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LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL BY
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7 general assembly, and other moneys available from federal or
8 private sources which are to be used for purposes of this
9 section. Funds remaining in the fund at the end of each
10 fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund of the state
11 but shall remain in the emergency medical services fund,
12 notwithstanding section 8.33. The fund is established to
13 assist counties by matching, on a dollar-for-dollar basis,
14 moneys spent by a county for the acquisition of equipment for
15 the provision of emergency medical services and by providing
16 grants to counties for education and training in the delivery
17 of emergency medical services, as provided in this section and
18 section 422D.6. A county seeking matching funds under this
19 section shall apply to the emergency medical services division
20 of the department. The department shall adopt rules
21 concerning the application and awarding process for the
22 matching funds and the criteria for the allocation of moneys
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24 emergency medical services needs of the counties. Moneys
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26 service purposes may be used for equipment or training and
27 education as determined by the board of supervisors pursuant
28 to section 422D.6.

29 Sec. 2. Section 556F.6, Code 1999, is amended to read as
30 follows:

31 556F.6 LOST GOODS OR MONEY.

32 If any person shall find any lost goods, money, bank notes,
33 or other things of any description whatever, of the value of
34 five twenty dollars and over, such the person shall inform the
35 owner thereof of the goods or financial instruments, if known,

1 and make restitution thereof.

2 Sec. 3. Section 556F.7, Code 1999, is amended to read as
3 follows:

4 556F.7 WHEN OWNER UNKNOWN.

5 If the owner is unknown, the finder shall, within five days
6 after finding the property, take the money, bank notes, and a
7 description of any other property before to the county auditor
8 sheriff of the county where or the chief of police of the city
9 in which the property was found, and provide an affidavit
10 describing the property, the time when and place where the
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12 made in the appearance of the property since the finding. The
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14 to the county auditor who shall enter a description of the
15 property and the value thereof of the property, as nearly as
16 the auditor can determine it, in the auditor's lost property
17 book, together with the copy of the affidavit of the finder.

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20 556F.8 ADVERTISEMENT.

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27 1. Be posted at the door of the courthouse in the county
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29 station if found within a city and in three one other of the
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EXPLANATION

This bill provides that funding allocated by the department of public health to a county for emergency medical service purposes may be used for emergency medical service equipment or training and education as determined by the board of supervisors.

The bill also amends provisions of Code chapter 556F relating to the disposition of lost goods, financial instruments, and other things of value. The bill increases the total value of lost goods and moneys from \$5 to \$20 which requires a finder to search for the owner, if known, and make restitution. If the owner is unknown, the bill provides that the finder shall take the money and description of other property to the county sheriff or the chief of police of the county where the property was found, and provide an affidavit of the property and circumstances of the finding to the sheriff or chief of police. A copy of the affidavit is sent to the county auditor for recording in the auditor's lost property book. Under current law, the county auditor receives the affidavit directly from the finder.

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BRENT SIEGRIST
Speaker of the House

MARY E. KRAMER
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 2531, Seventy-eighth General Assembly.

Approved 3/31, 2000

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THOMAS J. VILSACK
Governor