CLEVELAND UNIVERSITY **HEIGHTS**
CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

# Treasurer's Report
# "3 Things"
# Taxpayers Freedom Trilogy
# 9/2/25

# CH-UH Strategic Plan

***Goal 5, Objective 3:***

Inform and educate all stakeholders regarding District finances and school funding in Ohio.

# #1 -HB420 ( “Act One: Discontinuing the Continuum”

- **Aim:** To eliminate continuing levies
- **Proposal:**
  - To disallow and, by 2030, eliminate property taxes that are levied for a continuing period of time.
  - Includes provisions for school districts to levy taxes for permanent improvements and to consider a school district income tax in addition to, or in combination with, a property tax.
- **Impact :**
  - Shorter levy cycles
  - Decreased revenue predictability
  - Catastrophic loss in funding if new levies are not passed
  - Higher taxes for residents

# #2 - HB421 (“Act Two: Arresting Inside Millage”)

- **Aim:** To allow for a new process where voters can initiate a ballot measure to reduce property taxes collected without a specific vote (inside millage)
- **Proposal:** Voters file a petition with the board of elections, proposed reduction amount, and written argument, petition must be signed by 15% of the total votes cast in the last general election for the office of governor in that subdivision
- **Impact:**
  - Loss in revenue $(7,582,073) /services for districts, cities, libraries etc.

# #3 - HB 422("Act Three: The Triumph of the Taxpayer")

- **Aim:** To increase the voter approval threshold for the passage of certain property tax levies.
- **Proposal:** Requires different percentages of approval by aggregate rate as follows:

| Aggregate Levy Rate | Required Elector Approval |
|---|---|
| Not more than one mill | 50% |
| More than one mill but not more than two mills | 60% |
| More than two mills | 66% |

- **Impact:** These funds are explicitly restricted and cannot be used for daily operating expenses like salaries. They are a "fixed-rate levy" and are also expressed in mills.

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# Questions

https://www.chuh.org/departments/finance/public-school-funding