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Subcommittee Recommendation Template

Subcommittee Name: Local Government

Recommendation:

Require voter approved mills to sunset after 10 years except for bond levies.

Rationale:

Voter approved levies currently remain in perpetuity, so any approved levy represents a permanent increase in revenue authority. Changing mills to sunset after 10 years allows voters a chance to reaffirm or deny these mills after 10 years.

Barriers Addressed:

A 10-year sunset on mills will reduce property taxes for issues that voters no longer approve rather than constantly compounding budget authorities.

Key Strategies:

The state legislature should consider implementing a 10-year sunset on voter approved levies.

Dissenting Opinions (if applicable):

None

Supporting Graphics, Weblinks, or other documentation:

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