

RESOLUTION 59-~~13~~-2006
RESOLUTION BY PIPESTONE COUNTY
MANDATE REFORM RECOMMENDATIONS

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. §6.79 states, "A county, town, school district, or statutory or home rule charter city may file a written resolution with the state auditor objecting to a state mandate or making recommendations for reforming a state mandate;" and

WHEREAS, the State Auditor has encouraged local governments to consider submitting those state mandates, to list on her website, that they believe are in particular need of reform or repeal to help legislators identify them; and

WHEREAS, the Pipestone County Board supports actions which improve efficiency and increase effectiveness of state and local public services delivered to our joint constituents; and,

WHEREAS, the Pipestone County Board finds that it could provide better service for less tax dollars in some instances if certain state mandates were repealed; and

WHEREAS, the Pipestone County Board finds that listing and reforming mandates is only one tool to improving the state-county relationship and enhancing outcomes for citizens.

WHEREAS, the County Board has statutory authority and responsibility to set county budget, and

WHEREAS, Minn Statutes §384.151, §385.373, §386.015, §387.20 and §388.18 give (respectively) the County Auditor, County Treasurer, County Recorder, County Sheriff and County Attorney the authority to appeal their wages or budget to District Court, and

WHEREAS, these appeals occur after the board has duly set the levy and budget pursuant to public law, and

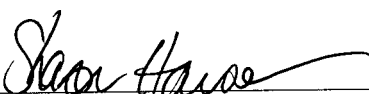
WHEREAS, the County Board accountability to taxpayers demands that the County Board have full control over county spending decisions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pipestone County Board of Commissioners recommends that the legislature rescind that portion of Minn Statutes §384.151, §385.373, §386.015, §387.20 and §388.18 authorizing authority to appeal their wages or budget to District Court.

Adopted this 28th day of February 2006.



Jerry L. Remund, Chair
Pipestone County Board of Commissioners

Attest: 

Sharon Hanson
Clerk of County Board/County Coordinator