

CHAPTER 275

TAXES; LEVY, EXTENSION

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275.01 LEVY IN SPECIFIC AMOUNTS.

All taxes shall be levied or voted in specific amounts and the rates percent shall be determined from the amount of property as equalized by the state board of equalization each year, except such general taxes as may be definitely fixed by law.

History: (2055) *RL s 866*

275.02 STATE LEVY, EXCEPTIONS; CERTIFICATION OF TAX RATE.

The state tax shall be levied on all taxable property in the state. The rate of the tax shall be certified by the state auditor to each county auditor on or before November 15 annually.

History: (2056) *RL s 867; 1935 c 282; Ex1959 c 70 art 2 s 1; 1965 c 45 s 49; 1984 c 593 s 33*

275.03 COUNTY TAXES.

Except as otherwise provided in the case of counties having a population of more than 150,000, the county taxes shall be levied by the county board at its meeting in July of each year, and shall be based upon an itemized statement of the county expenses for the ensuing year, which statement shall be included in the published proceedings of such board; and no greater levy of county taxes shall be made upon the taxable property of any county than will be equal to the amount of such expenses, with an excess of five percent of the same.

History: (2057) *RL s 868*

275.035 LIMITED LEVY ON CERTAIN LEASED PROPERTY.

Property assessed according to the provisions of section 273.19, subdivision 3, shall be subject to the levy for county taxes, but shall be exempt from all other property tax levies.

History: 1978 *c 756 s 3*

275.04 [Repealed, 1965 *c 45 s 73*]

275.05 [Repealed, 1965 *c 45 s 73*]

275.06 [Repealed, 1965 *c 45 s 73*]

275.07 CITY, TOWN AND SCHOOL DISTRICT TAXES.

Subdivision 1. The taxes voted by cities, towns, and school districts shall be certified by the proper authorities to the county auditor on or before October 10 in each year. If a city, town, county, school district or special district fails to certify its levy by that date, its levy shall be the amount levied by it for the preceding year. If the local unit notifies the commissioner of revenue before October 10 of its inability to certify its levy by that date, and the commissioner is satisfied that the delay is unavoidable and is not due to the negligence of the local unit's officials or staff, the commissioner shall extend the time within which the local unit shall certify its levy.

Subd. 2. In school districts lying in more than one county, the clerk shall certify the tax levied to the auditor of the county in which the administrative offices of the school district are located.

History: (2058) *RL s 869; 1973 c 123 art 5 s 7; 1977 c 423 art 4 s 5; 1978 c 764 s 101*

275.075 OMISSION BY INADVERTENCE; CORRECTION.

Whenever the amount of taxes as levied and certified by the tax levying body of any county, city, town, or school district has not been, as the result of error, inadvertence, or from the estimates as provided in section 275.08, by the county auditor extended and spread in conformity therewith, such tax levying body may include in its tax levy for the year following, the whole or any part of the amount so omitted through error, inadvertence, or from the estimates as provided in section 275.08, in addition to its current levy and in addition to and notwithstanding any limitations to the contrary.

History: *1947 c 71 s 1; 1973 c 123 art 5 s 7; 1Sp1981 c 1 art 8 s 9*

275.077 ERRORS BY COUNTY AUDITOR AFFECTING TOWNSHIP LEVY.

Subdivision 1. If an error is made by a county auditor in recording the levy of a township lower than the levy certified by the township, the governing body of the county in which the error was made shall appropriate and disburse to the affected township sufficient funds to make up for the difference created by the error within 30 days of notification of the error.

Subd. 2. The difference between the correct levy and the erroneous levy shall be added to the township levy for the subsequent levy year; provided that if the amount of the difference exceeds five mills, the excess shall be added to the township levy for the second and later subsequent levy years, not to exceed an additional levy of five mills in any year, until the full amount of the difference has been levied. The funds collected from the corrected levies shall be used to reimburse the county for the payment required by subdivision 1.

History: *1979 c 16 s 1,2*

275.08 AUDITOR TO FIX RATE.

Subdivision 1. **Generally.** The rate percent of all taxes, except the state tax and taxes the rate of which may be fixed by law, shall be calculated and fixed by the county auditor according to the limitations in this chapter hereinafter prescribed; provided, that if any county, city, town, or school district shall return a greater amount than the prescribed rates will raise, the auditor shall extend only such amount of tax as the limited rate will produce.

Subd. 2. **Estimates.** If, by December 15 of any year, the county auditor has not received from another county auditor the mill rate or assessed value applicable to any taxing district lying in two or more counties, the county auditor who has not received the necessary information may levy taxes for the overlapping district by estimating the mill rate or the assessed value.

Subd. 3. **Assistance of county auditor.** A county auditor who has not furnished the mill rate or assessed value of property in the county by December 15 shall, on

request, furnish the county auditor of a county in the overlapping district an estimate of the values or the mill rate. The auditor may request the assistance of the county assessor in determining the estimate.

Subd. 4. Subsequent adjustment. After the correct mill rate or assessed value has been certified, the amount of taxes over or under levied shall be computed and notice sent to each affected taxing district. If the estimated tax levy exceeds the correct tax levy based on actual assessed value and mill rate, the county treasurer shall remit any amount of excess collected to the affected taxing district. In the following levy year, the estimating county auditor shall adjust the levy of the affected taxing district to compensate for the amount of variance.

In the event that the estimated tax levy is less than the correct tax levy based on actual assessed value and mill rate, the auditor shall adjust the levy of the affected taxing district as provided in section 275.075.

History: (2059) *RL s 870; 1Sp1981 c 1 art 8 s 10; 1986 c 444*

275.09 Subdivision 1. [Repealed, 1984 c 593 s 46]

Subd. 2. [Repealed, 1984 c 593 s 46]

Subd. 3. [Repealed, 1983 c 342 art 3 s 9]

Subd. 3. [Repealed, 1983 c 342 art 3 s 9; 1984 c 593 s 46]

Subd. 4. [Repealed, 1984 c 593 s 46]

275.091 [Repealed, 1984 c 593 s 46]

275.092 LOCAL ACTS LIMITING COUNTY LEVY OR APPROPRIATION.

Any special act for a single county relating to a limitation on the authority of a county board to levy taxes or make an appropriation for a particular purpose, however stated in mills, dollars, or a per capita amount, which is inconsistent with Laws 1973, chapter 583, sections 1 to 35 is superseded.

History: 1973 c 583 s 36

275.10 [Repealed, 1979 c 153 s 2]

275.11 TAX LEVY FOR GENERAL PURPOSES LIMITED.

Subdivision 1. The total amount of taxes levied by or for any city, for any and all general and special purposes, exclusive of taxes levied for special assessments for local improvements on property specially benefited thereby, shall not exceed in any year \$54 per capita of the population of such city.

Subd. 2. In any city or statutory city, except those organized according to chapter 8, Laws of 1895, the limitation provided in subdivision 1 shall be adjusted as follows:

If the Revised Consumer Price Index, as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, for the city of Minneapolis (or if no such index is published for the city of Minneapolis, for the nearest city to Minneapolis for which such index is published), as of December 15 of any year (or for the date nearest to December 15 if no such index is published as of December 15), shall be above 102 (using the average for the years 1947-1949 as a base), the maximum levy limit shall, subject to the restrictions of this subdivision, be increased by 3-1/3 percent for each of the first 6 points that said index may be increased and by one percent for each additional point increased above 6. A fractional point increase shall be disregarded if less than one-half point and treated as one point if one-half point, or more. In any city where more than 25 percent of the assessed valuation consists of iron ore and in any statutory city, the levy permitted by this paragraph shall be in addition to any statutory or charter limitations. In any other city, the levy authorized by this paragraph shall be made within charter limitations.

Subd. 3. MS 1957 [Repealed, 1961 c 500 s 2]

Subd. 3. Nothing in this section shall be construed to reduce levies of any municipality below the per capita levy spread in 1970.

Subd. 4. A city which has a major electric generating facility within its borders, which is designed for operation at a capacity of 500 megawatts or more and is capable of producing electrical energy for the purpose of transmission and distribution to a consumer, shall be exempt from the per capita levy limits set by this section.

History: (2061) 1921 c 417 s 1; 1929 c 206 s 1; 1941 c 543 s 1; 1951 c 539 s 1; 1953 c 577 s 1; 1957 c 710 s 1; 1961 c 500 s 1; 1973 c 123 art 5 s 7; 1973 c 389 s 1; 1978 c 719 s 1; 1980 c 607 art 2 s 17

275.12 [Repealed, Ex1971 c 31 art 20 s 25]

275.121 [Local]

275.122 MS 1969 [Expired]

275.123 [Repealed, Ex1971 c 31 art 20 s 25]

275.124 REPORT OF CERTIFIED LEVY.

Prior to February 1 of each year, each county auditor shall report to the commissioner of education on forms furnished by the commissioner, the amount of the certified levy made by each school district within the county which has taxable property and any other information concerning these levies that is deemed necessary by the commissioner.

History: 1969 c 1109 s 3; 1975 c 162 s 40; 1977 c 447 art 7 s 25; 1978 c 764 s 102

275.125 TAX LEVY, SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** Except as may otherwise be provided in this section, the words and phrases defined in sections 120.02, 124.201, 124.225, 124A.02, and 124A.033, when used in this section shall have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

Subd. 1a. [Repealed, 1982 c 548 art 7 s 13]

Subd. 2. [Repealed, 1973 c 683 s 30]

Subd. 2a. [Renumbered 124A.03 subdivision 1]

Subd. 2b. [Repealed, 1981 c 358 art 1 s 49]

Subd. 2c. [Renumbered, 275.125, subd. 2e]

Subd. 2d. [Renumbered 124A.03 subd 2]

Subd. 2e. [Renumbered 124A.03 subd 3]

Subd. 2f. [Repealed, 3Sp1981 c 2 art 2 s 19]

Subd. 2g. [Repealed, 1984 c 463 art 2 s 8]

Subd. 2h. [Repealed, 1984 c 463 art 2 s 8]

Subd. 2i. [1984 c 463 art 2 s 8]

Subd. 2j. [Repealed, 1984 c 463 art 2 s 8 subd 2; 1Sp1985 c 12 art 1 s 37]

Subd. 2k. [Renumbered 124A.03 subd 4]

Subd. 2l. [Renumbered 124A.03 subd 5]

Subd. 3. **Additional levies; introduction.** In addition to the levy authorized by subdivision 1, a qualifying district may levy additional amounts as provided in subdivisions 3 to 14 and sections 124A.06, subdivision 3a, 124A.08, subdivision 3a, 124A.10, subdivision 3a, 124A.12, subdivision 3a, and 124A.14, subdivision 5a.

