

termine to be necessary, and enter into a contract with the county in which the town is located or with any nearby city or village, or with any volunteer fire department or association not established by charter or ordinance as an official part of a city or village government for the furnishing of such fire protection within the limits of the town and for the care, maintenance and operation of such apparatus, on such terms and conditions as mutually may be agreed upon. The term of any such contract may be any reasonable period not exceeding ten years.

*Subd. 2. In the event that no tax is levied or in the event that the proceeds of the tax levied pursuant to subdivision 1 for fire protection are insufficient to reimburse the town for the amount expended for fire protection service pursuant to a contract during any year, the town board may levy annually upon each parcel of real estate in the town which required fire services during the year an assessment for fire protection, not to exceed the actual cost of such service, but no such assessment shall be made except upon ten days mailed notice by the town board to the owners of the parcels proposed to be assessed, which notice shall indicate the time and place the town board will meet to consider the assessment. Determination of ownership shall be made on the basis of the records of the county auditor. Such assessment shall be a lien upon such parcel of real estate and shall be due and payable to the town treasurer 30 days after said levy. Any assessment which is not paid when due, shall be certified by the treasurer of the town, together with a description of the real estate affected, to the county auditor, who shall add the amount of the assessment plus a penalty of ten percent to the tax rolls of such parcel of such real estate and extend and collect such total amount of the assessment with other real estate taxes for the next subsequent year.*

Approved April 30, 1969.

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CHAPTER 244—H. F. No. 150

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*An act relating to the public child welfare program; authorizing county welfare boards to make certain financial allotments to foster parents who adopt a child under the guardianship of the state; amending Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 393.07, by adding a subdivision.*

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

**Changes or additions indicated by italics, deletions by ~~strikeout~~.**

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 393.07, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

**Subd. 1a. Adoption; allotments to foster parents.** *A county welfare board may make financial allotments as it deems necessary to foster parents who adopt a child under state guardianship after the legal adoption of such child notwithstanding their legal ineligibility to qualify for the various public financial assistance programs of the county welfare board. Such allotments shall be based on the needs of the child and the financial resources of the adoptive parents, and shall be subject to modification based on changes in such needs and financial resources. All actions of the board under this program shall be subject to the following criteria: (a) The child is one who for physical or other reasons is not readily adoptable, (b) The child so adopted shall have been a ward of the commissioner of public welfare, (c) The child so adopted shall have resided in the home of the foster parents for a period of at least six consecutive months prior to the legal adoption, and (d) The approval of the commissioner and his established rules and regulations governing the provisions of this subdivision. Subject to uniform regulations of the commissioner, a county making payments of the financial allotments authorized herein may receive a reimbursement not exceeding one-half the cost thereof from any funds made available to the commissioner for the care of foster children.*

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#### CHAPTER 245—H. F. No. 190

*An act relating to highway traffic regulations; extending the time limit on use of tires with metal studs and providing for a study; amending Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 169.72.*

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 169.72, is amended to read:

**169.72 Highway traffic; tires with metal studs.** Every solid rubber tire on a vehicle shall have rubber on its entire traction surface at least one inch thick above the edge of the flange of the entire periphery.

No person shall operate or move on any highway any motor ve-

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