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Section

- 1** **Records must be kept.** Current law requires public authorities to maintain records necessary to a full and accurate knowledge of official activities. This bill strikes from the current law a sentence stating that reproduction of records deemed to be of permanent archival value must meet standards specified by the Minnesota Historical Society, and that this section does not prohibit the use of nonerasable optical imaging systems for the preservation of archival records without the preservation of paper or microfilm copies.
- 2** **Repealer.** Repeals Minnesota Statutes, section 138.17, subdivisions 9 and 10, which relate to storage of government documents on optical disk and allow documents to be stored on a nonerasable optical imaging system and retained only in that format, if specified conditions are met.