

HOUSE BILL NO. 1405  
with Senate Amendments

Fifty-seventh  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

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Introduced by

Representatives Severson, Pollert

Senator Tallackson

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 23 of section 57-15-06.7, subsection 7 of  
2 section 57-15-20.2, sections 57-15-26.5, and 57-15-51 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
3 relating to the county, city, township, and rural ambulance service district tax levy limitation for  
4 ambulance services; and to provide an effective date.

5 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

6 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 23 of section 57-15-06.7 of the North Dakota  
7 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

8 23. A county levying a tax for county ambulance service according to section 57-15-50  
9 may levy a tax not exceeding ~~five~~ ten mills.

10 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 7 of section 57-15-20.2 of the North Dakota  
11 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

12 7. A township levying a tax for ambulance service in accordance with section  
13 57-15-51.1 may levy a tax not exceeding ~~five~~ ten mills.

14 **SECTION 3. AMENDMENT.** Section 57-15-26.5 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
15 amended and reenacted as follows:

16 **57-15-26.5. General tax levy of rural ambulance service districts.** A rural  
17 ambulance service district may levy, in accordance with chapter 11-28.3, a tax not exceeding  
18 ~~five~~ ten mills on the taxable value of property within the district.

19 **SECTION 4. AMENDMENT.** Section 57-15-51 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
20 amended and reenacted as follows:

21 **57-15-51. Levy authorized for city ambulance service.** Upon petition of ten percent  
22 of the number of qualified electors of the city voting in the last election for governor or upon its  
23 own motion, the governing body of ~~each a city in this state~~ shall levy annually a tax of not to  
24 exceed ~~five~~ ten mills upon its taxable valuation, for the purpose of subsidizing city ambulance

1 services; provided, that such tax must be approved by a majority of the qualified electors of the  
2 city voting on the question at a regular or special city election. Whenever a tax for county  
3 ambulance services is levied by a county, any city levying a tax for, or subsidizing city  
4 ambulance services, shall upon written application to the county board of such county be  
5 exempted from such county tax levy. The city may set aside, as a depreciation expense, up to  
6 ten percent of its annual ambulance service operating or subsidization budget in a dedicated  
7 ambulance sinking fund, deposited with the auditor for replacement of equipment and  
8 ambulances. The ten percent ambulance sinking fund may be in addition to the actual annual  
9 ambulance budget but the total of the annual ambulance budget and the annual ten percent  
10 ambulance fund may not exceed the approved mill levy.

11 **SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Act is effective for taxable years beginning after  
12 December 31, 2000.