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DATE	D-PG	OFFICIAL STATUS
01/22/2019	128	Introduction and first reading Referred to State Government Finance and Policy and Elections
02/21/2019	461a	Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to Local Government
03/07/2019	654	Comm report: To pass
	683	Second reading
05/02/2019	4208a	Special Order: Amended
	4209	Third reading Passed
05/15/2019	4295	Returned from House with amendment
	4296	Senate not concur, conference committee of 3 requested
05/18/2019	4359	Senate conferees Howe; Kiffmeyer; Laine
05/20/2019		House conferees Masin; Bahner; Vogel

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to state government; requiring involvement in user acceptance testing

1.3 from local units of governments impacted by new information technology business

1.4 software; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, sections 168.33, by adding a

1.5 subdivision; 171.061, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in

1.6 Minnesota Statutes, chapter 15.

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

1.8 Section 1. **[15.996] LOCAL GOVERNMENT USER ACCEPTANCE TESTING.**

1.9 Subdivision 1. **Applicability.** "Agency" as used in this section means any state officer,

1.10 employee, board, commission, authority, department, entity, or organization of the executive

1.11 branch of state government, including the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities.

1.12 Subd. 2. **User acceptance testing.** (a) An agency implementing a new information

1.13 technology business software application or new business software application functionality

1.14 that significantly impacts the operations of local units of government or agents of, or

1.15 contractors working on behalf of, local units of government must provide opportunities for

1.16 local government representative involvement in user acceptance testing, unless the testing

1.17 is deemed not feasible or necessary by the relevant agency commissioner, in consultation

1.18 with representatives of local units of government and the chief information officer.

1.19 (b) The requirements in paragraph (a) only apply to new software applications and new

1.20 software application functionality where local units of government or agents of, or contractors

1.21 working on behalf of, local units of government will be primary users, as determined by

1.22 the relevant agency head in consultation with representatives of local units of government

1.23 and the chief information officer. The requirements in paragraph (a) do not apply to routine

2.1 software upgrades or application changes that are primarily intended to comply with federal
2.2 law, rules, or regulations.

2.3 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 168.33, is amended by adding a subdivision to
2.4 read:

2.5 Subd. 7a. **User acceptance testing.** (a) An agency implementing a new information
2.6 technology business software application or new business software application functionality
2.7 that significantly impacts the operations of deputy registrars must provide opportunities for
2.8 deputy registrars to be involved in user acceptance testing, unless the testing is deemed not
2.9 feasible or necessary by the relevant agency commissioner, in consultation with
2.10 representatives of deputy registrars and the chief information officer.

2.11 (b) The requirements in paragraph (a) only apply to new software applications and new
2.12 software application functionality where deputy registrars will be primary users, as
2.13 determined by the relevant agency head in consultation with representatives of deputy
2.14 registrars and the chief information officer. The requirements in paragraph (a) do not apply
2.15 to routine software upgrades or application changes that are primarily intended to comply
2.16 with federal law, rules, or regulations.

2.17 (c) For purposes of this subdivision, "agency" means any state officer, employee, board,
2.18 commission, authority, department, entity, or organization of the executive branch of state
2.19 government, including the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities.

2.20 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 171.061, is amended by adding a subdivision to
2.21 read:

2.22 Subd. 7. **User acceptance testing.** (a) An agency implementing a new information
2.23 technology business software application or new business software application functionality
2.24 that significantly impacts the operations of driver's license agents must provide opportunities
2.25 for driver's license agents to be involved in user acceptance testing, unless the testing is
2.26 deemed not feasible or necessary by the relevant agency commissioner, in consultation with
2.27 representatives of driver's license agents and the chief information officer.

2.28 (b) The requirements in paragraph (a) only apply to new software applications and new
2.29 software application functionality where driver's license agents will be primary users, as
2.30 determined by the relevant agency head in consultation with representatives of driver's
2.31 license agents and the chief information officer. The requirements in paragraph (a) do not
2.32 apply to routine software upgrades or application changes that are primarily intended to
2.33 comply with federal law, rules, or regulations.

- 3.1 (c) For purposes of this subdivision, "agency" means any state officer, employee, board,
3.2 commission, authority, department, entity, or organization of the executive branch of state
3.3 government, including the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities.