**§327. Minimum assessing standards**

All municipalities whether they choose to remain as single municipal assessing units or choose to be designated as a primary assessing area, either as a primary single unit or a member of a primary district, shall achieve the following minimum assessing standards: [PL 1975, c. 545, §13 (NEW).]

**1. Minimum assessment ratios.**  A 50% minimum assessment ratio by 1977; a 60% minimum assessment ratio by 1978; and a 70% minimum assessment ratio by 1979 and thereafter. Notwithstanding this subsection, a municipality should not have an assessment ratio at an amount greater than 110% of its just value;

[PL 1993, c. 249, §1 (AMD); PL 1993, c. 249, §2 (AFF).]

**2. Maximum rating of assessment.**  A maximum rating of assessment quality of 30 by 1977; a maximum rating of assessment quality of 25 by 1978; a maximum rating of assessment quality of 20 by 1979 and thereafter;

[PL 1975, c. 545, §13 (NEW).]

**3. Employment of assessor.**  Any municipal assessing unit may employ a part-time, non-certified assessor or contract with a firm or organization that provides assessing services; when any municipal assessing unit or primary assessing area employs a full-time, professional assessor, this assessor must be certified by the bureau as a professionally trained assessor. The bureau shall publish, for the information of the municipalities, a list of assessing firms or organizations. The bureau shall provide to a municipality, on request by the municipality, a list of certified assessors.

[PL 2017, c. 170, Pt. B, §2 (AMD).]

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