Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 475.61, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

475.61 Tax levies. Subdivision 1. The governing body of any municipality issuing general obligations shall, prior to delivery of the obligations, levy by resolution a direct general ad valorem tax upon all taxable property in the municipality to be spread upon the tax rolls for each year of the term of the obligations. The tax levies for all years shall be specified and such that if collected in full they, together with estimated collections of special assessments and other revenues pledged for the payment of said obligations, will produce at least 5 five percent in excess of the amount needed to meet when due the principal and interest payments on the obligations. Such resolution shall irrevocably appropriate the taxes so levied and any special assessments or other revenues so pledged to the municipality's sinking fund or a special sinking fund or account created for the payment of one or more issues of obligations. The governing body may, in its discretion, at any time after the obligations have been authorized, adopt a resolution levying only a portion of such taxes, to be filed, assessed, extended, collected, and remitted as hereinafter provided, and the amount or amounts therein levied shall be credited against the tax required to be levied prior to delivery of the obligations.

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CHAPTER 674-H. F. No. 1521

An act relating to fire and police protection in towns; amending Minnesota Statutes 1957, Sections 365.15, 365.16, and 365.18.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 365.15, is amended to read:

365.15 Fire and police protection; acquisition of apparatus. The electors of each town shall have the power at any annual or special town meeting to authorize the town board to provide for fire protection or for police protection, or both, or and for the purchase or acquisition of apparatus therefor, either by itself or jointly with any other town, city or village, or any number thereof, and for the maintenance

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and operation of such apparatus, and to determine by ballot the maximum amount of money to be raised in that year and each year thereafter for any or all of such purposes until changed in the same manner by the electors at a subsequent meeting.

- Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 365.16, is amended to read:
- 365.16 Tax levy; contracts; control of apparatus. When the electors of any town have authorized the providing of apparatus for fire protection or for police protection, or both, or the maintenance and operation of such apparatus or both, and determined the amount of money to be raised therefor, the town board may annually levy a tax for the amount so authorized or for such lesser amount as the board may determine to be necessary and make all contracts necessary for providing the same and shall have the control and management of the apparatus so provided, subject to control and management jointly with other towns, cities or villages as herein provided.
- Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 365.18, is amended to read:
- Nearby city or village, contracts. When the electors of any town have authorized the providing of fire protection or for police protection, or both, or for apparatus therefor, and for the maintenance and operation of such apparatus, and determined the amount of money to be raised therefor, the town board may annually levy a tax for the amount so authorized or for such lesser amount as the board may determine to be necessary, and enter into a contract with the county in which the town is located or with any adjacent nearby city or village, or with any volunteer fire department or association not established by charter or ordinance as an official part of a city or village government for the furnishing of such fire protection within the limits of the town and for the care, maintenance and operation of such apparatus, on such terms and conditions as mutually may be agreed upon. The term of any such contract may be any reasonable period not exceeding ten years.

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