

Amend CSHB 2 as follows:

(1) In the introductory language of Section 1A.12 of the bill (committee printing, page 4, line 3), strike "(e) and (f)" and substitute "(e), (f), and (g)".

(2) At the end of Section 1A.12 of the bill (committee printing, page 4, between lines 21 and 22), insert the following:

(g) Notwithstanding Subsections (d), (e), and (f), if a school district's maintenance and operations tax rate for the 2004 tax year exceeded a rate of \$1.50 for each \$100 of taxable value of property, the district is entitled to impose an ad valorem tax under this section:

(1) without authorization at an election held for that purpose; and

(2) at a rate not to exceed the sum of:

(A) the rate authorized under this section; and

(B) a rate equal to the amount by which the district's maintenance and operations tax rate for the 2004 tax year exceeded a rate of \$1.50 for each \$100 of taxable value of property.