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PROPERTY TAX Metropolitan Council Wastewater Services

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

April 24, 2003

Department of Revenue Analysis of S.F. 829 (Dibble) 1st Engrossment

		Revenue Gain or (Loss)				
	F.Y. 2004	F.Y. 2005	F.Y. 2006	F.Y. 2007		
		(000's)				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		

Effective the day following its final enactment.

EXPLANATION OF THE BILL

Current Law: The estimated costs of operation, maintenance, and debt service of the metropolitan disposal system are allocated among and paid by all local government units in the metropolitan area which discharge sewage, directly or indirectly, into the metropolitan disposal system.

Proposed Law: The proposal would allow the Metropolitan Council to directly impose on all or any category of industrial dischargers all or any portion of the costs that would otherwise be allocated and paid by local government units. Any amounts imposed on industrial users of wastewater services must be deducted from the amounts to be paid by the local government units. Charges imposed under this proposal would be in addition to any other charges imposed on industrial dischargers by a local government unit.

The proposal also eliminates 1) the Metropolitan Parks and Open Space Commission, 2) a consolidated regional agency financial report, and 3) an obsolete requirement for metropolitan school districts to submit capital improvement plans to the Metropolitan Council.

REVENUE ANALYSIS DETAIL

• The Metropolitan Council currently has a joint powers agreement with each metropolitan city that provides the council the authority to collect charges from industrial users discharging wastewater into public sewers. Therefore, the proposal would have no change from the current costs to local governments.

Number of Taxpayers Affected: None.

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

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