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**HOUSE FILE No. 1097**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Local Government and Metropolitan Affairs

March 18, 2008

Committee Recommendation and Adoption of Report:

To Pass as Amended

Read Second Time

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to local government; modifying the definition of "dependent" for  
1.3 purposes of group benefits for local government officers and employees;  
1.4 amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 471.61, subdivision 1a.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 471.61, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 1a. **Dependents.** Notwithstanding the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1969,  
1.8 section 471.61, as amended by Laws 1971, chapter 451, section 1, the word "dependents"  
1.9 as used therein shall mean spouse and ~~minor~~ unmarried children under the age of ~~18~~ 25  
1.10 years ~~and dependent students under the age of 25 years actually dependent upon the~~  
1.11 ~~employee~~, and others as defined by governmental units at their discretion.

1.12 Sec. 2. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

1.13 Section 1 is effective the day following final enactment.