

(7) participate as a partner or sponsor of private sector initiatives that promote publicly disseminated applied research on health care delivery, outcomes, costs, quality, and management.

**Sec. 6. REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 1996, section 62J.042, is repealed.

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**CHAPTER 151—H.F.No. 423**

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**CHAPTER 152—H.F.No. 1936**

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**CHAPTER 153—S.F.No. 612**

*An act relating to local government; permitting the appointment of the Washington county recorder and auditor/treasurer; limiting the effect of a general law on the city of St. Paul.*

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:**

**Section 1. RECORDER, AUDITOR/TREASURER MAY BE APPOINTED.**

Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 382.01, upon adoption of a resolution by the Washington county board of commissioners, the offices of county recorder and county auditor/treasurer in the county are not elective but must be filled by appointment by the county board as provided in the resolution.

**Sec. 2. BOARD CONTROLS, MAY CHANGE, AS LONG AS DUTIES DONE.**

Upon adoption of a resolution by the Washington county board of commissioners and subject to sections 3 and 4, the duties of the elected officials required by statute whose offices are made appointive as authorized by this act must be discharged by the board of commissioners of Washington county acting through a department head or heads ap-

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pointed by the board for that purpose. A reorganization, reallocation, or delegation or other administrative change or transfer does not diminish, prohibit, or avoid the discharge of duties required by statute.

### **Sec. 3. INCUMBENTS TO COMPLETE TERMS.**

Persons elected at the November 1994 general election to the positions of recorder and auditor/treasurer shall serve in those capacities and perform the duties, functions, and responsibilities required by statute, until the completion of the term of office to which each was elected, or until a vacancy occurs in the office, whichever occurs earlier.

### **Sec. 4. PUBLISHING RESOLUTIONS, PETITION, REFERENDUM.**

The county board, before acting as permitted by section 2 and before making an appointment as permitted by section 1 or 2, but after adopting a resolution permitted by section 1 or 2, must publish the resolution once each week for two consecutive weeks in the official publication of the county. The resolution may be implemented without the submission of the question to the voters of the county, unless within 21 days after the second publication of the resolution, a petition requesting a referendum, signed by at least ten percent of the registered voters of the county, is filed with the county auditor/treasurer. If a petition is filed, the resolution may be implemented unless disapproved by a majority of the voters of the county, voting on the question at a regular or special election.

### **Sec. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Sections 1 to 4 take effect the day after the filing of a certificate of local approval by the Washington county board in compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

### **Sec. 6. CITY OF ST. PAUL; COUNCIL MEMBERS; TERM OF OFFICE.**

Nothing in the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 205.07, subdivision 1, nor any other law shall be construed to amend, modify, or affect the provisions of section 2.02 of the charter of the city of St. Paul.

### **Sec. 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Section 6 is effective only after its approval by a majority of the governing body of the city of St. Paul and upon compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021.

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