

exceeding \$650,000 to finance the acquisition, betterment, and remodeling of municipal buildings including an emergency service center, the municipal library, and facilities for public fire and ambulance services. The bonds shall be authorized, sold, and issued in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, chapter 475, except that no election shall be required to authorize their issuance except as provided in subdivision 2, and the bonds shall not constitute net debt within the meaning of Minnesota Statutes, section 475.53.

Sec. 2. REFERENDUM ON PETITION.

Before the issuance of the bonds, the city council shall publish in the official newspaper of the city an initial resolution authorizing the issuance of the bonds, and if within ten days after the publication there is filed with the city clerk a petition requesting an election on the proposition of issuing the bonds signed by a number of qualified voters greater than ten percent of the number who voted in the city at the last general election, the bonds shall not be issued until the proposition has been approved by a majority of the votes cast on it at a regular or special election.

Sec. 3. TAX LEVY.

Before the issuance of the bonds, the council shall levy ad valorem taxes for their payment in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 475.61. The taxes shall not be subject to any limitation as to rate or amount, and shall not be taken into account in determining the amount of any other taxes the city is authorized to levy.

Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This act is effective the day after final enactment.

Approved May 10, 1985

CHAPTER 104 — S.F.No. 1214

An act relating to negligence; clarifying immunity from liability for volunteer firefighters who render assistance at scenes of emergency; amending Minnesota Statutes 1984, section 604.05, subdivision 2.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1984, section 604.05, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **GENERAL IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY.** Any person who, without compensation or the expectation of compensation renders emergen-

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cy care, advice, or assistance at the scene of an emergency or during transit to a location where professional medical care can be rendered, is not liable for any civil damages as a result of acts or omissions by that person in rendering the emergency care, advice, or assistance unless that person acts in a willful and wanton or reckless manner in providing the care, advice, or assistance. Any person rendering emergency care, advice, or assistance during the course of regular employment, and receiving compensation or expecting to receive compensation for rendering such care, advice, or assistance, shall be excluded from the protection of this section.

For the purposes of this section, the scene of an emergency shall be those areas not within the confines of a hospital or other institution which has hospital facilities, or an office of a person licensed to practice one or more of the healing arts pursuant to chapters 147, 148, 150A, or 153. The scene of an emergency includes areas threatened by or exposed to spillage, seepage, fire, explosion, or other release of hazardous materials.

For the purposes of this section, "person" includes a public or private nonprofit volunteer firefighter, volunteer police officer, volunteer ambulance attendant, volunteer first provider of emergency medical services, and any partnership, corporation, association, or other entity.

For the purposes of this section, compensation does not include ~~nominal~~ payments, reimbursement for expenses, or pension benefits paid to members of volunteer organizations.

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CHAPTER 105 — S.F.No. 1291

An act relating to the town of Harmony; allocating money from state transfer funds to replace bridge.

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

Section 1. **APPROPRIATION.**

Despite Minnesota Statutes, section 174.50 or other law or rule to the contrary, the commissioner of transportation shall allocate money on a 90 percent matching basis with the town of Harmony from the Minnesota state transfer fund for the purpose of replacing or reconstructing the bridge designated by the department of transportation as number L-4749 and located on the border of Iowa and Minnesota in the town of Harmony. The allocation must be disbursed by July 1, 1986, and following approval by the governing body of Harmony under section 2.

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