

and directed to take the proper and necessary proceedings under laws relating to the sale of state school lands, to sell certain school lands to the Township of Mudgett, Mille Lacs County, to be used as a site for a Township Hall, for a consideration of Seven and no/100 Dollars (\$7.00), said land being one acre more or less in the Southeast corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Sixteen (16), Township Forty (40), Range Twenty-six (26) more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the Southeast corner of said Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$) thence north along the property line two hundred and eight (208) feet; thence west two hundred and eight (208) feet; thence south two hundred and eight (208) feet to south line of section; thence east two hundred and eight (208)

feet along south line of section to point of beginning.

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CHAPTER 40—S. F. No. 265

An act to authorize the board of county commissioners to issue funding and/or refunding bonds for the purpose of liquidating outstanding warrant indebtedness, and for reimbursing certain county funds from which monies have been transferred in certain counties, and providing procedure therefor.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Counties may issue funding and refunding bonds.—In any county in this state containing not less than 15 nor more than 17 full or fractional congressional townships, with a population of not less than 12,000 nor more than 13,000 inhabitants according to the last federal census and having an assessed valuation, exclusive of money and credits, of not less than 5,000,000 nor more than 10,000,000 dollars the board of county commissioners by unanimous vote, is hereby authorized to issue, negotiate, sell or exchange its negotiable bonds at one time, or from time to time, for the purpose of funding and/or refunding its valid outstanding warrant indebtedness, or any part of either thereof, or for the purpose of reimbursing a ditch fund from which monies have been transferred to another county fund.

Sec. 2. May be issued without vote of electors.—Before any such bonds shall be authorized or issued, the county board shall adopt a resolution setting forth the necessity of the issuance of such bonds,

the portion of the outstanding indebtedness to be funded and/or refunded, the amount of bonds proposed to be issued under such resolution, and such other matters, not inconsistent with this act, as they may deem advisable, and such bonds may be issued without submitting the question of such issue to the electors of such county.

Sec. 3. Auditor shall prepare list of indebtedness.—Upon the adoption of such resolution the county auditor shall prepare and file in his office a list of the indebtedness so to be funded and/or refunded thereunder with sufficient details to identify the obligations referred to and shall cause to be published in one issue of the official newspaper a notice of the filing of such list. The validity or enforceability of any item of indebtedness so listed shall never be questioned in any action or proceedings unless the same shall be commenced prior to a date 20 days after such publication.

Sec. 4. Form of bonds—maturity.—Such bonds shall be in such form, shall be executed in such manner and shall mature at such time or times not exceeding 15 years from their date and bear interest at a rate or rates as the county board shall determine. Such bonds shall be general obligation of such county and the full faith, credit, and unlimited taxing powers of the county shall be pledged to their payment.

Sec. 5. Shall not be sold for less than face.—Such bonds may be sold for cash, and the bonds delivered shall be valued at not less than their face amount and accrued interest.

Sec. 6. Sinking fund established.—Prior to the issuance of any such bonds a sinking fund shall be established for the payment of principal and interest thereon and no withdrawals from such sinking fund shall be made for any other purpose.

Sec. 7. State Board of Investment may purchase bonds.—The State Board of Investment is authorized to purchase bonds issued pursuant to this act in the same manner and subject to the limitation as expressed in Chapter 389, Laws 1933, and all the powers granted to the State Board of Investment by Chapter 389, Laws 1933, shall apply in connection with the purchase of bonds issued hereunder.

Sec. 8. Application and limitation of act.—This act shall be construed as a remedial measure, provided, however, that any proceedings to issue bonds pursuant to the provisions hereof shall be initiated within three months after the passage and approval hereof by a resolution of the county board.

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