A bill for an act

relating to financing of state and local government; making changes to individual
income, property, sales and use, excise, estate, mineral, tobacco, alcohol, special,
local, and other taxes and tax-related provisions; providing for and increasing
credits; modifying local government aids; modifying exclusions, exemptions,
and levy deadlines; imposing a tax on solar energy production; modifying sales,
use, and excise tax exemptions; changing sales, use, and excise tax remittances;
modifying certain local sales and use taxes; allowing for temporary sales and
use tax amnesty; modifying income tax credits and subtractions; clarifying
estate tax provisions; providing for certain local development projects; changing
license revocation procedures; modifying installment payments; modifying
certain county levy authority; allocating additional tax reductions for border
cities; removing obsolete, redundant, and unnecessary laws and administrative
rules administered by the Department of Revenue; making various policy and
technical changes; requiring a report; appropriating money; amending Minnesota
Statutes 2012, sections 16D.02, subdivisions 3, 6; 16D.04, subdivisions 3,
4; 16D.07; 16D.11, subdivisions 1, 3, 7; 84A.20, subdivision 2; 84A.31,
subdivision 2; 115B.49, subdivision 4; 116.8737, by adding a subdivision;
163.06, subdivision 1; 270.11, subdivision 1; 270.12, subdivisions 2, 4; 270.87;
270A.03, subdivision 2; 270B.14, subdivision 3; 270C.085; 270C.34, subdivision
2; 270C.52, subdivision 2; 270C.56, subdivision 3; 270C.72, subdivisions 1, 3;
272.01, subdivisions 1, 3; 272.02, subdivisions 10, 24; 272.0211, subdivisions
1, 2; 272.025, subdivision 1; 272.027, subdivision 1; 272.029, subdivisions
272.03, subdivision 1; 273.01; 273.061, subdivision 6; 273.10; 273.11,
subdivision 13; 273.112, subdivision 6a; 273.13, subdivision 4; 273.1384,
subdivision 2; 273.18; 273.33, subdivision 2; 273.37, subdivision 2; 273.3711;
274.01, subdivisions 1, 2; 274.014, subdivision 3; 275.025, subdivision 2;
275.065, subdivision 1; 275.08, subdivisions 1a, 1d; 275.74, subdivision 2;
275.75; 279.03; 279.16; 279.23; 279.25; 280.001; 280.03; 280.07; 280.11;
281.03; 281.327; 282.01, subdivision 6; 282.04, subdivision 4; 282.261,
subdivisions 2, 4, 5; 282.322; 287.30; 289A.02, subdivision 7, as amended;
289A.18, subdivision 2; 289A.25, subdivision 1; 289A.60, subdivision 15;
290.01, subdivisions 5, 19f; 29; 290.015, subdivision 1; 290.068, subdivision
1; 290.07, subdivisions 1, 2; 290.0922, subdivision 3; 290.095, subdivision 3;
290.9728, subdivision 2; 296A.01, subdivision 16; 297A.67, subdivision 13a, by
adding a subdivision; 297A.68, by adding a subdivision; 297A.70, subdivision
10; 297A.71, by adding a subdivision; 297A.94; 297B.03; 297B.09; 297F.03,
subdivision 2; 297F.09, subdivision 10; 297G.03, by adding a subdivision;
297G.09, subdivision 9; 297L.05, subdivision 14; 298.75, subdivisions 1, 2;
BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

ARTICLE 1

PROPERTY TAX AIDS, CREDITS, AND REFUNDS

Section 1. [69.022] VOLUNTEER RETENTION STIPEND AID PILOT.

Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given them.

(b) "Emergency medical services provider" means a licensee as defined under section 144E.001, subdivision 8.
3.36 (c) "Independent nonprofit firefighting corporation" has the same meaning as used in chapter 424A.

3.35 (d) "Municipality" has the meaning given in section 69.011, but only if the municipality uses one or more qualified volunteers to provide service.

3.34 (e) "Qualified entity" means an emergency medical services provider, independent nonprofit firefighting corporation, or municipality.

3.33 (f) "Qualified volunteer" means one of the following types of volunteers who has provided service for the entire prior calendar year to a qualified entity:

3.32 (1) a volunteer firefighter as defined in section 424A.001, subdivision 10;

3.31 (2) a volunteer ambulance attendant as defined in section 144E.001, subdivision 15; or

3.30 (3) an emergency medical responder as defined in section 144E.001, subdivision 6, who provides emergency medical services as a volunteer.

3.29 (g) "Pilot area" means the counties of Blue Earth, Faribault, Freeborn, Martin, Steele, Waseca, and Watonwan.

3.28 (h) "State fire marshal" has the meaning given in section 299F.01.

3.27 Subd. 2. Aid payment and calculation. The commissioner of revenue shall pay aid to qualified entities located in the pilot area to provide funds for the qualified entities to pay annual volunteer retention stipends to qualified volunteers who provide services to the qualified entities. A qualified entity is located in the pilot area if it is a municipality located in whole or in part in the pilot area, or if it is an emergency medical services provider or independent nonprofit firefighting corporation with its main office located in the pilot area. The amount of the aid equals $500 multiplied by the number of qualified volunteers. For purposes of calculating this aid, each individual providing volunteer service, regardless of the different types of service provided, is one qualified volunteer. The commissioner shall pay the aid to qualified entities by July 31 of the calendar year following the year in which the qualified volunteer provided service.

3.26 Subd. 3. Application. Each year each qualified entity in the pilot area may apply to the commissioner for aid under this section. The application must be made at the time and in the form prescribed by the commissioner and must provide sufficient information to permit the commissioner to determine the applicant's entitlement to aid under this section.

3.25 Subd. 4. Payment of stipends. A qualified entity receiving state aid under this section must pay the aid as retention stipends to qualified volunteers no later than September 15 of the year in which the aid was received.

3.24 Subd. 5. Report. No later than January 15, 2018, the state fire marshal, in consultation with the commissioner of revenue, must report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees having jurisdiction over public safety and
taxes in the senate and the house of representatives, in compliance with sections 3.195 and
3.197, on aid paid under this section. The report must include:

(1) for each county in the pilot area, a listing of the qualified entities that received
aid in each of the three years of the pilot;
(2) the amount of aid paid to each qualified entity that received aid in each of the
three years of the pilot; and
(3) for each qualified entity that received aid, the number of qualified volunteers
who were paid stipends in each of the three years of the pilot.

The report must also provide information on the number of qualified volunteers
providing service to qualified entities in each of the counties adjacent to the pilot area
in each of the three years of the pilot, and must summarize changes in the number of
qualified volunteers during the three years of the pilot both within the pilot area and in the
adjacent counties. For purposes of this subdivision "counties adjacent to the pilot area"
means the counties of Brown, Cottonwood, Dodge, Jackson, Le Sueur, Mower, Nicollet,
and Rice. Qualified entities in counties adjacent to the pilot area must provide information
to the commissioner necessary to the report in this subdivision in the form and manner
required by the commissioner. The commissioner must share with the state fire marshal
the information necessary to the report.

Subd. 6. Appropriation. An amount sufficient to pay the state aid under this
section in fiscal years 2016, 2017, and 2018 is appropriated from the general fund to the
commissioner of revenue. This appropriation does not become part of the agency's base
budget and expires after fiscal year 2018.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment
and applies for volunteer service provided beginning in calendar years 2014, 2015, and

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.1384, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Agricultural homestead market value credit. Property classified as
agricultural homestead under section 273.13, subdivision 23, paragraph (a), is eligible for
an agricultural credit. The credit is computed using the property's agricultural credit market
value, defined for this purpose as the property's market value excluding the market value of
the house, garage, and immediately surrounding one acre of land. The credit is equal to 0.3
percent of the first $115,000 of the property's agricultural credit market value minus .05 plus
0.1 percent of the property's agricultural credit market value in excess of $115,000, subject
to a maximum reduction credit of $415. $490. In the case of property that is classified
as part homestead and part nonhomestead solely because not all the owners occupy or
farm the property, not all the owners have qualifying relatives occupying or farming the
property, or solely because not all the spouses of owners occupy the property, the credit
must be initially computed as if that nonhomestead agricultural land was also classified as
agricultural homestead and then prorated to the owner-occupant's percentage of ownership.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective beginning with taxes payable in 2015.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 273.1398, subdivision 4, is
amended to read:

**Subd. 4. Disparity reduction credit.** (a) Beginning with taxes payable in 1980,
Class 4a and class 3a property qualifies for a disparity reduction credit if: (1) the property
is located in a border city that has an enterprise zone, as defined in section 469.166; (2)
the property is located in a city with a population greater than 2,500 and less than 35,000
according to the 1980 decennial census; (3) the city is adjacent to a city in another state or
immediately adjacent to a city adjacent to a city in another state; and (4) the adjacent city
in the other state has a population of greater than 5,000 and less than 75,000 according to
the 1980 decennial census.

