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PROPERTY TAX
Green Acres; Appeals of Denial

February 14, 2011

	Yes	No
DOR Administrative Cost/Savings		x

Department of Revenue
Analysis of S.F. 0154 (Vandeveer) as introduced

	Fund Impact			
	FY2012	**FY2013**	**FY2014**	**FY2015**
	(000's)			
General Fund	$0	$0	$0	$0

Effective for appeals denied after June 30, 2011.

EXPLANATION OF THE BILL

The bill allows applicants who have been denied green acres valuation under MS. 273.111 by their assessor to appeal the decision to the local board of appeal and equalization.

REVENUE ANALYSIS DETAIL

The bill would allow a few more applications for green acres deferral to be granted. Additional property receiving deferrals would decrease the jurisdiction's net tax capacity, thereby driving up the local tax rate. Taxes would shift onto other property types, including homesteads. Property tax refunds would increase in the future as a result of higher homestead property taxes.

Number of Taxpayers: All owners of property in jurisdictions with successful appeals would be affected.

Source: Minnesota Department of Revenue
Property Tax Division - Research Unit
http://www.taxes.state.mn.us/legal_policy

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PROPERTY TAX BENCHMARKS **(Minn. Stat. § 270C.991)**

Transparency, Understandability, Simplicity & Accountability	Neutral	
Efficiency & Compliance	Decrease	New local board of appeals responsibility.
Equity (Vertical & Horizontal)	Decrease	Local boards may rule differently across counties or time.
Stability & Predictability	Neutral	
Competitiveness for Businesses	Neutral	
Responsiveness to Economic Conditions	Neutral	

The bill is scored on a three point scale (decrease, neutral, increase) for each principle in comparison to current law.