

The following changes should be made in this publication to correct errors or to reflect revisions made by the 70th Legislature, 1978 Session. A 1978 version is not being published. There is a complete revision of the school district tax levies attached.

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For the "General Provisions", clarification is needed on some points relating to 2).

- i) If a taxing district is in the metropolitan area, the currently taxable value is the assessed value after any contribution or distribution adjustments for fiscal disparities.
- ii) For 1978/1979, the correct percentages of market value are  $33 \frac{1}{3}\%$  for agricultural homesteads and 40% for non-agricultural homesteads. The market value is the sum of the homestead base value and excess value which are calculated from the assessed value as follows. If it is an agricultural homestead, the first \$2,720 in assessed value is divided by .16 to obtain the homestead base value; any assessed value over \$2,720 is divided by .3 to determine the excess value. If it is a non-agricultural homestead, the first \$3,400 in assessed value is divided by .2 to obtain the homestead base value; any assessed value over \$3,400 is multiplied by 3 to obtain the excess value.
- iii) When including the 1966 taxable value of property exempt from taxation by Laws 1967, Chapter 32, Article IV, Section 2, the 1966 taxable value is multiplied by 3 to reflect current assessment practices of valuing property at full market value, not at one-third the full market value.

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Two additional special levies exist.

Under M.S. 275.50, Subd. 5q: "The amounts allowed under Minnesota Statutes, Section 174.27 to establish and administer a commuter van program."

Under M.S. 275.50, Subd. 6: "The cost to a governmental unit of implementing section 18.023, including sanitation and reforestation, as defined in 18.023, subdivision 1, is 'a special levy'..., terminating with the levy made in 1978 payable in 1979."

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Laws 1978, Chapter 719 exempts from the \$54 per capita limitation any city which has an electric generating facility within its borders having at least 500 megawatts of capacity and having the capability of transmitting and distributing electric energy to consumers.

For levy year 1978, taxes payable 1979, the total per capita levy of \$153.90 is calculated below:

(1) Consumer Price Index for Minneapolis/St. Paul, January, 1978 (1947-49=100)	273
(2) Index points upon which additional authorization for general fund purposes is calculated (273 minus 102)	171
(3) First 6 points above 102 multiplied by $3 \frac{1}{3}\%$	20%
(4) One percent times the number of index points above 106	165%
(5) Total percentage increase in per capita limitation (20% plus 165%)	185%
(6) Cost of living adjustment for general fund purposes (185% of \$54.00)	\$ 99.90
(7) Total 1978/1979 per capita limitation for general and special purposes under Minnesota Statutes 275.11, Subdivisions 1 and 2 (\$54.00 plus \$99.90)	\$153.90

Page 9 (Applicable to All Cities)

- Employer vans acquisition program M.S. 174.27  
Administration 1/100 mill, establishment 1/10 mill; authorized outside the 6% levy limit under M.S. 275.50 to 275.56 and the per capita limit under M.S. 275.11.
- Shade tree disease control M.S. 275.50, Subd. 6  
Amount needed; authorized outside the 6% levy limit under M.S. 275.50 to 275.56 and the per capita limit under M.S. 275.11.
- Sheltered workshops L. 1978, C. 522  
Limited to 10 cents per capita in first class cities, 30 cents per capita in all other cities, based on the last federal census.
- Town hall L. 1978, C. 476; M.S. 465.73  
Amount necessary to repay principal and interest on loans from the Farmers Home Administration of up to \$100,000 in principal amount; authorized outside the 6% levy limit under M.S. 275.50 to 275.56.

Page 13 (Applicable Only to Particular Charter Cities)

- Anoka  
Police Relief Association L. 1978, C. 563, S. 28  
Amount needed for minimum obligation and to retire deficit.
- Bloomington  
Firemen's relief L. 1978, C. 563, S. 15  
Amount needed for minimum obligation and to retire deficit.
- Policemen's Relief Association L. 1978, C. 563, S. 17  
Amount needed for minimum obligation and to retire deficit.
- Brooklyn Center  
Policemen's pension L. 1978, C. 563, S. 18  
Amount needed for minimum obligation and to retire deficit.
- Chisholm  
Police pension L. 1978, C. 563, S. 27  
Amount needed for minimum obligation and to retire deficit.
- Columbia Heights  
Police Relief Association L. 1977, C 374, S. 11  
Amount needed for minimum obligation and to retire deficit; outside any levy limitation.
- Firemen's Relief Association L. 1978, C. 563 S. 29, 30  
L. 1977, C. 374, S. 48  
Amount needed for minimum obligation and to retire deficit; outside any levy limitation.
- Crookston  
Firemen's Relief L. 1978, C. 563, S. 25, 26  
Amount needed for minimum obligation and to retire deficit.

