# MINNESOTA · REVENUE

#### PROPERTY TAX

#### **Township Market Value Homestead Credit Reimbursement Elimination**

March 21, 2011

## Property Taxes and Local Aids Only --See Separate Analysis for State Taxes

	Yes	No
DOR Administrative Cost/Savings		X

Department of Revenue Analysis of S.F. 0957 (Rest) as introduced (Section 1)

	Fund Impact			
	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	FY2015
	(000's)			
Township Credit Reimbursement Reduction	\$10,150	\$10,290	\$10,420	\$10,750
PTR Interaction from Levy Changes	\$0	(\$430)	(\$220)	(\$220)
Income Tax Interaction from Levy Changes	\$0	(\$430)	(\$230)	(\$230)
Total General Fund	\$10,150	\$9,430	\$9,970	\$10,300

Effective August 1, 2011

#### **EXPLANATION OF THE BILL**

Under current law, market value credit reimbursements to townships are reduced by the amount of their 2010 reduction.

The bill would eliminate the remaining market value credit reimbursement to townships.

## **REVENUE ANALYSIS DETAIL**

- The proposal would first impact township credit reimbursements payable in CY 2011.
- Current law permanent reimbursement reductions total approximately \$5 million annually. The proposal would eliminate the remaining reimbursements totaling about \$10 million annually.
- It is assumed that townships receiving a reimbursement reduction would increase property tax levies for a portion of the reduction. This would increase property taxes on all property including homesteads.
- The increased property tax burden would increased state-paid homeowner property tax refunds and income tax deductions beginning in FY 2013.

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,* Decrease Additional reductions outside of current formula calculations. *Simplicity & Accountability* 

Efficiency & Compliance	Neutral	
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Equity (Vertical & Horizontal)	Neutral	
Stability & Predictability	Neutral	Short term instability with mid-year reduction.
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.