## Sec. 42. REPEALER.

(b) Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 268.086, subdivision 4, is repealed.

(c) Laws 1997, chapter 66, section 64, subdivision 1, is repealed.

Sec. 43. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Sections 1 to 33, 35 to 40, and 42 are effective July 1, 2005. Section 41 is effective the day following final enactment.

Presented to the governor May 24, 2005

Signed by the governor May 26, 2005, 9:10 p.m.

## CHAPTER 113-S.F.No. 370

An act relating to elections; increasing news media access to polling places; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 204C.06, subdivision 8.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 204C.06, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. ACCESS FOR NEWS MEDIA. The county auditor or municipal or school district clerk, or their designee, may, by written authorization, permit A news media representatives to representative may enter a polling places for up to 15 minutes place during voting hours only to observe the voting process. A media representative must obtain prior authorization and present photo identification to the head election judge upon arrival at the polling place and, along with either a recognized media credential or written statement from a local election official attesting to the media representative's credentials. A media representative must not otherwise:

(1) approach within six feet of an election judge or a voter;

(2) converse with a voter while in the polling place;

(3) make a list of persons voting or not voting; or

(4) interview a voter within the polling place interfere with the voting process.

## Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This act is effective the day following final enactment.

Presented to the governor May 24, 2005

Signed by the governor May 27, 2005, 3:50 p.m.

New language is indicated by underline, deletions by strikeout.