(b) The credit is an amount sufficient to reduce (i) the taxes levied on class 4a
property to \( \frac{49}{75} \) 1.7 percent of the property's taxable market value and (ii) the tax on class
3a property to \( \frac{49}{75} \) 1.7 percent of taxable market value.

(c) The county auditor shall annually certify the costs of the credits to the
Department of Revenue. The department shall reimburse local governments for the
property taxes forgone as the result of the credits in proportion to their total levies.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective beginning with taxes payable in 2015.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 423A.022, subdivision 2, is
amended to read:

**Subd. 2. Allocation.** (a) Of the total amount appropriated as supplemental state aid:
(1) \( \frac{58.065}{75} \) 58.064 percent must be paid to the executive director of the Public
Employees Retirement Association for deposit in the public employees police and fire
retirement fund established by section 353.65, subdivision 1;

(2) 35.484 percent must be paid to municipalities other than municipalities solely
employing firefighters with retirement coverage provided by the public employees police
and fire retirement plan which qualified to receive fire state aid in that calendar year,
allocated in proportion to the most recent amount of fire state aid paid under section
69.021, subdivision 7, for the municipality bears to the most recent total fire state aid
for all municipalities other than the municipalities solely employing firefighters with
retirement coverage provided by the public employees police and fire retirement plan
paid under section 69.021, subdivision 7, with the allocated amount for fire departments
participating in the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan
paid to the executive director of the Public Employees Retirement Association for deposit
in the fund established by section 353G.02, subdivision 3, and credited to the respective
account and with the balance paid to the treasurer of each municipality for transmittal
within 30 days of receipt to the treasurer of the applicable volunteer firefighter relief
association for deposit in its special fund; and

(3) 6.452 percent must be paid to the executive director of the Minnesota State
Retirement System for deposit in the state patrol retirement fund.

(b) For purposes of this section, the term "municipalities" includes independent
nonprofit firefighting corporations that participate in the voluntary statewide lump-sum
volunteer firefighter retirement plan under chapter 356G or with subsidiary volunteer
firefighter relief associations operating under chapter 424A.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 477A.013, subdivision 8, is
amended to read:

Subd. 8. City formula aid. (a) For aids payable in 2014 only, the formula aid for a
city is equal to the sum of (1) its 2013 certified aid, and (2) the product of (i) the difference
between its unmet need and its 2013 certified aid, and (ii) the aid gap percentage.

(b) For aids payable in 2015 and thereafter, the formula aid for a city is equal to the
sum of (1) its formula aid in the previous year and (2) the product of (i) the difference
between its unmet need and its certified formula aid in the previous year under subdivision
9, and (ii) the aid gap percentage.

(c) For aids payable in 2015 and thereafter, if a city's certified aid from the previous
year is greater than the sum of its unmet need plus its aid adjustment under subdivision 13,
its formula aid is adjusted to equal its unmet need.

(d) No city may have a formula aid amount less than zero. The aid gap percentage
must be the same for all cities subject to paragraph (b).

(e) The applicable aid gap percentage must be calculated by the Department of
Revenue so that the total of the aid under subdivision 9 equals the total amount available
for aid under section 477A.03. Data used in calculating aids to cities under sections
477A.011 to 477A.013 shall be the most recently available data as of January 1 in the
year in which the aid is calculated.
7.1  **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for aids payable in calendar year 2015 and thereafter.

7.2  Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 477A.03, subdivision 2a, is amended to read:

7.3  Subd. 2a. Cities. For aids payable in 2014, the total aid paid under section 477A.013, subdivision 9, is $507,598,012. The total aid paid under section 477A.013, subdivision 9, is $509,098,012 for aids payable in 2015. For aids payable in 2015 and thereafter, the total aid paid under section 477A.013, subdivision 9, is $511,598,012.

7.4  the amount certified under that section in the previous year, multiplied by the inflation adjustment under subdivision 6.

7.5  **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for aids payable in calendar year 2015 and thereafter.

7.6  Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 477A.03, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

7.7  Subd. 6. Inflation adjustment. In 2015 and thereafter, the amount paid under subdivision 2a shall be multiplied by an amount equal to one plus the sum of (1) the percentage increase in the implicit price deflator for government expenditures and gross investment for state and local government purchases as prepared by the United States Department of Commerce, for the 12-month period ending March 31 of the previous calendar year, and (2) the percentage increase in total city population for the most recently available years as of January 15 of the current year. The percentage increase in this subdivision shall not be greater than five percent.

7.8  **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for aids payable in calendar year 2015 and thereafter.

7.9  Sec. 8. [477A.18] PRODUCTION PROPERTY TRANSITION AID.

7.10 Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) When used in this section, the following terms have the meanings indicated in this subdivision.

7.11 (b) "Local unit" means a home rule charter or statutory city, or a town.

7.12 (c) "Net tax capacity differential" means the positive difference, if any, by which the local unit's net tax capacity was reduced from assessment year 2014 to assessment year 2015 due to the change in the definition of real property in section 272.03, subdivision 1, enacted by article 2, section 6, of this act. For purposes of determining the net tax capacity
differential, any property in a job opportunity building zone under section 469.314 may not be included when calculating a local unit's net tax capacity.

Subd. 2. Aid eligibility; payment. (a) If the net tax capacity differential of the local unit exceeds five percent of its 2015 net tax capacity, the local unit is eligible for transition aid computed under paragraphs (b) to (f).

(b) For aids payable in 2016, transition aid under this section for an eligible local unit equals (1) the net tax capacity differential, times (2) the jurisdiction's tax rate for taxes payable in 2015.

(c) For aids payable in 2017, transition aid under this section for an eligible local unit equals 80 percent of (1) the net tax capacity differential, times (2) the jurisdiction's tax rate for taxes payable in 2016.

(d) For aids payable in 2018, transition aid under this section for an eligible local unit equals 60 percent of (1) the net tax capacity differential, times (2) the jurisdiction's tax rate for taxes payable in 2017.

(e) For aids payable in 2019, transition aid under this section for an eligible local unit equals 40 percent of (1) the net tax capacity differential, times (2) the jurisdiction's tax rate for taxes payable in 2018.

(f) For aids payable in 2020, transition aid under this section for an eligible local unit equals 20 percent of (1) the net tax capacity differential, times (2) the jurisdiction's tax rate for taxes payable in 2019.

(g) No aids shall be payable under this section in 2021 and thereafter.

(h) The commissioner of revenue shall compute the amount of transition aid payable to each local unit under this section. On or before August 1 of each year, the commissioner shall certify the amount of transition aid computed for aids payable in the following year for each recipient local unit. The commissioner shall pay transition aid to local units annually at the times provided in section 477A.015.

(i) The commissioner of revenue may require counties to provide any data that the commissioner deems necessary to administer this section.

Subd. 3. Appropriation. An amount sufficient to pay transition aid under this section is annually appropriated to the commissioner of revenue from the general fund.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective beginning with assessment year 2015.

Sec. 9. SUPPLEMENTAL COUNTY PROGRAM AID FOR 2014.

(a) Each county whose certified aid for 2014 under Minnesota Statutes, section 477A.0124, is less than the aid it received under that section in 2013 shall be eligible for
supplemental aid in 2014 equal to the difference between the amount received in 2013
and the amount certified for 2014.

(b) The aid under this section shall be paid in the same manner and at the same time
as the regular aid payments under Minnesota Statutes, section 477A.0124.
(c) The amount necessary to pay supplemental aid under this section is appropriated
from the general fund to the commissioner of revenue.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2014.

Sec. 10. SUPPLEMENTAL CREDIT FOR TAXES PAYABLE IN 2014 ONLY.
Subdivision 1. Eligibility. Each agricultural homestead qualifying for a credit
for taxes payable in 2014 under Minnesota Statutes, section 273.1384, is eligible for a
supplemental credit equal to the lesser of (i) $230, or (ii) the net property taxes payable on
the property, excluding the taxes attributable to the house, garage, and surrounding one acre
of land. A supplemental credit must not be paid to any property that has delinquent property
taxes. By August 15, 2014, the county auditor must notify the commissioner of revenue of
the name and address of the property owner of each homestead that received an agricultural
credit for taxes payable in 2014, along with the net taxes due upon the agricultural
homestead, whether there are any delinquent taxes on the property, and whatever other
information the commissioner deems necessary, in a form prescribed by the commissioner.

Subd. 2. Payment of supplemental credit. The commissioner must pay
supplemental credit amounts to each qualifying taxpayer by October 15, 2014.

Subd. 3. Property tax statements for taxes payable in 2015. In preparing
proposed property tax notices for taxes payable in 2015 under Minnesota Statutes, section
275.065, and final property tax statements for taxes payable in 2015 under Minnesota
Statutes, section 276.04, the auditor must indicate that the taxpayer may have received a
supplemental credit under this section for taxes payable in 2014.