Subd. 4. **Miscellaneous levy authorizations.** A school district may levy the amounts necessary to make payments for bonds issued and for interest thereon, including the bonds and interest thereon, issued as authorized by section 275.125, subdivision 3, clause (7) (C), as it read in Minnesota Statutes 1974; the amounts necessary for repayment of debt service loans and capital loans; the amounts necessary to pay the district's obligations under section 6.62; the amount authorized for liabilities of dissolved districts pursuant to section 122.45; the amounts necessary to pay the district's obligations under section 268.06, subdivision 25; the amounts necessary to

pay for job placement services offered to employees who may become eligible for benefits pursuant to section 268.08; the amounts necessary to pay the district's obligations under section 127.05; the amounts authorized by section 122.531; the amounts necessary to pay the district's obligations under section 122.533; and the amounts necessary to pay the district's insurance premium costs under section 466.06.

Subd. 5. Basic transportation levy. For school transportation services, a school district may levy an amount not to exceed the amount raised by a levy of 2.25 mills times the adjusted assessed valuation of the taxable property of the district for the preceding year.

Subd. 5a. Extra transportation levy. When the transportation patterns of a district change as a result of leasing a school in another district, the district may, upon approval of the commissioner, levy for any increase in transportation cost above the cost that would occur without the leasing of the school. The commissioner shall approve a specific dollar amount which may be levied because of these increased costs. The levy authorized by this subdivision may be computed on the basis of estimated increased costs. In the first year a district makes the levy authorized by this subdivision, the commissioner may authorize a levy sufficient to pay for estimated increased costs resulting from leasing for two years. The amount provided by this levy shall not be included in the computation of the actual net operating cost per pupil transported in future years.

Subd. 5b. Transportation levy off-formula adjustment. In any fiscal year, if the basic transportation levy under subdivision 5 in a district attributable to a particular fiscal year exceeds the transportation aid computation under section 124.225, subdivisions 8b, 8i, 8j, and 8k, the district's levy limitation shall be adjusted as provided in this subdivision. In the year following each fiscal year, the district's transportation levy shall be reduced by an amount equal to the difference between (1) the amount of the basic transportation levy under subdivision 5, and (2) the sum of the district's transportation aid computation pursuant to section 124.225, subdivisions 8b, 8i, 8j, and 8k, and the amount of any subtraction made from special state aids pursuant to section 124.2138, subdivision 2, less the amount of any aid reduction due to an insufficient appropriation as provided in section 124.225, subdivision 8a.

Subd. 5c. Nonregular transportation levy. A school district may also make a levy for unreimbursed nonregular transportation costs pursuant to this subdivision. The amount of the levy shall not exceed the product of:

- (a) the district's unreimbursed nonregular transportation revenue determined pursuant to section 124.225, subdivision 8j, clause (a), times
- (b) the lesser of
 - (i) one, or
 - (ii) the ratio of the district's adjusted assessed valuation for the preceding year per total pupil unit in the school year to which the levy is attributable, to the equalizing factor for the school year to which the levy is attributable.

Subd. 5d. Excess transportation levy. A school district may also make an excess transportation levy pursuant to this clause, which shall be the sum of:

- (a) the district's actual cost in the school year after the year in which the excess transportation levy is certified for transportation to and from school of secondary pupils who live more than one mile but less than two miles from the public school which they could attend or from a nonpublic school actually attended, plus
- (b) the district's actual cost in the school year after the year in which the excess transportation levy is certified for transportation costs or other related services which are necessary because of extraordinary traffic hazards, excluding the costs in paragraph (a); plus
- (c) the amount necessary to eliminate any projected deficit in the appropriated fund balance account for bus purchases in its transportation fund as of June 30 in the school year beginning in the calendar year following the calendar year the levy is certified; plus

(d) an amount equal to the aid subtraction computed pursuant to section 124.225, subdivision 8k, for the school year beginning in the year the levy is certified; except that for the 1983 payable 1984 levy, this amount shall be based upon the aid subtraction for the 1984-1985 school year. These amounts shall be placed in the transportation fund and used for any lawful purpose.

Levies authorized by this subdivision shall be computed according to procedures established by the commissioner.

Subd. 6. [Repealed, 1979 c 334 art 1 s 27]

Subd. 6a. **Minneapolis civil service retirement levy.** (1) In addition to the excess levy authorized in subdivision 6, in 1976 any district within a city of the first class which was authorized in 1975 to make a retirement levy under section 275.127 and chapter 422A may levy an amount per pupil unit which is equal to the amount levied in 1975 payable 1976, under section 275.127 and chapter 422A, divided by the number of pupil units in the district in 1976-1977.

(2) In 1979 and each year thereafter, any district which qualified in 1976 for an extra levy under clause (1) shall be allowed to levy the same amount as levied for retirement in 1978 under this clause reduced each year by ten percent of the difference between the amount levied for retirement in 1971 under Minnesota Statutes 1971, sections 275.127 and 422.01 to 422.54 and the amount levied for retirement in 1975 under Minnesota Statutes 1974, section 275.127 and chapter 422A.

Subd. 6b. [Repealed, 1983 c 314 art 1 s 23]

Subd. 6c. [Repealed, 1983 c 314 art 1 s 23]

Subd. 6d. [Repealed, 1983 c 314 art 1 s 23]

Subd. 6e. **Desegregation levy.** Each year any district which is implementing a plan for desegregation mandated by the state board of education or under court order may levy an amount not to exceed one mill times the adjusted assessed valuation of the district. Notwithstanding section 121.904, the entire amount of this levy shall be recognized as revenue for the fiscal year in which the levy is certified. This levy shall not be considered in computing the aid reduction under section 124.155. A district which levies pursuant to this subdivision may not place the proceeds of the 1983 payable 1984 levy authorized by subdivision 9a, in the general fund.

Subd. 7. [Repealed, 1979 c 334 art 1 s 27]

Subd. 7a. [Repealed, 1983 c 314 art 1 s 23]

Subd. 7b. [Repealed, 1981 c 358 art 1 s 49]

Subd. 7c. [Repealed, 1983 c 314 art 1 s 23]

Subd. 7d. [Renumbered 124A.06, subd 3a; 124A.08, subd 3a; 124A.10, subd 3a; 124A.12, subd 3a; 124A.14, subd 5a]

Subd. 7e. [Renumbered 124A.08, subd 5]

Subd. 8. **Community education levy.** (1) Each year, a district which has established a community education advisory council pursuant to section 121.88, may levy the amount raised by .8 mill times the most recent adjusted assessed valuation of the district, but no more than the greater of

\$5.50 times the population of the district, or
\$7,340.

(2) In addition to the levy authorized in clause (1), each year a district may levy an additional amount for community education programs equal to the difference obtained by subtracting

(a) the sum in fiscal year 1984 of

(i) the district's estimated maximum permissible revenue for fiscal year 1985 from community education aid under section 124.271, subdivision 2b, clause (1), and

(ii) the community education levy authorized in clause (1) of this subdivision, from

(b) the sum in fiscal year 1983 of

(i) the district's maximum permissible revenue from community education aid under Minnesota Statutes 1984, section 124.271, subdivision 2, excluding any reductions from community education aid made pursuant to Laws 1981, Third Special Session chapter 2, article 2, section 2, clause (mm), and Laws 1982, Third Special Session chapter 1, article 3, section 6, and

(ii) the maximum community education levy authorized in this subdivision for the district for the levy made in 1981, payable in 1982, before any reduction in the levy pursuant to subdivision 9.

(3) A district having an approved adult basic and continuing education program, according to section 124.26, may levy an amount not to exceed the amount raised by .1 mill times the adjusted assessed valuation of the district for the preceding year.

(4) A district having an approved program and budget may levy for a handicapped adult program. The levy amount may not exceed the lesser of one-half of the amount of the approved budget for the program for the fiscal year beginning in the calendar year after the levy is certified or \$25,000 for one program. In the case of a program offered by a group of districts, the levy amount shall be divided among the districts according to the agreement submitted to the department. The proceeds of the levy shall be used only for a handicapped adult program or, if the program is subsequently not offered, for community education programs. For programs not offered, the department of education shall reduce the community education levy by the amount levied the previous year for handicapped adult programs.

(5) The levies authorized in this subdivision shall be used for community education, including nonvocational adult programs, recreation and leisure time activity programs, and programs authorized by sections 121.85 to 121.88 and 129B.06 to 129B.09, and 121.882. A school district may levy pursuant to this subdivision only after it has filed a certificate of compliance with the commissioner of education. The certificate of compliance shall certify that the governing boards of the county, municipality and township in which the school district or any part thereof is located have been sent 15 working days written notice of a meeting and that a meeting has been held to discuss methods of increasing mutual cooperation between such bodies and the school board. The failure of a governing board of a county, municipality or township to attend the meeting shall not affect the authority of the school district to levy pursuant to this subdivision.

(6) The population of the district for purposes of this subdivision is the population determined as provided in section 275.14 or as certified by the department of education from the most recent federal census.

Subd. 8a. Interdistrict cooperation levy. Each year, a district which is eligible for aid pursuant to section 124.272, subdivision 2, may levy the amount of the estimated instructional and administrative costs of the interdistrict cooperation plan for the year to which the levy is attributable, but the levy shall not exceed the lesser of: (1) \$50 times the actual pupil units for that school year; (2) \$50,000; or (3) one mill times the adjusted assessed valuation of the district for the preceding year. The proceeds of the levy may only be used to pay for instructional costs and administrative costs, that may not exceed five percent of the instructional costs, incurred in providing the program offerings resulting from the cooperation plan.