## Crystal

Firefighter's Relief Association

L. 1978, C. 753, S. 7

Amount needed for minimum obligation.

## Moorhead

Firemen's relief

L. 1978, C. 563, S. 13

Amount needed for minimum obligation and to retire deficit.

Policemen's relief

L. 1978, C. 563, S. 19

Amount needed for minimum obligation and to retire deficit.

## Richfield

Firemen's Relief Association

L. 1978, C. 563, S. 20

Amount needed for minimum obligation and to retire deficit.

## Rochester

Firemen's relief

L. 1978, C. 563, S. 14

Amount needed for minimum obligation and to retire deficit.

Policemen's Relief Association

L. 1978, C. 563, S. 23

Amount needed for minimum obligation and to retire deficit.

## St. Louis Park

Fire Department Relief Association

L. 1978, C. 563, S. 22

Amount of estimated obligation.

## Tower

Fire and community hall

L. 1978, C. 476, S. 2

Pay for bonds of up to \$150,000 in principal amount; outside any limitation.

Page 16 (Applicable Only to Particular Statutory Cities)

## Thief River Falls

Public Employees Police and Fire Fund

L. 1978, C. 689

Amount required; outside 6% levy limit under M.S. 275.50 to 275.56 and all other levy limitations.

Police relief association trust fund

L. 1978, C. 689

Amount necessary; outside 6% levy limit under M.S. 275.50 to 275.56 and all other levy limitations.

Page 20 (County Tax Levies)

## Agricultural society

Liability insurance

L. 1978, C. 659

Amount needed

Building fund, except in Hennepin or St. Louis County L. 1978, C. 743, S. 13; M.S. 373.25

## Employer vans acquisition program

M.S. 174.27

Administration 1/100 mill, establishment 1/10 mill; authorized outside 6% levy limit under M.S. 275.50 to 275.56 and the per capita limit under M.S. 275.11.

## Sheltered workshops

L. 1978, C. 522

Town hall L. 1978, C. 476; M.S. 465.73  
Amount necessary to repay principal and interest on loans from the Farmers Home Administration of up to \$100,000 in principal amount; authorized outside 6% levy limit under M.S. 275.50 to 275.56.

Page 24 (Applicable Only to Particular Counties)

Olmsted

Hospital additions or renovations L. 1978, C. 509

Ramsey

Nursing home facilities L. 1978, C. 484  
Pay for bonds of up to \$4,000,000 in principal amount.

St. Paul-Ramsey Medical Center L. 1978, C. 545  
Pay for bonds of up to \$11,600,000 in principal amount.

St. Paul-Ramsey hospital addition L. 1978, C. 743, S. 2  
Pay for bonds of up to \$400,000 in principal amount; authorized outside any limitation.

Page 28 (Town Tax Levies)

Fire protection and fire or police apparatus M.S. 365.15 to 365.19  
Amount necessary. May be levied in addition to levy authorized by M.S. 88.04.

Sheltered workshop L. 1978, C. 522  
30 cents per capita.

Town hall L. 1978, C. 476; M.S. 465.73  
Amount necessary to repay principal and interest on loans from the Farmers Home Administration of up to \$100,000 in principal amount; authorized outside 6% levy limit under M.S. 275.50 to 275.56.

Page 30 (Applicable only to Particular Towns)

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Town hall L. 1978, C. 467  
Principal and interest for bonds up to \$100,000; authorized outside any levy limitation.

Page 35 (Hospital District Tax Levies)

Bonds L. 1978, C. 609; M.S. 447.35  
Amount necessary.

General expense purposes

M.S. 447.34

Amount necessary; but the levy for this purpose within a city or town within the hospital district may not, when added to the city or town government's levy, result in a levy of more than \$1.50 per capita in excess of the city's levy limitation under M.S. 275.11 or the town's levy limitation under M.S. 275.10 (if the town is subject to that limitation).

