1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to local government; discontinuing Ramsey Soil and Water Conservation
1.3 District; transferring duties; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes,
1.4 chapter 383A.
1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. [383A.606] DISCONTINUANCE OF RAMSEY SOIL AND WATER
1.17 CONSERVATION DISTRICT; TRANSFER OF DUTIES.

Subdivision 1. Discontinuance. Notwithstanding section 103C.225, the Ramsey Soil
1.19 and Water Conservation District is discontinued effective July 1, 2018, and its duties and
1.20 authorities are transferred to the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners.

Subd. 2. Transfer of duties and authorities. The Ramsey County Board of

Commissioners has the duties and authorities of a soil and water conservation district. All
contracts in effect on the date of the discontinuance of the district to which Ramsey Soil
and Water Conservation District is a party remain in force and effect for the period provided
in the contracts. The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners shall be substituted for the
Ramsey Soil and Water Conservation District as party to the contracts and succeed to the
district's rights and duties.

Subd. 3. Transfer of assets. The Ramsey Soil and Water Conservation District Board
of Supervisors shall transfer the assets of the district to the Ramsey County Board of
Commissioners. The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners shall use the transferred
assets for the purposes of implementing the transferred duties and authorities.

Subd. 4. Reestablishment. The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners may petition
the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources to reestablish the Ramsey Soil and Water
Conservation District. Alternatively, the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources
under its authority in section 103C.201, and after giving notice of corrective actions and
time to implement the corrective actions, may reestablish the Ramsey Soil and Water
Conservation District if it determines the goals established in section 103C.005 are not
being achieved. The Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources may reestablish the
Ramsey Soil and Water Conservation District under this subdivision without a referendum.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day after the governing body of
Ramsey County and its chief clerical officer timely complete their compliance with Minnesota
Statutes, section 645.021, subdivisions 2 and 3.