Subd. 8b. Early childhood family education levy. A district may levy for its early childhood family education program. The amount levied shall not exceed the lesser of:

(a) .5 mill times the adjusted assessed valuation of the district for the year preceding the year the levy is certified, or

(b) the maximum revenue as defined in section 124.2711, subdivision 1, for the school year for which the levy is attributable.

Subd. 8c. Special education levy. A district, excluding intermediate school district Nos. 287, 916, and 917, may levy an amount that may not exceed 70 percent of salaries paid to essential personnel in that district minus the amount of state aid and any federal

aid, if applicable, paid to that district for salaries of these essential personnel under sections 124.32, subdivisions 1b and 10 and 124.574, subdivision 2b plus 65 percent of salaries paid to essential personnel in that district minus the amount of state aid and any federal aid, if applicable, paid to that district for salaries of these essential personnel under section 124.273, subdivision 1b for the year to which the levy is attributable.

For purposes of this subdivision, a special education cooperative or an intermediate school district each year shall allocate an amount equal to 70 percent of salaries paid to essential personnel in that intermediate district or cooperative minus the amount of state aid and any federal aid, if applicable, paid to that intermediate district or cooperative for salaries of these essential personnel under sections 124.32, subdivisions 1b and 10 and 124.574, subdivision 2b, plus 65 percent of salaries paid to essential personnel in that intermediate district or cooperative minus the amount of state aid and any federal aid, if applicable, paid to that intermediate district or cooperative for salaries of these essential personnel under section 124.273, subdivision 1b for the year to each of the member districts of the cooperative or the intermediate district. The member districts may make a levy in the amount of the costs allocated to them by the cooperative or intermediate district.

Special education cooperatives and intermediate school districts that allocate unreimbursed portions of salaries of special education essential personnel among member districts, for purposes of the member districts making a levy under this subdivision, shall provide information to the state department of education on the amount of unreimbursed costs of salaries they allocated to the member districts.

Subd. 9. Levy reductions; taconite. (1) Reductions in levies pursuant to subdivision 10, and section 273.138, shall be made prior to the reductions in clause (2).

(2) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, districts which received payments pursuant to sections 294.21 to 294.26; 298.23 to 298.28, except an amount distributed under section 298.28, subdivision 4, paragraph (c), clause (ii); 298.34 to 298.39; 298.391 to 298.396; 298.405; 298.51 to 298.67; 477A.15; and any law imposing a tax upon severed mineral values, or under any other law distributing proceeds in lieu of ad valorem tax assessments on copper or nickel properties, or recognized revenue pursuant to section 477A.15; shall not include a portion of these aids in their permissible levies pursuant to those sections, but instead shall reduce the permissible levies authorized by this section and sections 124A.03, 124A.06, subdivision 3a, 124A.08, subdivision 3a, 124A.10, subdivision 3a, 124A.12, subdivision 3a, 124A.14, subdivision 5a, and 124A.20, subdivision 2, by the greater of the following:

(a) an amount equal to 50 percent of the total dollar amount of the payments received pursuant to those sections or revenue recognized pursuant to section 477A.15 in the previous fiscal year; or

(b) an amount equal to the total dollar amount of the payments received pursuant to those sections or revenue recognized pursuant to section 477A.15 in the previous fiscal year less the product of the same dollar amount of payments or revenue times the ratio of the maximum levy allowed the district under sections 124A.03, subdivision 2, 124A.06, subdivision 3a, 124A.08, subdivision 3a, 124A.10, subdivision 3a, 124A.12, subdivision 3a, and 124A.14, subdivision 5a, to the total levy allowed the district under this section and sections 124A.03, 124A.06, subdivision 3a, 124A.08, subdivision 3a, 124A.10, subdivision 3a, 124A.12, subdivision 3a, 124A.14, subdivision 5a, and 124A.20, subdivision 2, in the year in which the levy is certified.

(3) No reduction pursuant to this subdivision shall reduce the levy made by the district pursuant to section 124A.03, subdivision 1, to an amount less than the amount raised by a levy of 12.5 mills times the adjusted assessed valuation of that district for the preceding year as determined by the equalization aid review committee. The amount of any increased levy authorized by referendum pursuant to section 124A.03, subdivision 2 shall not be reduced pursuant to this subdivision. The amount of any levy authorized by subdivision 4, to make payments for bonds issued and for interest thereon, shall not be reduced pursuant to this subdivision.

(4) Before computing the reduction pursuant to this subdivision of the capital expenditure levy authorized by subdivision 11a, and the community service levy authorized by subdivision 8, the commissioner shall ascertain from each affected school district the amount it proposes to levy for capital expenditures pursuant to subdivision 11a and for community services pursuant to subdivision 8. The reduction of the capital expenditure levy and the community services levy shall be computed on the basis of the amount so ascertained.

(5) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, any amounts received by districts in any fiscal year pursuant to sections 294.21 to 294.26; 298.23 to 298.28; 298.34 to 298.39; 298.391 to 298.396; 298.405; 298.51 to 298.67; or any law imposing a tax on severed mineral values, or under any other law distributing proceeds in lieu of ad valorem tax assessments on copper or nickel properties; and not deducted from foundation aid pursuant to section 124A.035, subdivision 5, clause (2), and not applied to reduce levies pursuant to this subdivision shall be paid by the district to the St. Louis county auditor in the following amount by March 15 of each year except 1986, the amount required to be subtracted from the previous fiscal year's foundation aid pursuant to section 124A.035, subdivision 5, which is in excess of the foundation aid earned for that fiscal year. The county auditor shall deposit any amounts received pursuant to this clause in the St. Louis county treasury for purposes of paying the taconite homestead credit as provided in section 273.135.

Subd. 9a. Statutory operating debt levy. (1) In 1978 and each year thereafter in which so required by this subdivision, a district shall make an additional levy to eliminate its statutory operating debt, determined as of June 30, 1977 and certified and adjusted by the commissioner. This levy shall not be made in more than 20 successive years and each year before it is made, it must be approved by the commissioner and the approval shall specify its amount. This levy shall in each year be an amount which is equal to the amount raised by a levy of 1.5 mills times the adjusted assessed valuation of the district for the preceding year; provided that in the last year in which the district is required to make this levy, it shall levy an amount not to exceed the amount raised by a levy of 1.5 mills times the adjusted assessed valuation of the district for the preceding year. When the sum of the cumulative levies made pursuant to this subdivision and transfers made according to section 121.912, subdivision 4 equals an amount equal to the statutory operating debt of the district, the levy shall be discontinued.

(2) The district shall establish a special account in the general fund which shall be designated "appropriated fund balance reserve account for purposes of reducing statutory operating debt" on its books and records. This account shall reflect the levy authorized pursuant to this subdivision. The proceeds of this levy shall be used only for cash flow requirements and shall not be used to supplement district revenues or income for the purposes of increasing the district's expenditures or budgets.

(3) Any district which is required to levy pursuant to this subdivision shall certify the maximum levy allowable under section 124A.03, subdivision 1 in that same year.

(4) Each district shall make permanent fund balance transfers so that the total statutory operating debt of the district is reflected in the general fund as of June 30, 1977.

Subd. 9b. Operating debt levy. (1) Each year, a district may make an additional levy to eliminate a deficit in the net unappropriated operating funds of the district, determined as of June 30, 1983, and certified and adjusted by the commissioner. This levy may in each year be an amount not to exceed the amount raised by a levy of 1.5 mills times the adjusted assessed valuation of the district for the preceding year as determined by the equalization aid review committee. However, the total amount of this levy for all years it is made shall not exceed the lesser of (a) the amount of the deficit in the net unappropriated operating funds of the district as of June 30, 1983, or (b) the amount of the aid reduction, according to Laws 1981, Third Special Session chapter 2, article 2, section 2, but excluding clauses (l), (m), (n), (o), and (p), and Laws 1982, Third Special Session chapter 1, article 3, section 6, to the district in fiscal year 1983. When the cumulative levies made pursuant to this subdivision equal the total amount permitted by this subdivision, the levy shall be discontinued.

(2) The proceeds of this levy shall be used only for cash flow requirements and shall not be used to supplement district revenues or income for the purposes of increasing the district's expenditures or budgets.

(3) Any district which levies pursuant to this subdivision shall certify the maximum levy allowable under section 124A.03, subdivision 1 or 3 in that same year.

Subd. 9c. 1985 operating debt levy. (1) Each year, a district may levy to eliminate a deficit in the net unappropriated balance in the general fund of the district, determined as of June 30, 1985, and certified and adjusted by the commissioner. Each year this levy may be an amount not to exceed the amount raised by a levy of 1.5 mills times the adjusted assessed valuation of the district for the preceding year. However, the total amount of this levy for all years it is made shall not exceed the amount of the deficit in the net unappropriated balance in the general fund of the district as of June 30, 1985. When the cumulative levies made pursuant to this subdivision equal the total amount permitted by this subdivision, the levy shall be discontinued.

(2) A district, if eligible, may levy under this subdivision or subdivision 9b but not both.

(3) The proceeds of this levy shall be used only for cash flow requirements and shall not be used to supplement district revenues or income for the purposes of increasing the district's expenditures or budgets.

(4) Any district that levies pursuant to this subdivision shall certify the maximum levy allowable under section 124A.03, subdivision 1 or 3 in that same year.

Subd. 10. Certification of levy limitations. The commissioner shall certify to the county auditors the levy limits for all school districts headquartered in the respective counties together with adjustments for errors in levies not penalized pursuant to subdivision 15 as well as adjustments to final pupil unit counts.

A school district shall have the right to require the commissioner to review the certification and to present evidence in support of modification of the certification.

The county auditor shall reduce levies for any excess of levies over levy limitations pursuant to section 275.16. Such reduction in excess levies may at the discretion of the school district be spread over not to exceed two calendar years.

Subd. 11. [Repealed, 1976 c 271 s 98 subd 1]

Subd. 11a. Capital expenditure levy. (a) Each year a school district may levy an amount not to exceed the amount equal to \$130 times the total pupil units in the year to which the levy is attributable. No levy under this clause shall exceed nine mills times the adjusted assessed valuation of the taxable property in the district for the preceding year.

