

Aitkin County Board of Commissioners  
Request for County Board Action/Agenda Item Cover Sheet



To: Chairperson, Aitkin County Board of Commissioners Date: 3-5-2013

Via: Patrick Wussow, County Administrator

From: Kathy Brophy, Aitkin City Clerk

Title of Item:

Resolution in Support of the Repeal of the Taconite Tax Relief Area Fiscal Disparities Act

Requested Meeting Date: 3-12-2013 Estimated Presentation Time: 15 minutes

Presenter: Kathy Brophy

**Type of Action Requested** (check all that apply)

- For info only, no action requested
- For discussion only with possible future action
- Let/Award Bid or Quote (attach copy of basic bid/quote specs or summary of complex specs, each bid/quote received & bid/quote comparison)
- Approve/adopt proposal by motion
- Authorize filling vacant staff position
- Request to schedule public hearing or sale
- Request by member of the public to be heard
- Item should be addressed in closed session under MN Statute \_\_\_\_\_
- Approve under Routine Business
- Adopt Ordinance Revision
- Approve/adopt proposal by resolution (attach draft resolution)
- Other (please list) \_\_\_\_\_

**Fiscal Impact** (check all that apply)

- Is this item in the current approved budget?  N/A  No (attach explanation)
- What type of expenditure is this?  Operating  Other (attach explanation)
- Revenue line account # that funds this item is: \_\_\_\_\_
- Expenditure line account # for this item is: \_\_\_\_\_

**Staffing Impact** (Any yes answer requires a review by Human Resources Manager before going to the board)

- Duties of a department employee(s) may be materially affected.  Yes  No
- Applicable job description(s) may require revision.  Yes  No
- Item may impact a bargaining unit agreement or county work policy.  Yes  No
- Item may change the department's authorized staffing level.  Yes  No



**Supporting Attachment(s)**

- Memorandum Summary of Item
- Copy of applicable county policy and/or ordinance (excerpts acceptable)
- Copy of applicable state/federal statute/regulation (excerpts acceptable)
- Copy of applicable contract and/or agreement
- Original bid spec or quote request (excluding complex construction projects)
- Bids/quotes received (excluding complex construction projects, provide comparison worksheet)
- Bid/quote comparison worksheet
- Draft County Board resolution
- Plat approval check-list and supporting documents
- Copy of previous minutes related to this issue
- Other supporting document(s) (please list) \_\_\_\_\_

**Provide eleven (11) copies of supporting documentation NO LATER THAN Wednesday at 8:00am to make the Board's agenda for the following Tuesday. Items WILL NOT be placed on the Board agenda unless complete documentation is provided for mailing in the Board packets. (see reverse side for details)**

CERTIFIED COPY OF RESOLUTION OF COUNTY BOARD OF AITKIN COUNTY, MINNESOTA

ADOPTED March 12, 2013

By Commissioner: xx

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**Taconite Tax Relief Area Fiscal Disparities Act**

**WHEREAS**, the Minnesota Legislature enacted the Taconite Tax Relief Area (TTRA) Fiscal Disparities Act (FDA) in 1996 without public hearings that calls for the sharing of local property taxes throughout the TTRA; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2012 area wide fiscal disparities tax rate was approximately 1.40 compared to Aitkin County's total tax rate of 38.896; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2013 the cities and townships of Aitkin County will lose approximately \$300,000 in local tax revenue; and

**WHEREAS**, from the years 2010 through 2013, the total loss in local tax revenue for the cities and townships of Aitkin County is \$930,000 due to Fiscal Disparities.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Aitkin County Board supports and recommends to the State of Minnesota legislature the repeal of the Taconite Tax Relief Area Fiscal Disparities Act.

Commissioner xx moved the adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote

FIVE MEMBERS PRESENT

All Members Voting Yes

STATE OF MINNESOTA)  
County of Aitkin ) ss.  
Office of County Auditor,)

I, Kirk Peysar, Auditor, of the County of Aitkin, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution filed in my office on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of March A.D., 2013, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the whole thereof.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE at Aitkin, Minnesota, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March A.D., 2013

KIRK PEYSAR, County Auditor

BY \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy