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## Bill Summary

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## Overview

H. F. 371 makes two changes relating to the purposes for which local governments may spend funds. First, it eliminates the limit on a city's contributions for city historical projects. Second, it allows a city, county, or town to fund a senior citizen center.

- Appropriations for historical work by municipalities. Strikes the \$2,000/year limit on contributions that second, third, and fourth class cities, and statutory cities, may make for municipal historical projects. This provision was originally enacted in 1957 and authorized up to \$500/year. In 1977, the limit was raised from \$500/year to \$2,000/year.
- **Appropriations for senior centers.** Permits any city, county, or town to appropriate money to support the facilities, programs, and services of a public or private, nonprofit senior center.