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HOUSE BILL No. 464

(By Mr. Neal)

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[Passed March 12, 1937; in effect from passage.]

AN ACT providing financial relief for the county court of Nicholas

County; enabling such court to lay a larger levy than the limits

now prescribed for levies by county courts for current pur
poses in order to maintain the basic and indispensable func
tions of said county; prescribing further limits for such cur
rent county levy; finding as a matter of fact that such county

cannot maintain the basic and indispensable functions of gov
ernment within present limitations for current levies on the

various classes of property; prescribing the method whereby

such additional levies may be made, and authorizing the laying

of the same, and prescribing further maximum limits on the

various classes of property for the laying of such county levy

for current purposes.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. Purpose of Act. It is hereby found and ascertained as a matter of fact that the county court of Nicho-3 las County has been compelled to levy the maximum present authorized levy for current purposes on all classes of property in the fiscal year commencing on the first day of July, one 5 6 thousand nine hundred thirty-three, the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirty-four, and the first day of 8-9 July, one thousand nine hundred thirty-five, in order to maintain the basic and indispensable functions of government 11 for which county courts have prior to such years imposed the 12 levies; and has further been compelled to overdraft upon the 13 general county fund of said county for which such levy was 14 made, in order to maintain such basic and indispensable functions of government.

Sec. 2. Finding of Facts by County Court; Publication.

The said county court of Nicholas County is therefore hereby authorized and empowered on or before the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven, to ascertain and find as a matter of fact the total amount of such overdrafts for each of said three fiscal years, and in such case the court shall further find by as accurate an estimate as can

8 reasonably be made under the circumstances, the probable 9 amount of overdraft for the fiscal year beginning the first 10 day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirty-six; and such court shall also at such time further find the probable amount 11 of additional funds required yearly for the proper carry-12 ing into effect of the recently enacted legislation known as 13 14 the "Public Assistance Act"; and the court at such time shall also further find as a matter of fact that the minimum amount 15 16 of levy for current county purposes, including the retirement of such overdraft during the three succeeding fiscal years, and 17 18 the additional amount necessary for the proper carrying into effect of such "Public Assistance Act", shall be required in 19 20 the future for the maintenance of the basic and indispensable 21 functions of government; which findings shall be entered of 22 record by said court and a copy of which findings shall be posted at the front door of said courthouse of said county 23 24 within three days after the date thereof.

Sec. 3. County Court Authorized to Lay Levy. Said

2 county court of Nicholas County shall, at its session on the first

3 Tuesday in August of each fiscal year thereafter, change and

4 correct such finding of fact if they ascertain that the same

- 5 needs to be corrected in order to accord with facts at such
- 6 time ascertained and existing; and such court is hereby au-
- 7 thorized and empowered at such session to lay a levy for
- 8 current county purposes in the manner now provided by law.
- 9 And said court is hereby further authorized and empowered at
- 10 such session to lay an additional levy for current county pur-
- 11 poses, to be known as "additional county levy", which ad-
- 12 ditional county levy shall be supplemental to the county cur-
- 13 rent levy and the sum of the two levies shall not exceed the
- 14 respective amounts ascertained by such findings of fact for
- 15 the respective classes of property: Provided, however, That in
- 16 no case shall the sum of both levies on class I property ex-
- 17 ceed eleven and twenty-five one-hundredths; on class II prop-
- 18 erty exceed twenty-two and five-tenths cents; and on classes
- 19 III and IV property exceed forty-five cents.
- 20 The relief provided for in this act shall be cumulative, and
- 21 nothing in this act shall repeal any law now existing with
- 22 respect to laying and collecting tax levies.

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The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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Governor.

Filed in the office of the Secretary of State of West Virginia. MAR 191937 Wm. S. O'BRIEN, Secretary of State

I certify that the foregoing act, asving been presented to the Governor for his approval, and not having been returned by him to the House of the Legislature in which it originated within the time preseribed by the constitution of the state, has become a law without his approval.

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