324.11903 Contracts for acquisition, construction, financing, and operation of waste management project or for use of services of project; bids or proposals; negotiations; validity of contracts; pledge of full faith and credit; methods of paying pledged share of costs.

Sec. 11903. (1) A municipality may enter into a contract with a person or municipality, providing for the acquisition, construction, financing, and operation of a waste management project or for the use of the services of a project. Notwithstanding the requirements of its municipal charter or ordinances, the municipality, following the receipt from persons of bids or proposals for a contract referred to in this section, may negotiate with 1 or more persons who have submitted the bids or proposals, permit those persons to modify their bids or proposals, and enter into a contract with 1 or more of those persons on the basis of a bid or proposal as modified. A contract executed pursuant to this section, regardless of whether the bidding on the contract occurred before July 12, 1978, shall be valid and binding on the parties. The municipality is authorized, but is not required, to pledge its full faith and credit for the payment of the obligation in the manner and times specified in the contract.

(2) To pay its pledged share of the costs of a waste management project or to secure its contract for the use of project services, a contracting municipality may use or pledge 1 or more, or a combination, of the following methods of raising necessary funds:

(a) If the full faith and credit of the municipality is pledged, the levy of a tax on taxable property by a municipality having the power to tax, which tax may be imposed without limitation as to rate or amount and may be imposed in addition to other taxes that the municipality is authorized to levy, but for not more than a rate or amount that is sufficient to pay its share or secure its contract.

(b) The levy and collection of rates or charges to users and beneficiaries of the service furnished by the waste management project.

(c) From money received or to be received from the imposition of taxes by the state and returned to the municipality, unless the use of the money for that purpose is expressly prohibited by the state constitution of 1963.

(d) From any other funds which may be validly used for that purpose.