

CHAPTER 394—S.F.No. 2522

An act relating to Wadena county; permitting the consolidation of the offices of auditor and treasurer.

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

Section 1. **CONSOLIDATION OF OFFICES.**

Upon adoption of a resolution by the Wadena county board of commissioners, the offices of auditor and treasurer shall be consolidated. The title of the consolidated office shall be "auditor-treasurer." All the duties, functions, and responsibilities required by law to be performed by the county auditor and county treasurer shall be vested in and performed by the auditor-treasurer.

Sec. 2. **SCHEDULE.**

Persons elected at the November 1990 general election to the Wadena county positions of auditor and 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. 3. **REFERENDUM.**

The Wadena county board, after adopting a resolution permitted by section 1, shall 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. If a petition is filed, the resolution may not be implemented until approved by a majority of the voters voting on the question at a regular or special election.

Sec. 4. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This act takes effect the day after the filing of a certificate of local approval by the Wadena county board in compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

Presented to the governor April 5, 1994

Signed by the governor April 7, 1994, 11:23 a.m.

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