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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations Reform,
Technology and Elections

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to local government; changing out-of-state travel policy requirements;
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 471.661.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 471.661, is amended to read:

1.6 **471.661 OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL.**

1.7 ~~By January 1, 2006,~~ The governing body of each statutory or home rule charter city,
1.8 county, school district, regional agency, or other political subdivision, except a town, must
1.9 develop a policy that controls travel outside the state of Minnesota for the applicable
1.10 elected officials of the relevant unit of government. The policy must be approved by a
1.11 recorded vote and specify:

1.12 (1) when travel outside the state is appropriate;

1.13 (2) applicable expense limits; and

1.14 (3) procedures for approval of the travel.

1.15 The policy must be made available for public inspection upon request ~~and reviewed~~
1.16 ~~annually~~. Subsequent changes to the policy must be approved by a recorded vote.