Subd. 4. Appropriation. The amount necessary to make the payments required
under subdivision 2 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of revenue
for fiscal year 2015.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 11. HOMESTEAD CREDIT REFUND AND RENTER PROPERTY TAX
REFUND INCREASE.
10.1 Subdivision 1. **Homestead credit refund increase.** For claims filed based on taxes payable in 2014, the commissioner shall increase by three percent the refund otherwise payable under Minnesota Statutes, section 290A.04, subdivision 2.

10.4 Subd. 2. **Renter property tax refund increase.** For claims filed based on rent paid in 2013, the commissioner shall increase by six percent the refund otherwise payable under Minnesota Statutes, section 290A.04, subdivision 2a.

10.7 Subd. 3. **Appropriation.** The amount necessary to make the payments required under this section in fiscal years 2015 and 2016 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of revenue.

10.10 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for refund claims based on taxes payable in 2014 and rent paid in 2013 only.

10.12 Sec. 12. **2013 CITY AID PENALTY FORGIVENESS; CITY OF BLUFFTON.** Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 477A.017, subdivision 3, the city of Bluffton shall receive the half of its aid payments for calendar years 2011, 2012, and 2013 under Minnesota Statutes, section 477A.013, that were withheld under Minnesota Statutes, section 477A.017, subdivision 3, provided that the state auditor certifies to the commissioner of revenue that it received audited financial statements from the city for calendar years 2010, 2011, and 2012 by December 31, 2013, and for calendar year 2013 by June 30, 2014. The commissioner of revenue shall make a payment of $20,000 with the first payment of aids under Minnesota Statutes, section 477A.015, in calendar year 2014. The commissioner shall pay the remaining amount, totaling $28,151.50, with the first payment of aids under Minnesota Statutes, section 477A.015, in calendar year 2015. $20,000 in fiscal year 2015 and $28,151.50 in fiscal year 2016 are appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of revenue to make payments under this section.

10.25 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

10.26 Sec. 13. **ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTAL AID REVISION FOR OMITTED 2013 INDEPENDENT NONPROFIT FIREFIGHTING CORPORATIONS.**

(a) Notwithstanding any provision of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 423A, to the contrary, this section modifies the allocation of the police and fire supplemental retirement state aid under Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 423A.022, for October 1, 2014.
(b) Before the allocation of the police and fire supplemental retirement state aid is made for October 1, 2014, the commissioner of revenue shall:

(1) determine those fire departments that qualified for fire state aid under Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 69.021, subdivision 7, on October 1, 2013, did not receive a 2013 allocation of police and fire supplemental retirement state aid, and were an independent nonprofit firefighting corporation; and

(2) determine the amount of police and fire supplemental retirement state aid under Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 423A.022, that the fire departments described in clause (1) would have received on October 1, 2013, if the fire departments had been included in that allocation.

(c) The total amount determined in paragraph (b), clause (2), must be deducted from the amount available for allocation under Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 423A.022, subdivision 2, clause (2), and the commissioner of revenue shall pay to the fire departments determined in paragraph (b), clause (1), their respective portion of the total as an additional payment on October 1, 2014.

(d) The remaining amount after the deduction of the total amount under paragraph (c) must be allocated as provided in section 1.

ARTICLE 2

PROPERTY TAXES

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 272.02, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

Subd. 10. Personal property used for pollution control. Personal property used primarily for the abatement and control of air, water, or land pollution is exempt to the extent that it is so used, and real property is exempt if it is used primarily for abatement and control of air, water, or land pollution as part of an agricultural operation, as a part of a centralized treatment and recovery facility operating under a permit issued by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency pursuant to chapters 115 and 116 and Minnesota Rules, parts 7001.0500 to 7001.0730, and 7045.0020 to 7045.1260, as a wastewater treatment facility and for the treatment, recovery, and stabilization of metals, oils, chemicals, water, sludges, or inorganic materials from hazardous industrial wastes, or as part of an electric generation system. For purposes of this subdivision, personal property includes ponderous machinery and equipment used in a business or production activity that at common law is considered real property.

Any taxpayer requesting exemption of all or a portion of any real property or any equipment or device, or part thereof, operated primarily for the control or abatement of air, water, or land pollution shall file an application with the commissioner of revenue. If the
property is an electric power generation facility located in a city, then the commissioner
shall notify the county assessor and city finance officer of the jurisdictions that host the
facility that the application has been received. The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
shall upon request of the commissioner furnish information and advice to the commissioner.
The information and advice furnished by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
must include statements as to whether the equipment, device, or real property meets
a standard, rule, criteria, guideline, policy, or order of the Minnesota Pollution Control
Agency, and whether the equipment, device, or real property is installed or operated
in accordance with it. On determining that property qualifies for exemption, the
commissioner shall issue an order exempting the property from taxation. If the property is
an electric power generation facility located in a city, then the commissioner shall provide
notification of the order to the county assessor and city finance officer of the jurisdictions
that host the facility. The equipment, device, or real property shall continue to be exempt
from taxation as long as the order issued by the commissioner remains in effect.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 272.02, subdivision 24, is amended to read:


Photovoltaic devices. Personal property consisting of solar energy-generating systems, as
defined in section 216C.06, subdivision 16 272.0295, installed after January 1, 1992, and
used to produce or store electric power are exempt. The value of the real property on
which the solar energy-generating system is located shall be valued in the same manner as
similar real property that has not been improved with a solar energy-generating system.
The real property shall be classified based on the most probable use of the property if it
was not improved with a solar energy-generating system.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective beginning with taxes payable in 2015.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 272.0211, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. Efficiency determination and certification. An owner or operator
of a new or existing electric power generation facility, excluding wind energy conversion
systems, may apply to the commissioner of revenue for a market value exclusion on the
property as provided for in this section. This exclusion shall apply only to the market
value of the equipment of the facility, and shall not apply to the structures and the land
upon which the facility is located. The commissioner of revenue shall prescribe the forms
and procedures for this application. Upon receiving the application, the commissioner of

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revenue shall: (1) request the commissioner of commerce to make a determination of the
efficiency of the applicant's electric power generation facility; and (2), if the facility is
in a city, notify the county assessor and city finance officer of the jurisdictions that host
the facility that an application for an exclusion is being processed. The commissioner
of commerce shall calculate efficiency as the ratio of useful energy outputs to energy
inputs, expressed as a percentage, based on the performance of the facility's equipment
during normal full load operation. The commissioner must include in this formula the
energy used in any on-site preparation of materials necessary to convert the materials
into the fuel used to generate electricity, such as a process to gasify petroleum coke.
The commissioner shall use the Higher Heating Value (HHV) for all substances in the
commissioner's efficiency calculations, except for wood for fuel in a biomass-eligible
project under section 216B.2424; for these instances, the commissioner shall adjust the
heating value to allow for energy consumed for evaporation of the moisture in the wood.
The applicant shall provide the commissioner of commerce with whatever information the
commissioner deems necessary to make the determination. Within 30 days of the receipt
of the necessary information, the commissioner of commerce shall certify the findings of
the efficiency determination to the commissioner of revenue and to the applicant. The
commissioner of commerce shall determine the efficiency of the facility and certify the
findings of that determination to the commissioner of revenue every two years thereafter
from the date of the original certification.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective beginning with assessment year 2014.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 272.0211, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Sliding scale exclusion. Based upon the efficiency determination provided
by the commissioner of commerce as described in subdivision 1, the commissioner of
revenue shall subtract eight percent of the taxable market value of the qualifying property
for each percentage point that the efficiency of the specific facility, as determined by the
commissioner of commerce, is above 40 percent. The reduction in taxable market value
shall be reflected in the taxable market value of the facility beginning with the assessment
year immediately following the determination. For a facility that is assessed by the county
in which the facility is located, the commissioner of revenue shall certify to the assessor
of that county and, if located in a city, the finance officer of that city, the percentage of the
taxable market value of the facility to be excluded.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective beginning with assessment year 2014.
Sec. 5. [272.0295] SOLAR ENERGY PRODUCTION TAX.

Subdivision 1. Production tax. A tax is imposed on the production of electricity from a solar energy-generating system used as an electric power source.

Subd. 2. Definitions. (a) For the purposes of this section, the term "solar energy-generating system" means a set of devices whose primary purpose is to produce electricity by means of any combination of collecting, transferring, or converting solar-generated energy.

(b) The total size of a solar energy-generating system under this subdivision shall be determined according to this paragraph. Unless the systems are interconnected with different distribution systems, the nameplate capacity of a solar energy-generating system shall be combined with the nameplate capacity of any other solar energy-generating system that is:

(1) constructed within the same 12-month period as the solar energy-generating system; and

(2) exhibits characteristics of being a single development, including but not limited to ownership structure, an umbrella sales arrangement, shared interconnection, revenue-sharing arrangements, and common debt or equity financing.

