

Section 1. Laws 1951, Chapter 388, Section 2, is amended to read:

Sec. 2. **St. Louis county; levy for hospitals, amount.** In addition to all taxes now authorized, the county board of any such county *may* levy a tax for these purposes in an amount not to exceed \$225,000 for the year 1953, the proceeds of which shall be paid into a county hospital fund and shall be expended only when such fund shall have been sufficiently augmented by federal aid for the building of hospitals, to pay the total cost of building such hospitals and pursuant to the provisions of the Laws 1941, Chapter 118.

Approved April 2, 1953.

CHAPTER 234—S. F. No. 862

An act relating to tax levy for firemen's relief associations and retirement pensions; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 424.12, as amended.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 424.12, as amended by Laws 1951, Chapter 522, is amended to read:

424.12 Relief association; levy, payments. The city council or other governing body of each city wherein such a relief association is located shall each year, at the time the tax levies for the support of the city are made, and in addition thereto, levy a tax not to exceed one mill on all taxable property within the city. When the balance in the special fund of any firemen's relief association in any city of the second class is less than \$100,000 the city council or commission or other governing body, shall, each year, at the time the tax levies are made for the support of the city, and in addition thereto, levy a tax of one mill on all taxable property in such city. When the fund shall reach or exceed \$100,000, the levy, each year, shall be one-tenth of one mill. In addition, and only if such tax is levied, the city treasurer, finance commissioner, or other officer charged with the responsibility of the city's finances, shall, each month, deduct two per cent of the lowest salary paid to any fireman, and transfer the total thereof to the treasurer of the special fund of the firemen's relief association who shall credit this total to the special fund and to the credit of the individual fireman. If a fireman in such city of the second class is separated from the service due to resignation or some reason not involving malfeasance, nonfeasance, moral turpitude, injury, death, or other disability, the treasurer of the special

fund shall return to the fireman all of the amounts so deducted from his base pay without interest. Members of the firemen's relief association in such city of the second class who were in cities of the second class receiving a firemen's pension on January 1, 1941, and who were active on January 1, 1941, and who joined the association thereafter, or their beneficiaries, shall receive as benefit payments, according to the rules of the association, amounts to be determined by the board of trustees of the association, but these amounts shall be no more than \$125 per month. The tax so levied shall be transmitted with other tax levies to the auditor of the county in which the city is situated, and by the county shall be collected and payments thereof enforced when and in like manner as state and county taxes are paid.

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CHAPTER 235—S. F. No. 935

[Not Coded]

An act relating to police relief associations in certain cities of the fourth class; amending Laws 1945, Chapter 74, Section 2 as amended, and Section 4.

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

Section 1. Laws 1945, Chapter 74, Section 2, as amended by Laws 1949, Chapter 164, is amended to read:

Sec. 2. **Chisholm; police department, pensions.** Every paid municipal police department now existing or which may hereafter be organized in such city is hereby authorized to become incorporated pursuant to the provisions of General Statutes 1923, *Chapter 58*, and the laws amendatory thereto, and adopt a constitution and bylaws as a relief association, and is authorized to provide for and permit and allow such police relief association, so incorporated, and organized, to pay out of and from any funds it may have received from any source a service, disability or dependency pension in such amounts and in such manner as its articles of incorporation and bylaws shall designate, not exceeding, however, the following sum per month to each of its pensioned members who shall have reached the age of 55 years or more, and shall have served 20 years or more in such department, or their widows and children under 16 years of age:

When such members shall have reached the age of 55 years or more and shall have served as a member of such paid municipal police department for a period of 20 years or more