

1.1 Senator moves to amend S.F. No. 2713 as follows:

1.2 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

1.3 "Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 123A.73, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

1.4 Subd. 4. **Consolidation; maximum authorized referendum revenues.** (a) As of the
1.5 effective date of a consolidation pursuant to section 123A.48, if the plan for consolidation
1.6 so provides, or if the plan for consolidation makes no provision concerning referendum
1.7 revenues, the authorization for all referendum revenues previously approved by the voters
1.8 of all affected districts for those districts pursuant to section 126C.17, subdivision 9, or its
1.9 predecessor provision shall be recalculated as provided in this subdivision. The referendum
1.10 revenue authorization for the newly created district shall be the revenue per adjusted pupil
1.11 unit that would raise an amount equal to the combined dollar amount of the referendum
1.12 revenues authorized by each of the component districts for the year preceding the
1.13 consolidation, unless the referendum revenue authorization of the newly created district is
1.14 subsequently modified pursuant to section 126C.17, subdivision 9.

1.15 (b) The referendum allowance for a consolidated district in the years following
1.16 consolidation equals the average of the consolidating districts' existing authorities for those
1.17 years, weighted by the districts' adjusted pupil units in the year preceding consolidation.
1.18 For purposes of this calculation, the referendum authorities used for individual districts
1.19 shall not decrease from year to year until such time as all existing authorities for all the
1.20 consolidating districts have fully expired, but shall increase if they were originally approved
1.21 with consumer price index-based or other annual increases.

1.22 (c) The referendum revenue authorization for the newly created district shall continue
1.23 for a period of time equal to the longest period authorized for any component district. The
1.24 referendum revenue authorization for the newly created district may be renewed by the
1.25 school board of the newly created district pursuant to section 126C.17, subdivision 9b, for
1.26 a term not to exceed ten years, without regard to the terms of the previous authorizations
1.27 prior to consolidation.

1.28 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively from June 16, 2024, and
1.29 applies to school board resolutions adopted on or after that date.

1.30 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 123A.73, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

1.31 Subd. 5. **Alternative method.** (a) As of the effective date of a consolidation pursuant
1.32 to section 123A.48, if the plan for consolidation so provides, the authorization for all

referendum revenues previously approved by the voters of all affected districts for those districts pursuant to section 126C.17, subdivision 9, or its predecessor provision shall be combined as provided in this subdivision. The referendum revenue authorization for the newly created district may be any allowance per adjusted pupil unit provided in the plan for consolidation, but may not exceed the allowance per adjusted pupil unit that would raise an amount equal to the combined dollar amount of the referendum revenues authorized by each of the component districts for the year preceding the consolidation.

(b) The referendum allowance for a consolidated district in the years following consolidation equals the average of the consolidating districts' existing authorities for those years, weighted by the districts' adjusted pupil units in the year preceding consolidation. For purposes of this calculation, the referendum authorities used for individual districts shall not decrease from year to year until such time as all existing authorities for all the consolidating districts have fully expired, but shall increase if they were originally approved with consumer price index-based or other annual increases.

(c) The referendum revenue authorization for the newly created district shall continue for a period of time equal to the longest period authorized for any component district. The referendum revenue authorization for the newly created district may be modified pursuant to section 126C.17, subdivision 9. The referendum revenue authorization for the newly created district may be renewed by the school board of the newly created district pursuant to section 126C.17, subdivision 9b, for a term not to exceed ten years, without regard to the terms of the previous authorizations prior to consolidation.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective retroactively from June 16, 2024, and applies to school board resolutions adopted on or after that date.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 126C.17, subdivision 9b, is amended to read:

Subd. 9b. **Renewal by school board.** (a) Notwithstanding the election requirements of subdivision 9, a school board may renew an expiring referendum, including an expiring referendum that was approved or adopted under section 123A.73, subdivision 4 or 5, by board action if:

(1) the per pupil amount of the referendum is the same as the amount expiring, or for an expiring referendum that was adjusted annually by the rate of inflation, the same as the per pupil amount of the expiring referendum, adjusted annually for inflation in the same manner as if the expiring referendum had continued;

3.1 (2) the term of the renewed referendum is no longer than the initial term approved by
3.2 the voters, except as provided under section 123A.75, subdivision 4 or 5;

3.3 (3) the school board, having taken a recorded vote, has adopted a written resolution
3.4 authorizing the renewal after holding a meeting and allowing public testimony on the
3.5 proposed renewal; and

3.6 (4) the expiring referendum has not been previously renewed under this subdivision.

3.7 (b) The resolution must be adopted by the school board ~~by~~ on or after July 1 of the
3.8 second fiscal year prior to the fiscal year in which the referendum expires, but no later than
3.9 June 15 of any calendar year and the fiscal year prior to the fiscal year in which the
3.10 referendum expires. The resolution becomes effective 60 days after its adoption.

3.11 (c) A referendum expires in the last fiscal year in which the referendum generates revenue
3.12 for the school district. ~~A school board may renew an expiring referendum under this~~
3.13 ~~subdivision not more than two fiscal years before the referendum expires.~~

3.14 (d) A district renewing an expiring referendum under this subdivision must submit a
3.15 copy of the adopted resolution to the commissioner and to the county auditor no later than
3.16 ~~September 1~~ August 15 of the calendar year in which the written resolution is adopted fiscal
3.17 year in which the referendum expires.

3.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively from June 16, 2024, and
3.19 applies to school board resolutions adopted on or after that date."

3.20 Amend the title accordingly