
FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION COMMISSION

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Notification of district net indebtedness

(R.C. 133.06)

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Background

Continuing law generally prohibits a school district from incurring net indebtedness exceeding 9% of its tax valuation. A district also may not submit to its voters the question of incurring new debt that will make the district's net indebtedness exceed 4% of its tax valuation, unless the state Superintendent consents to the submission. (Except for limited debt to purchase energy conservation improvements in its buildings, or alternative fuel vehicles, a district may not issue debt in excess of 0.1% of its tax valuation without voter approval.)

School districts, however, may exceed those limits when necessary to raise the district share to participate in a school facilities project. The district must notify the state Superintendent whenever a district will exceed either limit.