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HOUSE FILE 187  
BY COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 36)

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Approved 4/13/05

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**HOUSE FILE 187**

**H-1026**

1 Amend House File 187 as follows:  
2 1. Page 1, line 26, by striking the figure "2008"  
3 and inserting the following: "2007".

**By PAULSEN** of Linn

**H-1026** FILED FEBRUARY 16, 2005

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MANAGEMENT BILL)

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THOMAS J. VILSACK, GOVERNOR  
SALLY J. PEDERSON, LT. GOVERNOR

DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT  
CYNTHIA P. EISENHauer, DIRECTOR

MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Honorable Members of the General Assembly  
**FROM:** Randy Bauer, Acting Director  
**RE:** 2005 Proposed Utility Replacement Tax Task Force Legislation  
**DATE:** December 22, 2004

At their September 29, 2004 meeting the Utility Replacement Tax Task Force recommended the statutory continuance of the Task Force. Members felt the continuance was important in order to provide a process to manage the various issues that arise related to the replacement tax.

The provisions of this proposed bill are itemized below.

- The statutory existence of the Utility Replacement Tax Task Force is extended through January 1, 2008.
- The directors of the Department of Management and Department of Revenue are designated co-chairpersons.
- Specific recommendations from the Task Force for modifications to the replacement tax are to be transmitted to the General Assembly by the Department of Management.

HOUSE FILE 187

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CHRISTOPHER C. RANTS  
Speaker of the House

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JOHN P. KIBBIE  
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 187, Eighty-first General Assembly.

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MARGARET THOMSON  
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved 4/13, 2005

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THOMAS J. VILSACK  
Governor