REFERENCE TITLE: community facilities districts; counties; limited areas

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AN ACT

AMENDING SECTIONS 48-707 AND 48-709, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 48, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 6, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTIONS 48-726 AND 48-727; RELATING TO COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICTS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona: 2 Section 1. Section 48-707, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 3 read: 4 48-707. Notice and conduct of elections: waiver 5 A. Any election under this article shall be a nonpartisan election called by posting notices in three public places within the boundaries of the 6 7 district not less than twenty days before the election. Notice shall also be 8 published in a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality or county 9 or if there is no newspaper so circulated in the municipality in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the municipality is located 10 11 once a week for two consecutive weeks before the election. The notice shall 12 state: 13 The place of holding the election. 1. 14 2. The hours during the day, not less than six, in which the polls 15 will be open. 16 3. If it is a formation election, the boundaries of the proposed 17 district. 18 4. If it is a bond election, the amount of bonds to be authorized for 19 the district, the maximum rate of interest to be borne on the bonds, the 20 maximum term of the bonds, not exceeding twenty-five years, and the purposes 21 for which the monies raised will be used. 22 5. If it is an ad valorem tax levy election pursuant to section 23 48-723, the maximum tax rate per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation to 24 be imposed, the purposes for which the monies raised will be used and the 25 existing maximum tax rate, if any. 26 That a general plan is on file with the clerk. 6. 27 Β. The district board or the governing body, as applicable, shall 28 determine the date of the election and the polling places for the election 29 and may consolidate county precincts. For other than a formation election 30 pursuant to section 48-705, subsection B, and an election held pursuant to 31 subsection G of this section, precinct registers shall be used. The county 32 recorder shall submit precinct registers on the request of the clerk, and if 33 the district includes land lying partly in and partly out of any county 34 election precinct, the precinct registers may contain the names of all 35 registered voters in the precinct and the election boards at those precincts 36 shall require that a prospective elector execute an affidavit stating that 37 the elector is also a qualified elector of the district. For formation 38 elections and elections held pursuant to subsection G of this section, a 39 prospective elector shall execute an affidavit stating that the elector is 40 the owner of land in the proposed district and is a qualified elector of this 41 state or otherwise qualified to vote pursuant to section 48-3043 and stating 42 the area of land in acres owned by the elector. Election board members may 43 administer oaths or take all affirmations for these purposes. A community 44 facilities district election held pursuant to this article is not subject to 45 title 16, chapter 2, article 3.

1 C. Except as otherwise provided by this article, the election shall 2 comply with the general election laws of this state, except that the words to 3 appear on the ballots shall be for a formation election "district, yes" and "district, no", for a bond election "bonds, yes" and "bonds, no", for a tax 4 5 election if no tax is in place "tax, yes" and "tax, no" and for a tax election to change an existing maximum or eliminate an existing tax "tax 6 7 change, yes" and "tax change, no". The returns of election shall be made to 8 the governing body or, if after formation, to the district board.

9 D. Within fourteen days after an election, the governing body, or if after formation, the district board, shall meet and canvass the returns, and 10 11 if a majority of the votes cast at the election is in favor of formation, 12 issuing the bonds, imposing the tax or changing the tax, the governing body 13 or the district board, as appropriate, shall enter that fact on its 14 minutes. The canvass may be continued from time to time. Failure of a 15 majority to vote in favor of the matter submitted does not prejudice the 16 submission of the same or similar matters at a later election.

17 E. If a person listed on the assessment roll is no longer the owner of 18 land in the district and the name of the successor owner becomes known and is 19 verified by recorded deed or other similar evidence of transfer of ownership, 20 the successor owner is deemed to be the owner for the purposes of this 21 article.

22 F. Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, if a petition 23 for formation is signed by owners of all of the land in the district 24 described in the petition and is approved by the municipality or county, the 25 municipality or county may waive any or all requirements of posting, 26 publication, mailing, notice, hearing and landowner election. On receipt of 27 such a petition, and after approval by an election of resident electors, if 28 any, the municipality or county shall declare the district formed without 29 being required to comply with the provisions of this article for posting, 30 publication, mailing, notice, hearing or landowner election.

31 Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, if no person G. 32 has registered to vote within the district within fifty days immediately 33 preceding any scheduled election date, any election required to be held pursuant to this article shall be held with the vote by the owners of land 34 35 within the district who are qualified electors of this state and other landowners according to section 48-3043. Each owner has the number of votes 36 37 or portion of votes equal to the number of acres or portion of acres rounded 38 upward to the nearest one-fifth of an acre owned in the district by that 39 person.

40 H. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION I OF THIS SECTION, for a district 41 that is proposed to be formed by a county, a district may be formed only if a 42 petition for formation is signed by the owners of all of the land in the 43 district that is described in the petition and if it is approved by the 44 county. If the district is proposed to be formed in a county island, as 45 defined in section 11-251.12, in existence on the effective date of this

1 amendment to this section SEPTEMBER 21, 2006, the petition must be signed by 2 the owners of all of the land in the district that is described in the 3 petition and the district must be approved by the county and by the 4 municipality or all municipalities that form the county island. If the 5 petition is signed by the owners of all of the land in the district, the county may waive any or all requirements of posting, publication, mailing, 6 7 notice, hearing and landowner election. On receipt of such a petition, and after approval by an election of one hundred per cent of the resident 8 9 electors, if any, the county shall declare the district formed without being 10 required to comply with the provisions of this article for posting.

11 I. NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION H OF THIS SECTION, A DISTRICT MAY BE 12 FORMED BY A COUNTY WITH A POPULATION OF LESS THAN PERSONS ACCORDING 13 TO THE MOST RECENT DECENNIAL OR SPECIAL CENSUS IF THE POPULATION WITHIN THE AREA OF THE PROPOSED DISTRICT IS LESS THAN ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED PERSONS. 14 15 A PETITION FOR THE FORMATION OF A DISTRICT PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION MUST BE SIGNED BY THE NUMBER OF OWNERS OF REAL PROPERTY THAT REPRESENTS AT LEAST 16 17 TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT OF THE REAL PROPERTY WITHIN THE PROPOSED BOUNDARIES OF THE DISTRICT. A DISTRICT FORMED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION SHALL HAVE ALL 18 19 OF THE POWERS OF A DISTRICT FORMED PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE EXCEPT FOR THE 20 POWER TO LEVY AN AD VALOREM TAX OR A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT. A DISTRICT FORMED 21 PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION SHALL HAVE THE POWER TO ENACT AND LEVY AN EXCISE TAX PURSUANT TO SECTION 48-726. 22

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Sec. 2. Section 48-709, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 48-709. Powers of a community facilities district

A. In addition to the powers otherwise granted to a district pursuant to this article, a district, may to further the general plan, MAY:

27 1. Enter into contracts and expend monies for any public28 infrastructure purpose with respect to the district.

29 2. Enter into intergovernmental agreements as prescribed in title 11, 30 chapter 7, article 3 for the planning, design, inspection, ownership, 31 control, maintenance, operation or repair of public infrastructure or the 32 provision of enhanced municipal services by the municipality in the district.

33 3. Sell, lease or otherwise dispose of district property if the sale,
34 lease or conveyance is not a violation of the terms of any contract or bond
35 resolution of the district.

36 4. Reimburse the municipality for providing enhanced municipal37 services in the district.

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5. Operate, maintain and repair public infrastructure.

39 6. Establish, charge and collect user fees, rates or charges for the40 use of any public infrastructure or service.

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7. Employ staff, counsel and consultants.

42 8. Reimburse the municipality or county for staff and consultant
43 services and support facilities supplied by the municipality or county.

44 9. Accept gifts or grants and incur and repay loans for any public45 infrastructure purpose.

1 10. Enter into agreements with landowners and the municipality or 2 county for the collection of fees and charges from landowners for public 3 infrastructure purposes, the advance of monies by landowners for public 4 infrastructure purposes or the granting of real property by the landowner for 5 public infrastructure purposes.

