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## \*\*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\*\*

## State Auditor Otto Releases County Summary Budget Report for 2007/2008

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**ST. PAUL** (06/03/2008) – State Auditor Rebecca Otto released the County Summary Budget Report that presents 2007 (revised) and 2008 budget data for Minnesota counties. The data reflects unaudited budgeted revenues and expenditures reported by counties to the Office of the State Auditor as required by law. The 2007 budgets are the 2007 budgets adopted by county boards in November and December of 2006. The 2008 budgets are the 2008 budgets adopted by county boards in November and December of 2007.

The budget represents a plan, reported by the county, for the coming year. Rarely do actual revenues and expenditures match the amount budgeted. In addition, the reported data does not represent all county revenues and expenditures. Counties reported budget data only for funds for which an annual budget was adopted. Counties with funds where annual budgets were not adopted would have more revenues and expenditures than reported here. Also, the revenues and expenditures of county public service enterprises are not included.

## For the complete report, go to

http://www.auditor.state.mn.us/default.aspx?page=20080603.000.

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Rebecca Otto is Minnesota's 18<sup>th</sup> State Auditor. A high-resolution official photo is available for download at <a href="http://www.auditor.state.mn.us/images/otto\_hires.jpg">http://www.auditor.state.mn.us/images/otto\_hires.jpg</a>. To learn more about State Auditor Otto, see <a href="http://www.auditor.state.mn.us/default.aspx?page=bio">http://www.auditor.state.mn.us/default.aspx?page=bio</a>.