

# Senate Study Bill 3215

## Bill Text

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1 1 Section 1. Section 347.7, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code  
1 2 1999, is amended to read as follows:  
1 3 If a county hospital is established, the board of  
1 4 supervisors, at the time of levying ordinary taxes, shall levy  
1 5 a tax at the rate voted not to exceed fifty-four cents per  
1 6 thousand dollars of assessed value in any one year for the  
1 7 erection and equipment of the hospital, and also a tax not to  
1 8 exceed twenty-seven cents per thousand dollars of value for  
1 9 the improvement, maintenance, and replacements of the  
1 10 hospital, as certified by the board of hospital trustees.  
1 11 However, in counties having a population of two hundred  
1 12 twenty-five thousand or over, the levy for taxes payable in  
1 13 the fiscal year beginning July 1,

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- 2000, and for  
1 14 subsequent fiscal years, for improvements and maintenance of  
1 15 the hospital shall not exceed

~~one dollar~~

- two dollars and  
1 16

~~seventy five~~

- five cents per thousand dollars of assessed value  
1 17 in any one year. The proceeds of the taxes constitute the  
1 18 county public hospital fund and the fund is subject to review  
1 19 by the board of supervisors in counties over two hundred  
1 20 twenty-five thousand. However, the board of trustees of a  
1 21 county hospital, where funds are available in the county  
1 22 public hospital fund of the county which are unappropriated,  
1 23 may use the unappropriated funds for erecting and equipping  
1 24 hospital buildings and additions thereto without authority  
1 25 from the voters of the county.

1 26 Sec. 2. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance,  
1 27 takes effect upon enactment.

1 28 EXPLANATION

1 29 This bill increases the maximum property tax levy for the  
1 30 county hospital fund in counties having a population of  
1 31 225,000 or more from \$1.75 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation of  
1 32 taxable property to \$2.05 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation of  
1 33 taxable property. The revenue may be used for the improvement  
1 34 and maintenance of the county hospital. The tax levy increase  
1 35 applies to taxes payable in the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
2 1 2000, and subsequent fiscal years.

2 2 The bill takes effect upon enactment.

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