

CHAPTER 1216**BENEFITED LAW ENFORCEMENT DISTRICT LEVY***H.F. 2525*

AN ACT to increase the authorized property tax levy for a benefited law enforcement district.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 357D.8, Code 1983, is amended to read as follows:

357D.8 ELECTION ON PROPOSED LEVY. When a preliminary plat has been approved by the board, an election shall be held within the district within sixty days to approve or disapprove the levy of a tax of not more than ~~twenty-seven cents~~ one dollar per thousand dollars of assessed value on all the taxable property within the district and to choose candidates for the offices of trustees of the district. Notice of the election, including the time and place of holding the election, shall be given as provided in section 357D.4. The vote shall be by ballot which shall state clearly the proposition to be voted upon and any qualified elector residing within the district at the time of the election may vote. It is not mandatory for the county commissioner of elections to conduct elections held pursuant to this chapter, but the elections shall be conducted in accordance with chapter 49 where not in conflict with this chapter. Judges shall be appointed to serve without pay by the board from among the qualified electors of the district to be in charge of the election. The proposition is approved if sixty percent of those voting on the proposition vote in favor of it.

Sec. 2. Section 357D.10, Code 1983, is amended to read as follows:

357D.10 TRUSTEES' POWERS. The trustees may provide law enforcement service and facilities and may certify for levy an annual tax ~~not to exceed twenty-seven cents per thousand dollars of assessed value for the purpose of exercising the powers granted in this chapter. This levy is optional with the trustees, but the levy shall not be made unless first approved by the voters as provided in section 357D.8.~~ The trustees may purchase material, employ peace officers and other personnel, and may perform all other acts necessary to properly maintain and operate the district. The trustees are allowed necessary expenses in the discharge of their duties, but they shall not receive a salary.

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