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Re-Authorization/Replacement of Parcel Tax to Maintain Reading, Art, and Music Instruction

To maintain the exceptional public education offered by our schools, shall the Brisbane Elementary School District renew its current parcel tax of \$96 with a \$23 inflation increase by levying a special tax of not more than one hundred nineteen dollars (\$119) per year per parcel of land as of July 1 of each year (with exemptions for parcels owned and occupied by a person 65 years of age or older, upon application, and with a partial exemption for resident homeowners living on multiple [up to 3] parcels, and for certain property exempted by law), to facilitate (1) providing a music teacher and an art teacher, (2) providing teachers and instructional aides to assist and support students with reading and core academics; in addition, if funds allow, (3) providing additional library and instructional resources to schools; provided that none of the proceeds from this measure shall be used to pay for District administration; in connection therewith, shall the annual appropriations limit of the District be raised beginning July 1, 2011 and ending June 30, 2016, in an amount equal to the levy of said tax for said year?

A parcel will be defined as any unit of land which now receives a separate tax bill from the Assessor's Office. All property which would otherwise be exempt from the property tax will also be exempt from the imposition of this tax. An exemption from this special tax shall be granted annually by the District on any parcel owned by one or more persons aged sixty-five (65) or over on July 1 of the tax year who occupy said parcel as a principal residence, upon application for exemption supported by proof of age, ownership and occupancy as the principal place of residence: In addition, upon application for exemption supported by proof of ownership and occupancy, resident homeowners whose lot includes up to three contiguous parcels will be eligible for exemption from parcels additional to the one on which the residence house is situated, in accordance with regulations adopted by the Board of Trustees.