No. 276

AN ACT

HB 398

Amending the act of June 24, 1931 (P.L.1206), entitled "An act concerning townships of the first class; amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating thereto," increasing millage of annual tax for general township purposes.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Clause One of section 1709, act of June 24, 1931 (P.L.1206), known as "The First Class Township Code," reenacted and amended May 27, 1949 (P.L.1955), and amended April 27, 1967 (P.L.20), is amended to read:

Section 1709. Tax Levies.—The board of township commissioners may levy taxes upon all property and upon all occupations within the township made taxable for township purposes, as ascertained by the valuation for county purposes made by the assessors of the several counties of this Commonwealth for the year for which the township taxes are levied, for the purposes and at the rate hereinafter specified: Provided, however, That such valuation shall be subject to correction by the county commissioners of the several counties, and to appeal by the taxable persons in accordance with existing laws.

One. An annual tax for general township purposes, not exceeding [twenty-five] thirty mills, unless the board of township commissioners by majority action shall, upon due cause shown by resolution, petition the court of quarter sessions, in which case the court may order a rate of not more than five mills additional to be levied: Further provided, That if, at the hearing before the court of quarter sessions upon said petition, of which notice shall be given as the court may direct, which hearing shall be held not less than ten nor more than fifteen days after said petition shall be presented, the owners of real estate having assessed valuation of fifty per centum of the total assessed valuation of real estate in said township shall, by petition, object to the making of an order for any additional tax levy, the court shall thereupon deny the prayer of said petition.

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APPROVED—The 22nd day of November, A. D. 1972.

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The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly No. 276.

Secretary of the Commonwealth.

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