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LEGISLATIVE BILL 1014

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Committee:

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section
- 2 3-613, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 13-520,
- 3 77-3442, and 77-3443, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2015; to change
- 4 provisions relating to levy limitations and budget limitations for
- 5 public airports; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original
- 6 sections.
- 7 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 3-613, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is

- 2 amended to read:
- 3 3-613 Any authority established under sections 3-601 to 3-622 shall
- 4 have power:
- 5 (1) To sue and be sued;
- 6 (2) To have a seal and alter the same at pleasure;
- 7 (3) To acquire, hold, and dispose of personal property for its
- 8 corporate purposes;
- 9 (4) To acquire in the name of the county, by purchase or
- 10 condemnation, real property or rights or easements therein necessary or
- 11 convenient for its corporate purposes and, except as may otherwise be
- 12 provided in such sections, to use the same so long as its corporate
- 13 existence continues. Such power shall not be exercised by authorities
- 14 created after September 2, 1973, without further approval until such time
- 15 as three or more members of the authority have been elected. If the
- 16 exercise of such power is necessary while three or more appointed members
- 17 remain on the authority, the appointing body shall approve all
- 18 proceedings under this subdivision;
- 19 (5) To make bylaws for the management and regulation of its affairs
- 20 and, subject to agreements with bondholders, to make rules and
- 21 regulations for the use of projects and the establishment and collection
- 22 of rentals, fees, and all other charges for services or commodities sold,
- 23 furnished, or supplied by such authority. Any person violating such rules
- 24 shall be guilty of a Class III misdemeanor;
- 25 (6) With the consent of the county, to use the services of agents,
- 26 employees, and facilities of the county, for which the authority may
- 27 reimburse the county a proper proportion of the compensation or cost
- 28 thereof, and also to use the services of the county attorney as legal
- 29 advisor to the authority;
- 30 (7) To appoint officers, agents, and employees and fix their
- 31 compensation;

1 (8) To make contracts, leases, and all other instruments necessary 2 or convenient to the corporate purposes of the authority;

- 3 design, construct, To maintain, operate, improve, and reconstruct, so long as its corporate existence continues, such projects 4 as are necessary and convenient to the maintenance and development of 5 aviation services to and for the county in which such authority is 6 7 established, including landing fields, heliports, hangars, passenger and freight terminals, control towers, and all facilities 8 9 necessary or convenient in connection with any such project, to contract for the construction, operation, or maintenance of any parts thereof or 10 for services to be performed thereon, and to rent parts thereof and grant 11 concessions thereon, all on such terms and conditions as the authority 12 13 may determine. This subdivision shall not be construed to affect the 14 obligation of a lessee to pay taxes if taxes are due under sections 77-202, 77-202.11, and 77-202.12; 15
- (10) To include in such project, subject to zoning restrictions, 16 17 space and facilities for any or all of the following: Public recreation; business, trade, or other exhibitions; sporting or athletic events; 18 19 public meetings; conventions; and all other kinds of assemblages and, in order to obtain additional revenue, space and facilities for business and 20 commercial purposes. Whenever the authority deems it to be in the public 21 22 interest, the authority may lease any such project or any part or parts thereof or contract for the management and operation thereof or any part 23 24 or parts thereof. Any such lease or contract may be for such period of 25 years as the authority shall determine. This subdivision shall not be construed to affect the obligation of a lessee to pay taxes if taxes are 26 due under sections 77-202, 77-202.11, and 77-202.12; 27
- (11) To charge fees, rentals, and other charges for the use of projects under the jurisdiction of such authority subject to and in accordance with such agreement with bondholders as may be made as hereinafter provided. Subject to contracts with bondholders, all fees,

