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SCHOOL DISTRICT

RE: Bonds - Junior College

This is in reply to your letter of May 13, 1964, relative to section 15-55-18 of the North Dakota Century Code, as amended, authorizing dormitory bond issues for junior colleges. This section provides:

DORMITORY BOND ISSUE FOR JUNIOR COLLEGES. The board of education of any school district having a junior college is hereby authorized and empowered to issue and sell tax exempt bonds for the purpose of constructing revenue-producing dormitories for its junior college students, the total principal amount of such bonds not to exceed \$1,000,000.00. The bonds authorized by this section shall be retired solely from revenues of the building and facilities constructed under the provisions of this section, and such bonds shall never become a general obligation of the school district, or the state of North Dakota."

It is the opinion of this office that section 15-55-18, quoted above, is explicit authority for the school district to issue bonds and build a dormitory for junior college students. It is our further opinion that no additional legislative authorization is necessary. The authorization contained in section 15-55-18 applies to each school district operating a junior college. It is no collective authorization.

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