

1 AN ACT in relation to education.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,  
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by adding Section  
5 34-53.5 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/34-53.5 new)

7 Sec. 34-53.5. Capital improvement tax levy; purpose;  
8 maximum amount.

9 (a) For the purpose of providing a reliable source of  
10 revenue for capital improvement purposes, including without  
11 limitation (i) the construction and equipping of a new school  
12 building or buildings or an addition or additions to an  
13 existing school building or buildings, (ii) the purchase of  
14 school grounds on which any new school building or an  
15 addition to an existing school building is to be constructed  
16 or located, (iii) both items (i) and (ii) of this subsection  
17 (a), or (iv) the rehabilitation, renovation, and equipping of  
18 an existing school building or buildings, the board may levy,  
19 upon all taxable property of the school district, in calendar  
20 year 2003, a capital improvement tax to produce, when  
21 extended, an amount not to exceed the product attained by  
22 multiplying (1) the percentage increase, if any, in the  
23 Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for all items  
24 published by the United States Department of Labor for the 12  
25 months ending 2 months prior to the month in which the levy  
26 is adopted by (2) \$142,500,000. For example, if the  
27 percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index is 2.5%, then  
28 the computation would be \$142,500,000 x 0.025 = \$3,562,500.

29 (b) In each calendar year from 2004 through 2030, the  
30 board may levy a capital improvement tax to produce, when  
31 extended, an amount not to exceed the sum of (1) the maximum

1 amount that could have been levied by the board in the  
2 preceding calendar year pursuant to this Section and (2) the  
3 product obtained by multiplying (A) the sum of (i) the  
4 maximum amount that could have been levied by the board in  
5 the preceding calendar year pursuant to this Section and (ii)  
6 \$142,500,000 by (B) the percentage increase, if any, in the  
7 Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for all items  
8 published by the United States Department of Labor for the 12  
9 months ending 2 months prior to the month in which the levy  
10 is adopted.

11 (c) In calendar year 2031, the board may levy a capital  
12 improvement tax to produce, when extended, an amount not to  
13 exceed the sum of (1) the maximum amount that could have been  
14 levied by the board in calendar year 2030 pursuant to this  
15 Section, (2) \$142,500,000, and (3) the product obtained by  
16 multiplying (A) the sum of (i) the maximum amount that could  
17 have been levied by the board in calendar year 2030 pursuant  
18 to this Section and (ii) \$142,500,000 by (B) the percentage  
19 increase, if any, in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban  
20 Consumers for all items published by the United States  
21 Department of Labor for the 12 months ending 2 months prior  
22 to the month in which the levy is adopted.

23 (d) In calendar year 2032 and each calendar year  
24 thereafter, the board may levy a capital improvement tax to  
25 produce, when extended, an amount not to exceed the sum of  
26 (1) the maximum amount that could have been levied by the  
27 board in the preceding calendar year pursuant to this Section  
28 and (2) the product obtained by multiplying (A) the maximum  
29 amount that could have been levied by the board in the  
30 preceding calendar year pursuant to this Section by (B) the  
31 percentage increase, if any, in the Consumer Price Index for  
32 All Urban Consumers for all items published by the United  
33 States Department of Labor for the 12 months ending 2 months  
34 prior to the month in which the levy is adopted.

1       (e) An initial tax levy made by the board under this  
2       Section must have the approval of the Chicago City Council,  
3       by resolution, before the levy may be extended. The board  
4       shall communicate its adoption of the initial tax levy by  
5       delivering a certified copy of the levy resolution to the  
6       Clerk of the City of Chicago. The Chicago City Council shall  
7       have 60 days after receipt, by the Clerk of the City of  
8       Chicago, of the certified resolution to approve or disapprove  
9       the levy. The failure of the Chicago City Council to take  
10       action to approve or disapprove the initial tax levy within  
11       the 60-day period shall be deemed disapproval of the initial  
12       tax levy. Upon the adoption of each subsequent levy by the  
13       board under this Section, the board must notify the Chicago  
14       City Council that the board has adopted the levy.

15       (f) The board may issue bonds, in accordance with the  
16       Local Government Debt Reform Act, including Section 15 of  
17       that Act, against any revenues to be collected from the  
18       capital improvement tax in any year or years and may pledge,  
19       pursuant to Section 13 of the Local Government Debt Reform  
20       Act, those revenues as security for the payment of any such  
21       bonds.

22       Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
23       becoming law.