

jurisdiction in any municipality where a municipal housing and redevelopment authority is established.

Subd. 2. A municipal housing and redevelopment authority may request the Scott county housing and redevelopment authority to handle the housing duties of the authority and, in such an event, the Scott county housing and redevelopment authority shall act and have exclusive jurisdiction for housing in the municipality pursuant to the provisions of the municipal housing and redevelopment act, Minnesota Statutes, Sections 462.411 to 462.711, and acts amendatory thereof. A transfer of duties relating to housing shall not transfer any duties relating to redevelopment.

Sec. 3. **MUNICIPAL APPROVAL.** If any housing or redevelopment project is undertaken in Scott county pursuant to this authorization, and such project is within the boundaries of any incorporated village, city or township, the location of such project shall be approved by the governing body of such village, city or township.

Sec. 4. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This act takes effect when approved by a majority of the board of county commissioners of Scott county and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved April 11, 1974.

CHAPTER 474—H.F.No.1047
[Coded]

An act relating to standards of weight and measure; providing for the gradual implementation and instruction concerning the metric system of weights and measures.

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

Section 1. **[239.001] WEIGHTS AND MEASURES; METRIC IMPLEMENTATION STANDARDS; CITATION.** Sections 1 to 3 may be cited as the "metric implementation and standards act".

Sec. 2. **[239.002] PURPOSE AND POLICY.** In recognition of the facts that (1) only about one dozen countries in the world have not yet adopted or begun to implement the metric system of weights and measures; (2) the United States is one, and the only major industrialized nation, of that remaining number; (3) the secretary of commerce of the United States, pursuant to a two-year study under the Metric Study Act of 1968, has recommended that the United States now begin a deliberate change to the metric system; (4) economists and other students of international trade recognize the pressing necessity of such a change if this country is to maintain and improve her rightful place in

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the world trade community; and (5) as the continued economic growth of this state and its local industry is inextricably linked with the ability of the United States to hold and competitively serve foreign export markets, it is, therefore, declared to be in the best interest of the state of Minnesota and her citizens that this state now begin the gradual but deliberate implementation of the metric system of weights and measures.

Sec. 3. [239.003] IMPLEMENTATION; COMMISSIONER OF ADMINISTRATION. The commissioner of administration shall have general supervisory authority over the implementation of the metric system in the State of Minnesota. The commissioner of administration shall promulgate such rules and regulations as may be necessary to plan for the gradual implementation in the commerce of this state the metric system of weights and measures. The rules and regulations promulgated by the commissioner of administration pursuant to this subdivision shall:

(1) Provide for the full conversion of the commerce of this state to the metric system when this system has been fully adopted as national standards by the Congress of the United States; and

(2) Insure that all state departments, divisions, agencies, boards and commissions having any authority and/or responsibility in matters concerning standards of weights and measurement in this state shall forthwith initiate planning for the gradual conversion to and implementation of the metric system of weights and measures in this state.

Sec. 4. [239.004] CONSULTATION WITH COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION. The commissioner of education shall in consultation with the commissioner of administration develop and implement a plan of public education on the metric system of weights and measures. The commissioner of education shall implement the plan.

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CHAPTER 475—H.F.No.1075
[Not Coded]

An act relating to local government in Washington county and the town of Forest Lake; creating a housing and redevelopment authority in Washington county; applying the provisions of the municipal housing and redevelopment act in Washington county; exempting the town of Forest Lake from limitation on tax levies for fire protection.

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

Section 1. WASHINGTON COUNTY; HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT

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