Senate Study Bill 3121 - Introduced

SENATE FILE

BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL BY CHAIRPERSON SHIPLEY)

A BILL FOR

- An Act relating to the authority of a county treasurer to
 postpone or cancel an annual tax sale.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 446.7, subsection 1, Code 2022, is
2 amended to read as follows:

1. Annually, on the third Monday in June the county 3 4 treasurer shall offer at public sale all parcels on which taxes 5 are delinquent. The treasurer shall not, however, offer for 6 sale any parcel that is subject to a pending action as the 7 result of a municipal infraction citation under section 364.22, 8 a petition filed under chapter 657, or a petition filed under 9 chapter 657A, if such municipal infraction citation or petition 10 is indexed under section 617.10 and noted in the county system 11 as defined in section 445.1. The sale shall be made for the 12 total amount of taxes, interest, fees, and costs due. If for 13 good cause the treasurer cannot hold the annual tax sale on the 14 third Monday of June, the treasurer may designate a different 15 date in June for the sale prior to the subsequent year's 16 scheduled annual tax sale or may cancel the sale and offer such 17 parcels for sale at the subsequent years' annual tax sale if 18 the taxes on such parcels remain delinguent.

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EXPLANATION

20The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with21the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

22 Code section 446.7 provides that annually, on the third 23 Monday in June, the county treasurer shall offer at public sale 24 all parcels on which taxes are delinquent. However, if for 25 good cause the treasurer cannot hold the annual tax sale on 26 that date, the treasurer may designate a different date in June 27 for the sale.

This bill modifies the ability of the county treasurer to reschedule the tax sale for good cause by allowing the rescheduled date to be a date prior to the subsequent year's scheduled annual tax sale, or alternatively allowing the county treasurer to cancel the sale and offer such parcels for sale at the subsequent years' annual tax sale if the taxes on such parcels remain delinquent.

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