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Overview

This bill would add the western portion of the Carver county to the metropolitan mosquito control district, expand the commission's authority to enter private property, place the commission under the uniform municipal contracting law, increase the commission's levy limit, and change the basis for member compensation.

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- Prohibited pesticide use. Removes June 30, 2003, sunset on ability to apply pesticides on a person by overspray or target site spray for the purposes of mosquito control where no practicable and effective alternative exists and the pesticide is the least toxic available for the pest targeted.
- **Establishment of district; purpose; area; governing body.** Expands the metropolitan mosquito control district to include all of Carver county.
- **Metro area commissioners.** Increases the number of Carver county representatives on the commission from one to two.
- Entry to property. Expands the reasons under which the commission may enter upon private property if the owner objects, to include making determinations of the need for control as well as for actual control actions, and to include control of known disease vector species. Currently, entry with permission is limited to encephalitis outbreaks. Requires a reasonable attempt to contact an objecting property owner before entry.
- 5 Contracts for materials, supplies and equipment. Puts the commission under the uniform municipal contracting law.

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Compensation. Makes conforming change to take repealer into account. Ends per diems for commissioners.

- 7 Transitional authority. Provides for the MMCD and Carver county to enter into an agreement for service provision in the parts of the county added to the district by the bill before the levy kicks in.
- **Repealer.** Repeals exception barring commissioners with annual public salaries less than \$25,000 from receiving reimbursements for expenses other than travel.
- **9 Effective date.** Effective the day following final enactment.