

CHAPTER 176--S.F.No. 1732

An act relating to elections; extending the deadline to purchase voting equipment with Help America Vote Act grants; amending Laws 2010, chapter 379, section 4, subdivisions 2, 4.

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

Section 1. Laws 2010, chapter 379, section 4, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Grant application.** To receive a grant under this section, a county must apply to the secretary of state on forms prescribed by the secretary of state that set forth how the grant money will be spent. Applications for grants under this section must be submitted to the secretary of state by December 1, 2010, and be for purchases made before March 31, ~~2014~~ 2016.

Sec. 2. Laws 2010, chapter 379, section 4, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Report.** Each county receiving a grant under this section must include the expenditures it has made on the appropriate Help America Vote Act reports submitted to the secretary of state. If a county does not use the money it has received under this section by June 15, ~~2014~~ 2016, it must return the unused money to the secretary of state by June 30, ~~2014~~ 2016. In addition to the report required by this section, each county receiving a grant under this act must maintain financial records for each grant sufficient to satisfy federal audit standards and must transmit those records to the secretary of state upon request of the secretary of state.

Sec. 3. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Sections 1 and 2 are effective the day following final enactment.

Presented to the governor April 28, 2014

Signed by the governor April 29, 2014, 10:26 a.m.