

## CHAPTER 162

### STATE-AID SYSTEM

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Subdivision 1. **Account created.** A town road account is created in the county state-aid highway fund, consisting of 37 percent of the county turnback account as provided in section 161.082.

Subd. 2. **Formula.** Funds in the town road account must be apportioned to each county so that each county receives the percentage that the total miles of town road in the county bears to the total miles of town roads in the state.

Subd. 3. **Apportionment.** When the commissioner determines the amount of money to be apportioned to each county under section 162.07, he shall also determine the amounts in the town road account to be apportioned under subdivision 2. The apportionment under subdivision 2 must be included in the statement sent to the commissioner of finance and the county auditor and county engineer of each county under section 162.08, subdivision 2. The amounts so apportioned and allocated to each county from the town road account must be paid by the state to the treasurer of each county at the same time that payments are made under section 162.08, subdivision 2.

Subd. 4. **Purposes.** Money apportioned to a county from the town road account must be distributed to the treasurer of each town within the county, according to a distribution formula adopted by the county board. The formula must take into account each town's levy for road and bridge purposes, its population and town road mileage, and other factors as the county board deems advisable in the interests of achieving equity among the towns. Distribution of town road funds to the treasurer of the towns must be made within 30 days of the receipt of the funds by the county treasurer. Distribution of funds to town treasurers in a county which has not adopted a distribution formula under this subdivision must be made according to a formula prescribed by the commissioner by rule. A formula adopted by a county board or by the commissioner must provide that a town, in order to be eligible for distribution of funds from the town road account in a calendar year, must have levied in the previous year for road and bridge purposes at least two mills on the dollar of the assessed value of the town.

Money distributed to a town under this subdivision may be expended by the town only for the construction and reconstruction of town roads within the town.

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