In the case of a dispute, the commissioner of commerce shall determine the total size of the system and shall draw all reasonable inferences in favor of combining the systems.

(c) In making a determination under paragraph (b), the commissioner of commerce may determine that two solar energy-generating systems are under common ownership when the underlying ownership structure contains similar persons or entities, even if the ownership shares differ between the two systems. Solar energy-generating systems are not under common ownership solely because the same person or entity provided equity financing for the systems.

Subd. 3. Rate of tax. (a) For a solar energy-generating system with a capacity exceeding one megawatt alternating current, the tax is $1.20 per megawatt-hour.

(b) A solar energy-generating system with a capacity of one megawatt alternating current or less is exempt from the tax imposed under this section.

Subd. 4. Reports. An owner of a solar energy-generating system subject to tax under this section shall file a report with the commissioner of revenue annually on or before January 15 detailing the amount of electricity in megawatt-hours that was produced by the system in the previous calendar year. The commissioner shall prescribe the form of the report. The report must contain the information required by the commissioner to determine the tax due to each county under this section for the current year. If an owner of a solar energy-generating system subject to taxation under this section fails to file the
report by the due date, the commissioner of revenue shall determine the tax based upon
the nameplate capacity of the system multiplied by a capacity factor of 30 percent.

Subd. 5. Notification of tax. (a) On or before February 28, the commissioner of
revenue shall notify the owner of each solar energy-generating system of the tax due to
each county for the current year and shall certify to the county auditor of each county in
which the system is located the tax due from each owner for the current year.

(b) If the commissioner of revenue determines that the amount of production tax has
been erroneously calculated, the commissioner may correct the error. The commissioner
must notify the owner of the solar energy-generating system of the correction and the
amount of tax due to each county and must certify the correction to the county auditor of
each county in which the system is located on or before April 1 of the current year.

Subd. 6. Payment of tax; collection. The amount of production tax determined
under subdivision 5 must be paid to the county treasurer at the time and in the manner
provided for payment of property taxes under section 277.01, subdivision 3, and, if unpaid,
is subject to the same enforcement, collection, and interest and penalties as delinquent
personal property taxes. Except to the extent inconsistent with this section, the provisions
of sections 277.01 to 277.24 and 278.01 to 278.14 apply to the taxes imposed under this
section, and for purposes of those provisions, the taxes imposed under this section are
considered personal property taxes.

Subd. 7. Distribution of revenues. Revenues from the taxes imposed under this
section must be part of the settlement between the county treasurer and the county auditor
under section 276.09. The revenue must be distributed by the county auditor or the county
treasurer to local taxing jurisdictions in which the solar energy-generating system is
located as follows: 80 percent to counties; and 20 percent to cities and townships.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective beginning with taxes payable in 2015.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 272.03, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. Real property. (a) For the purposes of taxation, "real property"
includes the land itself, rails, ties, and other track materials annexed to the land, and all
buildings, structures, and improvements or other fixtures on it, bridges of bridge companies,
and all rights and privileges belonging or appertaining to the land, and all mines, iron ore
and taconite minerals not otherwise exempt, quarries, fossils, and trees on or under it.

(b) A building or structure shall include the building or structure itself, together with
all improvements or fixtures annexed to the building or structure, which are integrated
with and of permanent benefit to the building or structure, regardless of the present use
of the building, and which cannot be removed without substantial damage to itself or to
the building or structure.

(c)(i) Real property does not include tools, implements, machinery, and equipment
attached to or installed in real property for use in the business or production activity
conducted thereon, regardless of size, weight or method of attachment, and mine shafts,
tunnels, and other underground openings used to extract ores and minerals taxed under
chapter 298 together with steel, concrete, and other materials used to support such openings.

(ii) The exclusion provided in clause (i) shall not apply to machinery and equipment
includable as real estate by paragraphs (a) and (b) even though such machinery and
equipment is used in the business or production activity conducted on the real property if
and to the extent such business or production activity consists of furnishing services or
products to other buildings or structures which are subject to taxation under this chapter.

(iii) The exclusion provided in clause (i) does not apply to the exterior shell of a
structure which constitutes walls, ceilings, roofs, or floors if the shell of the structure has
structural, insulation, or temperature control functions or provides protection from the
elements, unless the structure is primarily used in the production of biofuels, wine, beer,
distilled beverages, or dairy products. Such an exterior shell is included in the definition
of real property even if it also has special functions distinct from that of a building, or if
such an exterior shell is primarily used for the storage of ingredients or materials used in
the production of biofuels, wine, beer, distilled beverages, or dairy products, or for the
storage of finished biofuels, wine, beer, distilled beverages, or dairy products.

(d) The term real property does not include tools, implements, machinery,
equipment, poles, lines, cables, wires, conduit, and station connections which are part of a
telephone communications system, regardless of attachment to or installation in real
property and regardless of size, weight, or method of attachment or installation.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective beginning with assessment year 2015.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.13, subdivision 34, is amended to read:

Subd. 34. *Homestead of disabled veteran or family caregiver.* (a) All or a
portion of the market value of property owned by a veteran and serving as the veteran's
homestead under this section is excluded in determining the property's taxable market
value if the veteran has a service-connected disability of 70 percent or more as certified
by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. To qualify for exclusion under this
subdivision, the veteran must have been honorably discharged from the United States
armed forces, as indicated by United States Government Form DD214 or other official
military discharge papers.
(b)(1) For a disability rating of 70 percent or more, $150,000 of market value is
excluded, except as provided in clause (2); and
(2) for a total (100 percent) and permanent disability, $300,000 of market value is
excluded.
(c) If a disabled veteran qualifying for a valuation exclusion under paragraph (b),
clause (2), predeceases the veteran's spouse, and if upon the death of the veteran the spouse
holds the legal or beneficial title to the homestead and permanently resides there, the
exclusion shall carry over to the benefit of the veteran's spouse for the current taxes payable
year and for **five eight** additional taxes payable years or until such time as the spouse
remarries, or sells, transfers, or otherwise disposes of the property, whichever comes first.
Qualification under this paragraph requires an annual application under paragraph (h).
(d) If the spouse of a member of any branch or unit of the United States armed
forces who dies due to a service-connected cause while serving honorably in active
service, as indicated on United States Government Form DD1300 or DD2064, holds the
legal or beneficial title to a homestead and permanently resides there, the spouse is entitled
to the benefit described in paragraph (b), clause (2), for **five eight** taxes payable years,
or until such time as the spouse remarries or sells, transfers, or otherwise disposes of the
property, whichever comes first.
(e) If a veteran meets the disability criteria of paragraph (a) but does not own
property classified as homestead in the state of Minnesota, then the homestead of the
veteran's primary family caregiver, if any, is eligible for the exclusion that the veteran
would otherwise qualify for under paragraph (b).
(f) In the case of an agricultural homestead, only the portion of the property
consisting of the house and garage and immediately surrounding one acre of land qualifies
for the valuation exclusion under this subdivision.
(g) A property qualifying for a valuation exclusion under this subdivision is not
eligible for the market value exclusion under subdivision 35, or classification under
subdivision 22, paragraph (b).
(h) To qualify for a valuation exclusion under this subdivision a property owner
must apply to the assessor by July 1 of each assessment year, except that an annual
reapplication is not required once a property has been accepted for a valuation exclusion
under paragraph (a) and qualifies for the benefit described in paragraph (b), clause (2), and
the property continues to qualify until there is a change in ownership. For an application
received after July 1 of any calendar year, the exclusion shall become effective for the
following assessment year.
(i) A first-time application by a qualifying spouse for the market value exclusion under paragraph (d) must be made any time within two years of the death of the service member.

(j) For purposes of this subdivision:

(1) "active service" has the meaning given in section 190.05;

(2) "own" means that the person's name is present as an owner on the property deed;

(3) "primary family caregiver" means a person who is approved by the secretary of the United States Department of Veterans Affairs for assistance as the primary provider of personal care services for an eligible veteran under the Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers, codified as United States Code, title 38, section 1720G; and

(4) "veteran" has the meaning given the term in section 197.447.

(k) The purpose of this provision of law providing a level of homestead property tax relief for gravely disabled veterans, their primary family caregivers, and their surviving spouses is to help ease the burdens of war for those among our state's citizens who bear those burdens most heavily.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxes payable in 2015, and applies to homesteads that initially qualified for the exclusion for taxes payable in 2009 and thereafter.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 275.025, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Commercial-industrial tax capacity. For the purposes of this section, "commercial-industrial tax capacity" means the tax capacity of all taxable property classified as class 3 or class 5(1) under section 273.13, except for excluding: (1) the first tier of commercial-industrial value as defined under section 273.13, subdivision 24; (2) electric generation attached machinery under class 3; and (3) property described in section 473.625. County commercial-industrial tax capacity amounts are not adjusted for the captured net tax capacity of a tax increment financing district under section 469.177, subdivision 2, the net tax capacity of transmission lines deducted from a local government's total net tax capacity under section 273.425, or fiscal disparities contribution and distribution net tax capacities under chapter 276A or 473F.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective beginning with taxes payable in 2015.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 275.065, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. Proposed levy. (a) Notwithstanding any law or charter to the contrary, on or before September 15, each taxing authority, other than a school district,
shall adopt a proposed budget and county and each home rule charter or statutory city shall certify to the county auditor the proposed or, in the case of a town, the final property tax levy for taxes payable in the following year.

