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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Civil Justice

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to eminent domain; amending provisions concerning reestablishment  
1.3 costs limit; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 117.51; 117.52,  
1.4 subdivision 1a.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 117.51, is amended to read:

1.7 **117.51 COOPERATION WITH FEDERAL AUTHORITIES;**  
1.8 **REESTABLISHMENT COSTS LIMIT.**

1.9 Subdivision 1. Cooperation with federal authorities. In all acquisitions  
1.10 undertaken by any acquiring authority and in all voluntary rehabilitation carried out by a  
1.11 person pursuant to acquisition or as a consequence thereof, the acquiring authority shall  
1.12 cooperate to the fullest extent with federal departments and agencies, and it shall take all  
1.13 necessary action in order to insure, to the maximum extent possible, federal financial  
1.14 participation in any and all phases of acquisition, including the provision of relocation  
1.15 assistance, services, payments and benefits to displaced persons.

1.16 Subd. 2. Reestablishment costs limit. For purposes of relocation benefits paid  
1.17 by the acquiring authority in accordance with this section, the provisions of Code of  
1.18 Federal Regulations, title 49, part 24, with respect to reimbursement of reestablishment  
1.19 expenses for nonresidential moves are applicable, except that the acquiring authority shall  
1.20 reimburse the displaced business for eligible expenses up to a maximum of \$50,000.

1.21 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective retroactively from January 16, 2007.

1.22 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 117.52, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

2.1           Subd. 1a. **Reestablishment costs limit.** For purposes of relocation benefits paid  
2.2 by the acquiring authority in accordance with this section, the provisions of Code of  
2.3 Federal Regulations, title 49, ~~section 24.304~~ part 24, with respect to reimbursement  
2.4 of reestablishment expenses for nonresidential moves are applicable, except that the  
2.5 acquiring authority shall reimburse the displaced business for eligible expenses ~~actually~~  
2.6 ~~incurred~~ up to a maximum of \$50,000.

2.7           **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively from January 16, 2007.