

WORKING DRAFT

HOUSE BILL NO. _____

Community colleges-property tax expenditures.

Sponsored by: HDRAFT

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) and (i),
9 (g) (intro) and by creating a new subsection (h) is amended
10 to read:

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

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

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

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

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20 (h) The county treasurer shall distribute revenues
21 collected under any additional levy authorized under
22 subsection (f) of this section at an election held on or
23 after July 1, 2007, to the treasurer of the appropriate
24 community college district board of trustees in the same

1 manner as revenues from the levy imposed under W.S.
2 21-18-304(a)(vii). Revenues distributed pursuant to this
3 subsection shall be included within the district's
4 estimated and reportable revenues for purposes of the
5 biennial funding report of the district under W.S.
6 21-18-205(b) but shall not be restricted by the commission
7 in any manner. The revenues may be used for the regular
8 support and operation of a community college and subject to
9 approval of the commission and legislature pursuant to W.S.
10 21-18-205(g), for purposes of capital outlay for district
11 capital facility repair, maintenance, construction and
12 renovation needs.

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14 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2007.

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