

HOUSE BILL NO. 1170

Introduced by

Representatives Bellew, Maragos

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 57-15-12 and 57-15-12.2 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to park district general fund levy limitations and an excess levy for a
3 comprehensive health care program for district employees; and to provide an effective date.

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 57-15-12 of the North Dakota Century Code is
6 amended and reenacted as follows:

7 **57-15-12. General fund levy limitations in park districts.** The aggregate amount
8 levied for park district general fund purposes, exclusive of levies to pay interest on bonded debt
9 and levies to pay and discharge the principal thereof, and levies to pay the principal and interest
10 on special assessments assessed and levied against park board properties by other
11 municipalities, may not exceed the sum of the number of mills levied by the park district in
12 taxable year 2000 for the general fund under section 57-15-12 including any additional levy
13 approved by the electors, the insurance reserve fund under section 32-12.1-08, ~~the employee~~
14 ~~health care program under section 40-49-12~~, the public recreation system under section
15 40-55-09 including any additional levy approved by the electors, forestry purposes under
16 section 57-15-12.1 except any additional levy approved by the electors, pest control under
17 section 4-33-11, and handicapped person programs and activities under section 57-15-60. A
18 park district may increase its general fund levy under this section to any number of mills
19 approved by a majority of the electors of the park district voting on the question at a regular or
20 special park district election, up to a maximum levy under this section of ~~thirty-five~~ thirty-four
21 mills on the dollar of the taxable valuation of the district for the current year.

22 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 57-15-12.2 of the North Dakota Century Code is
23 amended and reenacted as follows:

1 **57-15-12.2. Exceptions to tax levy limitations for park districts.** The general fund
2 levy limitations specified in section 57-15-12 do not apply to the following levies in a park
3 district:

- 4 1. Levying a tax for an employees' pension fund according to sections 40-49-21 and
5 40-49-22 and a park district may levy a tax not exceeding the amount necessary
6 for the district's annual contribution to the employees' pension fund.
- 7 2. Levying an additional tax approved by the electors providing for forestry activities in
8 accordance with section 57-15-12.1 in an amount not exceeding three mills.
- 9 3. Levying a tax for parks and recreational facilities in accordance with section
10 57-15-12.3 in an amount not exceeding five mills.
- 11 4. A park district levying a tax for a comprehensive health care program for district
12 employees in accordance with section 40-49-12 may levy a tax not exceeding two
13 mills.

14 **SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Act is effective for taxable years beginning after
15 December 31, 2002.