(b) Notwithstanding any law or charter to the contrary, on or before September 15, each town and each special taxing district shall adopt and certify to the county auditor a proposed property tax levy for taxes payable in the following year. For towns, the final certified levy shall also be considered the proposed levy.

(c) On or before September 30, each school district that has not mutually agreed with its home county to extend this date shall certify to the county auditor the proposed property tax levy for taxes payable in the following year. Each school district that has agreed with its home county to delay the certification of its proposed property tax levy must certify its proposed property tax levy for the following year no later than October 7. The school district shall certify the proposed levy as:

1. a specific dollar amount by school district fund, broken down between voter-approved and non-voter-approved levies and between referendum market value and tax capacity levies; or

2. the maximum levy limitation certified by the commissioner of education according to section 126C.48, subdivision 1.

(d) If the board of estimate and taxation or any similar board that establishes maximum tax levies for taxing jurisdictions within a first class city certifies the maximum property tax levies for funds under its jurisdiction by charter to the county auditor by September 15, the date specified in paragraph (a), the city shall be deemed to have certified its levies for those taxing jurisdictions.

(e) For purposes of this section, "taxing authority" includes all home rule and statutory cities, towns, counties, school districts, and "special taxing district" means a special taxing districts district as defined in section 275.066. Intermediate school districts that levy a tax under chapter 124 or 136D, joint powers boards established under sections 123A.44 to 123A.446, and Common School Districts No. 323, Franconia, and No. 815, Prinsburg, are also special taxing districts for purposes of this section.

(f) At the meeting at which the taxing authority, other than a town, adopts its proposed tax levy under paragraph (a) or (b) this subdivision, the taxing authority shall announce the time and place of its subsequent regularly scheduled meetings at which the budget and levy will be discussed and at which the public will be allowed to speak. The time and place of those meetings must be included in the proceedings or summary of proceedings published in the official newspaper of the taxing authority under section 123B.09, 375.12, or 412.191.
EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective beginning with taxes payable in 2015.

ARTICLE 3

SALES, USE, AND EXCISE TAXES

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 116J.8738, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Qualified business. (a) A business is a qualified business if it satisfies the requirement of this paragraph and is not disqualified under the provisions of paragraph (b). To qualify, the business must:

(1) have operated its trade or business in a city or cities in greater Minnesota for at least one year before applying under subdivision 3;

(2) pay or agree to pay in the future each employee compensation, including benefits not mandated by law, that on an annualized basis equal at least 120 percent of the federal poverty level for a family of four;

(3) plan and agree to expand its employment in one or more cities in greater Minnesota by the minimum number of employees required under subdivision 3, paragraph (c); and

(4) have received certification from the commissioner under subdivision 3 that it is a qualified business.

(b) A business is not a qualified business if it is either:

(1) primarily engaged in making retail sales to purchasers who are physically present at the business's location or locations in greater Minnesota; or

(2) a public utility, as defined in section 336B.01; or

(3) primarily engaged in lobbying; gambling; entertainment; professional sports; political consulting; leisure; hospitality; or professional services provided by attorneys, accountants, business consultants, physicians, or health care consultants.

(c) The requirements in paragraph (a) that the business's operations and expansion be located in a city do not apply to an agricultural processing facility.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 116J.8738, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. Certification of qualified business. (a) A business may apply to the commissioner for certification as a qualified business under this section. The commissioner shall specify the form of the application, the manner and times for applying, and the information required to be included in the application. The commissioner may impose an
application fee in an amount sufficient to defray the commissioner's cost of processing certifications. A business must file a copy of its application with the chief clerical officer of the city at the same time it applies to the commissioner. For an agricultural processing facility located outside the boundaries of a city, the business must file a copy of the application with the county auditor.

(b) The commissioner shall certify each business as a qualified business that:

(1) satisfies the requirements of subdivision 2;

(2) the commissioner determines would not expand its operations in greater Minnesota without the tax incentives available under subdivision 4; and

(3) enters a business subsidy agreement with the commissioner that pledges to satisfy the minimum expansion requirements of paragraph (c) within three years or less following execution of the agreement.

The commissioner must act on an application within 60 days after its filing. Failure by the commissioner to take action within the 60-day period is deemed approval of the application.

(c) The following minimum expansion requirements apply, based on the number of employees of the business at locations in greater Minnesota:

(1) a business that employs 50 or fewer full-time equivalent employees in greater Minnesota when the agreement is executed must increase its employment by five or more full-time equivalent employees;

(2) a business that employs more than 50 but fewer than 200 full-time equivalent employees in greater Minnesota when the agreement is executed must increase the number of its full-time equivalent employees in greater Minnesota by at least ten percent; or

(3) a business that employs 200 or more full-time equivalent employees in greater Minnesota when the agreement is executed must increase its employment by at least 21 full-time equivalent employees. (c) The business must increase the number of full-time equivalent employees in greater Minnesota from the time the business subsidy agreement is executed by two employees or ten percent, whichever is greater.

(d) The city, or a county for an agricultural processing facility located outside the boundaries of a city, in which the business proposes to expand its operations may file comments supporting or opposing the application with the commissioner. The comments must be filed within 30 days after receipt by the city of the application and may include a notice of any contribution the city or county intends to make to encourage or support the business expansion, such as the use of tax increment financing, property tax abatement, additional city or county services, or other financial assistance.
(e) Certification of a qualified business is effective for the 12-year seven-year period beginning on the first day of the calendar month immediately following execution of the business subsidy agreement the date that the commissioner informs the business of the award of the benefit.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 116J.8738, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Available tax incentives.** A qualified business is entitled to a sales tax exemption, up to $2,000,000 annually and $10,000,000 during the total period of the agreement, as provided in section 297A.68, subdivision 44, for purchases made during the period the business was certified as a qualified business under this section. The commissioner has discretion to set the maximum amounts of the annual and total sales tax exemption allowed for each qualifying business as part of the business subsidy agreement.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 4. **[168A.125] TRANSFER-ON-DEATH OF TITLE TO MOTOR VEHICLE.**

Subdivision 1. **Titled as transfer-on-death.** A motor vehicle may be titled in transfer-on-death or TOD form by a natural person by including in the certificate of title a designation of a beneficiary or beneficiaries who are natural persons to whom the motor vehicle must be transferred on death of the owner or the last survivor of joint owners with rights of survivorship, subject to the rights of all secured parties.

Subd. 2. **Designation of beneficiary.** A motor vehicle is registered in transfer-on-death form by designating on the certificate of title the name of the owner and the names of joint owners with identification of rights of survivorship, followed by the words "transfer-on-death to (name of beneficiary or beneficiaries)." The designation "TOD" may be used instead of "transfer-on-death." A title in transfer-on-death form is not required to be supported by consideration, and the certificate of title in which the designation is made is not required to be delivered to the beneficiary or beneficiaries in order for the designation to be effective.

Subd. 3. **Interest of beneficiary.** The transfer-on-death beneficiary or beneficiaries shall have no interest in the motor vehicle until the death of the owner or the last survivor of the joint owners with right of survivorship. A beneficiary designation may be changed at any time by the owner or by all joint owners with rights of survivorship, without the consent of the beneficiary or beneficiaries, by filing an application for a new certificate of title.
Subd. 4. Vesting of ownership in beneficiary. Ownership of a motor vehicle titled in transfer-on-death form shall vest in the designated beneficiary or beneficiaries on the death of the owner or the last of the joint owners with right of survivorship, subject to the rights of all secured parties. The transfer-on-death beneficiary or beneficiaries who survive the owner may apply for a new certificate of title to the motor vehicle upon submitting proof of the death of the owner of the motor vehicle. If no transfer-on-death beneficiary or beneficiaries survive the owner of a motor vehicle, the motor vehicle must be included in the probate estate of the deceased owner. A transfer of a motor vehicle to a transfer-on-death beneficiary or beneficiaries is not a testamentary transfer.

Subd. 5. Rights of creditors. This section does not limit the rights of any secured party or creditor of the owner of a motor vehicle against a transfer-on-death beneficiary or beneficiaries.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 289A.20, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. Sales and use tax. (a) The taxes imposed by chapter 297A are due and payable to the commissioner monthly on or before the 20th day of the month following the month in which the taxable event occurred, or following another reporting period as the commissioner prescribes or as allowed under section 289A.18, subdivision 4, paragraph (f) or (g), except that use taxes due on an annual use tax return as provided under section 289A.11, subdivision 1, are payable by April 15 following the close of the calendar year.

