

RESOLUTION 59-J-2006  
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Board finds that it could provide better service for less tax dollars in some instances if certain state mandates were repealed and other shared and underfunded programs were more fully funded by our state partners; and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 §260B.130 considers that a child alleged to have committed a felony offense is an extended jurisdiction juvenile (EJJ) prosecution; and

WHEREAS, the EJJ program keeps serious offenders out of adult system and within juvenile system until age 21; and

WHEREAS, §260B.130 diversion to the juvenile system imposes substantial out of home placement costs on counties; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pipestone County Board of Commissioners recommends that the legislature fully fund the EJJ program, redefine the definition of a juvenile or rescind Minn. Statutes §260B.130.

Adopted this 28th day of February 2006.

  
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Jerry L. Remund, Chair  
Pipestone County Board of Commissioners

Attest:   
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Sharon Hanson  
Clerk of County Board/County Coordinator