

of one cent per acre of all lands included within soil conservation districts in the county.

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CHAPTER 256—H. F. No. 908

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the powers of the board of county commissioners in certain counties to build a county building, acquire the necessary ground therefor, and purchase necessary furniture and equipment for such building, and to levy a tax to pay for the cost thereof.

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

Section 1. Addition to present court house. Any county now or hereafter having an area of not less than 41, nor more than 43, whole and fractional congressional townships and an assessed valuation of not less than \$6,000,000, nor more than \$12,000,000, exclusive of money and credits, and a population of not less than 25,000, nor more than 30,000, according to the 1940 federal census, may construct as an addition to the present court house, or as a separate structure, a building to be used for the administration of the affairs of the county, and for the purpose of a court house, and may acquire the necessary ground therefor and purchase necessary furniture, fixtures and equipment to be used therein and in connection therewith, whenever the board of county commissioners of such county decides the same to be necessary by resolution.

Sec. 2. Space designated as war memorial. A building constructed under the authority of this act may be designed to contain a room or rooms and facilities suitable and appropriate as a war memorial, and the board of county commissioners may designate all or any part of such building a war memorial. Such war memorial may be used as a meeting place for local or county units of any war veterans organization chartered by the Congress of the United States, and for such civic and recreational functions as the board of county commissioners shall from time to time determine.

Sec. 3. Issuance of Bonds. If the board of county commissioners of any county has decided the construction of such a building is necessary under the authority of this

act and shall have further resolved that it is expedient to borrow money for the purpose of paying for the project undertaken, bonds of the county may be issued and sold as provided in Minnesota Statutes 1945, Sections 475.14 and 475.15, and any indebtedness incurred for such purpose may be in excess of existing debt limitations.

Sec. 4. Annual tax to retire bonds. The county board of any such county issuing bonds pursuant to the authority of this act shall before the issuance thereof levy for each year until the principal and interest are paid in full a direct annual tax in amount not less than ten per cent in excess of the sum required to pay the principal and interest thereof when and if such principal and interest become due; provided, that in case such bonds are sold directly to the state the levy shall be made according to the law governing such sale. Such tax shall be irrevocable until all such indebtedness is paid; and after the issuance of such bonds no further action of the board of county commissioners shall be necessary to authorize the extension, assessment, and collection of such tax. The county auditor shall keep a register in which shall be entered a record of the aggregate amount of such bonds authorized, the aggregate amount issued, the purpose for which issued, the number, denomination, date and maturity of each, the rate of interest, and time of payment thereof, and place of payment of principal and interest, and the amount of taxes levied for the payment thereof in each year, and shall extend and assess the tax so levied. Nothing herein contained shall be construed as limiting the power of the county to levy taxes to pay the bonds issued hereunder, but the county board shall have the power, and it shall be its duty, to levy any taxes necessary to provide revenue to pay the full principal and interest of such bonds.

Sec. 5. Tax levy in lieu of bonds. In lieu of the issuance of bonds as authorized herein, such board of county commissioners may provide for the payment of the cost of such building, ground, furniture and fixtures by levying a direct annual tax sufficient to produce in not to exceed ten years the total sum required for the project, which sum shall be determined by resolution of the board of county commissioners, but no such tax shall exceed ten mills on the total valuation of the county in any year, and in such case no further action of the board of county commissioners in addition to the adoption of the resolution levying such tax shall be necessary to authorize the annual extension, assessment and collection of such tax, which when collected shall be deposited in a separate fund to be created by the board of county commis-

sioners and known as the Special County Building and Sinking Fund. All money credited to such fund shall be used solely for the purpose provided for in this act.

Sec. 6. **Acceptance of grants.** To carry out the purposes of this act the county board may accept grants or gifts from the federal government, or any of its agencies in the state, or from any person or corporation.

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CHAPTER 257—H. F. No. 943

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the purchase of two airplanes by the division of game and fish.

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

Section 1. **Purchase of airplanes.** The director of the division of game and fish is hereby authorized to purchase two airplanes to be used in making game surveys, in aid of law enforcement and for use in connection with fire patrol on game refuges and public hunting grounds at a cost not to exceed \$8,000 to be paid for out of moneys appropriated for the current fiscal year.

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CHAPTER 258—H. F. No. 953

[Sections 2 and 3 Not Coded]

An act relating to chattel mortgages; legalizing and validating certain chattel mortgages heretofore made and the filing thereof; and limiting the time within which actions may be commenced to question the validity thereof; amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 511.03.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 511.03, is amended to read as follows:

511.03. Mortgage to contain receipt of mortgagor. No