



Ohio Revised Code

Section 3318.05 District board acceptance of conditional approval of commission of project; election on propositions.

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The conditional approval of the Ohio facilities construction commission for a project shall lapse and the amount reserved and encumbered for such project shall be released unless the school district board accepts such conditional approval within one hundred twenty days following the date of certification of the conditional approval to the school district board and the electors of the school district vote favorably on both of the propositions described in divisions (A) and (B) of this section within thirteen months of the date of such certification, except that a school district described in division (C) of this section does not need to submit the proposition described in division (B) of this section. The propositions described in divisions (A) and (B) of this section shall be combined in a single proposal. If the district board or the district's electors fail to meet such requirements and the amount reserved and encumbered for the district's project is released, the district shall be given first priority for project funding as such funds become available, subject to section 3318.054 of the Revised Code.

(A) On the question of issuing bonds of the school district board, for the school district's portion of the basic project cost, in an amount equal to the school district's portion of the basic project cost less the amount of the proceeds of any securities authorized or to be authorized under division (J) of section 133.06 of the Revised Code and dedicated by the school district board to payment of the district's portion of the basic project cost; and

(B) On the question of levying a tax the proceeds of which shall be used to pay the cost of maintaining the classroom facilities included in the project. Such tax shall be at the rate of not less than one-half mill for each dollar of valuation for a period of twenty-three years, subject to any extension approved under section 3318.061 of the Revised Code.

(C) If a school district has in place a tax levied under section 5705.21 of the Revised Code for general permanent improvements for a continuing period of time and the proceeds of such tax can be used for maintenance, or if a district agrees to the transfers described in section 3318.051 of the



Revised Code, the school district need not levy the additional tax required under division (B) of this section, provided the school district board includes in the agreement entered into under section 3318.08 of the Revised Code provisions either:

- (1) Earmarking an amount from the proceeds of that permanent improvement tax for maintenance of classroom facilities equivalent to the amount of the additional tax and for the equivalent number of years otherwise required under this section;
- (2) Requiring the transfer of money in accordance with section 3318.051 of the Revised Code.

The district board subsequently may rescind the agreement to make the transfers under section 3318.051 of the Revised Code only so long as the electors of the district have approved, in accordance with section 3318.063 of the Revised Code, the levy of a tax for the maintenance of the classroom facilities acquired under the district's project and that levy continues to be collected as approved by the electors.

(D) Proceeds of the tax to be used for maintenance of the classroom facilities under either division (B) or (C)(1) of this section, and transfers of money in accordance with section 3318.051 of the Revised Code shall be deposited into a separate fund established by the school district for such purpose.