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All five of the Watonwan County Soil and Water Conservation District supervisors resigned prior to the October 1 deadline for filing with the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board. Under Minn. Stat. § 103C.305, subd. 6, a vacancy occurring more than 56 days before the next state primary is filled by appointment of the district board. In this case, all board seats are vacant and there is no one to make the appointments.

This bill allows the Watonwan County Board to make the appointments and allows the appointees to hold office until after those elected at the fall 2008 election take office. Those elected will hold office for the remainder of the term or for the next regular term, whichever is appropriate. Effective the day following final enactment and expires January 5, 2009.