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02/26/2015	442	Introduction and first reading Referred to State and Local Government
03/25/2015	1314a	Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to Finance

A bill for an act
relating to military officers; providing for reimbursement grants to local units
of government for public safety personnel on authorized leave; amending
Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 190.16, by adding a subdivision; 192.26, by
adding a subdivision.
BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 190.16, is amended by adding a
subdivision to read:

Subd. 6b. **Reimbursement grants.** The adjutant general shall administer a
reimbursement grant program under section 192.26, subdivision 3, and pay grants to local
units of government to reimburse them for paying salary and benefits to public safety
employees on authorized leave under section 192.26, subdivision 1.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 192.26, is amended by adding a subdivision
to read:

Subd. 3. **State reimbursement for costs of authorized leave.** (a) For purposes of
this subdivision, the terms in this paragraph have the meanings given them:

(1) "public safety employees" means peace officers, firefighters, and ambulance
service personnel, as defined in section 144E.001, subdivision 3a, who are full-time
employees of a local unit of government;

(2) "local unit of government" means a county or home rule charter or statutory
city; and

(3) "salary and benefits" means the wages or salaries and benefits paid to employees
of the local unit of government on authorized leave under this section.

2.1 (b) The adjutant general shall make grants to local units of government to reimburse
2.2 them for salary and benefits paid to public safety employees on authorized leave under
2.3 this section.

2.4 (c) To be eligible for state reimbursement of the amount of salary and benefits
2.5 paid for the preceding calendar year as determined under this subdivision, the local unit
2.6 of government shall apply to the adjutant general by March 15. By July 15, the adjutant
2.7 general shall pay the reimbursement grants to the local units of government.

2.8 (d) The adjutant general shall prescribe the form and supporting information that
2.9 must be supplied by the local unit of government as part of the application for state
2.10 reimbursement.

2.11 (e) An appropriation by law from the general fund to the adjutant general must be
2.12 used to pay the grants. If the appropriation is insufficient to pay the entire sum of all of
2.13 the reimbursements for eligible costs for which local units of government have applied,
2.14 the adjutant general shall reduce each grant proportionally so that the sum of the grants
2.15 equals the available appropriation.

2.16 **Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2.17 Sections 1 and 2 are effective the day following final enactment for reimbursement
2.18 of eligible costs incurred by local units of government in calendar year 2016 and thereafter.