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House plans July 21 session to consider limited veto overrides

Earlier this week, Speaker of the House Matt Huffman announced that the House will hold a session on Monday, July 21, to consider overriding [vetoes made by Governor Mike DeWine on House Bill 96](#), the state operating budget, that concern property tax reform.

Governor DeWine issued 67 line-item vetoes on HB 96. When the General Assembly considers veto overrides, the chambers must override each individual veto separately and must override the complete veto, not simply portions of the vetoed language. Finally, veto overrides must begin in the chamber that the legislation initiated from.

Speaker Huffman's announcement indicated the House will consider three items at the July 21 session:

Property Tax: County Budget Commission Authority and Procedure *(Item Number 55)*

Vetoed the authority for county budget commissions to unilaterally reduce a levy passed by voters for a school district or taxing authority. Any taxing authority that the budget commission may reduce a levy for is entitled to present information on the levy's necessity before the budget commission takes action.

20-Mill Floor Calculation *(Item Number 65)*

Vetoed a provision that would include emergency tax levies, substitute tax levies, incremental growth levies, conversion levies, and the property tax portion of combined levies in the calculation of a school district's 20-mill floor.

School District Property Tax Levy Restrictions *(Item Number 66)*

Vetoed a provision eliminating the authority for school districts to levy certain types of property tax levies. Included in this veto is the elimination of replacement tax levies, a levy type that other local governments can use.

Item Number 65, including more factors in the calculation of a school district's 20-mill floor, aligns with a CCAO Legislative Platform position.

The General Assembly has until the completion of its term (December 31, 2026) to override vetoes. The consideration of the above line-item vetoes does not preclude the General Assembly from attempting to override other vetoes made on HB 96 at a future date.

Legislative Activity

Introduction of Bills

The following bill(s) that may be of interest to counties were introduced this week:

- [House Bill 393](#) (Representatives Gary Click and Darnell Brewer): To require that community-based correctional facilities and programs assist inmates in obtaining state identification cards prior to release.
- [Senate Bill 234](#) (Senators Kent Smith and Hearcel Craig): To increase the state minimum wage.