(b) The proceeds of the levy shall be placed in the district's capital expenditure fund and may be used only:

(1) to acquire land, to equip and reequip buildings and permanent attached fixtures, to rent or lease buildings for school purposes;

(2) to purchase textbooks, to purchase and lease computer systems hardware, software, and related materials to support software;

(3) to purchase or lease photocopy machines and telecommunications equipment;

(4) for capital improvement and repair of school sites, buildings and permanent attached fixtures;

(5) for energy audits on district-owned buildings and for funding those energy conservation and renewable energy measures that the energy audits indicate will reduce the use of nonrenewable sources of energy to the extent that the projected energy cost savings will amortize the cost of the conservation measures within a period of ten years or less;

(6) for the payment of any special assessments levied against the property of the district authorized under section 435.19 or any other law or charter provision authorizing assessments against publicly owned property; provided that a district may not levy amounts to pay assessments for service charges, such as those described in section 429.101, whether levied under that section or any other law or home rule provision;

(7) for capital expenditures to reduce or eliminate barriers to or increase access to school facilities by handicapped individuals;

(8) to make capital improvements to schoolhouses leased according to section 123.36, subdivision 10;

(9) to pay fees for capital expenditures assessed and certified to each participating school district by the educational cooperative service unit board of directors;

(10) to pay principal and interest on loans from the state authorized by sections 116J.37 and 298.292 to 298.298;

(11) for capital expenditures to bring district facilities into compliance with the uniform fire code adopted according to chapter 299F;

(12) for expenditures for the removal of asbestos from school buildings or property, asbestos encapsulation, or asbestos-related repairs;

(13) for expenditures for the cleanup and disposal of polychlorinated biphenyls found in school buildings or property; and

(14) for the cleanup, removal, disposal, and repairs related to storing transportation fuels such as alcohol, gasoline, fuel oil, and special fuel, as defined in section 296.01.

(c) Subject to the commissioner's approval, the proceeds may also be used to acquire or construct buildings. The state board shall promulgate rules establishing the criteria to be used by the commissioner in approving and disapproving district applications requesting the use of capital expenditure tax proceeds for the acquisition or construction of buildings. The approval criteria for purposes of building acquisition and construction shall include: the appropriateness of the proposal for the district's long-term needs; the availability of adequate existing facilities; and the economic feasibility of bonding because of the proposed building's size or cost.

(d) Notwithstanding anything in paragraphs (b) and (c) to the contrary, for any year for which the sum of a district's levy under this subdivision and its aid for the same year under section 124.245, subdivision 1, exceeds \$125 times the total pupil units in the same year, the amount by which the sum exceeds \$125 times the total pupil units may be expended only for equipment for secondary vocational education programs or senior secondary industrial arts programs.

(e) The proceeds of the levy shall not be used for custodial or other maintenance services.

Subd. 11b. [Repealed, 1Sp1986 c 1 art 9 s 64]

Subd. 11c. **Hazardous substance capital expenditure levy.** In addition to the levy authorized in subdivisions 11a and 11b, each year a school district may levy an amount not to exceed the amount equal to \$25 times the total pupil units in the year to which the levy is attributable. No levy under this subdivision shall exceed two mills times the adjusted assessed valuation of the property in the district for the preceding year. The proceeds of the tax shall be placed in the district's capital expenditure fund and may be used only for expenditures necessary for the removal or encapsulation of asbestos from school buildings or property, asbestos related repairs, cleanup and disposal of polychlorinated biphenyls found in school buildings or property, or the cleanup, removal, disposal, and repairs related to storing transportation fuels such as alcohol, gasoline, fuel oil, and special fuel, as defined in section 296.01.

Subd. 12. **Extra capital expenditure levy for leasing buildings.** When a district finds it economically advantageous to rent or lease existing school buildings or other buildings for instructional purposes, and the proceeds of the levy permitted under subdivision 11a are insufficient for this purpose, it may apply to the commissioner for permission to make an additional capital expenditure levy for this purpose. An application for permission to levy under this clause shall contain financial justification for the proposed levy, the terms and conditions of the proposed lease, and a description of the space to be leased and its proposed use. The criteria for approval of applications to levy under this clause shall include: the reasonableness of the price, the appropriateness of the space to the proposed activity, the feasibility of transporting pupils to the

leased building, conformity of the lease to the laws and rules of the state of Minnesota, and the appropriateness of the proposed lease to the space needs and the financial condition of the district. The commissioner shall not authorize a levy under this clause in an amount greater than the cost to the district of renting or leasing a school building or other building for approved purposes. The proceeds of this levy shall not be used for custodial or other maintenance services.

Subd. 12a. **Energy conservation levy.** The school district may annually levy, without the approval of a majority of the voters in the district, an amount sufficient to repay the annual principal and interest of the loan made pursuant to sections 116J.37 and 298.292 to 298.298.

Subd. 13. [Repealed, 1979 c 334 art 5 s 29]

Subd. 14. [Repealed, 1981 c 358 art 5 s 47]

Subd. 14a. **Levy for local share of AVTI construction.** (a) The definitions in section 136C.02 apply to this subdivision.

(b) A district maintaining a post-secondary area vocational technical institute may levy for its local share of the cost of construction of facilities for the post-secondary area vocational technical institute as provided in this subdivision.

(c) The construction must be authorized by a specific legislative act pursuant to section 136C.07, subdivision 5, after January 1, 1980. The specific legislative act must require that part of the cost of construction for post-secondary vocational purposes shall be financed by the state and that part of the cost of construction for post-secondary vocational purposes shall be financed by the school district operating the post-secondary area vocational technical institute.

(d) The district may levy an amount equal to the local share of the cost of construction for post-secondary vocational purposes, minus the amount of any unappropriated net balance in the district's post-secondary vocational technical building construction fund. A district may levy the total amount authorized by this subdivision in one year, or a proportionate amount of the total authorized amount each year for up to three successive years.

(e) By the July 1 before a district certifies the first levy pursuant to this subdivision for the local share of any construction project, at least three weeks published notice of the proposed levy shall be given in the legal newspaper with the largest circulation in the district. The notice shall state the purpose of the proposed levy, the duration of the proposed levy and the amount of the proposed levy in dollars and mills. Upon petition within 20 days after the notice of the greater of (a) 50 voters, or (b) 15 percent of the number of voters who voted in the district at the most recent regular school board election, the board shall call a referendum on the proposed levy. The referendum shall be held on a date set by the school board, but no later than the August 20 before the levy is certified. The question on the ballot shall state the amount of the proposed levy in mills on the district's adjusted assessed valuation and in dollars in the first year of the proposed levy.

(f) For the purposes of this subdivision, "construction" includes the acquisition and betterment of land, buildings and capital improvements for post-secondary area vocational technical institutes.

(g) A district may not levy for the cost of a construction project pursuant to this subdivision if it issues any bonds to finance any costs of the project.

Subd. 15. **Adjustments.** If any school district levy is found to be excessive as a result of a decision of the tax court or a redetermination by the equalization aid review committee under section 124.2131, subdivisions 2 to 11 or for any other reason, the amount of the excess shall be deducted from the levy certified in the next year for the same purpose; provided that if no levy is certified in the next year for the same purpose or if the amount certified is less than the amount of the excess, the excess shall be deducted from that levy and the levy certified pursuant to section 124A.03, subdivision 1. If any aid entitlement pursuant to sections 124.225, 124.245, and 124A.02 would have been increased in a prior year as a result of a decision of the tax court or a

redetermination by the equalization aid review committee, the amount of the increase shall be added to the current aid entitlement for the same purposes.

Subd. 16. [Repealed, 1Sp1986 c 1 art 9 s 64]

Subd. 17. **Applicability.** Notwithstanding any other charter provision, general or special laws to the contrary, every school district in the state shall abide by the terms and provisions of this section and chapter 124A.

Subd. 18. **Notice of certified levies.** By November 1 of each year each district shall notify the commissioner of education of the levies certified in compliance with the levy limitations of this section and chapter 124A. The commissioner of education shall prescribe the form of this notification.

Subd. 19. [Renumbered 124A.03, subd 6]

Subd. 20. **Estimates.** The computation of levy limitations pursuant to this section and chapter 124A shall be based on estimates where necessary. If as a result of using estimates for these computations the amount of any levy is different from the amount which could actually have been levied if actual data had been available, levy limitations in the first year when the actual data is known shall be adjusted to reflect for this difference. The amount of any adjustment to levy limitations pursuant to this subdivision shall be recognized as revenue in the school year when the levy for which the levy limitation is so adjusted is recognized as revenue.

Subd. 21. **Reporting.** For each tax settlement, the county auditor shall report to each school district by fund, the school district tax settlement revenue defined in section 121.904, subdivision 4a, clause (a), and the amount levied pursuant to subdivision 9a on the form specified in section 276.10. The county auditor shall send to the school district a copy of the spread levy report specified in section 275.124.

History: *Ex1971 c 31 art 20 s 8; 1973 c 683 s 18,19; 1974 c 521 s 29-31; 1975 c 432 s 74-81; 1976 c 2 s 97; 1976 c 134 s 78; 1976 c 271 s 80-90; 1977 c 307 s 29; 1977 c 423 art 3 s 12; 1977 c 447 art 1 s 19,20; art 2 s 8; art 4 s 5; art 5 s 12; art 6 s 8-10; art 7 s 26; 1978 c 764 s 103-111; 1979 c 303 art 2 s 22; 1979 c 334 art 1 s 14-24; art 2 s 13; art 4 s 4; art 6 s 23; 1980 c 509 s 112; 1980 c 607 art 7 s 9; 1980 c 609 art 1 s 9-13; art 2 s 3,4; art 4 s 15-18,22; art 5 s 19; 1981 c 224 s 38; 1981 c 356 s 248; 1981 c 358 art 1 s 31-42,48; art 4 s 10; art 6 s 32,33; 3Sp1981 c 2 art 2 s 10; art 4 s 7; 1982 c 548 art 1 s 12-14; art 2 s 4-6; art 3 s 26; art 6 s 19-22; art 7 s 6; 1983 c 216 art 1 s 45; 1983 c 314 art 1 s 18-21,22; art 2 s 3-6; art 3 s 13-15; art 4 s 6; art 6 s 24-29; art 7 s 34; 1983 c 323 s 2-4; 1984 c 463 art 1 s 11; art 2 s 6,7; art 4 s 5,6; art 5 s 36; art 6 s 6-11; art 7 s 20; 1984 c 502 art 7 s 7-9; 1984 c 583 s 32; 1985 c 23 s 16,17; 1985 c 248 s 70; 1Sp1985 c 12 art 2 s 11-13; art 3 s 19; art 4 s 7,8; art 6 s 15-18; 1986 c 441 s 1; 1986 c 444; 1Sp1986 c 1 art 4 s 27; art 9 s 19-22; 1Sp1986 c 3 art 2 s 36*

275.126 [Repealed, 1975 c 306 s 34]

275.127 [Repealed, 1976 c 271 s 98 subd 1]

275.128 EXPENSES FOR ASBESTOS AND POLYCHLORINATED BIPHENYLS.

Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a district that incurred expenses for removal of asbestos, asbestos encapsulation, or cleanup or disposal of polychlorinated biphenyls may use the revenue authorized by sections 123.36, subdivision 13; 124.245; and 275.125, subdivisions 11b and 11c to meet contractual obligations or to reimburse the fund from which expenses were paid, regardless of when the authorized revenue was received by the district.

