

## CHAPTER 934—H. F. No. 2561

[Coded]

*An act establishing a uniform municipal contracting law.*

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

Section 1. [471.345] **Uniform municipal contracting law.** Subdivision 1. **Municipality defined.** For purposes of this section, "municipality" means a county, town, city, village, borough, school district or other municipal corporation or political subdivision of the state authorized by law to enter into contracts.

Subd. 2. **Contract defined.** A "contract" means an agreement entered into by a municipality for the sale or purchase of supplies, materials, equipment or the rental thereof, or the construction, alteration, repair or maintenance of real or personal property.

Subd. 3. **Contracts over \$5,000.** If the amount of the contract is estimated to exceed \$5,000, sealed bids shall be solicited by public notice in the manner and subject to the requirements of the law governing contracts by the particular municipality or class thereof provided that with regard to repairs and maintenance of ditches, bids shall not be required if the estimated amount of the contract does not exceed the amount specified in Minnesota Statutes, Section 106.471, Subdivision 2.

Subd. 4. **Contracts from \$500 to \$5,000.** If the amount of the contract is estimated to exceed \$500 but not to exceed \$5,000, the contract may be made either upon sealed bids or by direct negotiation, by obtaining two or more quotations for the purchase or sale when possible, and without advertising for bids or otherwise complying with the requirements of competitive bidding. All quotations obtained shall be kept on file for a period of at least one year after receipt thereof.

Subd. 5. **Contracts less than \$500.** If the amount of the contract is estimated to be less than \$500, the contract may be made either upon quotation or in the open market, in the discretion of the governing body; but, so far as practicable, shall be based on at least two quotations which shall be kept on file for a period of at least one year after receipt thereof.

Subd. 6. **Applicability of other laws.** The purpose of this section is to establish for all municipalities, uniform dollar limitations upon contracts which shall or may be entered into on the basis of competitive bids, quotations or purchase or sale in the open market.

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To the extent inconsistent with this purpose, all laws governing contracts by a particular municipality or class thereof are superseded. In all other respects such laws shall continue applicable.

Sec. 2. **Effective date.** This act is effective July 1, 1969.

Approved June 4, 1969.

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CHAPTER 935—H. F. No. 2782

[Not Coded]

*An act relating to the village of Plymouth; authorizing the village to issue general obligation bonds for land acquisition purposes.*

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

Section 1. **Plymouth, village of; obligation bonds.** Subdivision 1. The council of the village of Plymouth may by resolution authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds of the village in an amount not to exceed \$85,000 for the purpose of acquiring land for the construction of maintenance and other facilities within the village by the state department of highways. The bonds shall be issued and sold pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1967, Chapter 475.

Subd. 2. The village upon acquiring the land is authorized to convey the same to the state of Minnesota upon such consideration, terms and conditions as may be agreed upon between the village council and the commissioner of highways.

Sec. 2. This act takes effect when approved by the council of the village of Plymouth and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021, and upon the agreement of the state of Minnesota, through the commissioner of highways to accept such conveyance.

Approved June 4, 1969.

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CHAPTER 936—H. F. No. 2899

[Coded in Part]

*An act relating to benefits under the workmen's compensation*

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