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## Bill Summary

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## Overview

Allows Anoka County to levy public safety improvement projects on a "for pay as you go" basis as well as repaying bonds on behalf of the Anoka County Joint Law Enforcement Council with the levy continuing to appear as a separate line on property tax statements.

Currently the county has authority to bond for public safety projects on behalf of this joint powers organization with the levy showing up as a separate line on the property tax statement. The organization would now like to fund some projects and equipment on a "pay as you go" basis rather than bonding for them. This bill allows them to do so with the levy continuing to appear on a separate line of the statement. The levy and bonding authority currently expire on December 31, 2023 and no change is made to that expiration date.

## **Section**

- Authority to levy property taxes and incur debt. Expands Anoka County's current authority to levy property taxes to pay for bonds to fund countywide public safety improvements and equipment to also allow them to fund pay-as-you-go improvements and equipment. Effective for taxes payable in 2013 through 2023.
- **Treatment of levy.** Allows the levy for both bond repayment and pay-as-you-go projects under section 1 to be a separate line item on the proposed property tax notice and the property tax statement. Effective for taxes payable in 2013 through 2023.