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STATE OF MINNESOTA

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DATE	D-PG	OFFICIAL STATUS
03/12/2014	6162	Introduction and first reading Referred to Rules and Administration

1.1

A bill for an act

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relating to elections; requiring any Web site established for elections or voting

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purposes be accessible to persons with disabilities; proposing coding for new

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law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 200.

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

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Section 1. **[200.40] ACCESSIBLE WEB SITES REQUIRED.**

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Any publicly accessible Web site created and maintained by the secretary of state

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for voting or elections purposes must conform to the requirements of section 508 of

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the Rehabilitation Act, United States Code, title 29, section 794d, and Title II of the

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Americans with Disabilities Act, United States Code, title 42, sections 12131 to 12165,

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to ensure equal access to voters with disabilities. Access experts shall be included in the

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development of any new Web site prior to its establishment and the accessibility of all

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existing Web sites must be verified and certified accessible by an independent body with

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expertise in accessibility issues no later than January 1, 2015.

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EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.