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Subject Mille Lacs County; local sales tax authority

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Overview

Allows Mille Lacs County to impose a 0.5% local sales tax to fund the construction of a public works building. If approved by the voters, the county may raise up to \$10 million, plus bond costs. The tax will expire at the earlier of (1) eight years, or (2) when the necessary amounts are raised for the approved project.

Summary

Section Description

1 Mille Lacs County; taxes authorized.

Subd. 1. Sales and use tax authorization. Allows Mille Lacs County to impose a local sales and use tax of 0.5% if approved at a general election within two years of the authority being granted.

Subd. 2. Use of sales tax revenues. Allows the county to use the tax revenues to fund the construction of a public works building.

Subd. 3. Bonding authority. Allows the county to bond for any project listed in subdivision 2 if the tax is approved by voters. The amount of bonds that may be issued for the project is \$10 million plus capitalized interest and an amount needed to cover the cost of issuing the bonds. Issuance of the bonds is not subject to a separate vote and the bonds are not included in any debt or levy limits.

Subd. 4. Termination of taxes. The tax terminates at the earlier of (1) eight years after being imposed, or (2) when revenues are sufficient to pay for the approved project and any associated bond costs, subject to the requirements that the termination occurs at the start of a calendar quarter. Any excess revenue related to the timing of the termination goes into either the state or county general fund. The county may, by ordinance, terminate the tax early.

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