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11. By resolution, levy and assess the costs of any public infrastructure purpose on any land benefited in the district.

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12. Pay the financial, legal and administrative costs of the district.

9 13. Enter into contracts, agreements and trust indentures to obtain 10 credit enhancement or liquidity support for its bonds and process the 11 issuance, registration, transfer and payment of its bonds and the 12 disbursement and investment of proceeds of the bonds.

13 14. With the consent of the governing body of the municipality or 14 county which formed the district, enter into agreements with persons outside 15 of the district to provide services to persons and property outside of the 16 district.

17 15. Use public easements and rights-of-way in or across public 18 property, roadways, highways, streets or other thoroughfares and other public 19 easements and rights-of-way, whether in or out of the geographical limits of 20 the district, the municipality or the county.

21 16. FOR A DISTRICT FORMED PURSUANT TO SECTION 48-707, SUBSECTION I 22 ONLY, LEVY AN EXCISE TAX.

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B. This article does not authorize:

24 A district to acquire, construct, operate or maintain an electric 1. 25 generation or distribution system or natural gas distribution system without the written consent of any affected public service corporation, electric 26 27 cooperative, agricultural improvement or power district or other district 28 described in article XIII, section 7, Constitution of Arizona, the service 29 area of which encompasses all or part of the district, if that entity is 30 providing or is capable of adequately providing electrical utility service or 31 natural gas utility service in the district.

2. A district to provide service outside its boundaries without the written consent of any affected public service corporation, electric cooperative, agricultural improvement or power district or other district described in article XIII, section 7, Constitution of Arizona, with a service area that lies outside of the district, if that entity is providing or is capable of adequately providing electrical utility service or natural gas utility service in the area that the district proposes to serve.

C. If a district is granted written consent pursuant to this section, the district shall provide a copy to the governor, the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives and each commissioner of the Arizona corporation commission no later than thirty days after consent is granted.

- D. In connection with any power authorized by statute, the district may:
- 3 1. Contract.

4 2. Enter into intergovernmental agreements pursuant to title 11, 5 chapter 7, article 3.

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3. Adopt and change a seal.

4. Sue and be sued.

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5. Enter into development agreements, as defined in section 9-500.05.

9 6. Exercise the same right and power of eminent domain as a public 10 service corporation pursuant to title 12, chapter 8, articles 2 and 3 to 11 acquire any property or right-of-way, except political subdivision, county, 12 state or federal property, for any public infrastructure purpose.

E. A district which proposes to provide domestic water service in the certificated area of a public service corporation serving domestic water shall provide just compensation to the public service corporation pursuant to section 9-516.

F. Public infrastructure other than personalty may be located only in or on lands owned by the state, a county, a municipality or the district or dedicated or otherwise designated as public roadways, highways, streets, thoroughfares, easements or rights-of-way, whether in or out of the district or the municipality. Personalty may be used only for purposes authorized by the district board.

G. An agreement pursuant to subsection A, paragraph 10 of this section may include agreements to repay all or part of such advances, fees and charges from the proceeds of bonds if issued or from advances, fees and charges collected from other landowners or users or those having a right to use any public infrastructure. A person does not have authority to compel the issuance or sale of the bonds of the district or the exercise of any taxing power of the district to make repayment under any agreement.

H. A district shall not contract with a municipality for enhanced municipal services unless the area for which the services are to be provided is designated by the municipality as a slum or blighted area pursuant to title 36, chapter 12, or an urban core business district of the municipality determined by formal resolution of the municipality to be in need of enhanced municipal services to encourage or preserve commercial development in the area.

I. Notwithstanding title 34 or article 2 of this chapter, the district at the option of the district board may enter into contracts for the performance of district projects with landowners in the district after calling for bids but before publishing notice of the award of a contract if all of the following conditions are met:

1. The landowner or landowners own three-fourths or more of the totalland area of the district.

1 2. The landowner or landowners contract to perform the work at a cost 2 which does not exceed the cost specified in the bid of the bidder who would 3 have been awarded that bid.

