
CHAPTER 32—S.F.No.264

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An act relating to St. Cloud; metropolitan transit commission; eliminating the wheelage tax; providing for an annual tax levy and the issuance of bonds; excepting the commission from competitive bidding requirements for certain purchases in 1975; amending Laws 1969, Chapter 1134, Section 10, and by adding a section; repealing Laws 1969, Chapter 1134, Section 4.

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

Section 1. Laws 1969, Chapter 1134, Section 10, is amended to read:

Sec. 10. ST. CLOUD, CITY OF; METROPOLITAN TRANSIT; PROPERTY TAX. ~~In case the provisions of sections 1 to 14 for levy or collection of the transit area wheelage tax shall be insufficient to meet an operating deficit or held invalid by the final decision of a court of competent jurisdiction so as to make such tax uncollectible, The commission shall ; in lieu thereof, and subject to the further provisions hereof, annually levy a direct tax not to exceed five mills on all the taxable property in the transit area at a rate sufficient to produce an amount equivalent to the deficit or the amount that would have been produced by the wheelage tax; or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purposes of sections 1 to 14, other than the payment of principal and interest due on any revenue bonds issued pursuant to section 5. Such latter amount shall be determined by the commission on the basis of estimates furnished by the registrar of motor vehicles as to the number of transit area motor vehicles in the year for which the property tax is levied. Property taxes levied under this section shall be certified by the commission to the county auditors of the transit area, extended, assessed, and collected in like manner as provided by law for the regular property taxes levied by the governing bodies of cities or villages . The proceeds of the taxes levied under this section shall be remitted by the respective county treasurers to the treasurer of the commission, who shall credit the same to the funds of the commission for use for the purposes of sections 1 to 14 in like manner as if derived from the proceeds of the wheelage tax; subject to any applicable pledges or limitations on account of tax anticipation certificates or other specific purposes. At any time after making a tax levy under this section and certifying the same to the county auditors, the commission may issue general obligation certificates of indebtedness in anticipation of the collection of such taxes in like manner and upon like conditions as hereinbefore upon like procedure and subject to the provisions and limitations as provided for the issuance of such certificates in anticipation of the collection of the wheelage tax by section 412.261 .~~

Sec. 2. Laws 1969, Chapter 1134, is amended by adding a section

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to read:

Sec. 12A. The provisions of section 471.345 shall not apply to the purchase or acquisition of buses by the commission in calendar year 1975, provided the buses are ordered by May 1, 1975.

Sec. 3. Laws 1969, Chapter 1134, Section 4, is repealed.

Sec. 4. This act becomes effective upon approval by the governing body of the St. Cloud metropolitan transit commission and compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021 except that repeal of the wheelage tax shall not be effective as to Stearns county until December 31, 1975.

Approved April 11, 1975.

CHAPTER 33—S.F.No.669

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the county of Itasca; providing for government of certain townships for hospital district; amending Laws 1974, Chapter 217, Section 1.

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

Section 1. Laws 1974, Chapter 217, Section 1, is amended to read:

Section 1. **ITASCA COUNTY; HOSPITAL DISTRICT.** For purposes of organizing and operating a hospital district or requesting annexation to a hospital district pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, ~~Chapter 307—Sections 447.31 to 447.37~~, and exercising all of the powers and duties granted to a governing body by ~~that chapter—those sections~~, the county board of Itasca county is hereby constituted as the governing body of the following unorganized townships: Townships 62 North, Range 27 West; 62 North, Range 26 West; 62 North, Range 25 West; 61 North, Range 25 West; 61 North, Range 24 West; 61 North, Range 23, West; 60 North, Range 25 West; 60 North, Range 24 West; 60 North, Range 23 West; 59 North, Range 25 West; and 59 North, Range 24 West; which townships shall be included within the hospital district upon resolution of the county board. Residents in each enumerated township shall have the right to petition for a referendum to be conducted as provided in section 447.31, subdivision 3, with respect to the township in which they reside by filing with the county board a petition, signed by voters of the town equal in number to ten percent of the electors voting in the town at the last preceding election of county officers.

Sec. 2. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This act is effective on the day following final enactment.

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