(b) A vendor having a liability of $120,000 to $250,000 or more during a fiscal year ending June 30 must remit the June liability for the next year in the following manner:

(1) Two business days before June 30 of the year, the vendor must remit 90 percent of the estimated June liability to the commissioner.

(2) On or before August 20 of the year, the vendor must pay any additional amount of tax not remitted in June.

(c) A vendor having a liability of:

(1) $10,000 or more, but less than $120,000 to $250,000 during a fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, and fiscal years thereafter, must remit by electronic means all liabilities on returns due for periods beginning in all subsequent calendar years on or before the 20th day of the month following the month in which the taxable event occurred, or on or before the 20th day of the month following the month in which the sale is reported under section 289A.18, subdivision 4; or

(2) $120,000 to $250,000 or more, during a fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, and fiscal years thereafter, must remit by electronic means all liabilities in the manner...
provided in paragraph (a) on returns due for periods beginning in the subsequent calendar year, except for 90 81.4 percent of the estimated June liability, which is due two business days before June 30. The remaining amount of the June liability is due on August 20.

(d) Notwithstanding paragraph (b) or (c), a person prohibited by the person’s religious beliefs from paying electronically shall be allowed to remit the payment by mail. The filer must notify the commissioner of revenue of the intent to pay by mail before doing so on a form prescribed by the commissioner. No extra fee may be charged to a person making payment by mail under this paragraph. The payment must be postmarked at least two business days before the due date for making the payment in order to be considered paid on a timely basis.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for taxes remitted after May 30, 2014.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 289A.60, subdivision 15, is amended to read:

Subd. 15. **Accelerated payment of June sales tax liability; penalty for underpayment.** For payments made after December 31, 2006, 2013, if a vendor is required by law to submit an estimation of June sales tax liabilities and 90 81.4 percent payment by a certain date, the vendor shall pay a penalty equal to ten percent of the amount of actual June liability required to be paid in June less the amount remitted in June. The penalty must not be imposed, however, if the amount remitted in June equals the lesser of 90 81.4 percent of the preceding May's liability or 90 81.4 percent of the average monthly liability for the previous calendar year.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for taxes remitted after May 30, 2014.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 297A.67, subdivision 13a, is amended to read:

Subd. 13a. **Instructional materials.** Instructional materials, other than textbooks, that are prescribed for use in conjunction with a course of study in a postsecondary school, college, university, or private career school to students who are regularly enrolled at such institutions are exempt. For purposes of this subdivision, "instructional materials" means materials required to be used directly in the completion of the course of study, including, but not limited to, interactive CDs, tapes, digital audio works, digital audiovisual works, and computer software.

Instructional materials do not include general reference works or other items incidental to the instructional process such as pens, pencils, paper, folders, or computers. For purposes of this subdivision, "school" and "private career school" have the meanings given in subdivision 13.
EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 297A.67, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 33. Presentations accessed as digital audio and audiovisual works. The charge for a live or prerecorded presentation, such as a lecture, seminar, workshop, or course, where participants access the presentation as a digital audio work or digital audiovisual work, and are connected to the presentation via the Internet, telecommunications equipment or other device that transfers the presentation electronically, is exempt if:

(1) participants and the presenter, during the time that participants access the presentation, are able to give, receive, and discuss the presentation with each other, although the amount of interaction and when in the presentation the interaction occurs may be limited by the presenter; and

(2) for those presentations where participants are given the option to attend the same presentation in person:

(i) any limitations on the amount of interaction and when it occurs during the presentation are the same for those participants accessing the presentation electronically as those attending in person; and

(ii) the admission to the in person presentation is not subject to tax under this chapter.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for sales and purchases made after June 30, 2014.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 297A.68, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 3a. Coin-operated entertainment and amusement devices. Coin-operated entertainment and amusement devices, including, but not limited to, fortune-telling machines, cranes, foosball and pool tables, video and pinball games, batting cages, rides, photo or video booths, and jukeboxes, are exempt when purchased by retailers selling admission to places of amusement and making available amusement devices as provided in section 297A.61, subdivision 3, paragraph (g), clause (1).

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for sales and purchases made after June 30, 2014.
Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 297A.68, subdivision 42, is amended to read:

Subd. 42. **Qualified data centers.** (a) Purchases of enterprise information technology equipment and computer software for use in a qualified data center, or a qualified refurbished data center, are exempt. The tax on purchases exempt under this paragraph must be imposed and collected as if the rate under section 297A.62, subdivision 1, applied, and then refunded after June 30, 2013, in the manner provided in section 297A.75. This exemption includes enterprise information technology equipment and computer software purchased to replace or upgrade enterprise information technology equipment and computer software in a qualified data center, or a qualified refurbished data center.

(b) Electricity used or consumed in the operation of a qualified data center, or a qualified refurbished data center, is exempt.

(c) For purposes of this subdivision, "qualified data center, or a qualified refurbished data center," means a facility in Minnesota:

(1) that is comprised of one or more buildings that consist in the aggregate of at least 25,000 square feet, and that are located on a single parcel or on contiguous parcels, where the total cost of construction or refurbishment, investment in enterprise information technology equipment, and computer software is at least $30,000,000 within a 48-month period;

(2) that is constructed or substantially refurbished after June 30, 2012, where "substantially refurbished" means that at least 25,000 square feet have been rebuilt or modified, including:

(i) installation of enterprise information technology equipment, environmental control, computer software, and energy efficiency improvements; and

(ii) building improvements; and

(3) that is used to house enterprise information technology equipment, where the facility has the following characteristics:

(i) uninterruptible power supplies, generator backup power, or both;

(ii) sophisticated fire suppression and prevention systems; and

(iii) enhanced security. A facility will be considered to have enhanced security if it has restricted access to the facility to selected personnel; permanent security guards; video camera surveillance; an electronic system requiring pass codes, keycards, or biometric scans, such as hand scans and retinal or fingerprint recognition; or similar security features.

In determining whether the facility has the required square footage, the square footage of the following spaces shall be included if the spaces support the operation of enterprise.
information technology equipment: office space, meeting space, and mechanical and other support facilities. For purposes of this subdivision, "computer software" includes, but is not limited to, software utilized or loaded at the a qualified data center or a qualified refurbished data center, including maintenance, licensing, and software customization.

(d) For purposes of this subdivision, a "qualified refurbished data center" means an existing facility that qualifies as a data center under paragraph (c), clauses (2) and (3), but that is comprised of one or more buildings that consist in the aggregate of at least 25,000 square feet, and that are located on a single parcel or contiguous parcels, where the total cost of construction or refurbishment, investment in enterprise information technology equipment, and computer software is at least $50,000,000 within a 24-month period.

(e) For purposes of this subdivision, "enterprise information technology equipment" means computers and equipment supporting computing, networking, or data storage, including servers and routers. It includes, but is not limited to: cooling systems, cooling towers, and other temperature control infrastructure; power infrastructure for transformation, distribution, or management of electricity used for the maintenance and operation of a qualified data center or a qualified refurbished data center, including but not limited to exterior dedicated business-owned substations, backup power generation systems, battery systems, and related infrastructure; and racking systems, cabling, and trays, which are necessary for the maintenance and operation of the a qualified data center or a qualified refurbished data center.

(f) A qualified data center or a qualified refurbished data center may claim the exemptions in this subdivision for purchases made either within 20 years of the date of its first purchase qualifying for the exemption under paragraph (a), or by June 30, 2042, whichever is earlier.

(g) The purpose of this exemption is to create jobs in the construction and data center industries.

(h) This subdivision is effective for sales and purchases made after June 30, 2012, and before July 1, 2042.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective retroactively for sales and purchases made after June 30, 2013.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 297A.68, subdivision 44, is amended to read:

Subd. 44. Greater Minnesota business expansions. (a) Purchases and use of tangible personal property or taxable services by a qualified business, as defined in section 116J.8738, are exempt if:
(1) the business subsidy agreement provides that the exemption under this subdivision applies;

(2) the property or services are primarily used or consumed at the facility in greater Minnesota identified in the business subsidy agreement; and

(3) the purchase was made and delivery received during the duration of the certification of the business as a qualified business under section 116J.8738.

(b) Purchase and use of construction materials and supplies used or consumed in, and equipment incorporated into, the construction of improvements to real property in greater Minnesota are exempt if the improvements after completion of construction are to be used in the conduct of the trade or business of the qualified business, as defined in section 116J.8738. This exemption applies regardless of whether the purchases are made by the business or a contractor.

(c) The exemptions under this subdivision apply to a local sales and use tax.