- 1 rentals, charges, and other revenue derived from any project shall be
- 2 applied to the payment of operating, administration, and other necessary
- 3 expenses of the authority properly chargeable to such project and to the
- 4 payment of the interest on and principal of bonds or for making sinking-
- 5 fund payments therefor. Subject to contracts with bondholders, the
- 6 authority may treat one or more projects as a single enterprise with
- 7 respect to revenue, expenses, the issuance of bonds, maintenance,
- 8 operation, or other purposes;
- 9 (12) To annually request of the county board the amount of tax to be
- 10 levied for airport purposes subject to section 77-3443, not to exceed
- 11 three and five-tenths cents on each one hundred dollars of taxable
- 12 valuation of all the taxable property in such county. Property tax levies
- 13 for bonds issued by the authority pursuant to section 3-617 are not
- 14 included in the levy limits established by this subdivision. The
- 15 governing body shall levy and collect the taxes so requested at the same
- 16 time and in the same manner as other taxes are levied and collected, and
- 17 the proceeds of such taxes when due and as collected shall be set aside
- 18 and deposited in the special account or accounts in which other revenue
- 19 of the authority is deposited;
- 20 (13) To construct and maintain under, along, over, or across a
- 21 project, telephone, telegraph, or electric wires and cables, fuel lines,
- 22 gas mains, water mains, and other mechanical equipment not inconsistent
- 23 with the appropriate use of such project, to contract for such
- 24 construction and to lease the right to construct and use the same, or to
- 25 use the same on such terms for such period of time and for such
- 26 consideration as the authority shall determine;
- 27 (14) To accept grants, loans, or contributions from the United
- 28 States, the State of Nebraska, any agency or instrumentality of either of
- 29 them, or the county in which such authority is established and to expend
- 30 the proceeds thereof for any corporate purposes;
- 31 (15) To incur debt and issue negotiable bonds and to provide for the

- 1 rights of the holders thereof;
- 2 (16) To enter on any lands, waters, and premises for the purposes of
- 3 making surveys, soundings, and examinations; and
- 4 (17) To do all things necessary or convenient to carry out the
- 5 powers expressly conferred on such authorities by sections 3-601 to
- 6 3-622.

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7 Sec. 2. Section 13-520, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2015, is

13-520 The limitations in section 13-519 shall not apply to (1)

- 8 amended to read:
- restricted funds budgeted for capital improvements, (2) restricted funds 10 expended from a qualified sinking fund for acquisition or replacement of 11 tangible personal property with a useful life of five years or more, (3) 12 13 restricted funds pledged to retire bonded indebtedness, (4) restricted funds used by a public airport to retire interest-free loans from the 14 Department of Aeronautics, (5) restricted funds used by a public airport 15 to retire bonded indebtedness in lieu of bonded indebtedness at a lower 16 17 cost to the public airport, (6) restricted funds or used to pay other financial instruments that are approved and agreed to before July 1, 18 19 1999, in the same manner as bonds by a governing body created under section 35-501, (7 4) restricted funds budgeted in support of a service 20 which is the subject of an agreement or a modification of an existing 21 agreement whether operated by one of the parties to the agreement or by 22 an independent joint entity or joint public agency, (8 + 5) restricted 23 24 funds budgeted to pay for repairs to infrastructure damaged by a natural 25 disaster which is declared a disaster emergency pursuant to the Emergency Management Act, (9 6) restricted funds budgeted to pay for judgments, 26 except judgments or orders from the Commission of Industrial Relations, 27 28 obtained against a governmental unit which require or obligate a

governmental unit to pay such judgment, to the extent such judgment is

not paid by liability insurance coverage of a governmental unit, or (10)

7) the dollar amount by which restricted funds budgeted by a natural

- 1 resources district to administer and implement ground water management
- 2 activities and integrated management activities under the Nebraska Ground
- 3 Water Management and Protection Act exceed its restricted funds budgeted
- 4 to administer and implement ground water management activities and
- 5 integrated management activities for FY2003-04.
- 6 Sec. 3. Section 77-3442, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2015, is
- 7 amended to read:
- 8 77-3442 (1) Property tax levies for the support of local governments
- 9 for fiscal years beginning on or after July 1, 1998, shall be limited to
- 10 the amounts set forth in this section except as provided in section
- 11 77-3444.
- 12 (2)(a) Except as provided in subdivision (2)(e) of this section,
- 13 school districts and multiple-district school systems, except learning
- 14 communities and school districts that are members of learning
- 15 communities, may levy a maximum levy of one dollar and five cents per one
- 16 hundred dollars of taxable valuation of property subject to the levy.
- 17 (b) For each fiscal year, learning communities may levy a maximum
- 18 levy for the general fund budgets of member school districts of ninety-
- 19 five cents per one hundred dollars of taxable valuation of property
- 20 subject to the levy. The proceeds from the levy pursuant to this
- 21 subdivision shall be distributed pursuant to section 79-1073.
- 22 (c) Except as provided in subdivision (2)(e) of this section, for
- 23 each fiscal year, school districts that are members of learning
- 24 communities may levy for purposes of such districts' general fund budget
- 25 and special building funds a maximum combined levy of the difference of
- 26 one dollar and five cents on each one hundred dollars of taxable property
- 27 subject to the levy minus the learning community levies pursuant to
- 28 subdivisions (2)(b) and (2)(g) of this section for such learning
- 29 community.
- 30 (d) Excluded from the limitations in subdivisions (2)(a) and (2)(c)
- 31 of this section are amounts levied to pay for sums agreed to be paid by a

