

**PROPERTY TAX  
County Levy for Certain  
Assessment Services**

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Department of Revenue

Analysis of H.F. 2968 (Coulter) / S.F. 3345 (Johnson Stewart) as introduced

	Yes	No
DOR Administrative Costs/Savings		X

**Fund Impact**

	<u>F.Y. 2026</u>	<u>F.Y. 2027</u>	<u>F.Y. 2028</u>	<u>F.Y. 2029</u>
	(000's)			
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Effective beginning with assessment year 2026.

**EXPLANATION OF THE BILL**

Under current law, Minnesota Statutes 273.061 subdivision 8 defines 16 powers and duties of county assessing offices. For first class cities, cities retain all 16 powers and duties and counties have none. For all other cities with populations over 30,000, cities retain powers and duties 5-16 and counties have powers and duties 1-4.

The proposal would prevent a county from levying for assessment services 5-16 for cities that have an assessing office and are located in a county with a first class city and a population over 400,000.

**REVENUE ANALYSIS DETAIL**

- Under the proposal it is assumed that a county would determine alternatives for assessment services billing rather than spreading the costs as part of the county wide levy.
- It is assumed there would be no impact to state funds as any change in levies for assessment services among local governments would be revenue neutral.

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

<i>Transparency, Understandability, Simplicity &amp; Accountability</i>	Neutral
<i>Efficiency &amp; Compliance</i>	Neutral
<i>Equity (Vertical &amp; Horizontal)</i>	Neutral
<i>Stability &amp; Predictability</i>	Neutral
<i>Competitiveness for Businesses</i>	Neutral
<i>Responsiveness to Economic Conditions</i>	Neutral

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

Source: Minnesota Department of Revenue  
Property Tax Division – Research Unit  
<https://www.revenue.state.mn.us/revenue-analyses>