TAXING AND BORROWING AUTHORITY/LIMITATIONS

Taxing

State law establishes the district's taxing authority. The district establishes levies in accordance with SDCL 10-12-42, which may change annually. The governing body of the school district may impose an excess tax levy (opt out) with an affirmative two thirds vote of the governing body on or before July 15th of the year prior to the year taxes are payable. The decision may be referred upon a resolution of the governing body of the school district or by a petition signed by at least five percent of the registered voters in the school district.

For capital outlay funds, the tax levy cannot exceed $3.00 dollars per thousand dollars on the taxable valuation of the district, and for special education funds, the tax levy cannot exceed $1.40 per thousand dollars on taxable valuation.

Borrowing

By law, the Board is permitted to borrow money in anticipation of the collection of taxes for the purpose of securing funds for school operations. The amount of money borrowed cannot exceed the sum of 95 percent of the amount of uncollected taxes levied for the current school fiscal year, plus other uncollected receivables (including state or federal money, not yet received, but) owed to the district.

CROSS REF.: DCA, Excess Tax Levy (Opt Out)
FC, Facilities Capitalization Program