- school district to certificated employees in exchange for a voluntary termination of employment and amounts levied to pay for special building funds and sinking funds established for projects commenced prior to April 1, 1996, for construction, expansion, or alteration of school district buildings. For purposes of this subsection, commenced means any action
- 6 taken by the school board on the record which commits the board to expend
- 7 district funds in planning, constructing, or carrying out the project.
- 8 (e) Federal aid school districts may exceed the maximum levy 9 prescribed by subdivision (2)(a) or (2)(c) of this section only to the extent necessary to qualify to receive federal aid pursuant to Title VIII 10 of Public Law 103-382, as such title existed on September 1, 2001. For 11 purposes of this subdivision, federal aid school district means any 12 school district which receives ten percent or more of the revenue for its 13 14 general fund budget from federal government sources pursuant to Title VIII of Public Law 103-382, as such title existed on September 1, 2001. 15
- 16 (f) For school fiscal year 2002-03 through school fiscal year 2007-08, school districts and multiple-district school systems may, upon 17 a three-fourths majority vote of the school board of the school district, 18 the board of the unified system, or the school board of the high school 19 district of the multiple-district school system that is not a unified 20 system, exceed the maximum levy prescribed by subdivision (2)(a) of this 21 section in an amount equal to the net difference between the amount of 22 state aid that would have been provided under the Tax Equity and 23 24 Educational Opportunities Support Act without the temporary adjustment factor as defined in section 79-1003 for the ensuing school 25 fiscal year for the school district or multiple-district school system 26 and the amount provided with the temporary aid adjustment factor. The 27 State Department of Education shall certify to the school districts and 28 multiple-district school systems the amount by which the maximum levy may 29 be exceeded for the next school fiscal year pursuant to this subdivision 30 (f) of this subsection on or before February 15 for school fiscal years 31

- 1 2004-05 through 2007-08.
- 2 (g) For each fiscal year, learning communities may levy a maximum
- 3 levy of two cents on each one hundred dollars of taxable property subject
- 4 to the levy for special building funds for member school districts. The
- 5 proceeds from the levy pursuant to this subdivision shall be distributed
- 6 pursuant to section 79-1073.01.
- 7 (h) For each fiscal year, learning communities may levy a maximum
- 8 levy of one-half cent on each one hundred dollars of taxable property
- 9 subject to the levy for elementary learning center facility leases, for
- 10 remodeling of leased elementary learning center facilities, and for up to
- 11 fifty percent of the estimated cost for focus school or program capital
- 12 projects approved by the learning community coordinating council pursuant
- 13 to section 79-2111.
- (i) For each fiscal year, learning communities may levy a maximum
- 15 levy of one and one-half cents on each one hundred dollars of taxable
- 16 property subject to the levy for early childhood education programs for
- 17 children in poverty, for elementary learning center employees, for
- 18 contracts with other entities or individuals who are not employees of the
- 19 learning community for elementary learning center programs and services,
- 20 and for pilot projects, except that no more than ten percent of such levy
- 21 may be used for elementary learning center employees.
- 22 (3)(a) For fiscal years 2011-12 and 2012-13, community college areas
- 23 may levy a maximum of ten and one-quarter cents per one hundred dollars
- 24 of taxable valuation of property subject to the levy for operating
- 25 expenditures and may also levy the additional levies provided in
- 26 subdivisions (1)(b) and (c) of section 85-1517.
- 27 (b) For fiscal year 2013-14 and each fiscal year thereafter,
- 28 community college areas may levy the levies provided in subdivisions (2)
- 29 (a) through (c) of section 85-1517, in accordance with the provisions of
- 30 such subdivisions. A community college area may exceed the levy provided
- 31 in subdivision (2)(b) of section 85-1517 by the amount necessary to