4 3. The work for which the contract was let is to be financed pursuant 5 to this article.

6 4. All contracts and work executed pursuant to this section are 7 subject to those rules as the district board may prescribe.

8 Sec. 3. Title 48, chapter 4, article 6, Arizona Revised Statutes, is 9 amended by adding sections 48-726 and 48-727, to read:

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48-726. Excise tax; certain districts

A. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF A DISTRICT FORMED PURSUANT TO SECTION 11 12 48-707, SUBSECTION I MAY LEVY AN EXCISE TAX IN THE DISTRICT. THE BOARD OF 13 DIRECTORS OF THE DISTRICT BY RESOLUTION MAY LEVY. AND IF LEVIED THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE SHALL COLLECT, AN EXCISE TAX BEGINNING JANUARY 1 OR 14 15 JULY 1, WHICHEVER DATE FIRST OCCURS AT LEAST THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DISTRICT ADOPTS THE RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TAX LEVY. THE TAX RATE SHALL BE A 16 17 PERCENTAGE OF THE EXCISE TAX RATE PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 42-5010, SUBSECTION A APPLYING TO EACH PERSON ENGAGING OR CONTINUING IN THE DISTRICT IN A BUSINESS 18 19 TAXED UNDER TITLE 42, CHAPTER 5, ARTICLE 1 AND SECTION 42-5352, SUBSECTION A, 20 NOT TO EXCEED____ PER CENT OF EACH RATE PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 42-5010, 21 SUBSECTION A AND SECTION 42-5352, SUBSECTION A.

B. AT THE END OF EACH MONTH THE STATE TREASURER SHALL TRANSMIT THE NET
REVENUES COLLECTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION TO THE DISTRICT TREASURER WHO
SHALL DEPOSIT THE REVENUES IN THE DISTRICT'S GENERAL FUND.

C. UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES, SECTION 42-6102 GOVERNS THE
 ADMINISTRATION OF THE TAX IMPOSED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.

D. THE DISTRICT'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS MAY USE THE EXCISE TAXES RECEIVED
PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF
PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE ACQUIRED OR CONSTRUCTED BY THE DISTRICT AND MAY PLEDGE
SUCH TAXES TO THE PAYMENT OF DISTRICT BONDS ISSUED PURSUANT TO SECTION
48-727.

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48-727. Bonds payable from excise taxes

A. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF A DISTRICT FORMED PURSUANT TO SECTION 48-707, SUBSECTION I IS DESIGNATED AS THE BODY HAVING SOLE AND EXCLUSIVE POWER TO AUTHORIZE AND ISSUE BONDS OR INCUR LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS PAYABLE IN WHOLE OR IN PART FROM MONIES COLLECTED FROM THE EXCISE TAX AUTHORIZED PURSUANT TO SECTION 48-726. THE BOARD MAY:

I. ISSUE NEGOTIABLE BONDS PAYABLE SOLELY FROM THE DISTRICT'S EXCISE
 TAXES IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT THAT IN THE OPINION OF THE BOARD IS NECESSARY
 TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT MONIES FOR CONSTRUCTION OR ACQUISITION OF PUBLIC
 INFRASTRUCTURE, TO ESTABLISH RESERVES TO SECURE THE BONDS AND TO PROVIDE FOR
 THE PAYMENT OF ALL OTHER EXPENDITURES INCIDENTAL, NECESSARY AND CONVENIENT TO
 CARRY OUT THESE PURPOSES.

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2. ISSUE REFUNDING BONDS IF THE BOARD DEEMS REFUNDING EXPEDIENT.

3. REFUND ANY BONDS ISSUED BY THE BOARD AND PAYABLE FROM EXCISE TAXES
 OF THE DISTRICT AS AUTHORIZED IN THIS SECTION BY THE ISSUANCE OF REFUNDING
 BONDS, WHETHER THE BONDS TO BE REFUNDED HAVE OR HAVE NOT MATURED. PROCEEDS
 OF REFUNDING BONDS MAY BE USED TO PAY PRINCIPAL, INTEREST, REDEMPTION
 PREMIUMS AND COSTS OF ISSUANCE AND TO PURCHASE BOND INSURANCE ON REFUNDED
 BONDS.

