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ENROLLED, An Act,

Relating to the City of Hartselle in Morgan County;
authorizing the governing body to increase ad valorem taxation
and providing for a referendum.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. (a) Pursuant to Amendment 456 of the
Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Section 22
of the Local Amendments, Morgan County, of the Official
Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as
amended, the Special School District Tax now levied and
collected at a rate of seventy-three cents (\$0.73) on each one
hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed value of taxable property
in the City of Hartselle, Alabama is set to expire on
September 30, 2017. The expiration of the Special School
District Tax on September 30, 2017, will result in a decrease
of the Hartselle City School Special District School Tax from
one dollar and thirteen cents (\$1.13) on each one hundred
dollars (\$100) of assessed value of taxable property to forty
cents (\$0.40) on each one hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed
value of taxable property. The City of Hartselle currently
levies a municipal ad valorem tax of fifty cents (\$0.50) on
each one hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed value of taxable
property and desires to increase the rate of its ad valorem
tax by seventy-three cents (\$0.73) on each one hundred dollars

1 (\$100) of assessed value of taxable property, such increase to
2 be levied for and on behalf of the Hartselle City Board of
3 Education to be used for general public school purposes, in
4 order to replace the expiring Special School District Tax
5 levied at the same rate.

6 (b) Pursuant to Amendment 373(f) of the Constitution
7 of Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Section 217(f) of the
8 Official Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901,
9 as amended, the governing body of the City of Hartselle has
10 duly proposed, after a public hearing on such proposal, that
11 the City Council of Hartselle be authorized to increase the
12 rate at which the City of Hartselle's municipal ad valorem
13 taxes are levied on taxable property situated therein an
14 additional seventy-three cents (\$.73) of tax on each one
15 hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed value of taxable property
16 effective October 1, 2017. The additional seventy-three cents
17 (\$.73) of tax on each one hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed
18 value of taxable property in the City of Hartselle tax shall
19 be used for general public school purposes and shall be
20 collected every year beginning October 1, 2017 in order to
21 replace the Special School District Tax levied at the same
22 rate, which tax shall expire on September 30, 2017.

23 (c) The governing body of the City of Hartselle has
24 requested that the Legislature approve the proposed
25 authorization for the City Council of the City of Hartselle to

1 increase the ad valorem tax, as provided in Amendment 217(f),
2 subject to approval by majority vote of the qualified electors
3 residing in the City of Hartselle who vote on the proposal at
4 a special municipal election called and held for such purpose
5 not later than March 31, 2016.

6 (d) Notice of the intention to propose this act has
7 been published, without cost to the State of Alabama, in the
8 county whereby the City of Hartselle is situated, namely,
9 Morgan County, in accordance with the requirements set forth
10 in Section 106 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as
11 amended.

12 Section 2. The Legislature does hereby approve a
13 proposed increase of seventy-three cents (\$0.73) in the rate
14 of ad valorem taxes effective October 1, 2017 that may be
15 levied by the City Council of the City of Hartselle after the
16 electors of the City of Hartselle approve of the increase at a
17 referendum. The additional tax revenue from the increase shall
18 be distributed to the Hartselle City Board of Education to be
19 used for public school purposes. No increase shall take effect
20 until it has been approved by majority vote of the qualified
21 electors residing in the City of Hartselle who vote on the
22 proposal at a special municipal election held in the City of
23 Hartselle not later than March 31, 2016. Following approval in
24 the municipal election, the tax increase shall become
25 effective in the tax year beginning October 1, 2017.

1 Section 3. The provisions of this act are severable.
2 If any part of this act is declared invalid or
3 unconstitutional, that declaration shall not affect the part
4 that remains.

5 Section 4. This act shall become effective
6 immediately following its passage and approval by the
7 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

