CHAPTER 359—S.F.No. 956

An act relating to waste management; requiring a county that enters a contract with the state for the siting and development of a stabilization and containment facility to hold a binding referendum on implementation of the contract; amending Minnesota Statutes 1988, section 115A.191, by adding a subdivision.

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

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1988, section 115A.191, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- Subd. 6. REFERENDUM CONTRACT. (a) REQUIREMENT. If a county board enters into negotiations for a contract, makes a binding offer to enter a contract, or enters a contract under this section, the county board shall submit the question of whether to proceed with the contract to a vote of the eligible voters of the county at the general election to be held on November 6, 1990. The election may be held before a final determination has been made on the acceptability of a site in the county.
- (b) ELECTION PROCEDURE. The election shall be held in the manner provided for a state general election under Minnesota election law as far as practicable. The question on the ballot shall be "Shall the county proceed with the terms and conditions of its contract with the state of Minnesota for siting and operating a hazardous waste stabilization and containment facility in the county?" The question is approved if a majority of those voting on the question vote "Yes." The result of the election shall be certified to the county board of commissioners and is binding upon the county and the state as set forth in paragraph (c).
- (c) EFFECT OF REFERENDUM. If the question is approved, the county and the state may proceed to implement the terms and conditions of the binding offer or of the contract. If the question is not approved, the stabilization and containment facility authorized under Minnesota Statutes, sections 115A.175 to 115A.194, shall not be located in the county.

Presented to the governor March 22, 1990

Signed by the governor March 23, 1990, 3:30 p.m.

CHAPTER 360—H.F.No. 1895

An act relating to courts; providing an alternative dispute resolution pilot project in the second judicial district; amending Minnesota Statutes 1989 Supplement, section 484.74, subdivision 4.

New language is indicated by underline, deletions by strikeout.