

Subd. 2. **AMOUNT COLLECTIBLE.** (a) In the absence of any change increasing the risk, without the consent of the insurer, of which the burden of proof shall be upon it, and in the absence of intentional fraud on the part of the insured, the insurer shall pay the whole amount mentioned in the policy or renewal upon which it receives a premium, in case of total loss, and in case of partial loss, the full amount thereof.

(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), on a policy issued by the Minnesota FAIR plan under section 65A.36, the Minnesota FAIR plan may contest the whole amount set forth in the policy in the case of a total loss. If the Minnesota FAIR plan takes the position that the value of the property was less than the whole amount set forth in the policy, the Minnesota FAIR plan has the burden of proving by clear and convincing evidence that the value was less than that set forth in the policy.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.

Section 1 is effective the day following final enactment and applies to policies issued or renewed on or after that date.

Presented to the governor May 19, 2005

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CHAPTER 67—H.F.No. 732

An act relating to local government; authorizing electric or utility special assessments exceeding standards on petition of all affected owners; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 429.021, subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 429.021, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **IMPROVEMENTS AUTHORIZED.** The council of a municipality shall have power to make the following improvements:

(1) To acquire, open, and widen any street, and to improve the same by constructing, reconstructing, and maintaining sidewalks, pavement, gutters, curbs, and vehicle parking strips of any material, or by grading, graveling, oiling, or otherwise improving the same, including the beautification thereof and including storm sewers or other street drainage and connections from sewer, water, or similar mains to curb lines.

(2) To acquire, develop, construct, reconstruct, extend, and maintain storm and sanitary sewers and systems, including outlets, holding areas and ponds, treatment plants, pumps, lift stations, service connections, and other appurtenances of a sewer system, within and without the corporate limits.

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- (3) To construct, reconstruct, extend, and maintain steam heating mains.
- (4) To install, replace, extend, and maintain street lights and street lighting systems and special lighting systems.
- (5) To acquire, improve, construct, reconstruct, extend, and maintain water works systems, including mains, valves, hydrants, service connections, wells, pumps, reservoirs, tanks, treatment plants, and other appurtenances of a water works system, within and without the corporate limits.
- (6) To acquire, improve and equip parks, open space areas, playgrounds, and recreational facilities within or without the corporate limits.
- (7) To plant trees on streets and provide for their trimming, care, and removal.
- (8) To abate nuisances and to drain swamps, marshes, and ponds on public or private property and to fill the same.
- (9) To construct, reconstruct, extend, and maintain dikes and other flood control works.
- (10) To construct, reconstruct, extend, and maintain retaining walls and area walls.
- (11) To acquire, construct, reconstruct, improve, alter, extend, operate, maintain, and promote a pedestrian skyway system. Such improvement may be made upon a petition pursuant to section 429.031, subdivision 3.
- (12) To acquire, construct, reconstruct, extend, operate, maintain, and promote underground pedestrian concourses.
- (13) To acquire, construct, improve, alter, extend, operate, maintain, and promote public malls, plazas or courtyards.
- (14) To construct, reconstruct, extend, and maintain district heating systems.
- (15) To construct, reconstruct, alter, extend, operate, maintain, and promote fire protection systems in existing buildings, but only upon a petition pursuant to section 429.031, subdivision 3.
- (16) To acquire, construct, reconstruct, improve, alter, extend, and maintain highway sound barriers.
- (17) To improve, construct, reconstruct, extend, and maintain gas and electric distribution facilities owned by a municipal gas or electric utility.
- (18) To purchase, install, and maintain signs, posts, and other markers for addressing related to the operation of enhanced 911 telephone service.
- (19) To improve, construct, extend, and maintain facilities for Internet access and other communications purposes, if the council finds that:
 - (i) the facilities are necessary to make available Internet access or other communications services that are not and will not be available through other providers or the private market in the reasonably foreseeable future; and

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(ii) the service to be provided by the facilities will not compete with service provided by private entities.

(20) To assess affected property owners for all or a portion of the costs agreed to with an electric utility, telecommunications carrier, or cable system operator to bury or alter a new or existing distribution system within the public right-of-way that exceeds the utility's design and construction standards, or those set by law, tariff, or franchise, but only upon petition under section 429.031, subdivision 3.

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CHAPTER 68—H.F.No. 1951

An act relating to human services; changing long-term care provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, sections 144A.071, subdivision 1a; 256B.0913, subdivision 8; 256B.0915, subdivisions 1a, 6, 9.

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

ARTICLE 1

LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 144A.071, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

Subd. 1a. **DEFINITIONS.** For purposes of sections 144A.071 to 144A.073, the following terms have the meanings given them:

(a) "Attached fixtures" has the meaning given in Minnesota Rules, part 9549.0020, subpart 6.

(b) "Buildings" has the meaning given in Minnesota Rules, part 9549.0020, subpart 7.

(c) "Capital assets" has the meaning given in section 256B.421, subdivision 16.

(d) "Commenced construction" means that all of the following conditions were met: the final working drawings and specifications were approved by the commissioner of health; the construction contracts were let; a timely construction schedule was developed, stipulating dates for beginning, achieving various stages, and completing construction; and all zoning and building permits were applied for.

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