



Red River Watershed Management Board

# AUTHORIZING LEGISLATION

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Section 29. Laws 1976, chapter 162, section 1, as amended by Laws 1982, chapter 474, section 1, Laws 1983, chapter 338, section 1, Laws 1989 First Special Session chapter 1, article 5, section 45, and Laws 1991, chapter 167, section 1, is amended to read:

Section 1. RED RIVER OF THE NORTH WATERSHED; TAX BY WATERSHED DISTRICTS.

Each watershed district located both within the counties of Kittson, Marshall, Polk, Pennington, Red Lake, Norman, Clay, Mahnommen, Clearwater, Roseau, Wilkin, Otter Tail, Becker, Koochiching, Beltrami, Traverse, Grant, Big Stone, Stevens, and Itasca,

~~which district~~ and within the hydrologic basin of the Red River of the North that is a member of the Red River watershed management board, established by a joint powers agreement in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 471.59, may levy an ad valorem tax not to exceed 0.04836 percent of the taxable market value of all property within the district. This levy shall be in excess of any levy authorized by Minnesota Statutes, section 103D.905. The proceeds of one-half of this levy shall be credited to the district's construction fund and shall be used for the development, construction, and maintenance of projects and programs of benefit to the district. The proceeds of the remaining one-half of this levy shall be credited to the general fund of the Red River watershed management board and shall be used for funding the development, construction, and maintenance of projects and programs of benefit to the Red River basin. The Red River management board shall adopt criteria for member districts to follow in applying for funding from the board.

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CHAPTER 167 – H.F. No. 743

*An act relating to the Red River watershed management board; changing the description of the area subject to special authority of watershed districts; requiring the board to adopt criteria for funding applications; clarifying the uses of levy proceeds; expanding the board's authority to cooperate with other entities; amending Laws 1976, chapter 162, sections 1 and 2, as amended, and 3.*

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

Section 1. Laws 1976, chapter 162, section 1, as amended by Laws 1982, chapter 474, section 1, Laws 1983, chapter 338, section 1, and Laws 1989 First Special Session chapter 1, article 5, section 45, is amended to read:

Section 1. RED RIVER OF THE NORTH WATERSHED; TAX BY WATERSHED DISTRICTS.

Each watershed district located within the counties of Kittson, Marshall, Polk, Pennington, Red Lake, Norman, Clay, Mahnomon, Clearwater, Roseau, Wilkin, Otter Tail, Becker, Koochiching, Beltrami, and Itasca, which district is a member of the ~~lower~~ Red River watershed management board, established by a joint powers agreement in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 471.59, may levy an ad valorem tax not to exceed 0.04836 percent of the taxable market value of all property within the district. This levy shall be in excess of any levy authorized by Minnesota Statutes, section ~~412.61~~ 103D.905. The proceeds of one-half of this levy shall be credited to the district's ~~administrative~~ construction fund and shall be used for the development, construction, and maintenance of projects and programs of ~~common~~ benefit to the district. The proceeds of the remaining one-half of this levy shall be credited to the ~~construction~~ general fund of the ~~lower~~ Red River watershed management board and shall be used for funding the development, construction, and maintenance of projects and programs of ~~common~~ benefit to the Red River basin. The Red River management board shall adopt criteria for member districts to follow in applying for funding from the board.

Sec. 2. Laws 1976, chapter 162, section 2, as amended by Laws 1983, chapter 338, section 2, is amended to read:

Sec. 2. RED RIVER WATERSHED MANAGEMENT BOARD PROJECTS.

The ~~lower~~ Red River watershed management board may by resolution institute projects ~~or works~~ of ~~common~~ benefit to the Red River basin and the expenses of the ~~works~~ ~~or projects~~ may be paid in any manner permitted by Minnesota Statutes, chapter ~~412~~ 103D,

provided, that the limitations of engineers' preliminary cost estimates specified in Minnesota Statutes, section ~~112.48~~ 103D.601, subdivision 4 1, shall not be applicable.

Sec. 3. Laws 1976, chapter 162, section 3, is amended to read:

Sec. 3. COOPERATION

The ~~lower~~ Red River watershed management board may cooperate with water management and flood control authorities in ~~the State of Minnesota~~, North Dakota, South Dakota, and the province of Manitoba and may enter into contracts, compacts and agreements which may be necessary to insure integration of its ~~works or~~ projects, to control the effects of flooding or to assure the beneficial use of water in the ~~watershed of the Red River and its tributaries~~ basin.

Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act takes effect the day after final enactment.

Presented to the governor May 21, 1991

Signed by the governor May 24, 1991, 4:29 p.m.

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Sec. 45. Laws 1976, chapter 162, section 1 as amended by Laws 1982, chapter 474, section 1, and Laws 1983, chapter 338, section 1, is amended to read:

Section 1. RED RIVER WATERSHED; TAX BY WATERSHED DISTRICTS.

Each watershed district located within the counties of Kittson, Marshall, Polk, Pennington, Red Lake, Norman, Clay, Mahnomon, Clearwater, Roseau, Wilkin, Otter Tail, Becker, Koochiching, Beltrami, and Itasca, which district is a member of the lower Red River watershed management board, established by a joint powers agreement in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 471.59, may levy an ad valorem tax not to exceed ~~two~~ 0.04836 percent of the taxable market value of all property within the district. This levy shall be in excess of any levy authorized by Minnesota Statutes, Section 112.61. The proceeds of one-half of this levy shall be credited to the district's administrative fund and shall be used for the construction and maintenance of projects of common benefit to the district. The proceeds of the remaining one-half of this levy shall be credited to the construction fund of the lower Red River watershed management board and shall be used for the construction and maintenance of projects of common benefit.

