

RESOLUTION 59-142006
RESOLUTION BY PIPESTONE COUNTY
MANDATE REFORM RECOMMENDATIONS

WHEREAS, Minnesota Stat. §6.79 states, "A county, town, school district, or statutory or home rule charter city may file a written resolution with the state auditor objecting to a state mandate or making recommendations for reforming a state mandate;" and

WHEREAS, the State Auditor has encouraged local governments to consider submitting those state mandates, to list on her website, that they believe are in particular need of reform or repeal to help legislators identify them; and

WHEREAS, the Pipestone County Board supports actions which improve efficiency and increase effectiveness of state and local public services delivered to our joint constituents; and,

WHEREAS, the Pipestone County Board finds that it could provide better service for less tax dollars in some instances if certain state mandates were repealed and other shared and underfunded programs were more fully funded by our state partners; and

WHEREAS, the Pipestone County Board finds that listing and reforming mandates is only one tool to improving the state-county relationship and enhancing outcomes for citizens.

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute §609.105 directs that certain felons in the care of the State of Minnesota be housed in county jails, and

WHEREAS, the county jails are reimbursed for a small fraction of the actual direct cost of care, and

WHEREAS, §609.105 is a direct shift of costs from the state to the counties to enable the state to evade its own responsibilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pipestone County Board of Commissioners recommends that the legislature rescind Minn. Statutes §609.105.

Adopted this 28th day of February 2006.



Jerry L. Remund, Chair
Pipestone County Board of Commissioners

Attest: 

Sharon Hanson
Clerk of County Board/County Coordinator