CHAPTER 157-H. F. No. 401 -

An act relating to the authority of county cooperative extension committees in certain counties to prepare and recommend an annual budget for the maintenance, support and expenses of the county cooperative extension work in agriculture and home economics; amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 22.46.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 22.46, is amended to read as follows:

County budget committee. There shall be provided in each county having a county farm bureau association a budget committee, to be known as the county cooperative extension committee, consisting of seven members. of whom two shall be members of the board of county commissioners. including the chairman and one other selected by the board, the county auditor, the president, vice-president, and secretary of the county farm bureau association, and one additional member selected by the county farm bureau executive com-The county cooperative extension committee, each year, on or before the second Monday of July, shall prepare a budget showing the total funds available and needed, and shall recommend by resolution the amount of county funds necessary for the maintenance, support, and expenses of the county cooperative extension work in agriculture and home economics during the following year, which shall not be less than \$1,500, and shall not exceed \$5,000, except that in counties having two or more county extension agents the sum shall not exceed \$7,500, and except that in counties having a total area of 150 or more full or fractional congressional townships the sum shall not exceed \$25,000, and a copy of such budget and resolution shall be presented by the county auditor to the board of county commissioners. It shall be the duty of the board of county commissioners, at its regular meeting in July or January, as the case may be, to consider the recommended county share of money necessary for the maintenance, support, and expenses of county cooperative extension work in agriculture and home economics during the following year. For these purposes the board of county commissioners may appropriate, annually, not less than \$1,500, and not to exceed the specified limits hereinbefore provided, and may include the same in the annual levy of county taxes. The amount so set aside shall be appropriated from the general revenue fund of the county, except that in counties where the general revenue fund is exhausted, the board of county commissioners

shall make a special levy for county cooperative extension purposes. The amount of money so set aside and appropriated by the board of county commissioners for any county for these purposes shall constitute a fund to be known as the county cooperative extension fund, which shall be paid out by orders of the dean of the department of agriculture of the University of Minnesota for salaries of the agents employed, their employees, and other expenses incident to the work of such agents in improving agriculture and home economics and improving and bettering the marketing of farm products within the appropriation available. No order for the application of these funds for the purposes named shall be issued until the expenditure shall have been audited and signed by the county auditor and the secretary of the county farm bureau association. In the event there is an unexpended balance of the county cooperative extension fund at the end of any year, this balance shall be carried over or reappropriated within the limits of the appropriation hereinbefore specified.

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CHAPTER 158—H. F. No. 394 [Not Coded]

An act authorizing the renewal of the period of corporate existence of certain corporations whose period of duration has expired without renewal thereof.

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

Section 1. Corporate renewals; county agricultural society. Any county agricultural society, which is a member of the state agricultural society of the state, whose period of duration has expired less than two years before the passage of this act and which has continued to carry on its business without a renewal of its said period, may renew the period of its corporate existence for an additional term of not to exceed 30 years from the date of such expiration, with the same force and effect as if such renewal has been effected before its said period of duration expired, by taking the proceedings provided by law for the renewal of the corporate existence of such corporation in cases where such renewal is made before the end of its period of duration. The proceedings to obtain such renewal shall be taken within one