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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. **1602**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Government Operations and Elections Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to state government; approval of long-distance phone records; amending
1.3 Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 10.43.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 10.43, is amended to read:

1.6 **10.43 TELEPHONE USE; APPROVAL.**

1.7 (a) Each representative, senator, constitutional officer, judge, and head of a state
1.8 department or agency shall sign the person's monthly long-distance telephone bills paid
1.9 by the state as evidence of the person's approval of each bill. This signature requirement
1.10 does not apply to a month in which the person's long-distance phone bill paid by the
1.11 state is less than \$5.

1.12 (b) Even if the monthly long-distance phone bill paid by the state for a person
1.13 subject to this section is less than \$5, the person is responsible for paying that portion of
1.14 the bill that does not relate to state business. As provided in section 10.46, long-distance
1.15 telephone bills paid by the state are public data, regardless of the amount of the bills.

1.16 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for telephone bills for usage on or
1.17 after July 1, 2015.