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Under general law in chapter 375A, a county may make the offices of recorder, auditor, or treasurer appointive if approved by a referendum. This bill would allow Carver County to make these offices appointed positions, subject to a four-fifths vote of the county board and reverse referendum. It also provides for a current officeholder to complete the term to which the officer was elected before the office is made appointive. It would be effective upon local approval.

Since 2001, 11 other counties have been given special law authority for the same purpose, under the same conditions.