LOCAL TAX AMENDMENTS
2019 GENERAL SESSION
STATE OF UTAH
Chief Sponsor: John Knotwell
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LONG TITLE
General Description:
This bill establishes and amends provisions related to certain local governments'
authority to levy certain property taxes.
Highlighted Provisions:
This bill:
 consolidates several provisions that give certain municipalities authority to levy
certain property taxes;
• establishes provisions for a municipality or a county that levies a property tax to
account separately for the revenues derived from that property tax; and
makes conforming changes.
Money Appropriated in this Bill:
None
Other Special Clauses:
None
Utah Code Sections Affected:
AMENDS:
9-7-402, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 1992, Chapter 241
ENACTS:
10-5-112.4, Utah Code Annotated 1953
10-5-112.5, Utah Code Annotated 1953
10-6-133.4, Utah Code Annotated 1953

	10-6-133.5 , Utah Code Annotated 1953
	17-36-31.5, Utah Code Annotated 1953
RE	PEALS:
	9-7-401, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2018, Chapter 436
	10-7-14.2, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 329
	10-8-91, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2003, Chapter 292
Ве	it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
	Section 1. Section 9-7-402 is amended to read:
	9-7-402. Establishment and maintenance of public library Library board of
dir	ectors Expenses.
	(1) A city's governing body may establish and maintain a public library.
	[(1)] (2) When the city governing body decides to establish and maintain a city public
lib	rary under the provisions of this part, it shall appoint a library board of directors of not less
tha	n five members and not more than nine members, chosen from the citizens of the city and
bas	ed upon their fitness for the office.
	[(2)] (3) Only one member of the city governing body may be, at any one time, a
me	mber of the board.
	[(3)] (4) Each director shall serve without compensation, but their actual and necessary
exp	penses incurred in the performance of their official duties may be paid from library funds.
	Section 2. Section 10-5-112.4 is enacted to read:
	<u>10-5-112.4.</u> Property taxes levied for specified services Special revenue fund
Liı	nitations on expenditures.
	(1) A town may account separately for the revenues derived from a property tax, that is
lav	fully levied for a specific purpose, in accordance with this section.
	(2) To levy a property tax under this section, the legislative body of the town that levies
the	property tax shall indicate through ordinance:

56	(a) that the town levies the tax under this section; and
57	(b) the specific service for which the town levies the tax.
58	(3) A property tax levied under this section is subject to the maximum rate a town may
59	levy for property taxes under Section 10-5-112.
60	(4) (a) A town that collects a property tax under this section shall:
51	(i) create a special revenue fund to hold the revenues collected under this section; and
52	(ii) deposit revenues collected from that tax into the special revenue fund described in
63	Subsection (4)(a)(i).
54	(b) A town may only expend revenues from a special revenue fund described in
55	Subsection (4)(a) for a purpose that is solely related to the provision of the service described in
66	Subsection (2)(b) for which the town created the special revenue fund.
67	(5) Except as provided in Subsections (2) and (4), a town that levies a property tax
68	under this section shall:
59	(a) levy and collect the tax in accordance with Title 59, Chapter 2, Property Tax Act;
70	(b) account for revenues derived from the tax in accordance with this chapter; and
71	(c) levy and collect and account for revenues derived from the tax in the same general
72	manner as for the town's other property taxes.
73	Section 3. Section 10-5-112.5 is enacted to read:
74	10-5-112.5. Property tax levy for culinary water, wastewater treatment, hospitals,
75	and recreational facilities.
76	(1) A town may levy a property tax for a purpose described in this section.
77	(2) (a) A town that is not in an improvement district created to establish and maintain a
78	wastewater collection, treatment, or disposal system or a system for the supply, treatment, or
79	distribution of water under Title 17B, Chapter 2a, Part 4, Improvement District Act, may levy
80	tax annually not to exceed .0008 per dollar of taxable value of taxable property in the town.
31	(b) The town shall place revenue raised by the levy described in Subsection (2)(a) in a
32	special fund and may only use the revenue to:

83	(1) finance the construction of facilities to purify the town's drinking water; or
84	(ii) construct facilities to treat and dispose of the town's wastewater.
85	(c) The town may accumulate from year to year and reserve in the special fund
86	described in Subsection (2)(b) the revenue collected through the levy described in this
87	Subsection (2).
88	(d) The town shall make and collect the levy described in this Subsection (2) in the
89	same manner as the town levies and collects other property taxes.
90	(3) A town may levy a tax not exceeding .001 per dollar of taxable value of taxable
91	property to own or operate a hospital under Section 10-8-90.
92	(4) The governing body of a town may, under Section 11-2-7, annually appropriate and
93	cause to be raised by taxation, money to cover an expense described in Section 11-2-7 for the
94	provision of recreational facilities or other services described in Title 11, Chapter 2,
95	Playgrounds.
96	Section 4. Section 10-6-133.4 is enacted to read:
97	<u>10-6-133.4.</u> Property taxes levied for specified services Special revenue fund
98	Limitations on use Collection, accounting, and expenditures.
99	(1) A city may account separately for the revenues derived from a property tax, that is
100	lawfully levied for a specific purpose, in accordance with this section.
101	(2) To levy a property tax under this section, the legislative body of the city that levies
102	the property tax shall indicate through ordinance:
103	(a) that the city levies the tax under this section; and
104	(b) the specific service for which the city levies the tax.
105	(3) A property tax levied under this section is subject to the maximum rate a city may
106	levy for property taxes under Section 10-6-133.
107	(4) (a) A city that collects a property tax under this section shall:
108	(i) create a special revenue fund to hold the revenues collected under this section; and
109	(ii) deposit revenues collected from that tax into the special revenue fund described in

110	Subsection (4)(a)(i).
111	(b) A city may only expend revenues from a special revenue fund described in
112	Subsection (4)(a) for a purpose that is solely related to the provision of the service described in
113	Subsection (2)(b) for which the city created the special revenue fund.
114	(5) Except as provided in Subsections (2) and (4), a city that levies a property tax under
115	this section shall:
116	(a) levy and collect the tax in accordance with Title 59, Chapter 2, Property Tax Act;
117	(b) account for revenues derived from the tax in accordance with this chapter; and
118	(c) levy and collect and account for revenues derived from the tax in the same general
119	manner as for the city's other property taxes.
120	Section 5. Section 10-6-133.5 is enacted to read:
121	10-6-133.5. Property tax levy for culinary water, wastewater treatment, hospitals,
122	recreational facilities, and libraries.
123	(1) A city may levy a property tax for a purpose described in this section in accordance
124	with this section.
125	(2) (a) A city that is not in an improvement district created to establish and maintain a
126	wastewater collection, treatment, or disposal system or a system for the supply, treatment, or
127	distribution of water under Title 17B, Chapter 2a, Part 4, Improvement District Act, may levy a
128	tax annually not to exceed .0008 per dollar of taxable value of taxable property in the city.
129	(b) The city shall place revenue raised by the levy described in Subsection (2)(a) in a
130	special fund and may only use the revenue to:
131	(i) finance the construction of facilities to purify the city's drinking water; or
132	(ii) construct facilities to treat and dispose of the city's wastewater.
133	(c) The city may accumulate from year to year and reserve in the special fund described
134	in Subsection (2)(b) the revenue collected through the levy described in Subsection (1).
135	(d) The city shall make and collect the levy described in this Subsection (2) in the same
136	manner as the city levies and collects other property taxes.

137	(3) A city of the third, fourth, or fifth class may levy a tax not exceeding .001 per dollar
138	of taxable value of taxable property to own or operate a hospital under Section 10-8-90.
139	(4) The governing body of a city may, under Section 11-2-7, annually appropriate and
140	cause to be raised by taxation, money to cover an expense described in Section 11-2-7 for the
141	provision of recreational facilities or other services described in Title 11, Chapter 2,
142	Playgrounds.
143	(5) (a) A city that establishes or maintains a public library under Title 9, Chapter 7,
144	Part 4, City Libraries, may levy annually a tax not to exceed .001 of taxable value of taxable
145	property in the city.
146	(b) If bonds are issued for a library described in Subsection (5)(a) to purchase a site, or
147	construct or furnish a building, the city may levy taxes sufficient for the payment of the bonds
148	and any interest on the bonds.
149	(c) The city shall, for the taxes described in Subsection (5)(a) or (b):
150	(i) levy and collect the taxes in the same manner as other general taxes of the city; and
151	(ii) deposit revenues from the tax into a city library fund.
152	(d) The city library fund described in Subsection (5)(c) shall receive a portion of:
153	(i) the statewide uniform fee described in Section 59-2-405, in accordance with the
154	procedures established in Section 59-2-405;
155	(ii) the statewide uniform fee described in Section 59-2-405.1, in accordance with the
156	procedures established in Section 59-2-405.1;
157	(iii) the uniform statewide fee described in Section 59-2-405.2, in accordance with the
158	procedures established in Section 59-2-405.2;
159	(iv) the uniform statewide fee described in Section 59-2-405.3, in accordance with the
160	procedures established in Section 59-2-405.3; and
161	(v) the uniform fee described in Section 72-10-110.5, in accordance with the
162	procedures established in Section 72-10-110.5.
163	Section 6. Section 17-36-31.5 is enacted to read:

164	<u>17-36-31.5.</u> Property taxes levied for specified services Special revenue fund
165	Limitations on use Collection, accounting, and expenditures.
166	(1) A county may account separately for the revenues derived from a property tax, that
167	is lawfully levied for a specific purpose, in accordance with this section.
168	(2) To levy a property tax under this section, the legislative body of the county that
169	levies the property tax shall indicate through ordinance:
170	(a) that the county levies the tax under this section; and
171	(b) the specific service for which the county levies the tax.
172	(3) A property tax levied under this section is subject to the maximum rate a county
173	may levy for property taxes under Section 59-2-908.
174	(4) (a) A county that collects a property tax under this section shall:
175	(i) create a special revenue fund to hold the revenues collected under this section; and
176	(ii) deposit revenues collected from that tax into the special revenue fund described in
177	Subsection (4)(a)(i).
178	(b) A county may only expend revenues from a special revenue fund described in
179	Subsection (4)(a) for a purpose that is solely related to the provision of the service described in
180	Subsection (2)(b) for which the county created the special revenue fund.
181	(5) Except as provided in Subsections (2) and (4), a county that levies a property tax
182	under this section shall:
183	(a) levy and collect the tax in accordance with Title 59, Chapter 2, Property Tax Act;
184	(b) account for revenues derived from the tax in accordance with this chapter; and
185	(c) levy and collect and account for revenues derived from the tax in the same general
186	manner as for the county's other property taxes.
187	Section 7. Repealer.
188	This bill repeals:
189	Section 9-7-401, Tax for establishment and maintenance of public library City
190	library fund.

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- 191 Section 10-7-14.2, Special tax -- Grant of power to levy.
- Section 10-8-91, Levy of tax by cities of the third, fourth, and fifth class and towns.