CHAPTER 555—S.F.No.2749

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An act relating to the county of Ramsey; providing for the retirement of employees; medical, surgical, and hospitalization benefits; providing acceleration clause; amending Laws 1963, Chapter 852, Section 2, as amended.

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

Section 1. Laws 1963, Chapter 852, Section 2, as amended by Laws 1965, Chapter 492, is amended to read:

Sec. 2. RAMSEY COUNTY; RETIRED EMPLOYEES; HOS-PITALIZATION BENEFITS. The county of Ramsey shall provide to each employee, including an official elected by the people, who retires under the conditions of section 1, during retirement or to the surviving spouse of any such employee, insurance protection in such amounts as the county may deem proper, providing medical and surgical benefits and hospitalization benefits, all for the employee and dependent spouse. Such benefits shall not exceed at any time benefits of similar nature existent and authorized for employees of the county of Ramsey. For such benefits for each retired employee, the average monthly premium cost shall be limited to \$14 and in addition the monthly premium cost shall be limited to \$10 for the spouse of such employee. If the revised consumers price index, as published by the United States department of labor, bureau of labor statistics, for the city of Minneapolis, Minnesota (or if no such index is published for the city of Minneapolis, for the nearest city to Minneapolis for which such index is published), as of January 15th of any year (or for the date nearest to January 15th if no such index is published as of January 15th), shall be above 119 (using the average for the year 1967 as a base), the total maximum amounts for average monthly premium cost shall be increased by one percent for each point increase in said index above 119. For all purposes of this computation, a fractional point increase shall be disregarded if less than one half point and treated as one full point if one half point, or more. The said county solely for the purpose of providing such benefits, is hereby authorized and empowered by resolution of its governing body to levy and collect a tax upon all taxable property in the county which may be in excess of all mill rate and per capita limitations imposed by law upon the county.

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective only after its approval by a majority of the governing body of the county of Ramsey and upon compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved May 26, 1971.

Changes or additions indicated by underline, deletions by strikeout.