- 1 retire general obligation bonds assumed by the community college area or
- 2 issued pursuant to section 85-1515 according to the terms of such bonds
- 3 or for any obligation pursuant to section 85-1535 entered into prior to
- 4 January 1, 1997.
- 5 (4)(a) Natural resources districts may levy a maximum levy of four
- 6 and one-half cents per one hundred dollars of taxable valuation of
- 7 property subject to the levy.
- 8 (b) Natural resources districts shall also have the power and
- 9 authority to levy a tax equal to the dollar amount by which their
- 10 restricted funds budgeted to administer and implement ground water
- 11 management activities and integrated management activities under the
- 12 Nebraska Ground Water Management and Protection Act exceed their
- 13 restricted funds budgeted to administer and implement ground water
- 14 management activities and integrated management activities for FY2003-04,
- 15 not to exceed one cent on each one hundred dollars of taxable valuation
- 16 annually on all of the taxable property within the district.
- 17 (c) In addition, natural resources districts located in a river
- 18 basin, subbasin, or reach that has been determined to be fully
- 19 appropriated pursuant to section 46-714 or designated as overappropriated
- 20 pursuant to section 46-713 by the Department of Natural Resources shall
- 21 also have the power and authority to levy a tax equal to the dollar
- 22 amount by which their restricted funds budgeted to administer and
- 23 implement ground water management activities and integrated management
- 24 activities under the Nebraska Ground Water Management and Protection Act
- 25 exceed their restricted funds budgeted to administer and implement ground
- 26 water management activities and integrated management activities for
- 27 FY2005-06, not to exceed three cents on each one hundred dollars of
- 28 taxable valuation on all of the taxable property within the district for
- 29 fiscal year 2006-07 and each fiscal year thereafter through fiscal year
- 30 2017-18.
- 31 (5) Any educational service unit authorized to levy a property tax

- 1 pursuant to section 79-1225 may levy a maximum levy of one and one-half
- 2 cents per one hundred dollars of taxable valuation of property subject to
- 3 the levy.
- 4 (6)(a) Incorporated cities and villages which are not within the 5 boundaries of a municipal county may levy a maximum levy of forty-five
- 6 cents per one hundred dollars of taxable valuation of property subject to
- 7 the levy plus an additional five cents per one hundred dollars of taxable
- 8 valuation to provide financing for the municipality's share of revenue
- 9 required under an agreement or agreements executed pursuant to the
- 10 Interlocal Cooperation Act or the Joint Public Agency Act. The maximum
- 11 levy shall include amounts levied to pay for sums to support a library
- 12 pursuant to section 51-201, museum pursuant to section 51-501, visiting
- 13 community nurse, home health nurse, or home health agency pursuant to
- 14 section 71-1637, or statue, memorial, or monument pursuant to section
- 15 80-202.
- 16 (b) Incorporated cities and villages which are within the boundaries
- 17 of a municipal county may levy a maximum levy of ninety cents per one
- 18 hundred dollars of taxable valuation of property subject to the levy. The
- 19 maximum levy shall include amounts paid to a municipal county for county
- 20 services, amounts levied to pay for sums to support a library pursuant to
- 21 section 51-201, a museum pursuant to section 51-501, a visiting community
- 22 nurse, home health nurse, or home health agency pursuant to section
- 23 71-1637, or a statue, memorial, or monument pursuant to section 80-202.
- 24 (7) Sanitary and improvement districts which have been in existence
- 25 for more than five years may levy a maximum levy of forty cents per one
- 26 hundred dollars of taxable valuation of property subject to the levy, and
- 27 sanitary and improvement districts which have been in existence for five
- 28 years or less shall not have a maximum levy. Unconsolidated sanitary and
- 29 improvement districts which have been in existence for more than five
- 30 years and are located in a municipal county may levy a maximum of eighty-
- 31 five cents per hundred dollars of taxable valuation of property subject

1 to the levy.

- (8) Counties may levy or authorize a maximum levy of fifty cents per 2 3 one hundred dollars of taxable valuation of property subject to the levy, except that five cents per one hundred dollars of taxable valuation of 4 property subject to the levy may only be levied to provide financing for 5 the county's share of revenue required under an agreement or agreements 6 executed pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Act or the Joint Public 7 8 Agency Act. The maximum levy shall include amounts levied to pay for sums to support a library pursuant to section 51-201 or museum pursuant to 9 section 51-501. The county may allocate up to fifteen cents of its 10 authority to other political subdivisions subject to allocation of 11 property tax authority under subsection (1) of section 77-3443 and not 12 specifically covered in this section to levy taxes as authorized by law 13 which do not collectively exceed fifteen cents per one hundred dollars of 14 taxable valuation on any parcel or item of taxable property. The county 15 16 may allocate to one or more other political subdivisions subject to allocation of property tax authority by the county under subsection (1) 17 of section 77-3443 some or all of the county's five cents per one hundred 18 dollars of valuation authorized for support of an agreement or agreements 19 20 to be levied by the political subdivision for the purpose of supporting that political subdivision's share of revenue required under an agreement 21 or agreements executed pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Act or the 22 Joint Public Agency Act. If an allocation by a county would cause another 23 24 county to exceed its levy authority under this section, the second county may exceed the levy authority in order to levy the amount allocated. 25
- (9) Municipal counties may levy or authorize a maximum levy of one dollar per one hundred dollars of taxable valuation of property subject to the levy. The municipal county may allocate levy authority to any political subdivision or entity subject to allocation under section 77-3443.
- 31 (10) Rural and suburban fire protection districts may levy a maximum

