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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FIFTH SPECIAL SESSION

H. F. No. 25

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to local government; authorizing the Polk County Law Library to transfer
1.3 money in fiscal reserve to Polk County for technological improvements to county
1.4 courthouse; permitting addition of unorganized territory in Itasca County to Harris
1.5 Township, notwithstanding the petition requirement; amending Minnesota Statutes
1.6 2018, section 134A.17.

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

1.8 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 134A.17, is amended to read:

1.9 134A.17 TRANSFERS TO COUNTY.

1.10 Subdivision 1. Sherburne County. If the Sherburne County Law Library, through its
1.11 trustees, has a fiscal reserve that is projected to sustain its operations for a period of over
1.12 five years, the Sherburne County Law Library may transfer up to half of the money in its
1.13 fiscal reserve, but not to exceed \$200,000, to Sherburne County to defray costs of
1.14 constructing a new building to house the law library and courts.

1.15 Subd. 2. Polk County. If at any time the Polk County Law Library, through its trustees,
1.16 has a fiscal reserve that is projected to sustain its operations for a period of over five years,
1.17 the Polk County Law Library may transfer up to half of the money in its fiscal reserve, but
1.18 not to exceed \$150,000 to Polk County to defray costs of technological improvements to
1.19 the Polk County Courthouse.

1.20 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective retroactively from August 1, 2020.

2.1 Sec. 2. HARRIS TOWNSHIP, ITASCA COUNTY.

2.2 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 379.02, if the Itasca Board of County
2.3 Commissioners determines that there are not 20 or more legal voters residing in the territory
2.4 described in paragraph (b), the county board may by resolution add the unorganized territory
2.5 described in paragraph (b) to Harris Township upon the request of the township board of
2.6 supervisors in a resolution adopted by the township board of supervisors.

2.7 (b) The legal description of the unorganized territory to be added to Harris Township
2.8 in Itasca County is Government Lot 1, Section 12, Township 54 North, Range 26 West of
2.9 the Fourth Principal Meridian.

2.10 EFFECTIVE DATE; LOCAL APPROVAL. This section is effective the day after
2.11 both the Itasca Board of County Commissioners and Harris Township Board of Supervisors
2.12 in Itasca County and the chief clerical officers comply with Minnesota Statutes, section
2.13 645.021.