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CHAPTER 7

SENATE BILL 1155

AN ACT

AUTHORIZING HOSPITAL DISTRICT ELECTIONS TO DECIDE WHETHER TO CONTINUE AN EXISTING SECONDARY PROPERTY TAX TO FUND THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF HOSPITALS OR URGENT CARE CENTERS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Hospital district election; dates; notice; mail
3 ballot election

4 Notwithstanding section 16-204 and section 48-1907, subsection A,
5 paragraph 6, Arizona Revised Statutes, a hospital district that is organized
6 under title 48, chapter 13, Arizona Revised Statutes, and that has a
7 population of less than twenty thousand persons may hold an election at any
8 time on or before June 30, 2009 to authorize the continued imposition of an
9 existing secondary property tax on all taxable property in the district for
10 the purpose of funding the operation and maintenance of a hospital or urgent
11 care center. Notwithstanding any other law, the election shall be by mail
12 ballot pursuant to title 16, chapter 4, article 8.1, Arizona Revised
13 Statutes, subject to the following:

14 1. The election may be held and the mail ballots counted on any Tuesday
15 after the effective date of this act and on or before June 30, 2009.

16 2. The hospital district may call the election on not more than one
17 hundred twenty and not less than thirty days' notice. Notice of the call for
18 election is not required.

19 3. Notice of the election shall be by publication in a newspaper of
20 general circulation in the district at least once each week during the two
21 calendar weeks preceding the week of the election.

22 4. The hospital district may hold a mail ballot election without
23 obtaining approval of the board of supervisors of the county in which the
24 hospital district is located.

25 Sec. 2. Emergency

26 This act is an emergency measure that is necessary to preserve the
27 public peace, health or safety and is operative immediately as provided by
28 law.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR JUNE 16, 2009.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE JUNE 17, 2009.

Passed the House June 11, 2009,

by the following vote: 48 Ayes,

4 Nays, 8 Not Voting

with emergency

[Signature]
Speaker of the House

[Signature]
Chief Clerk of the House

Passed the Senate May 27, 2009,

by the following vote: 24 Ayes,

3 Nays, 3 Not Voting

with emergency

[Signature]
President of the Senate

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Secretary of the Senate

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR

This Bill was received by the Governor this
16 day of June, 2009,

at 2:39 o'clock P. M.

[Signature]
Secretary to the Governor

Approved this 17 day of

June, 2009,

at 10:07 o'clock A. M.

[Signature]
Governor of Arizona

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Bill was received by the Secretary of State
this 17 day of June, 2009,

at 10:30 o'clock A. M.

[Signature]
Secretary of State

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