the amounts thereof are estimated by the city council prior to the delivery of each series of bonds. The total amount of bonds authorized herein shall be limited to \$45,400,000 \$43,400,000.

- Sec. 7. Laws 1963, Chapter 881, Section 1, as amended by Laws 1967, Chapter 499, Section 1, Laws 1969, Chapter 923, Section 1, Laws 1971, Chapter 321, Section 1, and Laws 1973, Chapter 395, Section 1, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- Subd. 3. Notwithstanding any contrary provisions contained in section 1 hereof, except as said section limits the dollar amount of bonding authorization, and in the event there is not first available in any annual increment period under Title I of the Federal Housing Act of 1949, and acts amendatory thereof, sufficient urban renewal development capital grant money, then the city may issue bonds under the act, as necessary in an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000, for the purpose of paying up to the entire project cost for any urban renewal development project designated under the provisions of section 1.
- Sec. 8. <u>Laws 1963</u>, <u>Chapter 881</u>, <u>Sections 4 and 5</u>, as added by <u>Laws 1973</u>, <u>Chapter 395</u>, <u>Section 2</u>, are repealed.
- Sec. 9. EFFECTIVE DATE. This act shall become effective only after its approval by a majority of the governing body of the city of Saint Paul, and upon compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved June 2, 1975.

CHAPTER 261—H.F.No.1518

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the city of St. Paul and Independent School District No. 625; providing for the abolition of the power of the city to levy and raise taxes for the payment of severance pay obligations of the board of education of the city; providing for severance pay and the authority to levy and raise taxes for the payment of severance pay obligations of the school district board; amending certain provisions pertaining to the method of computing severance pay for city employees; providing for ordinance for increased limited compensation for officers; increasing the mill rate levy for payment of severance pay obligations of the city; authorizing the city to rezone lots or tracts of land in certain circumstances without the consent of landowners in the immediate vicinity; amending Laws 1959, Chapter 690, Sections 2, as amended, and 3, as amended; Laws 1965, Chapter 705, by adding a section; and Laws 1973, Chapter 691, Section 4, Subdivision 1.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Laws 1959, Chapter 690, Section 2, as amended by Changes or additions indicated by underline deletions by strikeout

Laws 1963, Chapter 729, Section 1, and Laws 1971, Chapter 599, Section 1, is amended to read:

- Sec. 2. ST. PAUL, CITY OF; INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 625: EMPLOYEES SEVERANCE PAY. The provisions, rules and regulations under any such ordinance for such payment of severance pay by said city, authorized under the foregoing provisions of section 1 hereof, shall be applicable to all employees of said city other than its elected city officials. Thereunder provisions shall be made for the computation of such severance pay for noncivil service or unclassified empleyment personnel, other than elected city officials, among other things, by the attachment to the several employments, throughout the periods of the same, sick leaves and vacation leaves, as shall be applieable comparable in amount to those which would have attached therete had the same been civil service or classified employments: thereunder by virtue of the civil service rules and regulations of said eity, adopted, prescribed and promulgated under and pursuant to its said charter; and further provisions shall be made for the computation of such severance pay for civil service or classified employment personnel; among other things; by the attachment to the several employments throughout the periods of the same, sick leaves and vacation leaves, as shall be applicable, under and by virtue of such civil service rules and regulations. Thereunder, further provisions shall be made for the determination; in respect of the several employments affected; of such accumulated and unused sick leaves and vacation leaves and the amounts of the same, by reasonable and practicable methods therefor to be prescribed by the council of said city. Thereunder, Such severance pay shall be excluded from retirement deductions and from any calculations in retirement benefits, and shall be paid over a period not to exceed five years from termination of employment. The amount of such severance pay allowable or to become payable in respect of any such employment or to any such employee after December 31, 1973, shall not be in excess of \$3,000, hereby established as the maximum authorized severance pay provision or payment in any such separate ease. This section shall be retreactive to December 31, 1070-exceed **\$4,000** . ·
- Sec. 2. Laws 1959, Chapter 690, Section 3, as amended by Laws 1961, Chapter 549, Section 1; Laws 1963, Chapter 729, Section 2; Laws 1965, Chapter 659, Section 1; Laws 1967, Chapter 488, Section 1; and Laws 1971, Chapter 599, Section 2, is amended to read:
- Sec. 3. ST. PAUL, CITY OF; EMPLOYEE'S SEVERANCE PAY. Subdivision 1. The said city, for the purpose of providing moneys for the payment of its severance pay obligations under any such ordinance, hereby is authorized and empowered, by resolution of its council, in addition to all other powers possessed by said city and in addition to and in excess of any existing limitation upon the amount it is otherwise authorized by law to levy as taxes, to levy taxes annually not exceeding in any one year an amount equal to 50/100 one third of one mill upon each dollar of the assessed valuation thereof, for city

services other than public schools, upon all taxable property in said city, exclusive of moneys and credits, which taxes as levied shall be spread upon the tax rolls, and all collections thereof shall be paid into the treasury of said city, therein to be allocated therefor and to be disbursed and expended by said city in payment of any such city services other than public schools severance pay obligations and for no other purpose.