History: *1983 c 314 art 6 s 31*

275.13 MS 1969 [Expired]

275.14 CENSUS.

For the purposes of sections 275.11 to 275.16, the population of a city shall be that established by the last federal census, by a special census taken by the United States

Bureau of the Census, by an estimate made by the metropolitan council, or by the state demographer made according to section 116K.04, subdivision 4, whichever has the latest stated date of count or estimate, before July 2 of the current levy year. The population of a school district must be determined by the most recent federal census.

In any year in which no federal census is taken pursuant to law in any school district affected by sections 275.11 to 275.16 a population estimate may be made and submitted to the state demographer for approval as hereinafter provided. The school board of a school district, in case it desires a population estimate, shall pass a resolution by September 1 containing a current estimate of the population of the school district and shall submit the resolution to the state demographer. The resolution shall describe the criteria on which the estimate is based and shall be in a form and accompanied by the data prescribed by the state demographer. The state demographer shall determine whether or not the criteria and process described in the resolution provide a reasonable basis for the population estimate and shall inform the school district of that determination within 30 days of receipt of the resolution. If the state demographer determines that the criteria and process described in the resolution do not provide a reasonable basis for the population estimate, the resolution shall be of no effect. If the state demographer determines that the criteria and process do provide a reasonable basis for the population estimate, the estimate shall be treated as the population of the school district for the purposes of sections 275.11 to 275.16 until the population of the school district has been established by the next federal census or until a more current population estimate is prepared and approved as provided herein, whichever occurs first. The state demographer shall establish guidelines for acceptable population estimation criteria and processes. The state demographer shall issue advisory opinions upon request in writing to cities or school districts as to proposed criteria and processes prior to their implementation in an estimation. The advisory opinion shall be final and binding upon the demographer unless the demographer can show cause why it should not be final and binding.

In the event that a census tract employed in taking a federal or local census overlaps two or more school districts, the county auditor shall, on the basis of the best information available, allocate the population of said census tract to the school districts involved.

The term "council," as used in sections 275.11 to 275.16, means any board or body, whether composed of one or more branches, authorized to make ordinances for the government of a city within this state.

History: (2064) 1921 c 417 s 4; 1951 c 447 s 1; 1961 c 593 s 1; 1971 c 16 s 1; 1971 c 783 s 1; 1973 c 123 art 5 s 7; 1980 c 487 s 3; 1985 c 65 s 1

275.15 NOT TO INCREASE LEVIES.

Sections 275.11 to 275.16 shall not authorize, nor be construed as, in any instance, authorizing the levy of total amounts of taxes in any year in excess of the amount allowed by law at the time of the passage of these sections, but shall be considered an additional limitation.

History: (2065) 1921 c 417 s 5

275.16 COUNTY AUDITOR TO FIX AMOUNT OF LEVY.

If any such municipality shall return to the county auditor a levy greater than permitted by sections 275.11 to 275.16, such county auditor shall extend only such amount of taxes as the limitations herein prescribed will permit; provided, if such levy shall include any levy for the payment of bonded indebtedness or judgments, such levies for bonded indebtedness or judgments shall be extended in full, and the remainder of the levies shall be reduced so that the total thereof, including levies for bonds and judgments, shall not exceed such amount as the limitations herein prescribed will permit.

History: (2066) 1921 c 417 s 6; 1941 c 543 s 4

- 275.161 [Repealed, 1984 c 593 s 46]
- 275.17 [Local]
- 275.18 [Local]
- 275.19 [Local]
- 275.20 [Local]
- 275.21 [Local]
- 275.22 [Repealed, 1967 c 584 s 1]
- 275.23 [Repealed, 1984 c 593 s 46]
- 275.24 [Repealed, 1976 c 44 s 70]
- 275.25 [Repealed, 1969 c 9 s 100]

275.26 EXCESSIVE LEVY; INJUNCTION.

When any county board shall levy taxes for any purpose in excess of the amount allowed by law, any taxpayer thereby affected, personally and for all other interested taxpayers in the county, may bring an action against the treasurer, the auditor, and the board of such county, to enjoin the collection of such taxes, and for an order requiring the defendants, or either of them, to correct the levy, and for such other order as may be proper for the correction and adjustment of such taxes and levy, notwithstanding that such taxpayers have a speedy and adequate remedy in the ordinary course of law. When so corrected and adjusted, the taxes may be collected as other taxes.

History: (2069) *RL s 873; 1986 c 444*

275.27 CONTRACTS IN EXCESS VOID; LIABILITY OF OFFICERS.

It shall be unlawful for the authorities of any county, town, city, or school district, unless expressly authorized by law, to contract any debt or incur any pecuniary liability for the payment of either the principal or the interest of which, during the current or any subsequent year, it shall be necessary to levy a rate of taxes higher than the maximum prescribed by law. Every such contract shall be null and void in regard to any obligation thereby sought to be imposed upon such corporation; but every officer, agent, or member thereof who participates in or authorizes the making of such contract shall be individually liable for its performance. Every such officer or agent who is present when such contract is made or authorized shall be deemed to participate in or authorize the making thereof, as the case may be, unless the officer or agent enter or cause to be entered a dissent therefrom in the records of such corporation.

History: (2070) *RL s 874; 1973 c 123 art 5 s 7; 1986 c 444*

275.28 TAX LISTS.

Subdivision 1. Auditor to make. The county auditor shall make out the tax lists according to the prescribed form, and to correspond with the assessment districts. The rate percent necessary to raise the required amount of the various taxes shall be calculated on the assessed valuation of property as determined by the state board of equalization, but, in calculating such rates, no rate shall be used resulting in a fraction other than a decimal fraction, or less than one-tenth of a mill; and, in extending any tax, whenever it amounts to the fractional part of a cent, it shall be made one cent. The tax lists shall also be made out to correspond with the assessment books in reference to ownership and description of property, with columns for the valuation and for the various items of tax included in the total amount of all taxes set down opposite each description; and opposite each description which has been sold for taxes, and which is subject to redemption, but not redeemed, shall be placed the words "sold for taxes." The amount of all special taxes shall be entered in the proper columns, but the general taxes may be shown by entering the rate percent of each tax at the head of the proper columns, without extending the same, in which case a schedule of the rates percent of such taxes shall be made on the first page of each tax list. If the auditor shall fail to enter on any such list before its delivery to the treasurer any tax levied, such tax may

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be subsequently entered. The tax lists shall be deemed completed, and all taxes extended thereon, as of October 16 annually.

Subd. 2. **Certificate of auditor.** The auditor shall make in each assessment book or list a certificate in the following form:

I, A.B., auditor of county, and the state of Minnesota, do hereby certify that the following is a correct list of the taxes levied on the real and personal property in the (town or district, as the case may be) of for the year 19.. (being the same year the property was assessed and the tax levied), to become payable in the year 19..

Witness my hand and official seal this day of, 19..

.....

County Auditor.

Subd. 3. **Designation of year of tax.** Beginning with property taxes payable in 1980, taxes on real and personal property shall be related to and designated by the year in which they become payable but the liens shall relate back to the assessment date preceding except as otherwise provided.

Subd. 4. **Unit card ledger counties.** In any county in this state in which the county auditor has elected to come under the provisions of section 273.03, subdivision 2, the auditor shall cause to be prepared a record to be known as "Real estate assessment and tax list for the year" In addition to the information provided for in subdivision 1, to be shown in tax lists, there shall also be included the amount of market value of land, building, and machinery, if any, and the total market value assessed against each parcel of real estate contained in such lists.

In such counties the auditor shall make in each list a certificate in the following form:

"I,, auditor of county and State of Minnesota, do hereby certify that the following is a correct list of the taxes levied on the real property, based on the total market value indicated therein, in the (town or district, as the case may be) of for the year 19..

Witness my hand and official seal this day of 19..

.....

County Auditor."

History: (2071, 2072) *RL s 875,876; 1963 c 39 s 1,2; 1963 c 781 s 5; 1965 c 545 s 1; 1969 c 323 s 1; 1973 c 458 s 1; 1975 c 339 s 8; 1980 c 607 art 2 s 18; 1986 c 444*

275.29 ABSTRACTS TO COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE.

On or before January 1, in each year, the county auditor shall make and transmit to the commissioner of revenue, in such form as may be prescribed by the commissioner of revenue, complete abstracts of the tax lists of the county, showing the number of acres of land assessed; its value, including the structures thereon; the value of town and city lots, including structures; the total value of all taxable personal property in the several assessment districts; the aggregate amount of all taxable property in the county, and the total amount of taxes levied therein for state, county, town, and all other purposes for that year.