(d) The tax on purchases imposed under this subdivision must be imposed and collected as if the rate under section 297A.62 applied, and then refunded in the manner provided in section 297A.75. The total amount refunded for a facility over the certification period is limited to the amount listed in the business subsidy agreement. No more than $7,000,000 may be refunded in a fiscal year for all purchases under this subdivision. Refunds must be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. If more than $7,000,000 of eligible claims are made in a fiscal year, claims by qualified businesses carry over to the next fiscal year, and the commissioner must first allocate refunds to qualified businesses eligible for a refund in the preceding fiscal year. Any portion of the balance of funds allocated for refunds under this paragraph does not cancel and shall be carried forward to and available for refunds in subsequent fiscal years.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 297A.70, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Sales to government.** (a) All sales, except those listed in paragraph (b), to the following governments and political subdivisions, or to the listed agencies or instrumentalities of governments and political subdivisions, are exempt:

(1) the United States and its agencies and instrumentalities;

(2) school districts, local governments, the University of Minnesota, state universities, community colleges, technical colleges, state academies, the Perpich Minnesota Center for Arts Education, and an instrumentality of a political subdivision that is accredited as an optional/special function school by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools;
29.1 (3) hospitals and nursing homes owned and operated by political subdivisions of
29.2 the state of tangible personal property and taxable services used at or by hospitals and
29.3 nursing homes;
29.4 (4) the Metropolitan Council, for its purchases of vehicles and repair parts to equip
29.5 operations provided for in section 473.4051;
29.6 (5) other states or political subdivisions of other states, if the sale would be exempt
29.7 from taxation if it occurred in that state; and
29.8 (6) public libraries, public library systems, multicounty, multitype library systems
29.9 as defined in section 134.001, county law libraries under chapter 134A, state agency
29.10 libraries, the state library under section 480.09, and the Legislative Reference Library.
29.11 (b) This exemption does not apply to the sales of the following products and services:
29.12 (1) building, construction, or reconstruction materials purchased by a contractor
29.13 or a subcontractor as a part of a lump-sum contract or similar type of contract with a
29.14 guaranteed maximum price covering both labor and materials for use in the construction,
29.15 alteration, or repair of a building or facility;
29.16 (2) construction materials purchased by tax exempt entities or their contractors to
29.17 be used in constructing buildings or facilities which will not be used principally by the
29.18 tax exempt entities;
29.19 (3) the leasing of a motor vehicle as defined in section 297B.01, subdivision 11,
29.20 except for leases entered into by the United States or its agencies or instrumentalities;
29.21 (4) lodging as defined under section 297A.61, subdivision 3, paragraph (g), clause
29.22 (2), and prepared food, candy, soft drinks, and alcoholic beverages as defined in section
29.23 297A.67, subdivision 2, except for lodging, prepared food, candy, soft drinks, and alcoholic
29.24 beverages purchased directly by the United States or its agencies or instrumentalities; or
29.25 (5) goods or services purchased by a local government as inputs to goods and
29.26 services that are generally provided by a private business and the purchases would be
29.27 taxable if made by a private business engaged in the same activity; a liquor store, gas or
29.28 electric utility, solid waste hauling service, solid waste recycling service, landfill, golf
29.29 course, marina, health and fitness center, campground, cafe, or laundromat.
29.30 (c) As used in this subdivision, "school districts" means public school entities and
29.31 districts of every kind and nature organized under the laws of the state of Minnesota, and
29.32 any instrumentation of a school district, as defined in section 471.59.
29.33 (d) As used in this subdivision, "local governments" means:
29.34 (1) home rule charter or statutory cities;
29.35 (2) counties;
29.36 (3) townships;
(4) housing and redevelopment authorities under sections 469.001 to 469.047;

(5) port authorities under sections 469.048 to 469.068;

(6) economic development authorities under sections 469.090 to 469.1081; and

(7) any joint powers board or organization created under section 471.59 provided

that at least 50 percent or more of the governmental units that are party to the joint powers

agreement are exempt from sales tax under clauses (1) to (6) or paragraph (a).

(e) As used in this subdivision, "goods or services generally provided by a private

business" include, but are not limited to, goods or services provided by liquor stores, gas

and electric utilities, golf courses, marinas, health and fitness centers, campgrounds, cafes,

and laundromats. "Goods or services generally provided by a private business" do not

include housing services, sewer and water services, wastewater treatment, ambulance and

other public safety services, correctional services, home or homemaking services provided

to elderly or disabled individuals, or road and street maintenance or lighting.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** The amendment to paragraph (d) is effective for sales and

purchases made after June 30, 2015. The other amendments to this section are effective

for sales and purchases made after June 30, 2014.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 297A.70, subdivision 13,
is amended to read:

Subd. 13. Fund-raising sales by or for nonprofit groups. (a) The following

sales by the specified organizations for fund-raising purposes are exempt, subject to the

limitations listed in paragraph (b):

(1) all sales made by a nonprofit organization that exists solely for the purpose of

providing educational or social activities for young people primarily age 18 and under;

(2) all sales made by an organization that is a senior citizen group or association of

groups if (i) in general it limits membership to persons age 55 or older; (ii) it is organized

and operated exclusively for pleasure, recreation, and other nonprofit purposes; and (iii)

no part of its net earnings inures to the benefit of any private shareholders;

(3) the sale or use of tickets or admissions to a golf tournament held in Minnesota if

the beneficiary of the tournament's net proceeds qualifies as a tax-exempt organization

under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; and

(4) sales of candy sold for fund-raising purposes by a nonprofit organization that

provides educational and social activities primarily for young people age 18 and under.

(b) The exemptions listed in paragraph (a) are limited in the following manner:
(1) the exemption under paragraph (a), clauses (1) and (2), applies only to the first $20,000, as adjusted under paragraph (e), of the gross annual receipts of the organization from fund-raising if the annual receipts do not exceed $10,000; and

(2) the exemption under paragraph (a), clause (1), does not apply if the sales are derived from admission charges or from activities for which the money must be deposited with the school district treasurer under section 123B.49, subdivision 2, or be recorded in the same manner as other revenues or expenditures of the school district under section 123B.49, subdivision 4.

(c) Sales of tangible personal property and services are exempt if the entire proceeds, less the necessary expenses for obtaining the property or services, will be contributed to a registered combined charitable organization described in section 43A.50, to be used exclusively for charitable, religious, or educational purposes, and the registered combined charitable organization has given its written permission for the sale. Sales that occur over a period of more than 24 days per year are not exempt under this paragraph.

(d) For purposes of this subdivision, a club, association, or other organization of elementary or secondary school students organized for the purpose of carrying on sports, educational, or other extracurricular activities is a separate organization from the school district or school for purposes of applying the $10,000 $20,000 limit, as adjusted under paragraph (e).

(e) By December 1, 2015, and every December 1 thereafter, the commissioner shall calculate and publish an adjusted exemption limit for this subdivision. The adjusted limit is equal to $20,000 multiplied by the ratio of the Consumer Price Index for urban consumers for the most recently available calendar year to the Consumer Price Index for urban consumers for calendar year 2013, as prepared by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for sales and purchases made after June 30, 2014.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 297A.70, subdivision 14, is amended to read:

Subd. 14. Fund-raising events sponsored by nonprofit groups. (a) Sales of tangible personal property or services at, and admission charges for fund-raising events sponsored by, a nonprofit organization are exempt if:

(1) all gross receipts are recorded as such, in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices, on the books of the nonprofit organization; and
(2) the entire proceeds, less the necessary expenses for the event, will be used solely and exclusively for charitable, religious, or educational purposes. Exempt sales include the sale of prepared food, candy, and soft drinks at the fund-raising event.

(b) This exemption is limited in the following manner:

(1) it does not apply to admission charges for events involving bingo or other gambling activities or to charges for use of amusement devices involving bingo or other gambling activities;

(2) all gross receipts are taxable if the profits are not used solely and exclusively for charitable, religious, or educational purposes;

(3) it does not apply unless the organization keeps a separate accounting record, including receipts and disbursements from each fund-raising event that documents all deductions from gross receipts with receipts and other records;

(4) it does not apply to any sale made by or in the name of a nonprofit corporation as the active or passive agent of a person that is not a nonprofit corporation;

(5) all gross receipts are taxable if fund-raising events exceed 24 days per year;

(6) it does not apply to fund-raising events conducted on premises leased for more than five days but less than 30 days; and

(7) it does not apply if the risk of the event is not borne by the nonprofit organization and the benefit to the nonprofit organization is less than the total amount of the state and local tax revenues forgone by this exemption.

(c) For purposes of this subdivision, a "nonprofit organization" means any unit of government, corporation, society, association, foundation, or institution organized and operated for charitable, religious, educational, civic, fraternal, and senior citizens' or veterans' purposes, no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of a private individual.