Subd. 2. The said city; for the purpose of providing moneys for the payment of its severance pay obligations under any such ordinance; hereby is authorized and empowered, by resolution of its council; in addition to all other powers possessed by said city and in addition to and in excess of any limitation upon the amount it is otherwise authorized by law to levy as taxes; to levy taxes annually not exceeding in any one year an amount equal to 40/100 of one mill upon each dollar of the assessed valuation thereof for public schools; upon all taxable property in said city; exclusive of moneys and credits, which taxes as levied shall be opread upon the tax rolls; and all collections thereof shall be paid into the treasury of said city; therein to be allocated therefor and to be disbursed and expended by said city in payment of any such public school severance pay obligations and for no other purpose:

Subd. 3-2. The disbursements and expenditures hereinbefore authorized in behalf of said city and the board of education of the city of St. Paul for payment of such city and board of education severance pay obligations hereunder shall not be deemed to constitute any part of the cost of said city's or board's government within the meaning of any statutory or charter limitation on said city's expenditures.

Sec. 3. Laws 1973, Chapter 691, Section 4, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Sec. 4. ST. PAUL CITY OF: OFFICERS' COMPENSATION. Subdivision 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law or the St. Paul city charter to the contrary, the city of St. Paul shall have the power, from and after the effective date of this section, to fix in term and refix from time to time the compensation of all duly elected officers under its charter. Such compensation shall be fixed by ordinance passed upon in the manner provided for by the charter of the city of St. Paul, provided that no ordinance increasing compensation of elected officials may be passed during the last three months of any term of office. Except for the intitial fixing of compensation authorized-as provided herein, no subsequent fixing of compensation shall be prescribed to take effect during the term of office for which the elected officials shall have been elected. The city of St. Paul is authorized to provide by ordinance passed upon in the manner provided for by the charter of the city of St. Paul that compensation of all duly elected officers under its charter may be increased by an amount not to exceed \$2,000, such ordinance to be enacted and to become effective prior to December 31, 1975.

Sec. 4. Laws 1965, Chapter 705, is amended by adding a section to read:

Sec. 6. The school board, for the purpose of providing moneys for the payment of its severance pay obligations under a plan approved by resolution of the district, in addition to all other powers possessed by the school district and in addition to and in excess of any existing limitation upon the amount it is otherwise authorized by law to levy as taxes, is authorized to levy taxes annually not exceeding in any one year an amount equal to two-tenths of one mill upon each dollar of the assessed valuation thereof upon all taxable property within the school district which taxes as levied shall be spread upon the tax rolls, and all corrections thereof shall be held by the school district, and allocated therefor to be disbursed and expended by the school district in payment of any public school severance pay obligations and for no other purpose. Disbursements and expenditures previously authorized on behalf of the school district for payment of severance pay obligations shall not be deemed to constitute any part of the cost of the operation and maintenance of the school district within the meaning of any statutory limitation of any school district expenditures.

The amount of such severance pay allowable or to become payable in respect of any such employment or to any such employee shall not exceed \$4,000.

- Sec. 5. <u>Section 4 shall become effective only after approval by a majority of the governing body of Independent School District No. 625 and upon compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.</u>
- Sec. 6. SAINT PAUL, CITY OF; REZONING. Whenever the governing body of the city of Saint Paul has adopted a new zoning ordinance or plan, the city may, notwithstanding the provisions of any statute, charter provision or ordinance, for a period of two years after the adoption thereof, alter the zoning of any lot or tract from such new zoning classification to a classification substantially equivalent to the previous zoning thereof or to any zoning classification, the degree of restriction of which would be intermediate between such new and previous classifications, without the consent of any property owner. The alterations authorized by this section shall be made only after a public hearing on such proposed change has been held by a committee of the governing body or by a designated agency of the city of which hearing written notice shall have been mailed to the owner of the affected property and all the owners of real estate within 350 feet of the affected property according to the records of the auditor of the county in which such property is situated and such alterations thereafter adopted by the affirmative vote in favor thereof by 2/3 of all of the members of the governing body of the city.
- Sec. 7. The authority granted to the city of Saint Paul by this act is in addition to any other authority granted to the city.

Sec. 8. Sections 1 to 3 and sections 6 and 7 shall become effective only after its approval by a majority of the governing body of the city of Saint Paul, and upon compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved June 2, 1975.

CHAPTER 262-S.F.No.39

An act relating to taxation; providing exemptions from the motor vehicle excise tax; amending Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 297B.03.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 297B.03, is amended to read:

297B.03 MOTOR VEHICLES; EXCISE TAX; EXEMPTIONS. There is specifically exempted from the provisions of this chapter and from computation of the amount of tax imposed by it the following:

- (1) Purchase or use of any motor vehicle by any person described in and subject to the conditions provided in section 297A.25, subdivision 1, clauses (i), (p) and (s).
- (2) Purchase or use of any motor vehicle by any person who was a resident of another state at the time of the purchase and who subsequently becomes a resident of Minnesota, provided the purchase occurred more than 60 days prior to the date such person moved his residence to the state of Minnesota.
- (3) Purchase or use of any motor vehicle by any person making a valid election to be taxed under the provisions of section 297A.211.
- (4) Purchase or use of any motor vehicle previously registered in the state of Minnesota by any corporation or partnership when such transfer constitutes a transfer within the meaning of sections 351 or 721 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended through December 31, 1974.

Approved June 2, 1975.