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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to state government; making Department of Administration technical
1.3 changes; reviving and reenacting a statutory section; amending Minnesota Statutes
1.4 2024, sections 16B.055, subdivision 1; 16B.335, subdivision 2; 16B.48, subdivision
1.5 4; 16B.54, subdivision 2; 16C.137, subdivision 2; Laws 2023, chapter 62, article
1.6 2, section 133, subdivision 6; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 16B.328,
1.7 subdivision 2.

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

1.9 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 16B.055, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.10 Subdivision 1. Federal Assistive Technology Act. (a) The Department of Administration
1.11 is designated as the lead agency to carry out all the responsibilities under the 21st Century
1.12 Assistive Technology Act of 1998, as provided by Public Law 108-364, as amended 117-81.
1.13 The Minnesota Assistive Technology Advisory Council is established to fulfill the
1.14 responsibilities required by the 21st Century Assistive Technology Act, as provided by
1.15 Public Law 108-364, as amended 117-81. Because the existence of this council is required
1.16 by federal law, this council does not expire.

1.17 (b) Except as provided in paragraph (c), the governor shall appoint the membership of
1.18 the council as required by the 21st Century Assistive Technology Act of 1998, as provided
1.19 by Public Law 108-364, as amended 117-81. After the governor has completed the
1.20 appointments required by this subdivision, the commissioner of administration, or the
1.21 commissioner's designee, shall convene the first meeting of the council following the
1.22 appointments. Members shall serve two-year terms commencing July 1 of each odd-numbered
1.23 year, and receive the compensation specified by the 21st Century Assistive Technology Act

2.1 of 1998, as provided by Public Law ~~108-364~~, as amended 117-81. The members of the  
 2.2 council shall select their chair at the first meeting following their appointment.

2.3 (c) After consulting with the appropriate commissioner, the commissioner of  
 2.4 administration shall appoint a representative from:

2.5 (1) State Services for the Blind who has assistive technology expertise;

2.6 (2) vocational rehabilitation services who has assistive technology expertise;

2.7 (3) the Workforce Development Board; ~~and~~

2.8 (4) the Department of Education who has assistive technology expertise; and

2.9 (5) the Board on Aging.

2.10 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 16B.335, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

2.11 Subd. 2. **Other projects.** All other capital projects for which a specific appropriation is  
 2.12 made, including projects that are exempt under subdivision 1, paragraph (b), must not  
 2.13 proceed until the recipient undertaking the project has notified the chairs and ranking minority  
 2.14 members of the senate Capital Investment and Finance Committees and the house of  
 2.15 representatives Capital Investment and Ways and Means Committees that the work is ready  
 2.16 to begin. Notice is not required for:

2.17 (1) capital projects needed to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act;

2.18 (2) asset preservation projects to which section 16B.307 applies;

2.19 (3) projects funded by an agency's operating budget; or

2.20 (4) projects funded by a capital asset preservation and replacement account under section  
 2.21 16A.632, a higher education asset preservation and replacement account under section  
 2.22 135A.046, or a natural resources asset preservation and replacement account under section  
 2.23 84.946.

2.24 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 16B.48, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

2.25 Subd. 4. **Reimbursements.** (a) Except as specifically provided otherwise by law, each  
 2.26 agency shall reimburse the general services revolving funds for the cost of all services,  
 2.27 supplies, materials, labor, and depreciation of equipment, including reasonable overhead  
 2.28 costs, which the commissioner is authorized and directed to furnish an agency. The cost of  
 2.29 all publications or other materials produced by the commissioner and financed from the  
 2.30 general services revolving fund must include reasonable overhead costs.

3.1 (b) The commissioner of administration shall report the rates to be charged for the general  
3.2 services revolving funds no later than ~~July 1~~ September 15 each year to the chair of the  
3.3 committee or division in the senate and house of representatives with primary jurisdiction  
3.4 over the budget of the Department of Administration.

3.5 (c) The commissioner of management and budget shall make appropriate transfers to  
3.6 the revolving funds described in this section when requested by the commissioner of  
3.7 administration. The commissioner of administration may make allotments, encumbrances,  
3.8 and, with the approval of the commissioner of management and budget, disbursements in  
3.9 anticipation of such transfers. In addition, the commissioner of administration, with the  
3.10 approval of the commissioner of management and budget, may require an agency to make  
3.11 advance payments to the revolving funds in this section sufficient to cover the agency's  
3.12 estimated obligation for a period of at least 60 days.

3.13 (d) All reimbursements and other money received by the commissioner of administration  
3.14 under this section must be deposited in the appropriate revolving fund. Any earnings  
3.15 remaining in the fund established to account for the documents service prescribed by section  
3.16 16B.51 at the end of each fiscal year not otherwise needed for present or future operations,  
3.17 as determined by the commissioners of administration and management and budget, must  
3.18 be transferred to the general fund.

