

**LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION OF OPPOSITION TO HOUSE BILL NO. 4398
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WHEREAS, the Lake County Board of Commissioners is very supportive of economic opportunities for private enterprise and does offer bidding opportunities on many projects throughout a given year; and

WHEREAS, the broad language of proposed House Bill No. 4398 would leave counties open to challenge by private enterprises regardless of whether a governmental project was more effective; and

WHEREAS, county government provides certain functions in-house because it can be done more efficiently and cost effectively than having the added time and expense of a bidding process mandated on service which Lake County feels it is capable of maintaining; and

WHEREAS, House Bill No. 4398 would impose additional time and expense should counties have to defend themselves if lawsuits arise when a private service provider objects to a county in-house function,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lake County Board of Commissioners hereby opposes House Bill No. 4398 and feels local issues can be handled by local government as they deem necessary to keep cost of services reasonable for its citizens; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Michigan Legislature for their review, Michigan Association of Counties, and the other 82 Michigan counties.

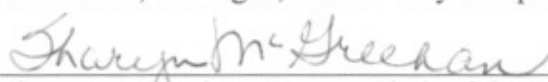
STATE OF MICHIGAN)

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COUNTY OF LAKE)

I, Sharyn McGreehan, Deputy Clerk of the Board of Commissioners for the County of Lake, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution passed by the Lake County Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting held on April 25, 2007.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal at Baldwin, Michigan, this 25th day of April, 2007.


Sharyn McGreehan, Deputy Clerk of the Board