

By Commissioner Henderson

1 A proposal to revise
2 ARTICLE VII, s. 9, Fla. Const.; providing a
3 statewide millage cap for water management
4 purposes.

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6 It is proposed by the Florida Constitution Revision Commission
7 that:

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9 Section 1. Section 9 of Article VII of the Florida
10 Constitution is revised by amending that section to read:

11 ARTICLE VII

12 FINANCE AND TAXATION

13 SECTION 9. Local taxes.--

14 (a) Counties, school districts, and municipalities
15 shall, and special districts may, be authorized by law to levy
16 ad valorem taxes and may be authorized by general law to levy
17 other taxes, for their respective purposes, except ad valorem
18 taxes on intangible personal property and taxes prohibited by
19 this constitution.

20 (b) Ad valorem taxes, exclusive of taxes levied for
21 the payment of bonds and taxes levied for periods not longer
22 than two years when authorized by vote of the electors who are
23 the owners of freeholds therein not wholly exempt from
24 taxation, shall not be levied in excess of the following
25 millages upon the assessed value of real estate and tangible
26 personal property: for all county purposes, ten mills; for all
27 municipal purposes, ten mills; for all school purposes, ten
28 mills; ~~for water management purposes for the northwest portion~~
29 ~~of the state lying west of the line between ranges two and~~
30 ~~three east, 0.05 mill; for water management purposes for the~~
31 ~~remaining portions of the state, 1.0 mill; and for all other~~

1 special districts a millage authorized by law approved by vote
2 of the electors who are owners of freeholds therein not wholly
3 exempt from taxation. A county furnishing municipal services
4 may, to the extent authorized by law, levy additional taxes
5 within the limits fixed for municipal purposes.
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