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Chapter 3. Tax Levies and Appropriations for Hospital Associations by Third Class Cities

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Application of chapter

Sec. 1. This chapter applies to a third class city that meets the following conditions:

- (1) Has no hospital facilities for the third class city's citizens.
- (2) Has a nonprofit hospital corporation that meets the following conditions:
 - (A) Has the hospital corporation's principal office and place of business designated in the hospital corporation's articles of incorporation as located in, or within one (1) mile of the limits of, the city.
 - (B) Desires to construct or has constructed in the city, or within one (1) mile of the city, a nonprofit hospital to be operated for charitable purposes.
 - (C) Has a governing board that meets the following conditions:
 - (i) Manages the construction, maintenance, and operation of the hospital.
 - (ii) Is entirely nonsectarian and nonpolitical.

As added by P.L.2-1993, SEC.6.

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Construction and equipment of facilities; payment of obligations; contracts

Sec. 2. The city fiscal body may do the following:

- (1) Appropriate money to aid in the construction and equipment of hospital buildings and purchase of suitable grounds, in an amount not more than the amount provided for the purchase and construction by the nonprofit hospital corporation under section 1 of this chapter.
- (2) Appropriate money to pay the obligations of the nonprofit hospital corporation under section 1 of this chapter for the purchase of grounds and equipment for and the construction of the hospital.
- (3) Enter into a contract, upon terms the city fiscal body considers advantageous to the citizens of the city, with the nonprofit hospital corporation under section 1 of this chapter and donors of a fund for the following purposes:
 - (A) To purchase grounds and construct and equip the hospital building.
 - (B) To name the hospital.
 - (C) To hold title to the hospital building and grounds.
 - (D) To receive donations and determine the terms upon which donations may be accepted.

As added by P.L.2-1993, SEC.6.

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Defrayment of deficiencies

Sec. 3. If the city has provided assistance to the nonprofit corporation under section 2 of this chapter and the revenues derived from patient fees in any one (1) year and all other income of the association are not sufficient to maintain the hospital and grounds, the city may appropriate and pay to the nonprofit hospital corporation annually a sufficient amount to defray the deficiency.

As added by P.L.2-1993, SEC.6.

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Hospital admittance

Sec. 4. A hospital described in this chapter must be open to all of the following:

- (1) Persons on reasonable terms.
- (2) Physicians on reasonable terms who desire to place patients in the hospital.
- (3) Employees of the city, without charge, who are injured in the course of employment.
- (4) Poor and indigent persons on reasonable rates to be paid by the proper officers having charge of the care of those persons.

As added by P.L.2-1993, SEC.6.

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Bonds; tax levy

Sec. 5. (a) The city fiscal body may issue and sell bonds of the city, under the regulations followed for the issuance and sale of bonds for the construction of other city buildings, to provide money to do the following:

- (1) Aid in the purchase, equipment, and construction of the hospital buildings and grounds.
- (2) Pay the obligations of the hospital association.

(b) The fiscal body may also levy and collect taxes to pay and satisfy bonds when due.

As added by P.L.2-1993, SEC.6.

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Maintenance tax

Sec. 6. The city fiscal body may annually levy and collect a tax of not more than two and sixty-seven hundredths cents (\$0.0267) on each one hundred dollars (\$100) of the taxable property in the city to provide money to aid in the maintenance of the hospital as provided in this chapter.

As added by P.L.2-1993, SEC.6. Amended by P.L.6-1997, SEC.171.