4. ISSUE BONDS PARTLY TO REFUND BONDS THEN OUTSTANDING AND PARTLY FOR
ANY OTHER PURPOSE CONSISTENT WITH THIS SECTION. REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT
THE BONDS ARE OF SUCH FORM OR CHARACTER AS TO BE NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS UNDER
THE TERMS OF THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE, THE BONDS ARE FULLY NEGOTIABLE
WITHIN THE MEANING OF AND FOR ALL PURPOSES OF THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE AND
ANY OTHER LAW.

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B. THE BONDS AUTHORIZED BY THIS SECTION SHALL:

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1. BE AUTHORIZED BY RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD.

2. BEAR SUCH DATE OR DATES AND SHALL MATURE AT SUCH TIME OR TIMES, NOT
 EXCEEDING THE EARLIER OF FORTY YEARS FROM THEIR RESPECTIVE DATES OR THE DATE
 THE DISTRICT'S EXCISE TAXES SECURING THE BONDS ARE SCHEDULED TO CEASE, AS THE
 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BONDS MAY PROVIDE.

BEAR INTEREST AT SUCH RATE OR RATES, INCLUDING RATES THAT MAY VARY
 FROM TIME TO TIME, PURSUANT TO PROVISIONS ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD IN THE
 AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION.

22 4. BE IN THE DENOMINATION, BE IN THE FORM, EITHER WITH OR WITHOUT 23 COUPON. BE EXECUTED IN THE MANNER AND BE PAYABLE AS TO PRINCIPAL. INTEREST OR 24 PREMIUM IN THE MEDIUM OF PAYMENT AT THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT OR AT SUCH 25 OTHER PLACE AS THE BOARD PROVIDES, EITHER BY AUTOMATIC DEPOSIT, WIRE TRANSFER 26 OR MAIL. THE BONDS MAY BE ISSUED AS BOOK ENTRY BONDS WITH PAYMENTS OF 27 PRINCIPAL, INTEREST AND REDEMPTION PREMIUMS PAYABLE THROUGH A DEPOSITORY TO 28 BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF THE BONDS, EITHER DIRECTLY OR THE THROUGH 29 INTERMEDIARIES.

5. BE SUBJECT TO SUCH TERMS OF REDEMPTION, AT THE OPTION OF EITHER THE
 BOARD OR THE OWNER OF THE BOND, AS THE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BONDS MAY
 PROVIDE.

6. BE PAYABLE EXCLUSIVELY FROM THE EXCISE TAXES TO BE RECEIVED BY THE 33 34 DISTRICT. THE DISTRICT BY RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS 35 MAY PLEDGE ALL OR ANY PART OF SUCH EXCISE TAXES TO THE PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL, INTEREST, RESERVE FUND CONTRIBUTIONS AND REDEMPTION PREMIUMS ON THE BONDS. 36 37 THE RESOLUTION MAY ASSIGN ALL OR ANY PORTION OF THE DISTRICT'S EXCISE TAXES 38 TO A TRUSTEE, PAYING AGENT OR FISCAL AGENT. IF AN ASSIGNMENT IS MADE, THE 39 DISTRICT MAY DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO DEDUCT AN EQUAL AMOUNT EACH 40 MONTH FROM THE EXCISE TAX REVENUES IT COLLECTS FOR THE DISTRICT AND PAY THAT 41 AMOUNT DIRECTLY TO THE BOND OWNERS, TRUSTEE, PAYING AGENT OR FISCAL AGENT 42 DESIGNATED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD.