- 1 levy of ten and one-half cents per one hundred dollars of taxable
- 2 valuation of property subject to the levy if (a) such district is located
- 3 in a county that had a levy pursuant to subsection (8) of this section in
- 4 the previous year of at least forty cents per one hundred dollars of
- 5 taxable valuation of property subject to the levy or (b) for any rural or
- 6 suburban fire protection district that had a levy request pursuant to
- 7 section 77-3443 in the previous year, the county board of the county in
- 8 which the greatest portion of the valuation of such district is located
- 9 did not authorize any levy authority to such district in the previous
- 10 year.
- 11 (11) Property tax levies (a) for judgments, except judgments or
- 12 orders from the Commission of Industrial Relations, obtained against a
- 13 political subdivision which require or obligate a political subdivision
- 14 to pay such judgment, to the extent such judgment is not paid by
- 15 liability insurance coverage of a political subdivision, (b) for
- 16 preexisting lease-purchase contracts approved prior to July 1, 1998, (c)
- 17 for bonds as defined in section 10-134 approved according to law and
- 18 secured by a levy on property except as provided in section 44-4317 for
- 19 bonded indebtedness issued by educational service units and school
- 20 districts, and (d) for payments by a public airport to retire interest-
- 21 free loans from the Department of Aeronautics, and (e) for payments by a
- 22 public airport to retire bonded indebtedness in lieu of bonded
- 23 indebtedness at a lower cost to the public airport are not included in
- 24 the levy limits established by this section.
- 25 (12) The limitations on tax levies provided in this section are to
- 26 include all other general or special levies provided by law.
- 27 Notwithstanding other provisions of law, the only exceptions to the
- 28 limits in this section are those provided by or authorized by sections
- 29 77-3442 to 77-3444.
- 30 (13) Tax levies in excess of the limitations in this section shall
- 31 be considered unauthorized levies under section 77-1606 unless approved

- 1 under section 77-3444.
- 2 (14) For purposes of sections 77-3442 to 77-3444, political
- 3 subdivision means a political subdivision of this state and a county
- 4 agricultural society.
- 5 (15) For school districts that file a binding resolution on or
- 6 before May 9, 2008, with the county assessors, county clerks, and county
- 7 treasurers for all counties in which the school district has territory
- 8 pursuant to subsection (7) of section 79-458, if the combined levies,
- 9 except levies for bonded indebtedness approved by the voters of the
- 10 school district and levies for the refinancing of such bonded
- 11 indebtedness, are in excess of the greater of (a) one dollar and twenty
- 12 cents per one hundred dollars of taxable valuation of property subject to
- 13 the levy or (b) the maximum levy authorized by a vote pursuant to section
- 14 77-3444, all school district levies, except levies for bonded
- indebtedness approved by the voters of the school district and levies for
- 16 the refinancing of such bonded indebtedness, shall be considered
- 17 unauthorized levies under section 77-1606.
- 18 Sec. 4. Section 77-3443, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2015, is
- 19 amended to read:
- 20 77-3443 (1) All political subdivisions, other than (a) school
- 21 districts, community colleges, natural resources districts, educational
- 22 service units, cities, villages, counties, municipal counties, rural and
- 23 suburban fire protection districts that have levy authority pursuant to
- 24 subsection (10) of section 77-3442, and sanitary and improvement
- 25 districts and (b) political subdivisions subject to municipal allocation
- 26 under subsection (2) of this section, may levy taxes as authorized by law
- 27 which are authorized by the county board of the county or the council of
- 28 a municipal county in which the greatest portion of the valuation is
- 29 located, which are counted in the county or municipal county levy limit
- 30 provided in section 77-3442, and which do not collectively total more
- 31 than fifteen cents per one hundred dollars of taxable valuation on any

