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AN ACT to amend 67.05 (10) and 67.11 (1) (intro. par.) of the statutes, relating to reduction of irrepealable taxes for bond principal and interest on bonds where funds are available in sinking funds.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 67.05 (10) of the statutes is amended to read:

67.05 (10) The governing body of every municipality proceeding under this chapter shall, at the time of or after the adoption of an initial resolution in compliance with sub. (1) or * * * (2), or, after the approval of such resolution by popular vote when such approval is required, and before issuing any of the contemplated bonds, levy by recorded resolution a direct, annual tax sufficient in amount to pay and for the express purpose of paying the interest on such bonds as it falls due, and also to pay

and discharge the principal thereof at maturity. Taxes for the purpose of paying principal of and interest on bonds issued for school purposes by any city operating schools under * * * ss. 40.80 to 40.827 shall be levied against and apportioned to any property attached to such city for school purposes in the manner provided by s. 40.815. The municipality shall be and continue without power to repeal such levy or obstruct the collection of said tax until all such payments have been made or provided for. After the issue of said bonds such tax shall be from year to year carried into the tax roll of the municipality and collected as other taxes are collected, provided that the amount of tax carried into said tax roll may be reduced in any year by the amount of any surplus money in the sinking fund created pursuant to s. 67.11, and provided further that the municipality issuing said bonds may make an appropriation in advance of the authorization of such bonds to provide funds for payment of interest coming due on said bonds prior to the first collection of taxes levied for the payment thereof. The amount of such appropriation shall be based on estimates of the amount of bonds to be sold and the rate of interest such bonds will bear. Said appropriation shall not be used for any other purpose than that for which appropriated and any surplus in said appropriation shall be transferred to the general fund of the municipality. No further or annual levy for that purpose shall be necessary.

SECTION 2. 67.11 (1) (intro. par.) of the statutes is amended to read:

67.11 (1) (intro. par.) Every county, town, city, village, or school district indebted on account of outstanding municipal bonds shall immediately after the issue of such bonds establish in their treasury a fund separate and distinct from every other fund, designated as the sinking fund for the particular bond issue, describing it, upon which the indebtedness arose, and shall maintain such fund until such indebtedness is fully paid or otherwise extinguished, provided that any money in said fund may be used to pay any amount of principal and interest becoming due and payable on said issue in any year. The sources of said fund shall be:

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