Page 36 (Metropolitan Council Tax Levies)

General Purposes

L. 1978, C. 766, S. 17; M.S. 473.249

8/30 mill on the total assessed value located within the metropolitan area.

## SCHOOL DISTRICT TAX LEVIES

General Provisions Initial Levy Limitations	Citation	Authorizations and Limitations
Maintenance Basic .....	275.125 Subd. 2a Clause 2  or  275.125 Subd. 2b	<p>a) 27 mills times the adjusted assessed valuation of the district for the preceding year less the maintenance attached machinery aid for 1979-80.</p> <p>b) If \$1,155 times the 1979-80 pupil units of the district is greater than the amount in a) above then a basic maintenance levy amount is computed which is the lesser of the 1977 Payable 1978 certified maintenance levy plus the taconite revenue for the corresponding year to replace the basic maintenance levy limitation categorical aids adjustment <u>or</u> the 1977 Payable 1978 basic maintenance levy limitation. Then a basic aid amount is then computed which is equal to 1.07 times the sum of the following:</p> <p>Est. 1978-79 Pupil Units x \$1,095  Est. 1979 Summer School Aid  Est. 1978-79 Transportation Aid  Est. 1978-79 Special Education Aid  Est. 1978-79 Secondary Vocational Aid  Est. 1978-79 Secondary Vocational Handicapped Aid</p> <p>The basic maintenance levy limitation would then be the greater of the basic aid amount less maintenance attached machinery aid or the basic maintenance levy amount. Under either provision, the limitation amount under b) shall not exceed the amount under a).</p>
Maintenance Excess .....	275.125 Subd. 6	An amount based on the 1970-71 maintenance cost per pupil unit times the number of pupil units of the district.
Maintenance Referendum .....	275.125 Subd. 2a Clause 4	Amount authorized by the referendum ballot which has been approved by the voters of the district.

## SCHOOL DISTRICT TAX LEVIES (Cont.)

General Provisions Initial Levy Limitations - Cont.	Citation	Authorizations and Limitations
Maintenance Unemployment		
Insurance .....	275.125 Subd. 4	Amount needed for estimated expenditures for unemployment insurance compensation pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 268.06, Subd. 25.
Maintenance Statutory		
Operating Debt .....	275.125 Subd. 9a	For Districts in Statutory Operating Debt 1.5 mills times the previous year's adjusted assessed valuation of the district <u>or</u> the Statutory Operating Debt, whichever is less.
Maintenance Judgment .....	275.125 Subd. 4	Amount of the judgment (including interest) the district is obliged to pay pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 127.05.
Maintenance State Audit .....	275.125 Subd. 4	Amount needed for payment of state post audits pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 6.62.
Maintenance Consolidation .....	275.125 Subd. 4	Amount needed for approved reorganizational expenditures pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 122.533.
Transportation Basic .....	275.125 Subd. 5	1 mill times the adjusted assessed valuation of the district for the preceding year.
Transportation Bus .....	275.125 Subd. 5	Amount needed for pupil transportation vehicle expenditures less bus depreciation aid and other revenue.
Transportation Hazardous .....	275.125 Subd. 5	Amount of the approved costs the district is incurring in the current fiscal year due to extraordinary traffic hazards.
Transportation Leased Facilities .	275.125 Subd. 5a	Amount of the increased costs above the transportation aid formula limitation resulting from changes in transportation patterns required by leasing a school in another district.

## SCHOOL DISTRICT TAX LEVIES (Cont.)

General Provisions Initial Levy Limitations - Cont.	Citation	Authorizations and Limitations
Community Service .....	275.125 Subd. 8	The greater of \$2 times the population of the district <u>or</u> the amount of the community service certified levy plus the categorical aid reduction in 1976 Payable 1977.  A district must establish a community service advisory council and must invite the governing bodies of all counties, cities and townships located in the school district to a meeting to discuss methods of increasing mutual cooperation between such bodies and the school board before being authorized to certify a levy for community service.
Capital Expenditure Basic .....	275.125 Subd. 11a	The lesser of 10 mills times the previous year's adjusted assessed valuation of the district <u>or</u> \$75 (\$80 if districts resident pupil units are increasing by at least 2% a year) times the pupil units of the district.
Capital Expenditure Leased School Building .....	275.125 Subd. 12	Amount of the additional capital expenditure funds needed and approved by the Commissioner to lease an existing school building up to the leasing cost.
General and AVTI (Area Vocational- Technical Institute) Debt Service .....	275.125 Subd. 4	Amounts necessary for debt service payments.
Capital Loans (Dists. 12, 14, 15, 16, 279, 363 728, 738, 748 and 883) .....	124.43	A minimum levy "maximum effort debt service levy" is imposed. This minimum debt service levy must be made until all capital loans are paid or forgiven. For most districts, it is 20 mills times the previous year's adjusted assessed valuation of the district. An option is available to districts to retire capital loans over a longer time period.



