CHAPTER 293-HLF.No.2534

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An act relating to local government in Carlton, Chisago, Isanti and Pine counties; providing retirement benefits for certain county judges; making changes in the relationship of the towns of Moose Lake and Windemere with respect to the Moose Lake and Windemere area sanitary sewer district; authorizing the Moose Lake and Windemere area sanitary sewer district to exercise certain powers of sanitary districts; providing for the appointment of members of the sanitary sewer board; amending Laws 1974, Chapter 400, Sections 3, Subdivisions 5 and 12; 4, Subdivision 2; 8, by adding a subdivision; and by adding a section.

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

- Section 1. CARLTON, CHISAGO, ISANTI AND PINE COUNTIES; COUNTY JUDGES; RETIREMENT. Subdivision 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of any law to the contrary, the expense of the retirement benefits for any retired judges of the former Chisago county probate court who retired prior to the effective date of Laws 1971, Chapter 951, shall be apportioned among the counties of Chisago, Isanti and Pine in the same manner that expenses of the county court district comprising those three counties are apportioned in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 487.02.
- Subd. 2. Each of the county boards of the three counties shall include in their levy pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 487.02, Subdivision 2, the amounts required by subdivision 1 of this section. The levy required by this subdivision may be made in levy year 1977 and shall be made each year thereafter as needed.
- Sec. 2. Laws 1974, Chapter 400, Section 3, Subdivision 5, is amended to read:
- Subd. 5. "Local government unit" or "government unit" means the town of Moose Lake and the town of Windemere <u>and any municipalities subsequently annexed to the district</u>.
- Sec. 3. Laws 1974, Chapter 400, Section 3, Subdivision 12, is amended to read:
- Subd. 12. "District disposal system" means any and all of the interceptors or treatment works owned, constructed or operated by the board unless designated by the board as local sanitary sewer facilities; and includes any water system or refuse disposal system facilities owned, constructed or operated by the board.
- Sec. 4. Laws 1974, Chapter 400, Section 4, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:
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- Subd. 2. MEMBERS AND SELECTION. The board shall be composed of five members selected as follows: The tewn boards governing bodies of the government units shall meet jointly to appoint the members of the board and each town board-governing body member shall have one vote. The town boards governing bodies at the joint meeting shall also designate the term of the first board members according to subdivision 5. For the purposes of this subdivision the governing body of a town is the town board.
- Sec. 5. Laws 1974, Chapter 400, Section 8, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- Subd. 5. In addition to all other powers conferred upon the board in this section, it shall have all the powers of a sanitary district as provided in Minnesota Statutes, Section 115.26. The provisions of Laws 1974, Chapter 400, Section 12, shall apply and be followed with respect to any projects initiated pursuant to the authority granted in this subdivision.
- Sec. 6. Laws 1974, Chapter 400, is amended by adding a section to read:
- Sec. 21. ANNEXATION OF TERRITORY. Any municipality upon resolution adopted by a four-fifths vote of its governing body may petition the board for annexation to the district of the area then comprising the municipality, or any part thereof and, if accepted by the board, the area shall be deemed annexed to the district and subject to the jurisdiction of the board under the terms and provisions of this act. The territory so annexed shall be subject to taxation and assessment pursuant to the provisions of this act and shall be subject to taxation by the board like other property in the district for the payment of principal and interest thereafter becoming due on general obligations of the board, whether authorized or issued before or after the annexation. The board may in its discretion condition approval of the annexation upon the contribution, by or on behalf of the municipality petitioning for annexation, to the board of an amount as may be agreed upon as being a reasonable estimate of the proportionate share, properly allocable to the municipality, of costs of acquisition, betterment and debt service previously allocated to local government units in the district, on terms as may be agreed upon. For the purpose of paying this contribution, the municipality may levy taxes upon all taxable property in that part of the government unit located in the district for all or a part of the amounts payable to the board, to be assessed and extended as a tax upon the taxable property by the county auditor for the next calendar year, free from any limitation of rate or amount imposed by law or charter. The tax shall be collected and remitted in the same manner as other general taxes of the government unit. When the contributions are made by the municipality to the board, they shall be applied in reduction of the total amount of costs thereafter allocated to each local government unit in the district, on an equitable basis which the board deems in the best interests of the district, applying so far as practica-

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ble and appropriate the criteria set forth in section 10, subdivision 2. Upon annexation of the territory, the secretary of the board shall certify to the auditor and treasurer of the county in which the municipality is located the fact of annexation and a legal description of the territory annexed.

Sec. 7. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** Subdivision 1. Section 1 of this act is effective upon approval by the county boards of Chisago, Isanti, and Pine counties and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Subd. 2. Sections 2 to 5 take effect upon approval by the towns of Moose Lake and Windemere when approved by the town boards of each town and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

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CHAPTER 294—H.F.No.2560

An act relating to highway traffic regulations; prescribing the width of vehicles; amending Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 169.80, Subdivision 2.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 169.80, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. HIGHWAY TRAFFIC REGULATIONS; VEHICLE WIDTH; OUTSIDE WIDTH. The total outside width of any vehicle or the load thereon shall not exceed eight feet except that the outside width of a farm tractor, or a vehicle owned by a political subdivision and used exclusively for the purpose of handling sewage sludge from sewage treatment facilities to farm fields, shall not exceed 12 feet, and except as otherwise provided in this section.

A vehicle owned by a political subdivision and used exclusively for the purpose of transporting sewage sludge to farm fields shall not be operated outside a 15 mile radius of the supply facilities, nor shall it be operated between the hours of sunset and sunrise, or at any other time when visibility is impaired by weather, smoke, fog or other conditions rendering persons and vehicles not clearly discernible on the highway at a distance of 500 feet.

The total outside width of a trackless trolley car or passenger motor bus, operated exclusively in any city, or contiguous cities in this state, shall not exceed nine feet; provided a passenger motor bus, not exceeding eight and one-half feet in width, may operate beyond the

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