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Statement from State Auditor Rebecca Otto

I want to thank the Supreme Court for considering the complex and difficult legal questions raised by this case.

In May the Minnesota Court of Appeals affirmed our stance that auditing counties is a core function of the Office of the State Auditor. The Court's action today affirms that there is still dispute over whether the county audit law enacted in 2015 is constitutional. I have maintained that the law is unconstitutional, and Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals Edward Cleary agreed in his dissent.

As I have said all along, I swore an oath to uphold the Minnesota Constitution and protect Minnesota taxpayers. I will continue to uphold that oath.