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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Local Government and Metropolitan Affairs

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to local government; prohibiting unfunded mandates; proposing coding
1.3 for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 471.

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

1.5 Section 1. [471.3815] MORATORIUM ON UNFUNDED MANDATES ON
1.6 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.

1.7 Subdivision 1. Definitions. For the purposes of this section, the following terms
1.8 have the meanings given them:

1.9 (1) "local government" means a statutory or home rule charter city, county, town, or
1.10 school district; and

1.11 (2) "unfunded mandate" means a provision in state law that requires a local
1.12 government to provide a program, service, or capital investment for which the state has
1.13 not appropriated money.

1.14 Subd. 2. Moratorium. An unfunded mandate enacted on or after the effective
1.15 date of this section does not take effect until the state appropriates money to pay for the
1.16 mandate.

1.17 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.