CHAPTER 336—H.F.No.2352

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the county of Ramsey; tax levy for educational, scientific and artistic purposes; amending Laws 1961, Chapter 583, Section 1, as amended.

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

Section 1. Laws 1961, Chapter 583, Section 1, as amended by Laws 1967, Chapter 750, Section 1, and Laws 1971, Chapter 701, Section 1, is amended to read:

Section 1. **RAMSEY COUNTY; ARTS AND SCIENCES; TAX.** The county board of Ramsey county is authorized and empowered to levy a tax and to appropriate moneys in the amount it finds appropriate for the purpose of supporting educational, artistic and scientific interests within the county of Ramsey. The county board may levy a tax of one-fourth three fourths of a mill in excess of the limitation provided by Laws 1965, Chapter 707, as amended, but the appropriation for the purpose of this section is not limited by the additional levy permitted by this section.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect upon its approval by the board of county commissioners of Ramsey county, and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved May 18, 1973.

CHAPTER 337—S.F.No.1341

An act relating to local improvements; special assessments for certain services, including alley maintenance; amending Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 429.101, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 429.101, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

429.101 **MUNICIPALITIES; LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS; ALLEY MAINTENANCE; SERVICE CHARGES, A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT AGAINST BENEFITED PROPERTY.** Subdivision 1.

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ORDINANCES. In addition to any other method authorized by law or charter, the council of any municipality may provide for the collection of unpaid special charges for all or any part of the cost of snow, ice, or rubbish removal from sidewalks, weed elimination from streets or private property, street sprinkling or other dust treatment of streets, the trimming and care of trees and the removal of unsound trees from any street, the treatment and removal of insect infested or diseased trees on private property, the repair of sidewalks <u>and alleys,</u> or the operation of a street lighting system, as a special assessment against the property benefited. The council may by ordinance adopt regulations consistent with this section to make this authority effective, including, at the option of the council, provisions for placing primary responsibility upon the property owner or occupant to do the work himself (except in the case of street sprinkling or other dust treatment, <u>alley repair,</u> tree trimming, care, and removal or the operation of a street lighting system), ~~for~~ <u>upon</u> notice before the work is undertaken, and for collection from the property owner or other person served of the charges when due before unpaid charges are made a special assessment.

Approved May 19, 1973.

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CHAPTER 338—S.F.No.1317

[Coded]

An act relating to insurance, governmental units; requiring that contracts for employee group insurance be let on competitive bidding; providing for the disclosure of the particulars of such policies of insurance.

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

Section 1. [471.616] GOVERNMENTAL UNITS; GROUP IN-SURANCE; BIDS. Subdivision 1. BIDDING REQUIRED. No governmental subdivision, political subdivision, or any other body corporate and politic authorized by law to purchase group insurance for its employees and providing or intending to provide such group insurance protections and benefits for 25 or more of its employees shall enter into a contract for or renew any such group insurance policy or contract without calling for bids and awarding the contract to the lowest responsible bidder by way of competitive bidding procedures similar to those for the provision of services and supplies under Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 16.07. The aggre-

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