BONDING CAPACITY

WHEREAS, The Missouri Congress of Parents and Teachers, its Units and Councils are on record in support of legislation for continual financing of public education; and

WHEREAS, Current legislation states that a school district may become indebted in an amount not to exceed fifteen percent of its assessed valuation; and

WHEREAS, Bond passage requires local voter approval; and

WHEREAS, The current fifteen percent ceiling on indebtedness can restrict school districts from providing adequate construction, expansion, and/or renovation of facilities; and

WHEREAS, School Districts could realize fiscal savings by holding fewer bond elections; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Missouri Congress of Parents and Teachers, its units and councils, urge the State Legislative Assembly to pass legislation to raise the limit on indebtedness for school districts from fifteen to twenty percent of assessed valuation.

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