History: (2073) *RL s 877; 1974 c 86 s 1; 1975 c 46 s 4*

- 275.30 [Repealed, 1974 c 14 s 1]
- 275.31 [Repealed, 1980 c 437 s 19]
- 275.32 [Repealed, 1980 c 437 s 19]
- 275.33 [Repealed, 1980 c 437 s 19]
- 275.34 [Repealed, 1980 c 437 s 19]
- 275.35 [Repealed, 1980 c 437 s 19]
- 275.36 [Repealed, 1976 c 44 s 70]

- 275.37 [Repealed, 1953 c 29 s 1]
- 275.38 [Expired]
- 275.39 [Repealed, 1976 c 271 s 98 subd 1]
- 275.40 MS 1967 [Expired]
- 275.41 [Repealed, 1976 c 271 s 98 subd 1]
- 275.42 [Repealed, 1976 c 271 s 98 subd 1]
- 275.43 [Repealed, 1965 c 45 s 73]
- 275.44 [Repealed, 1984 c 593 s 46]
- 275.45 [Repealed, 1984 c 593 s 46]
- 275.46 [Repealed, 1984 c 593 s 46]
- 275.47 [Repealed, 1984 c 593 s 46]

275.48 ADDITIONAL TAX LEVIES IN CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES.

When by virtue of chapter 278, sections 270.07, 375.192, or otherwise, the assessed valuation of a city, township or school district for a taxable year is reduced after the taxes for the year have been spread by the county auditor, and when the mill rate determined by the county auditor based on the original assessed valuation is applied on the reduced valuation and does not produce the full amount of taxes actually levied and certified for that taxable year on the original assessed valuation, the city, township or school district may include an additional amount in its tax levy made following final determination and notice of the reduction in assessed valuation. The amount shall equal the difference between the total amount of taxes actually levied and certified for that taxable year upon the original assessed valuation, not exceeding the maximum amount which could be raised on the assessed valuation as reduced, within existing mill limitations, if any, and the amount of taxes collected for that taxable year on the reduced valuation. The total tax levy authorized for a school district by this section shall be reduced by the total amount of any abatement adjustments received by the district pursuant to section 124.214, subdivision 2, in the same calendar year in which the levy is certified. As part of the certification required by section 275.125, subdivision 10, the commissioner of education shall certify the amount of the abatement levy limitation adjustment for each school district headquartered in that county.

Except for school districts, the amount of taxes so included shall be levied separately and shall be levied in addition to all limitations imposed by law; and further shall not result in any penalty in the nature of a reduction in state aid of any kind.

History: 1943 c 523 s 1,2; 1973 c 123 art 5 s 7; 1975 c 432 s 82; 1978 c 764 s 112; 1982 c 548 art 6 s 23

275.49 COMPUTATIONS TIED TO TAX VALUATION.

For the purpose of computing the amount or rate of any tax limited by any provision of any law or charter, where such authorization, requirement, or limitation is related in any manner to any value or valuation of taxable property within the state or within any of its taxing districts, such property shall include all property of any class exempted from taxation by Extra Session Laws 1967, chapter 32 at its value or valuation in 1966 as determined in accordance with law.

History: Ex1967 c 32 art 15 s 1; 1984 c 593 s 34

275.50 LEVY LIMITS; DEFINITIONS.

Subdivision 1. As used in sections 275.50 to 275.56, the terms defined herein have the meanings given to them.

Subd. 2. **Governmental subdivision.** (a) "Governmental subdivision" means a county, home rule charter city, or statutory city, except a home rule charter or statutory city that has a population of less than 5,000 according to the most recent federal census.

(b) "Governmental subdivision" also includes any city or town that receives a distribution from the taconite municipal aid account in the levy year.

Subd. 3. "Governing body" of a town means its board of supervisors.

Subd. 4. "Special assessments" means assessments made against real property for purposes of financing, wholly or in part, only those types of improvements enumerated in sections 429.021, subdivision 1 and 429.101, whether imposed pursuant to such sections or pursuant to home rule charter provisions. General tax levies spread upon real estate not specifically benefited by the improvements, and on the benefited real estate as part of the taxable valuation of the governmental subdivision, are not considered special assessments.

Subd. 5. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary for taxes levied in 1983 payable in 1984 and subsequent years, "special levies" means those portions of ad valorem taxes levied by governmental subdivisions to:

(a) satisfy judgments rendered against the governmental subdivision by a court of competent jurisdiction in any tort action, or to pay the costs of settlements out of court against the governmental subdivision in a tort action when substantiated by a stipulation for the dismissal of the action filed with the court of competent jurisdiction and signed by both the plaintiff and the legal representative of the governmental subdivision, but only to the extent of the increase in levy for such judgments and out of court settlements over levy year 1970, taxes payable in 1971;

(b) pay the costs of complying with any written lawful order initially issued prior to January 1, 1977 by the state of Minnesota, or the United States, or any agency or subdivision thereof, which is authorized by law, statute, special act or ordinance and is enforceable in a court of competent jurisdiction, or any stipulation agreement or permit for treatment works or disposal system for pollution abatement in lieu of a lawful order signed by the governmental subdivision and the state of Minnesota, or the United States, or any agency or subdivision thereof which is enforceable in a court of competent jurisdiction. The commissioner of revenue shall in consultation with other state departments and agencies, develop a suggested form for use by the state of Minnesota, its agencies and subdivisions in issuing orders pursuant to this subdivision;

(c) pay the costs to a governmental subdivision for their minimum required share of any program otherwise authorized by law for which matching funds have been appropriated by the state of Minnesota or the United States, excluding the administrative costs of public assistance programs, to the extent of the increase in levy over the amount levied for the local share of the program for the taxes payable year 1971. This clause shall apply only to those programs or projects for which matching funds have been designated by the state of Minnesota or the United States on or before September 1, of the previous year and only when the receipt of these matching funds is contingent upon the initiation or implementation of the project or program during the year in which the taxes are payable or those programs or projects approved by the commissioner;

(d) pay the costs not reimbursed by the state or federal government, of payments made to or on behalf of recipients of aid under any public assistance program authorized by law, and the costs of purchase or delivery of social services. Except for the costs of general assistance as defined in section 256D.02, subdivision 4, general assistance medical care under section 256D.03 and the costs of hospital care pursuant to section 261.21, the aggregate amounts levied pursuant to this clause are subject to a maximum increase of 18 percent over the amount levied for these purposes in the previous year;

(e) pay the costs of principal and interest on bonded indebtedness or to reimburse for the amount of liquor store revenues used to pay the principal and interest due in the year preceding the year for which the levy limit is calculated on municipal liquor store bonds;

(f) pay the costs of principal and interest on certificates of indebtedness, except tax anticipation or aid anticipation certificates of indebtedness, issued for any corporate purpose except current expenses or funding an insufficiency in receipts from taxes or other sources or funding extraordinary expenditures resulting from a public emergency; and to pay the cost for certificates of indebtedness issued pursuant to sections 298.28 and 298.282;

(g) fund the payments made to the Minnesota state armory building commission pursuant to section 193.145, subdivision 2, to retire the principal and interest on armory construction bonds;

(h) provide for the bonded indebtedness portion of payments made to another political subdivision of the state of Minnesota;

(i) pay the amounts required to compensate for a decrease in manufactured homes property tax receipts to the extent that the governmental subdivision's portion of the total levy in the current levy year, pursuant to section 274.19, subdivision 8, as amended, is less than the distribution of the manufactured homes tax to the governmental subdivision pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1969, section 273.13, subdivision 3, in calendar year 1971;

(j) pay the amounts required, in accordance with section 275.075, to correct for a county auditor's error of omission but only to the extent that when added to the preceding year's levy it is not in excess of an applicable statutory, special law or charter limitation, or the limitation imposed on the governmental subdivision by sections 275.50 to 275.56 in the preceding levy year;

(k) pay amounts required to correct for an error of omission in the levy certified to the appropriate county auditor or auditors by the governing body of a city or town with statutory city powers in a levy year, but only to the extent that when added to the preceding year's levy it is not in excess of an applicable statutory, special law or charter limitation, or the limitation imposed on the governmental subdivision by sections 275.50 to 275.56 in the preceding levy year;

(l) pay the increased cost of municipal services as the result of an annexation or consolidation ordered by the Minnesota municipal board but only to the extent and for the levy years as provided by the board in its order pursuant to section 414.01, subdivision 15. Special levies authorized by the board shall not exceed 50 percent of the levy limit base of the governmental subdivision and may not be in effect for more than three years after the board's order;

(m) pay the increased costs of municipal services provided to new private industrial and nonresidential commercial development, to the extent that the extension of such services are not paid for through bonded indebtedness or special assessments, and not to exceed the amount determined as follows. The governmental subdivision may calculate the aggregate of:

(1) the increased expenditures necessary in preparation for the delivering of municipal services to new private industrial and nonresidential commercial development, but limited to one year's expenditures one time for each such development;

(2) the amount determined by dividing the overall levy limitation established pursuant to sections 275.50 to 275.56, and exclusive of special levies and special assessments, by the total taxable value of the governmental subdivision, and then multiplying this quotient times the total increase in assessed value of private industrial and nonresidential commercial development within the governmental subdivision. For the purpose of this clause, the increase in the assessed value of private industrial and nonresidential commercial development is calculated as the increase in assessed value over the assessed value of the real estate parcels subject to such private development as most recently determined before the building permit was issued. In the fourth levy year subsequent to the levy year in which the building permit was issued, the increase in assessed value of the real estate parcels subject to such private development shall no longer be included in determining the special levy.

