

2023 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 56

BY REPRESENTATIVE MOORE

EARLY CHILDHOOD: Authorizes the Monroe City School Board to levy an ad valorem tax for the purpose of funding early childhood care and education

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 17:407.30.1, relative to early childhood care and education in the Monroe City
3 School District; to authorize the Monroe City School Board to levy an ad valorem
4 tax for the purpose of funding early childhood care and education; and to provide for
5 related matters.

6 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published
7 as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of
8 Louisiana.

9 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

10 Section 1. R.S. 17:407.30.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

11 §407.30.1. Monroe City School Board; early childhood care and education; ad
12 valorem tax

13 A. The Monroe City School Board, in addition to all other taxes it is
14 authorized to levy, may levy and collect an ad valorem tax on all taxable immovable
15 property situated within the school district for the purpose of funding early childhood
16 care and education.

17 B.(1) The tax authorized by this Section shall be levied and collected only
18 after the question of its levy has been submitted to the electors of the district at a
19 regularly scheduled election conducted in accordance with the Louisiana Election

1 Code and a majority of those voting on the question have voted in favor of the levy
2 of the tax.

3 (2) The proposition submitted to the voters shall state the tax rate, which
4 shall not exceed five mills, the duration of the tax, which shall not exceed twenty
5 years, and the purpose of the tax.

6 C. The Monroe City School Board shall use the proceeds of the tax
7 authorized by this Section exclusively for programs and capital investments that
8 provide childcare and educational opportunities for children who reside in the school
9 district and who have not yet entered kindergarten.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Authorizes the Monroe City School Board to levy a property tax to fund early childhood care and education.

Proposed law authorizes the Monroe City School Board, subject to voter approval, to levy an ad valorem tax for the purpose of funding early childhood care and education.

Proposed law provides for a maximum tax rate of five mills and a maximum duration of 20 years, all as specified in the proposition submitted to the voters.

Proposed law requires that the school board use the proceeds of the tax exclusively for programs and capital investments that provide childcare and educational opportunities for children in the district who have not yet entered kindergarten.

(Adds R.S. 17:407.30.1)