

**levy.** Notwithstanding the provisions and limitations of Minnesota Statutes, Section 373.25, the board of county commissioners of the county of Chisago may levy a tax not to exceed 5 mills on the dollar of the taxable valuation of the county for the county building fund.

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

Approved May 21, 1969.

CHAPTER 538—H. F. No. 2332

[Not Coded]

*An act relating to public transit in the city of Red Wing; providing for municipal financial assistance or ownership and operation or leasing; authorizing the issuance of bonds therefor.*

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

Section 1. **Red Wing, city of; public transit; definitions.** Subdivision 1. The definitions given in this section shall govern for purposes of this act except as otherwise expressly provided or indicated by the context.

Subd. 2. "Public transit" means transportation of passengers for hire by means of a street railway, elevated railway, subway, underground railroad, motor vehicles, buses, or other means of conveyance operating as a common carrier on a regular route or routes, or any combination thereof, but does not include a common carrier railroad, the transportation of children to or from school, the operation of taxicabs, or transportation furnished solely to the employees or customers of any person or group of persons.

Subd. 3. "Public transit system" means a combination of property, structures, improvements, equipment, plants, parking, and other facilities and rights, or any part thereof, used or useful for the purposes of public transit.

Subd. 4. "Operator" means any person engaged in the business of providing public transit within the city of Red Wing.

Subd. 5. "Governing body" means the governing body of the city of Red Wing.

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**Sec. 2. Agreement.** The governing body of the city of Red Wing may enter into an agreement with the operator of a public transit system located within its limits for the provision of financial support by the city to the operator. The agreement may provide that the city will make available to the operator over a period of not to exceed five years financial assistance in the form of grants or loans, or a combination thereof, in such amounts and upon such terms and conditions as the agreement provides.

**Sec. 3. Municipal ownership and operation of transit system.** The city of Red Wing may own and operate a public transit system located within its limits.

**Sec. 4. Municipal ownership and leasing of transit system.** The city of Red Wing may own all or part of a public transit system and lease the same to an operator under such terms and conditions and for such period as the governing body of the city of Red Wing may provide.

**Sec. 5. Issuance of bonds.** The governing body is authorized to issue and sell bonds of the city for the acquisition and betterment of a public transit system pursuant to sections 3 and 4 in the manner provided in Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475 relating to obligations issued for public conveniences from which a revenue is or may be derived.

**Sec. 6. Appropriations.** The governing body may appropriate annually from the revenues of the city a sum of money not exceeding \$7,500 for the purposes of section 2.

**Sec. 7. Tax levy.** The governing body may annually levy a tax in excess of any existing limitation against taxable property within the city for the purposes of section 2.

**Sec. 8.** This act is effective upon its approval by the governing body of the city of Red Wing and compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved May 21, 1969.

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CHAPTER 539—H. F. No. 2336

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*An act authorizing the conveyance by the state of certain land to the town of Osakis.*

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