

House File 2454

H-8266

1 Amend House File 2454 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, after line 20 by inserting:

3 <Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 359.43, subsection 2, Code 2018, is  
4 amended to read as follows:

5 2. a. If the levy authorized under subsection 1 is  
6 insufficient to provide the services authorized or required  
7 under section 359.42, the township trustees may levy an  
8 additional annual tax not exceeding twenty and one-fourth cents  
9 per thousand dollars of assessed value of the taxable property  
10 in the township, excluding any property within the corporate  
11 limits of a city, to provide the services.

12 b. (1) The additional annual tax authorized under paragraph  
13 "a" may be imposed at a rate not exceeding forty and one-fourth  
14 cents per thousand dollars of assessed value if the trustees of  
15 the township are providing emergency medical service for the  
16 township and if the authority to impose the higher additional  
17 annual tax rate is approved at election.

18 (2) (a) The board of township trustees may on its own  
19 motion, and upon receipt of a valid petition shall, direct the  
20 county commissioner of elections to submit to the registered  
21 voters of the township in the areas where the additional  
22 annual tax is imposed, the proposition of levying the higher  
23 additional annual tax rate for a period of time stated in the  
24 proposition.

25 (b) A valid petition shall be signed by eligible electors of  
26 the township residing outside the corporate limits of a city  
27 equal in number to at least twenty-five percent of the number  
28 of votes cast in the township outside the corporate limits  
29 of a city for the office of president of the United States  
30 or governor at the preceding general election. The petition  
31 shall include the signatures of the petitioners, a statement  
32 of their place of residence, and the date on which they signed  
33 the petition.

34 (c) The election shall be held at the next general election  
35 following adoption of the board's motion or receipt of the

1 valid petition and may be included on the same ballot as a  
2 proposition submitted to the voters under section 359.44.  
3 However, a petition authorized by this section shall be filed  
4 not later than eighty-two days before the date of the general  
5 election if the proposition is to be voted upon at the general  
6 election. If a valid petition is filed after that date, the  
7 proposition shall be voted on at the general election following  
8 the next general election.

9 (d) A petition shall be examined before it is accepted for  
10 filing. If it appears valid on its face, it shall be accepted  
11 for filing. If it lacks the required number of signatures, it  
12 shall be returned to the petitioners.

13 (e) Petitions which have been accepted for filing are  
14 valid unless written objections are filed. Objections must be  
15 filed with the county auditor within five working days after  
16 the petition was filed. The objection process in section  
17 44.7 shall be followed for objections filed pursuant to this  
18 section.

19 c. The proposition is adopted if a majority of those  
20 voting on the proposition at the election approves it. If the  
21 proposition is approved at election, the township trustees may  
22 impose the additional annual tax authorized under paragraph "a"  
23 at a rate not exceeding forty and one-fourth cents per thousand  
24 dollars for the period of time approved at election, beginning  
25 with the fiscal year beginning July 1 following the general  
26 election at which the proposition was approved.

27 d. The proposition is not affected by a change in the  
28 boundaries of the township.

29 e. An extension of the period of time for the authorization  
30 to impose the higher additional annual tax rate or rescission  
31 of the authorization to impose the higher additional annual tax  
32 rate may be completed using the same procedure as is required  
33 for initial approval.>

34 2. Page 1, line 34, by striking <not to exceed ten years>

35 3. Page 3, after line 2 by inserting:

1 <2A. The proposition to impose a higher additional annual  
2 tax pursuant to section 359.43, subsection 2, may be included  
3 on the ballot and submitted to the voters at the same election  
4 as the proposition to require the township to provide emergency  
5 medical service under this section.>

6 4. Page 3, line 17, after <section> by inserting <or the  
7 rescission of the requirement to provide emergency medical  
8 service>

9 5. Title page, line 1, by striking <a process> and inserting  
10 <processes>

11 6. Title page, line 3, after <service> by inserting <and for  
12 voter approval of a higher additional annual property tax levy  
13 rate for the provision of township services>

14 7. By renumbering, redesignating, and correcting internal  
15 references as necessary.

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