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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 1503

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Government Operations and Elections Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to local government; cities and counties may require residency as a
1.3 condition of employment; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 415.16,
1.4 subdivision 1; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 415.16, subdivisions 2,
1.5 3.

1.6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 415.16, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.8 Subdivision 1. ~~No exception for on-premises residence~~ May require residency.
1.9 ~~Notwithstanding any contrary provision of other law, home rule charter, ordinance or~~
1.10 ~~resolution, no~~ A statutory or home rule charter city or county ~~shall~~ may require that a person
1.11 be a resident of the city or county as a condition of employment by the city or county ~~except~~
1.12 ~~for positions which by their duties require the employee to live on the premises of the~~
1.13 ~~person's place of employment.~~

1.14 Sec. 2. REPEALER.

1.15 Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 415.16, subdivisions 2 and 3, are repealed.

APPENDIX
Repealed Minnesota Statutes: 17-2943

415.16 EMPLOYMENT; CITY OR COUNTY RESIDENCE REQUIREMENT.

Subd. 2. **Reasonable area or response time requirement.** A statutory or home rule charter city or county, except if it is located in the area defined in section 473F.02, subdivision 2, may impose a reasonable area or response time residency requirement if there is a demonstrated, job-related necessity.

Subd. 3. **Volunteer or nonprofit firefighters.** A statutory or home rule charter city or county may impose a reasonable residency requirement on persons employed as volunteers or as members of a nonprofit firefighting corporation if there is a demonstrated, job-related necessity. The residency requirement must be related to response time and established without regard to political subdivision boundaries.