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LEGISLATIVE BILL 432

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- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Budget Act; to amend section
- 2 13-508, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016; to eliminate
- 3 provisions relating to the amount of tax required to fund the
- 4 adopted budget; to provide operative dates; to repeal the original
- 5 section; and to declare an emergency.
- 6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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Section 1. Section 13-508, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2 2016, is amended to read:

3 13-508 (1) After publication and hearing thereon and within the time 4 prescribed by law, each governing body, except as provided in subsection 5 (3) of this section, shall file with and certify to the levying board or boards on or before September 20 of each year or September 20 of the 6 7 final year of a biennial period and file with the auditor a copy of the adopted budget statement which complies with sections 13-518 to 13-522 or 8 9 79-1023 to 79-1030, together with the amount of the tax required to fund 10 the adopted budget, setting out separately (a) the amount to be levied for the payment of principal or interest on bonds issued by the governing 11 body and (b) the amount to be levied for all other purposes. Proof of 12 13 publication shall be attached to the statements. For fiscal years prior to fiscal year 2017-18, learning communities shall also file a copy of 14 15 such adopted budget statement with member school districts on or before September 1 of each year. The governing body, in certifying the amount 16 17 required, may make allowance for delinquent taxes not exceeding five 18 percent of the amount required plus the actual percentage of delinquent 19 taxes for the preceding tax year or biennial period and for the amount of estimated tax loss from any pending or anticipated litigation which 20 21 involves taxation and in which tax collections have been or can be 22 withheld or escrowed by court order. For purposes of this section, 23 anticipated litigation shall be limited to the anticipation of an action 24 being filed by a taxpayer who or which filed a similar action for the 25 preceding year or biennial period which is still pending. Except for such allowances, a governing body shall not certify an amount of tax more than 26 27 one percent greater or lesser than the amount determined under section 28 13-505.

(2) Each governing body shall use the certified taxable values as provided by the county assessor pursuant to section 13-509 for the current year in setting or certifying the levy. Each governing body may

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1 designate one of its members to perform any duty or responsibility

- 2 required of such body by this section.
- 3 (3)(a) A Class I school district shall do the filing and
- 4 certification required by subsection (1) of this section on or before
- 5 August 1 of each year.
- 6 (b) For fiscal years prior to fiscal year 2017-18, learning
- 7 communities shall do such filing and certification on or before September
- 8 1 of each year.
- 9 Sec. 2. Sections 1 and 3 of this act become operative on July 1,
- 10 2017. The other sections of this act becomes operative on their effective
- 11 date.
- 12 Sec. 3. Original section 13-508, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 13 Supplement, 2016, is repealed.
- 14 Sec. 4. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when
- 15 passed and approved according to law.