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CHAPTER 338 H.F. No. 1031

An act relating to the lower Red River watershed management board; removing ten year limitation for tax levy by watershed districts which are members of board; transferring a position to the classified service; amending Laws 1976, chapter 162, sections 1, as amended, and 2.

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

Section 1. Laws 1976, chapter 162, section 1, as amended by Laws 1982, chapter 474, section 1, is amended to read:

Section 1. RED RIVER WATERSHED: TAX BY WATERSHED DISTRICTS

Each watershed district located within the counties of Kittson, Marshall, Polk, Pennington, Red Lake, Norman, Clay, Mahnomen, Clearwater, Roseau, Wilkin, Otter Tail, Becker, Koochiching, Beltrami, and Itasca, which district is a member of the lower Red River watershed management board, established by a joint powers agreement in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 471.59, may levy an ad valorem tax not to exceed two mills on each dollar of assessed valuation of all taxable property within the district ~~for a period not to exceed ten consecutive years~~. This levy shall be in excess of any levy authorized by Minnesota Statutes, Section 112.61. The proceeds of one-half of this levy shall be credited to the district's administrative fund and shall be used for the construction and maintenance of projects of common benefit to the district. The proceeds of the remaining one-half of this levy shall be credited to the construction fund of the lower Red River watershed management board and shall be used for the construction and maintenance of projects of common benefit ~~to more than one member district~~.

Sec. 2. Laws 1976, chapter 162, section 2, is amended to read:

Sec. 2. The lower Red River watershed management board may by resolution institute projects or works of common benefit to more than one member district and the expenses of the works or projects may be paid in any manner permitted by Minnesota Statutes. Chapter 112, provided, that the limitations of engineers' preliminary cost estimates specified in Minnesota Statutes, Section 112.48, Subdivision 4, shall not be applicable.

Sec. 3. COORDINATOR POSITION

Effective July 1, 1983, the Red River watershed coordinator position (senior hydrologist) in the unclassified service of the state is transferred to the classified civil

service in the department of natural resources. The incumbent in this position shall be transferred without competitive examination to probationary status in the classified service in the same classification and at the same pay step as at present. All of the employee's accrued vacation and sick leave shall be transferred to his credit.

Approved June 14, 1983

Changes or additions are indicated by underline, deletions by ~~strikeout~~.

CHAPTER 474 – S.F. No. 1631

*An act relating to the Red River watershed; naming all counties in which the special taxing authority of certain watershed districts applies; amending Laws 1976, Chapter 162, Section 1.*

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

Section 1. Laws 1976, Chapter 162, Section 1, is amended to read:

Section 1. RED RIVER WATERSHED; TAX BY WATERSHED DISTRICTS.

Each watershed district located within the counties of Kittson, Marshall, Polk, Pennington, Red Lake, Norman, Clay, Mahnomen, Clearwater, Roseau, Wilkin, Otter Tail, ~~and~~ Becker, Koochiching, Beltrami, and Itasca, which district is a member of the lower Red River watershed management board, established by a joint powers agreement in accordance with ~~the 1974 edition of~~ Minnesota Statutes, Section 471.59, may levy an ad valorem tax not to exceed two mills on each dollar of assessed valuation of all taxable property within the district for a period not to exceed ten consecutive years. This levy shall be in excess of any levy authorized by ~~the 1974 edition of~~ Minnesota Statutes, Section 112.61. The proceeds of one-half of this levy shall be credited to the district's administrative fund and shall be used for the construction and maintenance of projects of common benefit to the district. The proceeds of the remaining one-half of this levy shall be credited to the construction fund of the lower Red River watershed management board and shall be used for the construction and maintenance of projects of common benefit to more than one member district.

Approved March 18, 1982

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

Section 1. RED RIVER WATERSHED; TAX BY WATERSHED DISTRICTS. Each watershed district located within the counties of Kittson, Marshall, Polk, Pennington, Red Lake, Norman, Clay, Mahnomen, Clearwater, Roseau, Wilkin, Otter Tail, and Becker, which district is a member of the lower Red River watershed management board, established by a joint powers agreement in accordance with the 1974 edition of Minnesota Statutes, Section 471.59, may levy an ad valorem tax not to exceed two mills on each dollar of assessed valuation of all taxable property within the district for a period not to exceed ten consecutive years. This levy shall be in excess of any levy authorized by the 1974 edition of Minnesota Statutes, Section 112.61. The proceeds of one-half of this levy shall be credited to the district's administrative fund and shall be used for the construction and maintenance of projects of common benefit to the district. The proceeds of the remaining one-half of this levy shall be credited to the construction fund of the lower Red River watershed management board and shall be used for the construction and maintenance of projects of common benefit to more than one member district.

Sec. 2. The lower Red River watershed management board may by resolution institute projects or works of common benefit to more than one member district and the expenses of the works or projects may be paid in any manner permitted by Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 112, provided, that the limitations of engineers' preliminary cost estimates specified in Minnesota Statutes, Section 112.48, Subdivision 4, shall not be applicable.

Sec. 3. The lower Red River watershed management board may cooperate with water management and flood control authorities in the State of North Dakota and the province of Manitoba and may enter into contracts, compacts and agreements which may be necessary to insure integration of its works or projects, to control the effects of flooding or to assure the beneficial use of water in the watershed of the Red River and its boundaries.

Sec. 4. This act is effective on the day following its final enactment.

Approved April 3, 1976