1 parcel or item of taxable property for all governments for which allocations are made by the municipality, county, or municipal county, 2 3 except that such limitation shall not apply to property tax levies for 4 preexisting lease-purchase contracts approved prior to July 1, 1998, for 5 bonded indebtedness approved according to law and secured by a levy on property, and for payments by a public airport to retire interest-free 6 7 loans from the Department of Aeronautics, and for payments by a public airport to retire bonded indebtedness in lieu of bonded indebtedness at a 8 9 lower cost to the public airport. The county board or council shall review and approve or disapprove the levy request of all political 10 subdivisions subject to this subsection. The county board or council may 11 approve all or a portion of the levy request and may approve a levy 12 request that would allow the requesting political subdivision to levy a 13 tax at a levy greater than that permitted by law. The county board of a 14 county or the council of a municipal county which contains a transit 15 16 authority created pursuant to section 14-1803 shall allocate no less than three cents per one hundred dollars of taxable property within the city 17 or municipal county subject to the levy to the transit authority if 18 requested by such authority. For any political subdivision subject to 19 this subsection that receives taxes from more than one county or 20 municipal county, the levy shall be allocated only by the county or 21 municipal county in which the greatest portion of the valuation is 22 23 located. The county board of equalization shall certify all levies by 24 October 15 to insure that the taxes levied by political subdivisions subject to this subsection do not exceed the allowable limit for any 25 parcel or item of taxable property. The levy allocated by the county or 26 municipal county may be exceeded as provided in section 77-3444. 27

(2) All city airport authorities established under the Cities
Airport Authorities Act, community redevelopment authorities established
under the Community Development Law, transit authorities established
under the Transit Authority Law, and offstreet parking districts

1 established under the Offstreet Parking District Act may be allocated property taxes as authorized by law which are authorized by the city, 2 3 village, or municipal county and are counted in the city or village levy limit or municipal county levy limit provided by section 77-3442, except 4 5 that such limitation shall not apply to property tax levies for preexisting lease-purchase contracts approved prior to July 1, 1998, for 6 bonded indebtedness approved according to law and secured by a levy on 7 property, and for payments by a public airport to retire interest-free 8 loans from the Department of Aeronautics, and for payments by a public 9 airport to retire bonded indebtedness in lieu of bonded indebtedness at a 10 lower cost to the public airport. For offstreet parking districts 11 established under the Offstreet Parking District Act, the tax shall be 12 counted in the allocation by the city proportionately, by dividing the 13 total taxable valuation of the taxable property within the district by 14 the total taxable valuation of the taxable property within the city 15 16 multiplied by the levy of the district. The city council of a city which has created a transit authority pursuant to section 14-1803 or the 17 council of a municipal county which contains a transit authority shall 18 allocate no less than three cents per one hundred dollars of taxable 19 property subject to the levy to the transit authority if requested by 20 such authority. The city council, village board, or council shall review 21 and approve or disapprove the levy request of the political subdivisions 22 23 subject to this subsection. The city council, village board, or council 24 may approve all or a portion of the levy request and may approve a levy request that would allow a levy greater than that permitted by law. The 25 levy allocated by the municipality or municipal county may be exceeded as 26 provided in section 77-3444. 27

(3) On or before August 1, all political subdivisions subject to county, municipal, or municipal county levy authority under this section shall submit a preliminary request for levy allocation to the county board, city council, village board, or council that is responsible for

- 1 levying such taxes. The preliminary request of the political subdivision
- 2 shall be in the form of a resolution adopted by a majority vote of
- 3 members present of the political subdivision's governing body. The
- 4 failure of a political subdivision to make a preliminary request shall
- 5 preclude such political subdivision from using procedures set forth in
- 6 section 77-3444 to exceed the final levy allocation as determined in
- 7 subsection (4) of this section.
- 8 (4) Each county board, city council, village board, or council shall
- 9 (a) adopt a resolution by a majority vote of members present which
- 10 determines a final allocation of levy authority to its political
- 11 subdivisions and (b) forward a copy of such resolution to the chairperson
- 12 of the governing body of each of its political subdivisions. No final
- 13 levy allocation shall be changed after September 1 except by agreement
- 14 between both the county board, city council, village board, or council
- 15 which determined the amount of the final levy allocation and the
- 16 governing body of the political subdivision whose final levy allocation
- 17 is at issue.
- 18 Sec. 5. Original section 3-613, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 19 Nebraska, and sections 13-520, 77-3442, and 77-3443, Revised Statutes
- 20 Supplement, 2015, are repealed.