3.19 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 16B.54, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

3.20 Subd. 2. **Vehicles.** (a) The commissioner may direct an agency to make a transfer of a  
3.21 passenger motor vehicle or truck currently assigned to it. The transfer must be made to the  
3.22 commissioner for use in the enterprise fleet. The commissioner shall reimburse an agency  
3.23 whose motor vehicles have been paid for with funds dedicated by the constitution for a  
3.24 special purpose and which are assigned to the enterprise fleet. The amount of reimbursement  
3.25 for a motor vehicle is its average wholesale price as determined from the midwest edition  
3.26 of the National Automobile Dealers Association official used car guide.

3.27 (b) To the extent that funds are available for the purpose, the commissioner may purchase  
3.28 or otherwise acquire additional passenger motor vehicles and trucks necessary for the  
3.29 enterprise fleet. The title to all motor vehicles assigned to or purchased or acquired for the  
3.30 enterprise fleet is in the name of the Department of Administration.

3.31 (c) On the request of an agency, the commissioner may transfer to the enterprise fleet  
3.32 any passenger motor vehicle or truck for the purpose of disposing of it. The department or  
3.33 agency transferring the vehicle or truck must be paid for it from the motor pool revolving  
3.34 account established by this section in an amount equal to two-thirds of the average wholesale

4.1 price of the vehicle or truck as determined from the midwest edition of the National  
4.2 Automobile Dealers Association official used car guide.

4.3 (d) The commissioner shall provide for the uniform marking of all motor vehicles. Motor  
4.4 vehicle colors must be selected from the regular color chart provided by the manufacturer  
4.5 each year. The commissioner may further provide for the use of motor vehicles without  
4.6 marking by:

4.7 (1) the governor;

4.8 (2) the lieutenant governor;

4.9 (3) the Division of Criminal Apprehension, the Division of Alcohol and Gambling  
4.10 Enforcement, and arson investigators of the Division of Fire Marshal in the Department of  
4.11 Public Safety;

4.12 (4) the Financial Institutions Division and investigative staff of the Department of  
4.13 Commerce;

4.14 (5) the Division of Disease Prevention and Control of the Department of Health;

4.15 (6) the State Lottery;

4.16 (7) criminal investigators of the Department of Revenue;

4.17 (8) state-owned community service facilities in Direct Care and Treatment;

4.18 (9) the Office of the Attorney General;

4.19 (10) the investigative staff of the Gambling Control Board; and

4.20 (11) the Department of Corrections inmate community work crew program under section  
4.21 352.91, subdivision 3g; and

4.22 (12) the Office of Ombudsman for Long-Term Care.

4.23 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 16C.137, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

4.24 Subd. 2. **Report Evaluation.** (a) The commissioner of administration, in collaboration  
4.25 with the commissioners of the Pollution Control Agency, the Departments of Agriculture,  
4.26 Commerce, Natural Resources, and Transportation, and other state departments, must  
4.27 evaluate the goals and directives established in this section and ~~report~~ include their findings  
4.28 ~~to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by February 1 of each~~  
4.29 ~~odd-numbered year~~ in the public dashboard under section 16B.372. In the ~~report~~ public  
4.30 dashboard, the commissioner must make recommendations for new or adjusted goals,

5.1 directives, or legislative initiatives, in light of the progress the state has made implementing  
5.2 this section and the availability of new or improved technologies.

5.3 (b) The Department of Administration shall implement a fleet reporting and information  
5.4 management system. Each department will use this management system to demonstrate its  
5.5 progress in complying with this section.

5.6 Sec. 6. Laws 2023, chapter 62, article 2, section 133, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

5.7 Subd. 6. **Strategic and long-range planning.** Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 4A.01;  
5.8 4A.04; 4A.06; ~~4A.07~~; 4A.11; and 124D.23, subdivision 9, are repealed.

5.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE; REVIVAL AND REENACTMENT.** This section is effective  
5.10 retroactively from July 1, 2023, and Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 4A.07, is revived and  
5.11 reenacted as of that date.

5.12 Sec. 7. **REPEALER.**

5.13 Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 16B.328, subdivision 2, is repealed.

**16B.328 OUTDOOR LIGHTING FIXTURES MODEL ORDINANCE.**

Subd. 2. **Model ordinance.** The commissioner of administration, in consultation with the commissioner of commerce, associations for local governments, and any other interested person, shall develop a model ordinance that can be adapted for use by cities, counties, and towns, governing outdoor lighting to reduce light pollution. The model ordinance must address:

- (1) standards for lighting on private property; outdoor advertising; lighting on commercial, industrial, or institutional property; canopies covering fueling stations; and public streets, sidewalks, and alleys;
- (2) how illumination levels should be measured;
- (3) possible exemptions, such as for temporary emergency or hazard lighting;
- (4) recommended elements for an exterior lighting plan for a development;
- (5) treatment of nonconforming lighting;
- (6) lighting standards that might apply in special subdistricts;
- (7) light pole maximum heights; and
- (8) light trespass.