

CHAPTER 475

PUBLIC INDEBTEDNESS

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475.61 TAX LEVIES.

[For text of subds 1 and 2, see M.S.1982]

Subd. 3. **Irrevocability.** Tax levies so made and filed shall be irrevocable, except as provided in this subdivision.

In each year when there is on hand any excess amount in the debt service fund of a school district at the time the district makes its property tax levies, the amount of the excess shall be certified by the school board to the county auditor and the auditor shall reduce the tax levy otherwise to be included in the rolls next prepared by the amount certified, unless the school board determines that the excess amount is necessary to ensure the prompt and full payment of the obligations and any call premium on the obligations, or will be used for redemption of the obligations in accordance with their terms. An amount shall be presumed to be excess for a school district in the amount that it, together with the levy required by subdivision 1, will exceed 106 percent of the amount needed to meet when due the principal and interest payments on the obligations due before the second following July 1. This subdivision shall not limit a school board's authority to specify a tax levy in a higher amount if necessary because of anticipated tax delinquency.

If the governing body, including the governing body of a school district, in any year makes an irrevocable appropriation to the debt service fund of moneys actually on hand or if there is on hand any excess amount in the debt service fund, the recording officer may certify to the county auditor the fact and amount thereof and the auditor shall reduce by the amount so certified the amount otherwise to be included in the rolls next thereafter prepared.

[For text of subds 4 and 5, see M.S.1982]

History: 1983 c 314 art 7 s 36

475.65 DELIVERY OF BONDS; USE OF PROCEEDS.

Upon payment to the treasurer of the purchase price by the successful bidder, the obligations shall be delivered, and the treasurer shall account for the receipt and disbursement of the proceeds thereof for the use named in the resolution or other instrument or instruments authorizing such obligations, in a separate fund or account in the official financial records of the municipality. Pending such use the proceeds may be invested and reinvested in accordance with law, and the income and gain therefrom shall be held as part of the proceeds and applied to such use or to the payment of the obligations and interest thereon or otherwise as provided in any city charter or any other law. The purchaser shall not be obligated to see to the application of the purchase price. When the use authorized is the acquisition or betterment of any land, easements, buildings, structures, machinery, or equipment, the proceeds may be used to pay all expenses, incurred and to be incurred, which are reasonably necessary and incidental to such acquisition or betterment, including, but without limitation, the cost of necessary professional planning

studies to determine desirable locations, architectural, engineering, legal, financial advisory, and other professional services, printing and publication, and interest to accrue on the obligations prior to the anticipated date of commencement of the collection of taxes or special assessments to be levied or other funds pledged for the payment of the obligations and interest thereon. When the obligations are payable wholly from the income from a utility or other project, for the acquisition or betterment of which the obligations are issued, the proceeds may be used in part to establish a reserve as further security for the payment of such principal and interest when due. If the contemplated use be afterward abandoned, or if any balance of the proceeds of the obligations remains after the use is accomplished, or if the governing body determines that at least 85 percent of the cost of the use has been paid or finally determined and retains in the fund an amount sufficient to pay the estimated costs of completion, the remainder of the fund may be devoted to any other public use authorized by law, and approved by resolution adopted or vote taken in the manner required to authorize bonds for such new use and purpose. Any balance remaining after the improvement has been completed and paid for, unless devoted to a new use as herein authorized, shall become a part of the debt service fund of the municipality.

History: 1983 c 365 s 3

475.66 DEBT SERVICE FUND.

[For text of subds 1 and 2, see M.S.1982]

Subd. 3. Subject to the provisions of any resolutions or other instruments securing obligations payable from a debt service fund, any balance in the fund may be invested

(a) in any security which is a direct obligation of or is guaranteed as to payment of principal and interest by the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States,

(b) in shares of an investment company registered under the federal investment company act of 1940, whose shares are registered under the federal securities act of 1933, and whose only investments are in securities described in the preceding clause,

(c) in any security which is a general obligation of the state of Minnesota or any of its municipalities,

(d) in bankers acceptances of United States banks eligible for purchase by the Federal Reserve System, or

(e) in commercial paper issued by United States corporations or their Canadian subsidiaries that is of the highest quality and matures in 270 days or less.

The fund may also be used to purchase any obligation, whether general or special, of an issue which is payable from the fund, at such price, which may include a premium, as shall be agreed to by the holder, or may be used to redeem any obligation of such an issue prior to maturity in accordance with its terms. The securities representing any such investment may be sold or hypothecated by the municipality at any time, but the money so received remains a part of the fund until used for the purpose for which the fund was created.

[For text of subd 4, see M.S.1982]

History: 1983 c 54 s 1