



# COMMITTEE REPORT

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## MR. PRESIDENT:

**The Senate Committee on Tax and Fiscal Policy, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 8, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:**

- 1       Page 1, line 11, reset in roman "a public library".
- 2       Page 1, line 12, reset in roman "or".
- 3       Page 2, line 3, reset in roman "or".
- 4       Page 2, line 5, delete "or".
- 5       Page 2, delete lines 6 through 8.
- 6       Page 2, line 13, delete "However, the governing body shall submit  
7       its proposed".
- 8       Page 2, delete lines 14 through 18.
- 9       Page 2, line 19, delete "or, in the case of a public".
- 10      Page 2, delete line 20.
- 11      Page 2, line 21, delete "county,".
- 12      Page 4, delete lines 4 through 42.
- 13      Delete pages 5 through 7.
- 14      Page 8, delete lines 1 through 35, begin a new paragraph and insert:  
15       "SECTION 1. IC 6-1.1-17-20.3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.230-2025,  
16       SECTION 44, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
17       JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 20.3. (a) Except as provided in section 20.4 of this  
18       chapter, this section applies only to the governing body of a public  
19       library that:
- 20       (1) is not comprised of a majority of officials who are elected to

serve on the governing body; and

(2) has a percentage increase in the proposed budget for the taxing unit for the ensuing calendar year that is **more than the result equal to or more than fifty percent (50%)** of

(A) the maximum levy growth quotient determined under IC 6-1.1-18.5-2 for the ensuing calendar year, rounded to the nearest thousandth (0.001). ~~minus~~

(B) one (1).

9 For purposes of this section, an individual who qualifies to be  
10 appointed to a governing body or serves on a governing body because  
11 of the individual's status as an elected official of another taxing unit  
12 shall be treated as an official who was not elected to serve on the  
13 governing body.

17 (c) If:

(1) the assessed valuation of a public library's territory is entirely contained within a city or town; or

(2) the assessed valuation of a public library's territory is not entirely contained within a city or town but more than fifty percent (50%) of the assessed valuation of the public library's territory is contained within the city or town;

24 the governing body shall submit its proposed budget and property tax  
25 levy to the city or town fiscal body in the manner prescribed by the  
26 department of local government finance before September 2 of a year.  
27 However, the governing body shall submit its proposed budget and  
28 property tax levy to the county fiscal body in the manner provided in  
29 subsection (d), rather than to the city or town fiscal body, if more than  
30 fifty percent (50%) of the parcels of real property within the  
31 jurisdiction of the public library are located outside the city or town.

39 (e) The fiscal body of the city, town, or county (whichever applies)  
40 shall review each budget and proposed tax levy and adopt a final  
41 budget and tax levy for the public library. The fiscal body may reduce  
42 or modify but not increase the proposed budget or tax levy.

1       (f) If a public library fails to file the information required in  
2 subsection (c) or (d), whichever applies, with the appropriate fiscal  
3 body by the time prescribed by this section, when calculating the  
4 maximum ad valorem property tax levy under IC 6-1.1-18.5-3(a) for  
5 the public library for the ensuing budget year, instead of multiplying  
6 the maximum levy growth quotient determined under  
7 IC 6-1.1-18.5-2(b) or IC 6-1.1-18.5-2(e) (as applicable) for the year by  
8 the public library's maximum permissible ad valorem property tax levy  
9 for the preceding calendar year as prescribed in STEP TWO of  
10 IC 6-1.1-18.5-3(a), for purposes of STEP TWO of IC 6-1.1-18.5-3(a),  
11 the public library's maximum permissible ad valorem property tax levy  
12 for the preceding calendar year must instead be multiplied by the result  
13 of the following:

14       STEP ONE: Determine:

15           (A) the result of STEP FOUR of IC 6-1.1-18.5-2(b) or STEP  
16 FIVE of IC 6-1.1-18.5-2(e) (as applicable); minus  
17           (B) one (1).

18       STEP TWO: Multiply:

19           (A) the STEP ONE result; by  
20           (B) eight-tenths (0.8).

21       STEP THREE: Add one (1) to the STEP TWO result.

22       However, if the public library files the information as required in  
23 subsection (c) or (d), whichever applies, for the budget year  
24 immediately following the budget year for which the formula under this  
25 subsection is applied, when calculating the maximum ad valorem  
26 property tax levy under IC 6-1.1-18.5-3(a) for the public library for the  
27 subsequent budget year, the public library's maximum permissible ad  
28 valorem property tax levy must be calculated as if the formula under  
29 this subsection had not been applied for the affected budget year.

30       (g) If the appropriate fiscal body fails to complete the requirements  
31 of subsection (e) before the adoption deadline in section 5 of this  
32 chapter for any public library subject to this section, when calculating  
33 the maximum ad valorem property tax levy under IC 6-1.1-18.5-3(a)  
34 for the city, town, or county for the ensuing budget year, instead of  
35 multiplying the maximum levy growth quotient determined under  
36 IC 6-1.1-18.5-2(b) or IC 6-1.1-18.5-2(e) (as applicable) for the year by  
37 the city's, town's, or county's maximum permissible ad valorem  
38 property tax levy for the preceding calendar year as prescribed in STEP  
39 TWO of IC 6-1.1-18.5-3(a), for purposes of STEP TWO of  
40 IC 6-1.1-18.5-3(a), the city's, town's, or county's maximum permissible  
41 ad valorem property tax levy for the preceding calendar year must  
42 instead be multiplied by the result of the following:

1                   STEP ONE: Determine:  
2                   (A) the result of STEP FOUR of IC 6-1.1-18.5-2(b) or STEP  
3                   FIVE of IC 6-1.1-18.5-2(e) (as applicable); minus  
4                   (B) one (1).  
5                   STEP TWO: Multiply:  
6                   (A) the STEP ONE result; by  
7                   (B) eight-tenths (0.8).  
8                   STEP THREE: Add one (1) to the STEP TWO result.  
9                   However, if the city, town, or county files the information as required  
10                  in subsection (e) for the budget year immediately following the budget  
11                  year for which the formula under this subsection is applied, when  
12                  calculating the maximum ad valorem property tax levy under  
13                  IC 6-1.1-18.5-3(a) for the city, town, or county for the subsequent  
14                  budget year, the unit's maximum permissible ad valorem property tax  
15                  levy must be calculated as if the formula under this subsection had not  
16                  been applied for the affected budget year.".   
17                  Page 8, delete lines 36 through 42.  
18                  Delete pages 9 through 13.  
                        (Reference is to SB 8 as introduced.)

**and when so amended that said bill do pass .**

Committee Vote: Yeas 9, Nays 1.

**Senator Holdman, Chairperson**