43 C. THE BONDS MAY BE SOLD AT EITHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SALE, ABOVE, AT 44 OR BELOW PAR AND ON SUCH TERMS AS THE BOARD MAY DETERMINE. BONDS TO FUND OR REFUND OTHER BONDS MAY BE EXCHANGED WITH THE HOLDERS OF BONDS BEING FUNDED OR
 REFUNDED ON SUCH TERMS AS THE BOARD DETERMINES.

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D. THE BOARD BY RESOLUTION MAY ALSO:

SET THE PRIORITY OF LIEN OR CLAIM OF ANY SERIES OR ISSUE OF BONDS
 AGAINST ANY OTHER SERIES OR ISSUES, AND THE BOARD SHALL NOT ABROGATE OR
 CHANGE THE PRIORITY UNLESS THE AFFECTED SERIES OR ISSUES ARE TO BE FULLY PAID
 OR FULLY PROVIDED FOR BY THE ISSUANCE OF REFUNDING BONDS OR THE HOLDERS OF
 THE BONDS AFFECTED AGREE IN WRITING TO THE CHANGE.

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2. SET ASIDE, REGULATE AND DISPOSE OF RESERVES AND SINKING FUNDS.

10 3. PROVIDE THAT SUFFICIENT AMOUNTS OF THE PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OF 11 THE BONDS MAY BE USED TO FULLY OR PARTLY FUND ANY AND ALL RESERVES OR SINKING 12 FUNDS SET UP BY THE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BONDS.

4. PRESCRIBE THE PROCEDURE, IF ANY, BY WHICH THE TERMS OF A CONTRACT
WITH BONDHOLDERS MAY BE AMENDED OR ABROGATED, THE AMOUNT OF BONDS THE HOLDERS
OF WHICH MUST CONSENT TO AMENDMENTS AND THE MANNER IN WHICH THE CONSENT MAY
BE GIVEN.

17 5. PROVIDE FOR PAYMENT FROM THE PROCEEDS OF THE SALE OF THE BONDS OF
18 ALL LEGAL AND FINANCIAL EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE BOARD IN THE ISSUANCE, SALE,
19 DELIVERY AND PAYMENT OF THE BONDS.

206. DO ANY OTHER MATTERS, OF LIKE OR DIFFERENT CHARACTER, THAT MAY IN21ANY WAY AFFECT THE SECURITY AND PROTECTION OF THE BONDS.

7. EMPLOY TRUSTEES, PAYING AGENTS, FISCAL AGENTS, FINANCIAL
CONSULTANTS, FEASIBILITY CONSULTANTS, ATTORNEYS AND OTHER EXPERTS IN THEIR
FIELDS TO AID IN THE SALE AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE BONDS.

25 E. ANY PLEDGE MADE PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION IS VALID AND BINDING FROM THE TIME THE PLEDGE IS MADE. THE MONIES PLEDGED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION. 26 27 WHEN PLACED IN THE FUND OR ACCOUNT CREATED TO SERVICE THE BONDS OR PROVIDE 28 RESERVES OR SINKING FUNDS FOR THE BONDS, ARE IMMEDIATELY SUBJECT TO THE LIEN 29 OF THE PLEDGE WITHOUT ANY FUTURE PHYSICAL DELIVERY OR FURTHER ACT OR 30 RECORDING. A LIEN OF ANY PLEDGE IS VALID OR BINDING AGAINST ALL PARTIES 31 HAVING CLAIMS OF ANY KIND IN TORT, CONTRACT OR OTHERWISE AGAINST THE 32 DISTRICT, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE PARTIES HAVE NOTICE. WHEN PLACED IN THE 33 RECORDS OF THE BOARD, THE OFFICIAL RESOLUTION, THE TRUST INDENTURE OR ANY INSTRUMENT BY WHICH THE PLEDGE IS CREATED IS NOTICE TO ALL CONCERNED OF THE 34 35 CREATION OF THE PLEDGE, AND THESE INSTRUMENTS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO BE RECORDED IN ANY OTHER PLACE. A FILING OR RECORDING OF THE RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD 36 37 CREATING OR EXTENDING THE LIEN OR PLEDGE IN ORDER FOR THE PLEDGE OR LIEN TO 38 BECOME FULLY EFFECTIVE IS NOT REQUIRED IN ANY OFFICE OTHER THAN IN THE OFFICE 39 OF THE BOARD.

F. THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OR ANY PERSON EXECUTING THE BONDS IS NOT
PERSONALLY LIABLE FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BONDS. THE BONDS ARE VALID AND
BINDING OBLIGATIONS OF THE DISTRICT NOTWITHSTANDING THE FACT THAT BEFORE THE
DELIVERY OF THE BONDS ANY OF THE OFFICERS WHOSE SIGNATURES APPEAR ON THE
BONDS CEASE TO BE OFFICERS OF THE DISTRICT. FROM AND AFTER THE SALE AND
DELIVERY OF THE BONDS, THE BONDS ARE INCONTESTABLE.

1 G THIS STATE PLEDGES TO AND AGREES WITH THE HOLDERS OF THE BONDS THAT THE STATE WILL NOT LIMIT, ALTER, REPEAL OR REVOKE THE DISTRICT'S EXCISE 2 3 TAXES. OR TAKE ANY ACTION THAT IN ANY WAY ADVERSELY AFFECTS THE RIGHTS OF THE HOLDERS OF THE BONDS, LIMITS OR ALTERS THE AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD TO LEVY THE 4 5 EXCISE TAX TO PREVENT THE IMPOSITION OF SUFFICIENT EXCISE TAXES TO FULFILL THE TERMS OF THE BONDS, OR IN ANY WAY IMPAIR THE RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OF THE 6 7 BONDHOLDERS, UNTIL ALL BONDS ISSUED UNDER THIS ARTICLE, INTEREST ON THE BONDS, INTEREST ON ANY UNPAID INSTALLMENTS OF INTEREST AND ALL COSTS AND 8 9 EXPENSES IN CONNECTION WITH ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDINGS BY OR ON BEHALF OF THE BONDHOLDERS ARE FULLY MET AND DISCHARGED. THE DISTRICT BOARD AS AGENT FOR 10 11 THIS STATE MAY INCLUDE THIS PLEDGE AND UNDERTAKING BY THIS STATE IN ITS 12 RESOLUTIONS AND INDENTURES SECURING ITS BONDS.

13 H. THE DISTRICT MAY SUBMIT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL ANY BONDS TO BE 14 ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION AFTER ALL PROCEEDINGS FOR THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE 15 BONDS HAVE BEEN TAKEN. ON THE SUBMISSION OF THE PROCEEDINGS TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL INVESTIGATE AND DETERMINE THE VALIDITY OF 16 17 THE BONDS AND THE REGULARITY OF ALL PROCEEDINGS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE. IF THE PROCEEDINGS CONFORM TO THIS SECTION AND IF IT IS DETERMINED 18 19 THAT THE BONDS WHEN DELIVERED AND PAID FOR WILL CONSTITUTE BINDING AND LEGAL 20 OBLIGATIONS OF THE DISTRICT ENFORCEABLE ACCORDING TO THE TERMS OF THE BONDS. 21 THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL CERTIFY IN SUBSTANCE ON THE BACK OF EACH OF THE 22 BONDS THAT IT IS ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THIS 23 STATE. THE BONDS ARE OBLIGATIONS OF THE DISTRICT ISSUING THE BONDS. ARE 24 PAYABLE ONLY PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF THE BONDS, ARE NOT OBLIGATIONS THAT ARE 25 GENERAL, SPECIAL OR OTHERWISE OF THIS STATE OR THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE DISTRICT IS LOCATED. ARE NOT A LEGAL DEBT OF THIS STATE OR OF THE COUNTY IN 26 27 WHICH THE DISTRICT IS LOCATED AND ARE NOT ENFORCEABLE AGAINST THIS STATE OR 28 THE COUNTY OUT OF ANY MONIES OTHER THAN THE INCOME AND REVENUE PLEDGED AND 29 ASSIGNED TO OR IN TRUST FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE OWNERS OF THE BONDS.