

shares or other obligations of a corporation accruing on account of the ownership of shares in such corporation and the proceeds of any sale thereof shall be deemed principal.

Sec. 3. Subd. 3. Corporate assets, disbursement deemed principal. All disbursements of corporate assets to the stockholders of a corporation, which are designated by the corporation as a return of capital or as a division of corporate property, shall be deemed principal.

Sec. 4. Subd. 4. Trustee, option in receiving dividend, deemed income. Where a trustee shall have the option of receiving a dividend, either in cash or in the shares of the declaring corporation, such dividend shall be considered a cash dividend and shall be deemed income irrespective of the option selected by the trustee.

Sec. 5. Subd. 5. Dividends deemed income. Subject to the provisions of sections 2, 3, and 4, all dividends, including ordinary and extraordinary dividends and dividends payable in share or other securities or obligations other than those of the declaring corporation, shall be deemed income.

Sec. 6. Subd. 6. Limitation of section. The provision of this act shall not govern the ascertainment of what constitutes the receipt of income or principal by the estate or trust for income tax purposes.

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CHAPTER 80—H. F. No. 179

An act relating to the amount of money which may be raised by taxation in certain towns for road and bridge purposes; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 163.05.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 163.05, is amended to read:

163.05. Taxation, road and bridge purposes. Subdivi-

sion 1. Road taxes, how paid. All real and personal property in each town liable to taxation, other than money and credits so taxed, shall be taxed for road purposes and all road taxes hereafter levied shall be paid in cash.

Subd. 2. Funds, road and bridge purposes, fixed at annual town meeting. The electors of each town at the annual town meeting may determine the amount of money to be raised by taxation for road and bridge purposes, not exceeding 15 mills per dollar on the taxable property of the town. The tax so voted shall be extended, collected, and payment thereof enforced in the same manner and at the same time as is provided by law for the extension, collection and enforcement of other town taxes.

Subd. 3. Excepts certain towns. Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision 2, the electors of any town having over 7,000 inhabitants, excluding the population of any cities or villages therein, at the annual town meeting may determine the amount of money to be raised by taxation for road and bridge purposes, not exceeding 25 mills per dollar on the taxable property of the town. The tax so voted shall be extended, collected, and payment thereof enforced in the manner and at the time provided by law for the extensions, collections, and enforcement of other town taxes.

Subd. 4. Taxes, in emergencies. After the annual town meeting, in case of emergency, but not later than October 1 in the same year, the town board may levy a tax on the property in the town for road and bridge purposes, in addition to any tax voted at the annual town meeting for road and bridge purposes in an amount not to exceed five mills on the dollar of the assessed value of the property in the town, and any tax so levied shall forthwith be certified to the county auditor for extension and collection. The town board may thereafter pledge the credit of the town by issuing town orders, not exceeding the amount of the additional tax so levied for road and bridge purposes, in payment for work done or material used on the roads within the town.

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CHAPTER 81—H. F. No. 182

An act relating to the registration of voters in certain