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...... moves to amend H.F. No. 577, the delete everything amendment (A11-0103), as follows:

Page 28, after line 32, insert:

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"(d) Notwithstanding section 326A.13, all statements, records, schedules, working papers, and memoranda made by a certified public accountant firm for a county audit are the records of the county for all purposes, including the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act. Following the issuance of the audit report, for all such records in the possession of the certified public accountant firm, the firm shall be a "government entity" for the purposes of applying the provisions of the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act. Except for data obtained from the county that is classified as not public, these records shall be public. These records shall be maintained by the certified public accountant firm for a period not less than ten years. In addition, the denial of access by the firm to any request for data shall be in writing and a copy of the denial shall be forwarded to the state auditor."