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This bill allows the Hennepin and Wright county boards to begin the process for changing the boundary between the two counties by each county adopting a resolution to do so. No other change to the process is provided for apart from how it is begun. Under general law, the process to initiate a change in a county boundary begins with a petition of the residents. As required by the state constitution, the proposal would still be subject to a vote at the next general election. A boundary change is approved if voted for by a majority of those voting in each affected county.

The boundary change would be to provide that all of the city of Rockford be included in Wright County.

The bill is permissive and no local approval is required.