

SUBJECT: automatic dialing devices

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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 of government 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 the use of computerized telephone messages, known as an automatic dialing devices ("ADAD"), is generally prohibited to residences by Federal law, and

WHEREAS this prohibition prudently prohibits such calls to emergency lines, doctor's offices and hospitals, and

WHEREAS ADAD calls are currently legal to places of business, including units of government, and

WHEREAS non-business-related mass marketing calls are not an appropriate use of public sector resources or worker time, and

WHEREAS the experience of Kanabec County is that ADAD callers are not receptive to removing blocks of numbers from their call list, and

BE IT RESOLVED that the Kanabec County Board of Commissioners supports legislative action to supplement Federal law and ban the use of ADAD calls to units of government in Minnesota.