

Sec. 6. **Severability.** If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this act which can be given effect without the invalid provision, or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

Approved April 29, 1957.

CHAPTER 858—H. F. No. 2049

[Not Coded]

An act authorizing certain school districts containing taconite plants to issue bonds for remodeling and improving their high school building and to levy taxes for payment thereof.

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

Section 1. **School district, bonds.** Any school district authorized to issue its bonds under and pursuant to Laws 1955, Chapter 540 is hereby authorized to issue its bonds in a principal amount not exceeding \$325,000, in addition to those authorized by said Chapter 540, for remodeling and improving its high school building or buildings, including payment of architects', engineers', fiscal and legal fees and expenses incidental thereto. Except as hereinafter specifically permitted, such bonds shall be authorized, issued, sold, executed and delivered in the manner provided by Minnesota Statutes Chapter 475. They may be issued on resolution adopted by a two-thirds vote of the members of the board of such district without a vote of the electors of said district. A resolution of the board levying taxes for payment of the bonds and interest as hereinafter authorized and pledging the proceeds of such levies for payment of the bonds and interest shall be deemed compliance with the provisions of such chapter with respect to the levying of taxes for the payment thereof. No vote of the electors shall be necessary to authorize the remodeling and improvement of such buildings.

Sec. 2. **Taxation of taconite plants and lands.** Subdivision 1. The taconite plants and lands upon which located or which are used in connection therewith and the buildings, machinery, equipment, and other fixtures used in the production of taconite, as referred to and defined in Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 298.23 to 298.28, both inclusive, as heretofore amended, located in any such school district are hereby

made subject to taxes for payment of 50 percent of the principal of and interest on any and all bonds issued under authority of this act, anything in said sections to the contrary notwithstanding. In event such properties are all owned by one person, it shall not be necessary to make any determination of the value thereof. In event such properties are owned by more than one person, the taxes shall be apportioned annually between them by the county auditor on the basis of the relative values thereof owned by each, upon such investigation of the facts as the auditor shall deem necessary. The taxes levied in accordance with this act shall be billed to and collected from such person or persons at the same time and in the same manner as taxes levied in and for such school districts upon real property subject to taxation thereon; provided, any portion of such taxes levied for payment of installments of principal of such bonds may be paid without penalty on or before October 31 of the year in which such taxes became due and payable if such installment of principal is due not more than 60 days thereafter.

Subd. 2. After the sale and before the delivery of any bonds under authority of this act, the school board shall, by resolution, levy upon all of the property described in subdivision 1 located in such school district a direct, general tax for each year of the term of the bonds in amounts such that, if collected in full, they will produce the amounts needed to meet when due 50 percent of the principal and interest payments on the bonds. A copy of such resolution shall be filed and the taxes so levied shall be extended, assessed and collected and remitted as nearly as may be in the manner specified in Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 475.61. Such levies shall not be included in computing permissible levies under Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 275.12, or any amendment thereof.

Subd. 3. In addition to the levies made in accordance with subdivision 2 hereof, the school board shall at the same time, by resolution, levy on all the taxable property in the school district other than on which the levy under subdivision 2 is made, a direct, annual, ad valorem tax for each year of the term of the bonds in amounts such that, if collected in full, they will produce the amounts needed to meet when due 50 percent of the principal and interest payments on the bonds. A copy of such resolution shall be filed, and the taxes so levied shall be extended, assessed, and collected and remitted as nearly as may be in the manner specified in Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 475.61. Such levies shall not be included in computing permissible levies under Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 275.12, or any amendment thereof.

Subd. 4. The bonds issued under authority of this

act shall be the general obligations of the school district, for which its full faith and credit and unlimited taxing powers shall be pledged, and, in event there shall be any deficiencies in the collections of the taxes levied pursuant to subdivisions 2 or 3 hereof, the deficiencies shall be made good by general levies on all taxable properties in the district in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 475.74, and if any such deficiency levies are found necessary the school board is empowered to effect a temporary loan or loans on certificates of indebtedness issued in anticipation thereof for the purpose of meeting payments of principal or interest on the bonds due or about to become due.

Sec. 3. The authority to issue bonds under this act shall expire on January 1, 1959.

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CHAPTER 859—H. F. No. 2068

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An act fixing the salaries of aldermen in any city now or hereafter having not less than 450,000 inhabitants; amending Laws 1955, Chapter 567.

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

Section 1. Laws 1955, Chapter 567, is amended to read:

Section 1. **Minneapolis, salary of aldermen.** In any city now or hereafter having not less than 450,000 inhabitants the city council may fix the annual salary of each alderman, which salary shall not exceed \$7,000. In fixing the salary for the year 1955, the city council may fix the same retroactively as of January 1, 1955.

Sec. 2. **Payment of salaries.** The salaries fixed in section 1 are payable out of the city treasury.

Sec. 3. **Limitation, time.** This act shall be in force until July 1, 1959, at which time it shall expire.

Approved April 29, 1957.

CHAPTER 860—S. F. No. 831

An act relating to compensation of school board members in unorganized territory; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 123.41.

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