

CHAPTER 409—H.F.No. 2377

An act relating to education; authorizing recipients of a cooperative secondary facilities grant to have a temporary school board structure after they consolidate; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 124.494, by adding a subdivision; and Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 122.23, subdivision 2.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 122.23, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. (a) Upon a resolution of a school board in the area proposed for consolidation or upon receipt of a petition therefor executed by 25 percent of the voters resident in the area proposed for consolidation or by 50 such voters, whichever is lesser, the county auditor of the county which contains the greatest land area of the proposed new district shall forthwith cause a plat to be prepared. The resolution or petition shall show the approximate area proposed for consolidation.

(b) The resolution or petition may propose the following:

(1) that the bonded debt of the component districts will be paid according to the levies previously made for that debt under chapter 475, as provided in subdivision 16a, or that the taxable property in the newly created district will be taxable for the payment of all or a portion of the bonded debt previously incurred by any component district as provided in subdivision 16b;

(2) that obligations for a capital loan or an energy loan made according to section 216C.37 or sections 298.292 to 298.298 outstanding in a preexisting district as of the effective date of consolidation remain solely with the preexisting district that obtained the loan, or that all or a portion of the loan obligations will be assumed by the newly created or enlarged district and paid by the newly created or enlarged district on behalf of the preexisting district that obtained the loan;

(3) that referendum levies previously approved by voters of the component districts pursuant to section 124A.03, subdivision 2, or its predecessor provision, be combined as provided in section 122.531, subdivision 2a or 2b, or that the referendum levies be discontinued;

(4) that the board of the newly created district consist of seven members; or

(5) that separate election districts from which school board members will be elected, the boundaries of these election districts, and the initial term of the member elected from each of these election districts be established.

A group of districts that operates a cooperative secondary facility funded under section 124.494 may also propose a temporary school board structure as specified in section 2.

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If a county auditor receives more than one request for a plat and the requests involve parts of identical districts, the auditor shall forthwith prepare a plat which in the auditor's opinion best serves the educational interests of the inhabitants of the districts or areas affected.

(c) The plat shall show:

- (1) Boundaries of the proposed district, as determined by the county auditor, and present district boundaries,
- (2) The location of school buildings in the area proposed as a new district and the location of school buildings in adjoining districts,
- (3) The boundaries of any proposed separate election districts, and
- (4) Other pertinent information as determined by the county auditor.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 124.494, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7. CONSOLIDATION. A group of districts that operates a cooperative secondary facility that was acquired, constructed, remodeled, or improved under this section and implements consolidation proceedings according to section 122.23, may propose a temporary school board structure in the petition or resolution required under section 122.23, subdivision 2. The districts may propose the number of existing school board members of each district to become members of the school board of the consolidated district and a method to gradually reduce the membership to six or seven. The proposal shall be approved, disapproved, or modified by the state board of education. The election requirements of section 122.23, subdivision 18, do not apply to a proposal approved by the state board. Elections conducted after the effective date of the consolidation are subject to the Minnesota election law.

Presented to the governor April 3, 1992

Signed by the governor April 7, 1992, 2:50 p.m.

CHAPTER 410—H.F.No. 2465

An act relating to veterans; clarifying the definition of "veteran;" clarifying procedures for searches of veterans' home residents' rooms or property; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 197.447; and 198.33, subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 197.447, is amended to read:

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