

Resolution 78 - 01/03/06

WHEREAS Minnesota Statute §6.79 allows local governments to submit to the State Auditor proposed changes to state mandates, and

WHEREAS the State Auditor has encouraged local units governments to take this opportunity to suggest improvements, and

WHEREAS the Kanabec County Board of Commissioners supports actions which could lower costs, improve services to the public and make expenditures more accountable, and

WHEREAS county board proceedings and financial information are required to be published by statute, including §375.12, 375.17 and 375.169, and

WHEREAS there is a substantial cost to taxpayers involved in such publication, and

WHEREAS the statutory requirement to publish in a legal newspaper is archaic and sometimes the most expensive, least efficient means of public dissemination of information, and

WHEREAS use of county websites could reach more users at little cost, and

WHEREAS use of 'Shopper' type papers could reach more users and create competitive bidding for the official publication place;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Kanabec County Board of Commissioners supports relaxation of state mandates for official publications in favor of other media.

It was moved by Stan Cooper, seconded by Jerry Nelson, and carried unanimously to approve the following resolution: