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Introduction and first reading
Referred to State and Local Government and Veterans

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to local government; creating the Ramsey County Economic Development
1.3 Authority; expanding the powers of the Ramsey County Housing and
1.4 Redevelopment Authority to include Ramsey County Economic Development
1.5 Authority powers; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter
1.6 383A.

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

1.8 Section 1. **[383A.151] RAMSEY COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**
1.9 **AUTHORITY.**

1.10 Subdivision 1. **Creation.** (a) There is created in the county of Ramsey a public body,
1.11 corporate and politic, known as the Ramsey County Economic Development Authority,
1.12 that has the powers contained in sections 469.090 to 469.108, the powers of a housing and
1.13 redevelopment authority under sections 469.001 to 469.047, and the powers of a city under
1.14 sections 469.124 to 469.133. For the purposes of applying chapter 469 to the county of
1.15 Ramsey, the county has all the powers and duties of a city, the county board has all the
1.16 powers and duties of a governing body, the chair of the county has all the powers and duties
1.17 of a mayor, and, with respect to the exercise of the powers under section 469.008, the area
1.18 of operation includes the area within the territorial boundaries of the county.

1.19 (b) Section 469.1082 does not apply to the county of Ramsey.

1.20 Subd. 2. **Commissioners.** Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 469 or other law
1.21 to the contrary, the Ramsey County Economic Development Authority consists of seven
1.22 commissioners. The county board shall appoint the commissioners and shall fill vacancies
1.23 in the office of any commissioner. Pursuant to Ramsey County Resolution No. 94-357,
1.24 dated July 26, 1994, the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners also constitutes the

2.1 Ramsey County Housing and Redevelopment Authority. The board may, by resolution,
2.2 appoint the sitting commissioners of the Ramsey County Housing and Redevelopment
2.3 Authority as commissioners of the Ramsey County Economic Development Authority, the
2.4 terms of each commissioner corresponding accordingly.

2.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day after the governing body of
2.6 Ramsey County and its chief clerical officer timely complete their compliance with Minnesota
2.7 Statutes, section 645.021, subdivisions 2 and 3.

2.8 Sec. 2. **[383A.152] RAMSEY COUNTY HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT**
2.9 **AUTHORITY; ADDITIONAL POWERS.**

2.10 The Ramsey County Housing and Redevelopment Authority, established pursuant to
2.11 Ramsey County Resolution No. 93-155, dated March 9, 1993, shall have the powers and
2.12 duties of the Ramsey County Economic Development Authority under section 383A.151
2.13 and shall retain all the powers of a housing and redevelopment authority under sections
2.14 469.001 to 469.047. For the purposes of applying chapter 469 to the county of Ramsey, the
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