The aggregate of the foregoing amounts, less any costs of extending municipal services to new private industrial and nonresidential commercial development which are paid by bonded indebtedness or special assessments, equals the maximum amount that may be levied as a "special levy" for the increased costs of municipal services provided to new private industrial and nonresidential commercial development. In the levy year following the levy year in which the special levy made pursuant to this clause is discontinued, one-half of the amount of that special levy made in the preceding year shall be added to the permanent levy base of the governmental subdivision;

(n) recover a loss or refunds in tax receipts incurred in nonspecial levy funds resulting from abatements or court action in the previous year pursuant to section 275.48;

(o) pay amounts required by law to be paid to pay the interest on and to reduce the unfunded accrued liability of public pension funds in accordance with the actuarial standards and guidelines specified in sections 356.215 and 356.216 reduced by 106 percent of the amount levied for that purpose in 1976, payable in 1977. For the purpose of this special levy, the estimated receipts expected from the state of Minnesota pursuant to sections 69.011 to 69.031 or any other state aid expressly intended for the support of public pension funds shall be considered as a deduction in determining the required levy for the normal costs of the public pension funds. No amount of these aids shall be considered as a deduction in determining the governmental subdivision's required levy for the reduction of the unfunded accrued liability of public pension funds;

(p) the amounts allowed under section 174.27 to establish and administer a commuter van program;

(q) pay the costs of financial assistance to local governmental units and certain administrative, engineering, and legal expenses pursuant to Laws 1979, chapter 253, section 3;

(r) compensate for revenue lost as a result of abatements or court action pursuant to section 270.07, 270.17 or 278.01 due to a reassessment ordered by the commissioner of revenue pursuant to section 270.16;

(s) pay the total operating cost of a county jail as authorized in section 641.01. If the county government utilizes this special levy, then any amount levied by the county government in the previous year for operating its county jail and included in its previous year's levy limitation computed pursuant to section 275.51 shall be deducted from the current levy limitation;

(t) pay the costs of implementing section 18.023, including sanitation and reforestation;

(u) pay the estimated cost for the following calendar year of the county's share of funding the Minnesota cooperative soil survey; and

(v) pay the costs of meeting the planning requirements of section 115A.46; the requirements of section 115A.917; the planning requirements of the metropolitan plan adopted under section 473.149 and county master plans adopted under section 473.803; waste reduction and source separation programs and facilities; response actions that are financed in part by service charges under section 400.08 or 115A.15, subdivision 6; closure and postclosure care of a solid waste facility closed by order of the pollution control agency or by expiration of an agency permit before January 1, 1989; and current operating and maintenance costs of a publicly-owned solid waste processing facility financed with general obligation bonds issued after a referendum before March 25, 1986.

Subd. 6. [Repealed, 1983 c 342 art 3 s 9]

Subd. 7. A tax or service charge levied by the county board within a subordinate service district pursuant to chapter 375B is a "special levy" and is not subject to tax levy limitations including those contained in sections 275.50 to 275.56 or any other law. Subsequent increases in the initial tax or service charge, or additional taxes or service charges imposed at a time later than the adoption of the initial tax or service charge shall be subject to levy limitation.

Subd. 8. **Implicit price deflator.** "Implicit price deflator" means the implicit price deflator for government purchases of goods and services for state and local government prepared by the bureau of economic analysis of the United States Department of Commerce for the 12-month period ending in June of the levy year.

History: *Ex 1971 c 31 art 26 s 1; 1973 c 123 art 5 s 7; 1973 c 582 s 3; 1973 c 650 art 4 s 1-3; 1973 c 717 s 25; 1974 c 198 s 1; 1974 c 428 s 5; 1975 c 271 s 6; 1975 c 437 art 4 s 1; 1977 c 90 s 11; 1977 c 423 art 5 s 1; 1978 c 767 s 12; 1978 c 773 s 5; 1979 c 253*

s 2; 1979 c 257 s 3; 1979 c 303 art 2 s 23; 1980 c 607 art 2 s 19; 1981 c 224 s 39; 1981 c 261 s 19; 1981 c 365 s 9; 1Sp1981 c 1 art 5 s 3,4; 1Sp1981 c 4 art 1 s 130,131; 3Sp1981 c 2 art 4 s 9; 1982 c 507 s 20; 1982 c 523 art 35 s 1; 1982 c 641 art 2 s 1; 1983 c 184 s 1; 1983 c 342 art 3 s 1-3; 1984 c 522 s 5; 1Sp1985 c 14 art 4 s 78; 1986 c 425 s 29; 1986 c 441 s 2

275.51 LEVY LIMITS.

Subdivision 1. Notwithstanding any provisions of law or municipal charter to the contrary which authorize ad valorem levies in excess of the limitations established by sections 275.50 to 275.56, but subject to section 275.56, the provisions of this section shall apply to the levies by governmental subdivisions for all purposes other than those for which special levies and special assessments are made.

Subd. 2. MS 1978 [Expired]

Subd. 3. [Repealed, 1975 c 437 art 4 s 10]

Subd. 3a. [Repealed, 1975 c 437 art 4 s 10]

Subd. 3b. [Repealed, 1977 c 423 art 5 s 7]

Subd. 3c. [Repealed, 1977 c 423 art 5 s 7]

Subd. 3d. [Repealed, 1Sp1981 c 1 art 5 s 13]

Subd. 3e. [Repealed, 1983 c 342 art 3 s 9]

Subd. 3f. **Levy limit base.** (a) The property tax levy limit base for governmental subdivisions for taxes levied in 1983 shall be calculated by adding the following amounts:

(1) the property tax permitted to be levied in 1982 for taxes payable in 1983 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1982, section 275.51, subdivision 3e; plus

(2) the amount of any payments the governmental subdivision was certified to receive in 1983 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1982, sections 477A.011 to 477A.03; plus

(3) the amount of any payments certified to the governmental subdivision in 1983 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1982, sections 298.28 and 298.282; plus

(4) the difference between the amount certified to the governmental subdivision in 1983 and the amount certified in 1984 pursuant to section 273.138; plus

(5) any amount levied as a special assessment to cover the costs of municipal operation and maintenance activities for the taxes payable year 1983; and

(6) the amount of any base adjustment authorized by the commissioner of revenue pursuant to subdivision 3g.

(b) For taxes levied in 1984 and subsequent years, a governmental subdivision's levy limit base is equal to its adjusted levy limit base for the preceding year provided that, for taxes levied in 1984, the levy limit base of a county containing a city of the first class shall be increased by the amount paid to the county under section 273.138 in 1984 less the amount that will be paid to it under section 273.138 in 1985.

(c) The property tax levy limit base for cities and towns defined as a governmental subdivision only under section 275.50, subdivision 2, paragraph (b), for taxes levied in 1986 shall be calculated by adding the following amounts:

(1) the property tax levied in 1985 for taxes payable in 1986, exclusive of any levies for debt service; plus

(2) the amount of any payments the governmental subdivision was certified to receive in 1986 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1985 Supplement, sections 477A.011 to 477A.03; plus

(3) the amount of any payments certified to the governmental subdivision in 1986 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1984, section 298.282, and Minnesota Statutes 1985 Supplement, section 298.28; plus

(4) any amount levied as a special assessment to cover the costs of municipal operation and maintenance activities for the taxes payable year 1986.

For taxes levied in 1987 and subsequent years, the levy limit base of a governmental subdivision defined only in section 275.50, subdivision 2, paragraph (b), is equal to its adjusted levy limit base for the preceding year.

Subd. 3g. Base adjustments. Any governmental subdivision which reduced any of its unreserved, undesignated fund balances because of spending for nonspecial levy purposes in calendar year 1981 may apply to the commissioner of revenue to have its levy limit base increased for the taxes payable year 1984 by no more than the amount of the reduction in the fund balances.

Applications shall be in the form and accompanied by the data required by the commissioner. If approved by the commissioner, the subdivision may then pass a resolution stating the amount by which the levy limit base is proposed to be increased. Thereafter, the resolution shall be published for two successive weeks in the official newspaper of the governmental subdivision or if there is no official newspaper, in a newspaper of general circulation in the governmental subdivision, together with a notice fixing a date for a public hearing on the proposed increase. The hearing shall be held not less than two weeks nor more than four weeks after the first publication of the resolution. Following the public hearing, the governing body may determine to take no further action or, in the alternative, adopt a resolution authorizing the increase as originally proposed or approving an increase in the lesser amount it determines. The resolution authorizing an increase shall be published in the official newspaper of the governmental subdivision or if there is no official newspaper, in a newspaper of general circulation in the governmental subdivision. If within 30 days thereafter a petition signed by voters equal in number to five percent of the votes cast in the governmental subdivision in the last general election or 2,000 voters, whichever is less, requesting a referendum on the proposed resolution is filed with the clerk or recorder of the governmental subdivision if the governmental subdivision is a city or town, or with the county auditor if the governmental subdivision is a county, the resolution shall not be effective until it has been submitted to the voters at a general or special election and a majority of votes cast on the question of approving the resolution are in the affirmative. The commissioner of revenue shall prepare a suggested form of question to be presented at the referendum. The referendum must be held at a special or general election prior to October 1, 1983.

Subd. 3h. Adjusted levy limit base. For taxes levied in 1985 and thereafter, the adjusted levy limit base is equal to the levy limit base computed pursuant to subdivision 3f, increased by:

(a) a percentage equal to the percentage growth in the implicit price deflator, or five percent, whichever is lesser;

(b) a percentage equal to the greater of the percentage increases in population or in number of households, if any, for the most recent 12-month period for which data is available, using figures derived pursuant to subdivision 6;

(c) one-half of the amount levied as a special levy in the previous year for paying the costs of municipal services provided to new private industrial and nonresidential commercial development pursuant to section 275.50, subdivision 5, clause (m), if the special levy is discontinued;

(d) the amount of any permanent increase in the levy limit base approved at a general or special election held during the 12-month period ending September 30 of the levy year, pursuant to section 275.58, subdivisions 1 and 2; and

(e) the amount, if known, equal to the decrease in federal revenue sharing allotment from the levy year to the year in which the levy is payable; otherwise the amount equal to the decrease in federal revenue sharing allotment in the levy year as compared to the previous year if the levy base for the previous year has not been adjusted for a decrease in federal revenue sharing allotment.

Subd. 3i. Levy limitation. The levy limitation for a governmental subdivision shall be equal to the adjusted levy limit base determined pursuant to subdivision 3h, reduced by (a) the total amount of local government aid that the governmental subdivi-

sion has been certified to receive pursuant to sections 477A.011 to 477A.014; (b) taconite aids pursuant to sections 298.28 and 298.282 including any aid received in the levy year which was required to be placed in a special fund for expenditure in the next succeeding year; (c) state reimbursements for wetlands and native prairie property tax exemptions pursuant to sections 273.115, subdivision 3 and 273.116, subdivision 3; and (d) payments in lieu of taxes to a county pursuant to section 477A.12 which are required to be used to provide property tax levy reduction certified to be paid in the calendar year in which property taxes are payable. If the sum of the taconite aids deducted exceeds the adjusted levy limit base, the excess must be used to reduce the amounts levied as special levies pursuant to section 275.50, subdivisions 5 and 7. The commissioner of revenue shall notify a governmental subdivision of any excess taconite aids to be used to reduce special levies.

