

**Property Tax
Watershed District Levies**

February 23, 2001

	Yes	No
Separate Official Fiscal Note Requested		X
Fiscal Impact		
DOR Administrative Costs/Savings		X

Department of Revenue
Analysis of H.F. 820 (Erhardt)

	Revenue Gain or (Loss)		
	<u>F.Y. 2002</u>	<u>F.Y. 2003</u>	<u>F.Y. 2004</u>
		(000's)	
General Fund		\$0	\$0

Effective August 1, 2001.

EXPLANATION OF THE BILL

Current Law: Watershed districts may levy up to 0.02418 percent of taxable market value, or \$125,000, whichever is less, for administrative purposes.

Proposed Law: Watershed districts may levy more than the current law limitation to the extent that enforcement costs cause expenses to exceed the limitation.

REVENUE ANALYSIS DETAIL

- The proposal grants watershed districts additional levy authority. If a district uses the additional levy authority, the additional levy will affect all taxpayers in the district, including homesteads, but the effect on state payment of homeowner property tax refunds, if any, is likely to be small.

Number of Taxpayers Affected: If the additional levy authority is used by a watershed district, all taxpayers in the district will be affected by the levy increase.

ADMINISTRATIVE/OPERATIONAL IMPACT

There will be no significant administrative or operational costs or savings to DOR in administration of this bill.

Source: Minnesota Department of Revenue
Tax Research Division
<http://www.taxes.state.mn.us/polic.html#analyses>