tentative taxable values to the county equalization director. The tabulation by the assessing 21 22 officer must contain additions and losses for each classification 23 of property that is separately equalized for each unit of local 24 government or part of a unit of local government in the township or 25 city. If as a result of state equalization the taxable value of property changes, the assessing officer of each township or city 26 27 shall revise the calculations required by this subsection on or 28 before the Friday following the fourth Monday in May. The county 29 equalization director shall compute these amounts and the current

- 1 and immediately preceding year's taxable values for each
- 2 classification of property that is separately equalized for each
- 3 unit of local government that levies taxes under this act within
- 4 the boundary of the county. The county equalization director shall
- 5 cooperate with equalization directors of neighboring counties, as
- 6 necessary, to make the computation for units of local government
- 7 located in more than 1 county. The county equalization director
- 8 shall calculate the millage reduction fraction for each unit of
- 9 local government in the county for the current year. The financial
- 10 officer for each taxing jurisdiction shall calculate the compounded
- 11 millage reduction fractions beginning in 1980 resulting from the
- 12 multiplication of successive millage reduction fractions and shall
- 13 recognize a local voter action to increase the compounded millage
- 14 reduction fraction to a maximum of 1 as a new beginning fraction.
- 15 Upon request of the superintendent of the intermediate school
- 16 district, the county equalization director shall transmit the
- 17 complete computations of the taxable values to the superintendent
- 18 of the intermediate school district within that county. At the
- 19 request of the presidents of community colleges, the county
- 20 equalization director shall transmit the complete computations of
- 21 the taxable values to the presidents of community colleges within
- 22 the county.
- 23 (3) On or before the first Monday in June of each year, the
- 24 county equalization director shall deliver the statement of the
- 25 computations signed by the county equalization director to the
- 26 county treasurer.
- 27 (4) On or before the second Monday in June of each year, the
- 28 treasurer of each county shall certify the immediately preceding
- 29 year's taxable values, the current year's taxable values, the

1 amount of additions and losses for the current year, and the
2 current year's millage reduction fraction for each unit of local

government that levies a property tax in the county.

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- 4 (5) The financial officer of each unit of local government 5 shall make the computation of the tax rate using the data certified 6 by the county treasurer and the state tax commission. At the annual 7 session in October, or, for a county or local tax collecting unit 8 that approves under section 44a(2) the accelerated collection in a 9 summer property tax levy of a millage that had been previously 10 billed and collected as in a preceding tax year as part of the 11 winter property tax levy, before a special meeting held before the annual levy on July 1, the county board of commissioners shall not 12 authorize the levy of a tax unless the governing body of the taxing 13 14 jurisdiction has certified that the requested millage has been 15 reduced, if necessary, in compliance with section 31 of article IX
- 17 (6) The number of mills permitted to be levied in a tax year
 18 is limited as provided in this section pursuant to section 31 of
 19 article IX of the state constitution of 1963. A unit of local
 20 government shall not levy a tax rate greater than the rate
 21 determined by reducing its maximum rate or rates authorized by law
 22 or charter by a millage reduction fraction as provided in this
 23 section without voter approval.
- 24 (7) A millage reduction fraction must be determined for each
 25 year for each local unit of government. For ad valorem property
 26 taxes that became a lien before January 1, 1983, the numerator of
 27 the fraction is the total state equalized valuation for the
 28 immediately preceding year multiplied by the inflation rate and the
 29 denominator of the fraction is the total state equalized valuation

- 1 for the current year minus new construction and improvements. For
- 2 ad valorem property taxes that become a lien after December 31,
- 3 1982 and through December 31, 1994, the numerator of the fraction
- 4 is the product of the difference between the total state equalized
- 5 valuation for the immediately preceding year minus losses
- 6 multiplied by the inflation rate and the denominator of the
- 7 fraction is the total state equalized valuation for the current
- 8 year minus additions. For ad valorem property taxes that are levied
- 9 after December 31, 1994, the numerator of the fraction is the
- 10 product of the difference between the total taxable value for the
- 11 immediately preceding year minus losses multiplied by the inflation
- 12 rate and the denominator of the fraction is the total taxable value
- 13 for the current year minus additions. For each year after 1993, a
- 14 millage reduction fraction must not exceed 1.
- 15 (8) The compounded millage reduction fraction must be
- 16 calculated by multiplying the local unit's previous year's
- 17 compounded millage reduction fraction by the current year's millage
- 18 reduction fraction. The compounded millage reduction fraction for
- 19 the year must be multiplied by the maximum millage rate authorized
- 20 by law or charter for the unit of local government for the year,
- 21 except as provided by subsection (9). A compounded millage
- 22 reduction fraction must not exceed 1.
- 23 (9) The millage reduction must be determined separately for
- 24 authorized millage approved by the voters. The limitation on
- 25 millage authorized by the voters on or before April 30 of a year
- 26 must be calculated beginning with the millage reduction fraction
- 27 for that year. Millage authorized by the voters after April 30 is
- 28 not subject to a millage reduction until the year following the
- 29 voter authorization which must be calculated beginning with the

- 1 millage reduction fraction for the year following the
- 2 authorization. The first millage reduction fraction used in
- 3 calculating the limitation on millage approved by the voters after
- 4 January 1, 1979 must not exceed 1.
- 5 (10) A millage reduction fraction must be applied separately
- 6 to the aggregate maximum millage rate authorized by a charter and
- 7 to each maximum millage rate authorized by state law for a specific
- 8 purpose.
- 9 (11) A unit of local government may submit to the voters for
- 10 their approval the levy in that year of a tax rate in excess of the
- 11 limit set by this section. The ballot question must ask the voters
- 12 to approve the levy of a specific number of mills in excess of the
- 13 limit. The provisions of this section do not allow the levy of a
- 14 millage rate in excess of the maximum rate authorized by law or
- 15 charter. If the authorization to levy millage expires after 1993
- 16 and a local governmental unit is asking voters to renew the
- 17 authorization to levy the millage, the ballot question must ask for
- 18 renewed authorization for the number of expiring mills as reduced
- 19 by the millage reduction required by this section. If the election
- 20 occurs before June 1 of a year, the millage reduction is based on
- 21 the immediately preceding year's millage reduction applicable to
- 22 that millage. If the election occurs after May 31 of a year, the
- 23 millage reduction must be based on that year's millage reduction
- 24 applicable to that millage had it not expired.
- 25 (12) A reduction or limitation under this section must not be
- 26 applied to taxes imposed for the payment of principal and interest
- 27 on bonds or other evidence of indebtedness or for the payment of
- 28 assessments or contract obligations in anticipation of which bonds
- 29 are issued that were authorized before December 23, 1978, as

- 1 provided by section 4 of chapter I of former 1943 PA 202, or to
- 2 taxes imposed for the payment of principal and interest on bonds or
- ${f 3}$ other evidence of indebtedness or for the payment of assessments or
- 4 contract obligations in anticipation of which bonds are issued that
- 5 are approved by the voters after December 22, 1978.
- 6 (13) If it is determined after the levy of a tax that an
- 7 incorrect millage reduction fraction has been applied, the amount
- 8 of additional tax revenue or the shortage of tax revenue must be
- 9 deducted from or added to the next regular tax levy for that unit
- 10 of local government after the determination of the authorized rate
- 11 pursuant to this section.
- 12 (14) If as a result of an appeal of county equalization or
- 13 state equalization the taxable value of a unit of local government
- 14 changes, the millage reduction fraction for the year must be
- 15 recalculated. The financial officer shall effectuate an addition or
- 16 reduction of tax revenue in the same manner as prescribed in
- **17** subsection (13).
- 18 (15) The fractions calculated pursuant to this section must be
- 19 rounded to 4 decimal places, except that the inflation rate must be
- 20 computed by the state tax commission and must be rounded to 3
- 21 decimal places. The state tax commission shall publish the
- 22 inflation rate before March 1 of each year.
- 23 (16) Beginning with taxes levied in 1994, the millage
- 24 reduction required by section 31 of article IX of the state
- 25 constitution of 1963 permanently reduces the maximum rate or rates
- 26 authorized by law or charter. The reduced maximum authorized rate
- 27 or rates for 1994 must equal the product of the maximum rate or
- 28 rates authorized by law or charter before application of this
- 29 section multiplied by the compounded millage reduction applicable

- 1 to that millage in 1994 pursuant to subsections (8) to (12). The
- 2 reduced maximum authorized rate or rates for 1995 and each year
- 3 after 1995 must equal the product of the immediately preceding
- 4 year's reduced maximum authorized rate or rates multiplied by the
- 5 current year's millage reduction fraction and must be adjusted for
- 6 millage for which authorization has expired and new authorized
- 7 millage approved by the voters pursuant to subsections (8) to (12).