## Senate Amendment 3249

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Amend Senate File 415, as amended, passed, and
   2 reprinted by the Senate, as follows:
   3 #1. Page 1, by inserting before line 1 the
   4 following:
        <Sec.
                      NEW SECTION. 384.3A PROPERTY RIGHTS
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   6 DEFENSE ACCOUNT.
        1. A city may establish a property rights defense
   8 account within the city's general fund. If a property
   9 rights defense account is established under this
  10 section, moneys which remain unclaimed under section
  11 100, subsection 10, paragraph "d", of this Act, may be
  12 deposited in the account. Interest or earnings on
  13 moneys in the property rights defense account shall be
  14 credited to the account. Moneys in the property
  15 rights defense account are not subject to transfer,
  16 appropriation, or reversion to any other account or 17 fund, or any other use except as provided in this
1 18 section.
         2. Moneys in the account shall be used for the
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  20 reimbursement of reasonable attorney fees and 21 reasonable costs incurred by a property owner as the
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  22 result of proceedings initiated under this Act,
  23 chapters 6A and 6B, and section 657A.10A.
        3. Property owners shall apply to the city council
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  25 on a form prescribed by the city council. If
  26 sufficient funds exist in the account, the city
  27 council shall reimburse each property owner who
  28 applies for all reasonable attorney fees and
  29 reasonable costs incurred. If insufficient funds
  30 exist in the account to reimburse a property owner for
  31 all reasonable attorney fees and reasonable costs
  32 incurred, the city council shall reimburse the
  33 property owner for the fees and costs in an amount 34 equal to the remaining balance in account.>
  35 \pm 2. Page 1, line 1, by striking the word and
  36 figure <Section 1> and inserting the following: <Sec. 37 100>.
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  38 #3.
          Page 2, by inserting after line 33 the
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  39 following:
         <6A. Notwithstanding any provision of this section
  41 to the contrary, the district court shall dismiss the
  42 petition upon receipt of a written request from the
  43 property owner to do so. The property owner shall
  44 also provide notice of the request to the petitioning
  45 city.>
 46 #4. Page 4, by striking lines 3 through 5 and 47 inserting the following: <city, the court shall
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  47 inserting the following: <city, the court shall order 48 the city to pay an award to the respondents in an
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  49 amount equal to the fair market value of the property
  50 in its current condition. The city shall deposit the
   1 award with the clerk of the district court. Upon
   2 deposit of the amount awarded with the clerk of the
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   3 district court, title to the property shall pass to
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   4 the city, and the city may take possession of the
   5 property.>
   6 #5. Page 4, by striking lines 6 through 8 and
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   7 inserting the following:
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       <b. Notice of the deposit with the clerk of the
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   9 district>.
  10 #6. Page 4, by striking line 10 and inserting the
  c. The court shall retain jurisdiction of the
  13 action to determine the priority of liens and other
  14 interests of each respondent in the amount deposited
  15 with the clerk of the district court. Upon the
  16 request of any respondent, the court shall apportion 17 the amount deposited with the clerk of the district
  18 court among the respondents.
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       d. If the amount deposited with the>.
  20 <u>#7.</u> Page 4, line 13, by inserting after the words 21 <in the> the following: <city's property rights
2 22 defense account or in the>.
2 23 #8. Title page, line 2, by inserting after the 2 24 word <years> the following: <and authorizing cities
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2 25 to establish a property rights defense account>.
2 26 #9. By renumbering, relettering, or redesignating
2 27 and correcting internal references as necessary.
2 28 SF 415.H
2 29 md/cm/25