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H.F. 1429 authorizes the Meeker County Economic Development Authority to provide for a nine-member board.

The Meeker County EDA was authorized by Laws 1998, chapter 389, article 11, section 25, a special law that provides the powers and duties of the Meeker County EDA. The special law refers to powers, etc. in Minnesota Statutes, sections 469.090 to 469.1081.

County EDAs were not authorized by general law, Minnesota Statutes, section 469.1082, until 2000. The authority to provide for nine member county EDA boards was added in 2005.

Because the Meeker County EDA operates under a special law that does not refer to the statute that allows for nine member boards, they need special legislation.