

Sec. 2. This act is effective the day following its final enactment.

Approved May 22, 1979.

CHAPTER 176—S.F.No.117

An act relating to special acts passed in accordance with the Constitution, Article XII, Section 2; requiring local approval in certain cases; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 645.021 and 645.023, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 645.021, is amended to read:

645.021 **SPECIAL LAWS; LOCAL APPROVAL, CERTIFICATES.** Subdivision 1. A special law as defined in the Minnesota Constitution, Article XII, Section 2, shall name the local government unit to which it applies. If a special law applies to a group of local government units in a single county or in a number of contiguous counties, it shall be sufficient if the law names the county or counties where the affected units are situated.

Subd. 2. A special law shall not be effective without approval of the local government unit or units affected, except as provided in section 645.023. Approval shall be by resolution adopted by a majority vote of all members of the governing body of the unit unless another method of approval is specified by the particular special law.

Subd. 3. The chief clerical officer of a local government unit shall, as soon as the unit has approved a special law, file with the secretary of state a certificate stating the essential facts necessary to valid approval, including a copy of the resolution of approval or, if submitted to the voters, the number of votes cast for and against approval at the election. The form of the certificate shall be prescribed by the attorney general and copies shall be furnished by the secretary of state. If a local government unit fails to file a certificate of approval before the first day of the next regular session of the legislature, the law is deemed to be disapproved by such unit unless otherwise provided in the special law.

Subd. 2 ~~4~~. Laws 1959, Chapter 368, does not apply to any special law heretofore enacted, whether or not it has been approved by the local government unit affected, but such unit shall file with the secretary of state a certificate of approval for such law as required in subdivision ~~4~~ 3.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 645.023, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

645.023 **SPECIAL LAWS; ENACTMENT WITHOUT LOCAL APPROVAL; EFFECTIVE DATE.** Subdivision 1. A special law enacted pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution, Article 12, Section 2, shall become effective without the approval of any

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affected local government unit or group of such units in a single county or a number of contiguous counties if the law is in any of the following classes:

(a) A law which enables one or more local government units to exercise authority not granted by general law .

(b) A law which brings a local government unit within the general law by repealing a special law, by removing an exception to the applicability of a general statutory provision, by extending the applicability of a general statutory provision, or by reclassifying local government units.

(c) A law which applies to a single unit or a group of units with a population of more than 1,000,000 people.

Approved May 24, 1979.

CHAPTER 177—S.F.No.233

An act relating to the city of Faribault; authorizing subletting of certain property leased from the state; directing disposition of rentals therefrom; amending Laws 1977, Chapter 245, Section 1, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Laws 1977, Chapter 245, Section 1, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Section 1. **CONVEYANCE OF STATE LANDS; CITY OF FARIBAULT.** Subdivision 1. The governor, upon recommendation of the commissioner of administration, may lease, in the name of the state of Minnesota, to the city of Faribault, the state lands in Rice County described in subdivision 2 to be used exclusively for the establishment of a nature interpretative center with emphasis on natural history. The lease shall be conditional upon an abstract search, final boundary survey and placement of property corners to be funded by the city of Faribault and funds available from other parties. The lease shall be drawn or amended to contain a provision authorizing the city of Faribault annually to sublet any portion or portions of the leased property for raising agricultural crops and to retain the rentals received, provided that any rentals thus received be used by the city solely for operational and maintenance expenses of the center.

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