As provided in section 298.28, one cent per taxable ton of the amount distributed under section 298.28, subdivision 5, paragraph d shall not be deducted from the levy limit base of the counties that receive that aid. The resulting figure is the amount of property taxes which a governmental subdivision may levy for all purposes other than those for which special levies and special assessments are made.

For taxes levied in 1987 and subsequent years, the levy limit for a county as calculated under paragraph (b) shall be decreased by an additional amount equal to the reduction in the distribution to the county under section 298.28, from the 1986 distribution to the 1987 distribution.

Subd. 4. If the levy made by a governmental subdivision exceeds the limitation provided in sections 275.50 to 275.56, except when such excess levy is due to the rounding of the mill rates of the governmental subdivision in accordance with section 275.28, subsequent distributions required to be made by the commissioner of finance from any formula aids pursuant to sections 477A.011 to 477A.014, shall be reduced 33 cents for each full dollar the levy exceeds the limitation.

Subd. 5. [Repealed, 1983 c 342 art 3 s 9]

Subd. 6. **Population and household estimates.** For the purpose of determining the amount of tax that a governmental subdivision may levy in accordance with limitation established by this chapter, the population or the number of households of the governmental subdivision shall be that established by the last federal census, by a census taken pursuant to section 275.14, or by an estimate made by the metropolitan council, or by the state demographer made pursuant to section 116K.04, subdivision 4, whichever is the most recent as to the stated date of count or estimate, up to and including July 1 of the current levy year.

History: *Ex 1971 c 31 art 26 s 2; 1973 c 123 art 5 s 7; 1973 c 492 s 14; 1973 c 582 s 3; 1973 c 650 art 4 s 4-8; 1974 c 198 s 2; 1975 c 437 art 4 s 2-5; 1977 c 423 art 5 s 2; 1978 c 767 s 13; 1979 c 303 art 2 s 24; art 8 s 5; 1980 c 607 art 4 s 5; art 10 s 4; 1Sp1981 c 1 art 5 s 5-7; art 6 s 8; 3Sp1981 c 2 art 4 s 10,11; 1983 c 289 s 115 subd 2; 1983 c 342 art 3 s 4-8; 1984 c 522 s 6; 1984 c 558 art 4 s 10; 1984 c 593 s 35,36; 1Sp1985 c 14 art 20 s 3; 1986 c 441 s 3,4*

275.515 [Repealed, 3Sp1981 c 2 art 4 s 16]

275.52 [Repealed, 1Sp1981 c 1 art 5 s 13]

275.53 Subdivision 1. [Repealed, 1Sp1981 c 1 art 5 s 13]

Subd. 1a. [Repealed, 1980 c 487 s 23; 1Sp1981 c 1 art 5 s 13]

Subd. 2. [Repealed, 1Sp1981 c 1 art 5 s 13]

Subd. 3. [Repealed, 1Sp1981 c 1 art 5 s 13]

Subd. 4. [Repealed, 1Sp1981 c 1 art 5 s 13]

275.54 CONSOLIDATION OF GOVERNMENTAL SUBDIVISIONS.

Subdivision 1. If all or part of the area included within two or more governmental subdivisions is consolidated, merged, or otherwise combined to constitute a single governmental subdivision, and differing limitations upon the amount of tax levy per

capita apply to the governmental subdivisions from which the consolidated, merged, or otherwise combined governmental subdivision was formed, the limitation applicable to the surviving entity for purposes of sections 275.50 to 275.56 shall be equal to the highest limitation applicable to any one of the constituent subdivisions prior to the consolidation, merger or other combination.

Subd. 2. If a function or service of one governmental subdivision is transferred to another governmental subdivision, the levy limitations established by Extra Session Laws 1971, chapter 31, shall be adjusted by the commissioner of revenue in such manner so as to fairly and equitably reflect the reduced or increased property tax burdens of such subdivisions resulting from such transfer. The aggregate of the adjusted limitations shall not exceed the aggregate of such limitations prior to adjustment.

History: *Ex1971 c 31 art 26 s 5; 1973 c 582 s 3*

275.55 STATE REVIEW AND REGULATION OF LEVIES.

The commissioner of revenue, or designees, shall establish procedures by which levies of all governmental units shall be periodically reviewed. The commissioner shall be empowered to order withholding of state aids where such penalties are authorized by law, to issue, in accordance with chapter 14, rulings interpreting sections 275.50 to 275.56, and to take such other administrative actions as the commissioner deems necessary in order to carry out the provisions of sections 275.50 to 275.56. If the commissioner of revenue takes administrative action or any other action authorized by this section to enforce the provisions of sections 275.50 to 275.56, the commissioner shall give written notice of such action to the governmental subdivision affected. Such notice shall specify the actual or impending violations by the governmental subdivision of sections 275.50 to 275.56 or the rules of the department of revenue pertaining thereto, describe the corrective action required, including, in the case of an excess levy, reduction of the governmental subdivision's levy in the next succeeding levy year in an amount equal to the amount of the excess levy, set a reasonable period of time within which the governmental subdivision shall correct the specified actual or impending violations and caution the governmental subdivision that if the specified correction is not made within the time allowed, the state aids to the governmental subdivision pursuant to sections 477A.011 to 477A.014 and 298.282, as amended, will be reduced as provided in section 275.51, subdivision 4. The time period first allowed for correction may be extended by the commissioner if there is a reasonable basis for delay. County auditors, in addition to duties otherwise provided by law, shall cooperate with the commissioner in establishing such procedures and enforcing the provisions of sections 275.50 to 275.56.

History: *Ex1971 c 31 art 26 s 6; 1973 c 582 s 3; 1973 c 650 art 4 s 13; 1Sp1981 c 1 art 6 s 8; 1982 c 424 s 130; 1985 c 248 s 70; 1986 c 444*

275.551 [Repealed, 1Sp1981 c 1 art 5 s 13]

275.552 [Repealed, 1Sp1981 c 1 art 5 s 13]

275.56 EFFECT UPON OTHER LEVY LIMITS.

All special and general laws and charter provisions establishing per capita, mill, or other general limitations on tax levies of governmental subdivisions are hereby superseded to the extent that they authorize property taxation in excess of the limitations established by sections 275.50 to 275.56, but otherwise such levy limitations and those established for special purposes are in no way affected by sections 275.50 to 275.56.

History: *Ex1971 c 31 art 26 s 7*

275.561 LEVY LIMITATION.

Nothing in Laws 1973, Chapter 583, shall be construed to permit any county to levy in excess of the levy limitation imposed by sections 275.50 to 275.56.

History: *1973 c 583 s 38*

275.57 TAX LEVY FOR REMOVAL OF PROPERTY CONDEMNED AS HAZARDOUS TO HEALTH, SAFETY OR WELFARE.

The governing body of any county, city or town may levy a tax in such amount as may be required for the purpose of the demolition, or removal of real property within the boundaries of the municipality which has been condemned as being hazardous to the health, safety or welfare of the public by governmental authorities possessing condemnation powers. Such tax shall be in addition to any tax or levy limitations otherwise imposed by law or home rule charter, or Extra Session Laws 1971, chapter 31. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to affect the responsibility of a property owner for the making of such demolition or removal, nor the right of a municipality to recover from the owner any costs incurred.

History: *Ex1971 c 31 art 28 s 1; 1973 c 123 art 5 s 7*

275.58 ELECTIONS TO INCREASE LEVY.

Subdivision 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 275.50 to 275.56, but subject to other law or charter provisions establishing per capita, mill or other limitations on the amount of taxes that may be levied, the levy of a governmental subdivision, as defined by section 275.50, subdivision 1, may be increased above the limitation imposed by sections 275.50 to 275.56 in any per capita or dollar amount which is approved by the majority of voters of the governmental subdivision voting on the question at a general or special election. When the governing body of the governmental subdivision resolves to increase the levy of the governmental subdivision pursuant to this section, it shall provide for submission of the proposition of an increase in the levy limit base per capita or the proposition of an additional levy, as the case may be, at a general or special election. Notice of such election shall be given in the manner required by law. If the proposition is for an adjustment to the governmental subdivision's levy limit base per capita, increasing the levy limit base per capita over the per capita amount established pursuant to section 275.51, subdivision 3, such notice shall state the purpose of such per capita adjustment and the per capita amount of such adjustment. If the proposition is for an additional levy, such notice shall state the purpose and maximum yearly amount of such additional levy.

Subd. 2. A levy limit base per capita adjustment approved pursuant to subdivision 1 at a general or special election held prior to October 1 in any levy year increases the levy limit base per capita in that same levy year by the approved per capita amount and provides a permanent adjustment to the levy limit base per capita of the governmental subdivision for future levy years. A levy limit base per capita adjustment approved pursuant to subdivision 1 at a general or special election held after September 30 in any levy year shall not increase the levy limit base per capita in that same levy year but shall provide a permanent adjustment to the levy limit base per capita of the governmental subdivision for future levy years.

Subd. 3. An additional levy approved pursuant to subdivision 1 at a general or special election held prior to October 1 in any levy year may be levied in that same levy year and in any levy years thereafter. An additional levy approved pursuant to subdivision 1 at a general or special election held after September 30 in any levy year shall not be levied in that same levy year, but may be levied in the subsequent levy year and in levy years thereafter.

Subd. 4. An additional levy approved by the majority of the voters of the governmental subdivision pursuant to subdivision 1 is over and above the limitation imposed on the governmental subdivision by sections 275.50 to 275.56 and shall not be subject to the penalty provisions of section 275.51, subdivision 4. A levy limit base per capita adjustment approved by the majority of the voters of the governmental subdivision pursuant to subdivision 1 is a permanent adjustment to the levy limit base per capita established pursuant to section 275.51, subdivision 3, and shall not be subject to the penalty provisions of section 275.51, subdivision 4.

Subd. 5. Notwithstanding any statute, special law, ordinance or charter provision to the contrary, it shall require approval of a majority of those voting on the question to pass a referendum pursuant to subdivision 1.

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Subd. 6. Notwithstanding any statute, special law, ordinance or charter provision to the contrary, the governing body of a governmental subdivision may call and hold special elections pursuant to this section.

History: 1973 c 650 art 4 s 16

275.59 [Repealed, 1Sp1981 c 1 art 5 s 13]