

act shall not be effective unless approved by the Richfield city council.

Sec. 9. This act is effective upon its approval by the governing body of the city of Richfield and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved May 24, 1967.

CHAPTER 799—H. F. No. 1660

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to pest control; providing additional authority to control the spread of Dutch elm disease; amending Minnesota Statutes 1965, Sections 18.021, Subdivision 2; 18.022, Subdivision 2; and adding a subdivision to the section.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1965, Section 18.021, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Pest control; Dutch elm disease.** “Insect pest” includes grasshoppers, cutworms, army worms, European corn borers, Japanese beetles, *European elm bark beetles*, *native elm bark beetles*, forest tent ~~caterpillar~~ *caterpillars*, bee diseases, and any other insects which the commissioner may designate as dangerous to crops or the welfare of the people.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1965, Section 18.022, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Cost.** (a) In order to defray the cost of such activities, the governing body of any such political subdivision may levy a special tax of not to exceed two mills in any year in excess of charter or statutory millage limitations, but not in any event more than 50 cents per capita, and may make such a levy, where necessary, separate from the general levy and at any time of the year. (b) *If, because of the prevalence of Dutch elm disease, the governing body of such a political subdivision is unable to defray the cost of control activities authorized by this section of Minnesota Statutes within the limits set by this subdivision, the limits set by this subdivision are increased to four mills, but not in any event more than one dollar per capita.*

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Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1965, Section 18.022, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7. Failure of political subdivision to act; commissioner's duties. If the governing body of a political subdivision does not appropriate money for the control of Dutch elm disease pursuant to subdivision 1, or does not adopt and enforce regulations to control and prevent the spread of Dutch elm disease pursuant to subdivision 6, and if the commissioner determines that economic, recreational, or esthetic losses will result, the commissioner shall proceed as provided in Minnesota Statutes, Section 18.48, Subdivisions 1 and 4, to control the spread of Dutch elm disease. However, the expense of these control activities performed on land owned by a county, city, village, borough, or town is a charge upon the county, city, village, borough, or town owning the land and shall be paid by the governing body from money which it shall appropriate pursuant to subdivision 1 and, if necessary, for which it shall levy taxes pursuant to subdivision 2. The purpose of this subdivision and of the increased maximum tax levies authorized by subdivision 2, clause (b), is to protect elm trees from Dutch elm disease and thus prevent the economic, recreational, and esthetic losses which occur when elm trees are killed by Dutch elm disease.

Approved May 24, 1967.

CHAPTER 800—H. F. No. 1663

[Not Coded]

An act relating to tax levies for general revenue purposes in Goodhue county.

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

Section 1. **Goodhue county; general revenue levy.** The county board of Goodhue county may levy taxes for general revenue purposes at such rate and in such amount in excess of existing limitations as will produce sufficient revenue to defray county expenses payable out of the revenue fund.

Sec. 2. This act takes effect when approved by the county board of Goodhue county, and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved May 24, 1967.

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