## SCHOOL DISTRICT TAX LEVIES (Cont.)

General Provisions Initial Levy Limitations - Cont.	Citation	Authorizations and Limitations
Debt Service Loans (Dist. 12, 16 and 728) .....	142.42	A minimum levy "maximum effort debt service levy" is imposed. This minimum debt service levy must be made until all debt service loans are paid.
State Loans (Held by the State Board of Investment) (Dists. 497, 622, 690, 820 and 833) .....	475.73	County Auditor levies for the school district 50% in excess of the amount certified by the State Auditor.
School Construction Loans (Bonds held by the State) (Dists. 12, 14 and 279) .....	120.54	Levied pursuant to M.S. 475.61.
Building or Refunding Bonds (90% of the school districts)	475.61	Amount at least 5% more than principle and interest due. Bond schedule states the amount to be levied. Levy may be reduced for surplus funds on hand.
Building Bonds (Taconite Financing) (District 692, Babbitt) .....	1967 Laws, Ch. 356	93% of the debt service funds come from taconite companies instead of the general ad valorem levy.
Operating Debt Bonds (Bond proceeds went into the general fund) (40 Districts) .....	1974 M.S. 275.125 Subd. 3, Clause 7C and 1976 Laws, Ch. 20, Sec. 1	Levied pursuant to M.S. 475.61.
Capital Bonds (Bond proceeds went into the capital expenditure fund) (District 625) .....	123.40 Subd. 7	Levied pursuant to M.S. 475.61.
AVTI Building Bonds (All 33 AVTI School Districts)	475.61	An amount sufficient to cover the principle and interest due the following fiscal year plus at least 5% of the local share of the principle and interest due. The certified levy, before the calculation of tax rates is then reduced by the county auditor for the portion of the principle and interest that will be paid by the state.

## SCHOOL DISTRICT TAX LEVIES (Cont.)

General Provisions	Initial Levy Limitations - Cont.	Citation	Authorizations and Limitations
AVTI Maintenance Basic	275.125 Subd. 13	(Districts, Sp. 1, 287, 625, 709 1977 Laws, Ch. 447 916 and 917 ..... Article V, Sec. 13	1/2 mill times the adjusted assessed valuation of the district for the preceding year. Amount levied to be subtracted from AVTI foundation aid.
(Districts 11, 22, 31, 77, 152, 181, 206, 241, 256, 324, 347, 423, 492, 535, 564, 578, 583, 595, 656, 697, 701, 742, 793, 819, 861, 891 and 894) ....	275.125 Subd. 13		1 mill times the adjusted assessed valuation of the district for the preceding year. Amount levied to be subtracted from AVTI foundation aid.
AVTI Maintenance Unemployment	Insurance ..... 275.125 Subd. 4		The amount needed for estimated payment for unemployment insurance compensation pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 268.06, Subd. 25.
AVTI Maintenance Judgment .....	275.125 Subd. 4		The amount of the judgement including interest the district is obliged to pay pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 127.05.
AVTI Maintenance State Audit .....	275.125 Subd. 4		The amount needed for payment of state audits pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 6.62.
Special Provisions			
Initial Levy Limitations			
Maintenance Special Excess	(Dist. 281, Robbinsdale) .....	275.125 Subd. 7	2 mills times the 1975 adjusted assessed value of the district plus \$26.14 times the pupil units of the district. This levy is authorized as long as the pupil units of the district are declining.
Maintenance Special Excess	(Sp. Dist. 1 and Dist. 625) ....	275.125 Subd. 6	\$49.28 for Special District 1 and \$42.25 for District 625 times the pupil units of the district.

