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A recent law change requires county auditors to mail a statement to county taxpayers by March 20 with state-specified information related to proposed local government budgets and proposed property tax rates. (Iowa Code 24.2A)

The statement will include information regarding school, county, and city proposed budget tax rates that are payable in September 2024 and March 2025 as well as information about scheduled public hearings regarding the proposed tax rates.

The statement will include the following information:

- Date, time and location of public hearings to consider proposed property tax rates for fiscal year 24/25.
- Phone number and website (if applicable) for each associated taxing authority.
- Current, effective, and proposed tax rate information
- Comparison of current, effective and proposed tax rates
- How current taxes levied by the school, county, and city are distributed
- Comparison of how taxes would be distributed in the current and proposed budget years.

The purpose of the statement is to provide taxpayers with information about the proposed city, county, and school district budgets in time for the taxpayers to address the proposals at public hearings held before the budgets are approved. The budgets may be lowered after the hearings, but not raised.

Taxpayers owning more than one property may receive multiple letters if those properties are in different tax districts.

Additional information or questions regarding the statements may be directed to the taxing entities or will be made available online at <a href="https://dom.iowa.gov/property-taxes">https://dom.iowa.gov/property-taxes</a> on or after March 20, 2024

Thank you,

Sandy Hysell

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