## SCHOOL DISTRICT TAX LEVIES (Cont.)

Special Provisions Initial Levy Limitations	Citation	Authorizations and Limitations
Maintenance Severance (District 625, St. Paul) .....	1975 Laws, Ch. 261, Sec. 4	2/10 mill times the most recent assessed valuation of the district with adjustments pursuant to M.S. 273.13, Subd. 7a, 272.64, 275.49 and 473F.08.
Maintenance Statutory Operating Debt (District 625, St. Paul) .....	1976 Laws, Ch. 20 Sec. 4	1.5 mills times the adjusted assessed valuation of the district reduced by the amount to be levied for some bonds issued.
Maintenance Retirement (Special District 1, Minneapolis) .....	275.125 Subd. 6a	\$79.47 times the number of pupil units of the district minus \$400,259.40.
AVTI Maintenance Secondary Vocational (District 287)* .....	1977 Laws, Ch. 447, Article V, Sec. 13	.7 mill times the adjusted assessed valuation of the district.
AVTI Maintenance Secondary Vocational (Districts 916 and 917)* .....	1977 Laws, Ch. 447, Article V, Sec. 14 and 15	.5 mill times the adjusted assessed valuation of the district.
AVTI Maintenance Special Education (Districts 287, 916 and 917)* ..	1977 Laws, Ch. 447, Article V, Sec. 13, 14 and 15	.6 mill times the adjusted assessed valuation of the district.
Dissolved District Liabilities ...	275.125 Subd. 4	The county auditor pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 122.45 shall levy on the territory of the dissolved district the amount of the net liabilities. This amount in any year shall not comprise more than 1/6 of the total school district levy in the dissolved district territory.

\*Districts 287, 916 and 917 are intermediate area vocational-technical school districts. District 287 extends over the same territory as districts 271, 272, 273, 274, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 283, 284 and 286. District 916 extends over the same territory as districts 12, 16, 621, 622, 623, 624, 832, 833, and 834. District 917 extends over the same territory as districts Sp. 6, 191, 192, 194, 195, 196, 197, 199 and 200.

## SCHOOL DISTRICT TAX LEVIES (Cont.)

General and Special Provisions Levy Limitation Adjustments	Citation	Authorizations and Limitations
Abatements .....	275.48	Amount by which school taxes have been reduced by a reduction of valuation after levy was spread.
Categorical Aids		
Gross Earnings ..... 275.125 Subd. 9		Levy Limitations excluding Maintenance Basic, Maintenance Statutory Operating Debt, Maintenance Referendum and Debt Service reduced by 50% of one minus levy limitation ratio times the previous fiscal year's aid payments.
Taconite Production		
Taconite Railroad		
Gross Earnings		
Unmined Taconite Land Tax ..... 275.125 Subd. 9		Levy Limitations excluding Maintenance Statutory Operating Debt, Maintenance Referendum and Debt Service reduced by 50% or one minus levy limitation ratio times the previous fiscal year's payments. Maintenance Basic Levy Limitation cannot be reduced below 10 mills times the adjusted assessed valuation of the district for the preceding year.
Maintenance Excess, Special Excess and Retirement Adjustment ..... M.S. 275.125 Subds. 10 and 15		Adjustments for final pupil units.
Debt Service Surplus ..... M.S. 475.61 Subd. 4		Maintenance Basic Levy Limitation reduced by the amount of debt service surplus. A surplus occurs only when all debt service obligations are retired.
Maintenance State Audit Adjustment ..... M.S. 275.125 Subds. 10 and 15		Adjustment for errors in estimates of costs.
Transportation Hazardous Adjustment ..... M.S. 275.125 Subd. 10 and 15		Adjustments for errors in estimates of approved costs.
Capital Expenditure Basic Adjustment ..... M.S. 275.125 Subds. 10 and 15		Adjustments for final pupil units.
Levy Errors ..... M.S. 275.125 Subd. 10 and 15		Adjustments for departmental errors in the computation of levy limitations or County Auditor errors.
Debt Service Adjustment ..... M.S. 123.36		Debt Service Levy Limitation reduced by net proceeds from leasing a schoolhouse. If no Debt Service Levy Limitation, then Maintenance Basic Levy Limitation reduced.