(d) For purposes of this subdivision, "fund-raising events" means activities of limited duration, not regularly carried out in the normal course of business, that attract patrons for community, social, and entertainment purposes, such as auctions, bake sales, ice cream socials, block parties, carnivals, competitions, concerts, concession stands, craft sales, bazaars, dinners, dances, door-to-door sales of merchandise, fairs, fashion shows, festivals, galas, special event workshops, sporting activities such as marathons and tournaments, and similar events. Fund-raising events do not include the operation of a regular place of business in which services are provided or sales are made during regular hours such as bookstores, thrift stores, gift shops, restaurants, ongoing Internet sales, regularly scheduled classes, or other activities carried out in the normal course of business.
EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for sales and purchases made after June 30, 2014.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 297A.71, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 49. Donated materials for a library expansion. Building materials and supplies purchased and donated by a private entity and used in the construction of an addition to a city library facility are exempt.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for materials and supplies used in construction occurring after April 1, 2014, and before July 1, 2015.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 297B.01, subdivision 16, is amended to read:

Subd. 16. Sale, sells, selling, purchase, purchased, or acquired. (a) "Sale,"
"sells," "selling," "purchase," "purchased," or "acquired" means any transfer of title of any motor vehicle, whether absolutely or conditionally, for a consideration in money or by exchange or barter for any purpose other than resale in the regular course of business.

(b) Any motor vehicle utilized by the owner only by leasing such vehicle to others or by holding it in an effort to so lease it, and which is put to no other use by the owner other than resale after such lease or effort to lease, shall be considered property purchased for resale.

(c) The terms also shall include any transfer of title or ownership of a motor vehicle by other means, for or without consideration, except that these terms shall not include:

(1) the acquisition of a motor vehicle by inheritance from or by bequest of, or transfer-on-death of title by, a decedent who owned it;

(2) the transfer of a motor vehicle which was previously licensed in the names of two or more joint tenants and subsequently transferred without monetary consideration to one or more of the joint tenants;

(3) the transfer of a motor vehicle by way of gift from a limited used vehicle dealer licensed under section 168.27, subdivision 4a, to an individual, when the transfer is with no monetary or other consideration or expectation of consideration and the parties to the transfer submit an affidavit to that effect at the time the title transfer is recorded;

(4) the transfer of a motor vehicle by gift between:

(i) spouses;

(ii) parents and a child; or

(iii) grandparents and a grandchild;
(5) the voluntary or involuntary transfer of a motor vehicle between a husband and
wife in a divorce proceeding; or

(6) the transfer of a motor vehicle by way of a gift to an organization that is exempt
from federal income taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code when
the motor vehicle will be used exclusively for religious, charitable, or educational purposes.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 297B.03, is amended to read:

297B.03 EXEMPTIONS.

There is specifically exempted from the provisions of this chapter and from
computation of the amount of tax imposed by it the following:

(1) purchase or use, including use under a lease purchase agreement or installment
sales contract made pursuant to section 465.71, of any motor vehicle by the United States
and its agencies and instrumentalities and by any person described in and subject to the
conditions provided in section 297A.67, subdivision 11;

(2) purchase or use of any motor vehicle by any person who was a resident of
another state or country at the time of the purchase and who subsequently becomes a
resident of Minnesota, provided the purchase occurred more than 60 days prior to the date
such person began residing in the state of Minnesota and the motor vehicle was registered
in the person's name in the other state or country;

(3) purchase or use of any motor vehicle by any person making a valid election to be
taxed under the provisions of section 297A.90;

(4) purchase or use of any motor vehicle previously registered in the state of
Minnesota when such transfer constitutes a transfer within the meaning of section 118,
331, 332, 336, 337, 338, 351, 355, 368, 721, 731, 1031, 1033, or 1563(a) of the Internal
Revenue Code;

(5) purchase or use of any vehicle owned by a resident of another state and leased
to a Minnesota-based private or for-hire carrier for regular use in the transportation of
persons or property in interstate commerce provided the vehicle is titled in the state of
the owner or secured party, and that state does not impose a sales tax or sales tax on
motor vehicles used in interstate commerce;

(6) purchase or use of a motor vehicle by a private nonprofit or public educational
institution for use as an instructional aid in automotive training programs operated by the
institution. "Automotive training programs" includes motor vehicle body and mechanical
repair courses but does not include driver education programs;
(7) purchase of a motor vehicle by an ambulance service licensed under section 144E.10 when that vehicle is equipped and specifically intended for emergency response or for providing ambulance service;

(8) purchase of a motor vehicle by or for a public library, as defined in section 134.001, subdivision 2, as a bookmobile or library delivery vehicle;

(9) purchase of a ready-mixed concrete truck;

(10) purchase or use of a motor vehicle by a town home rule charter or statutory cities, counties, and townships or any joint powers board or organization created under section 471.59 where at least 50 percent of the members of the agreement are home rule charter or statutory cities, counties, or townships, for use exclusively for road maintenance, including snowplows and dump trucks, but not including automobiles, vans, or pickup trucks;

(11) purchase or use of a motor vehicle by a corporation, society, association, foundation, or institution organized and operated exclusively for charitable, religious, or educational purposes, except a public school, university, or library, but only if the vehicle is:

(i) a truck, as defined in section 168.002, a bus, as defined in section 168.002, or a passenger automobile, as defined in section 168.002, if the automobile is designed and used for carrying more than nine persons including the driver; and

(ii) intended to be used primarily to transport tangible personal property or individuals, other than employees, to whom the organization provides service in performing its charitable, religious, or educational purpose;

(12) purchase of a motor vehicle for use by a transit provider exclusively to provide transit service is exempt if the transit provider is either (i) receiving financial assistance or reimbursement under section 174.24 or 473.384, or (ii) operating under section 174.29, 473.388, or 473.405;

(13) purchase or use of a motor vehicle by a qualified business, as defined in section 469.310, located in a job opportunity building zone, if the motor vehicle is principally garaged in the job opportunity building zone and is primarily used as part of or in direct support of the person's operations carried on in the job opportunity building zone. The exemption under this clause applies to sales, if the purchase was made and delivery received during the duration of the job opportunity building zone. The exemption under this clause also applies to any local sales and use tax;

(14) purchase of a leased vehicle by the lessee who was a participant in a lease-to-own program from a charitable organization that is:

(i) described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; and

(ii) licensed as a motor vehicle lessor under section 168.27, subdivision 4; and
(15) purchase of a motor vehicle used exclusively as a mobile medical unit for the
provision of medical or dental services by a federally qualified health center, as defined
under title 19 of the Social Security Act, as amended by Section 4161 of the Omnibus
Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for sales and purchases made after
June 30, 2015.

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 297F.09, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

Subd. 10. **Accelerated tax payment; cigarette or tobacco products distributor.**
A cigarette or tobacco products distributor having a liability of $120,000 $250,000 or
more during a fiscal year ending June 30, shall remit the June liability for the next year
in the following manner:

(a) Two business days before June 30 of the year, the distributor shall remit the
actual May liability and 90 81.4 percent of the estimated June liability to the commissioner
and file the return in the form and manner prescribed by the commissioner.

(b) On or before August 18 of the year, the distributor shall submit a return showing
the actual June liability and pay any additional amount of tax not remitted in June. A
penalty is imposed equal to ten percent of the amount of June liability required to be paid
in June, less the amount remitted in June. However, the penalty is not imposed if the
amount remitted in June equals the lesser of:

(1) 90 81.4 percent of the actual June liability; or

(2) 90 81.4 percent of the preceding May's May liability.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for taxes remitted after May 30, 2014.

Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 297G.03, is amended by adding a
subdivision to read:

Subd. 5. **Microdistillery credit.** (a) A qualified distiller producing distilled spirits is
entitled to a tax credit of $1.33 per liter on 100,000 liters sold in any fiscal year beginning
July 1. A qualified distiller may take the credit on the 18th day of each month, but the total
credit allowed may not exceed in any fiscal year the lesser of:

(1) the liability for tax; or

(2) $133,000.

(b) For purposes of this subdivision, "qualified distiller" means a microdistillery
qualifying under section 340A.101, subdivision 17a, in the calendar year immediately
preceding the calendar year for which the credit under this subdivision is claimed.
EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2014.

Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 297G.09, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. Accelerated tax payment; penalty. A person liable for tax under this chapter having a liability of $120,000 to $250,000 or more during a fiscal year ending June 30, shall remit the June liability for the next year in the following manner:

(a) Two business days before June 30 of the year, the taxpayer shall remit the actual May liability and 90.814% percent of the estimated June liability to the commissioner and file the return in the form and manner prescribed by the commissioner.

(b) On or before August 18 of the year, the taxpayer shall submit a return showing the actual June liability and pay any additional amount of tax not remitted in June. A penalty is imposed equal to ten percent of the amount of June liability required to be paid in June less the amount remitted in June. However, the penalty is not imposed if the amount remitted in June equals the lesser of:

1. 90.814% percent of the actual June liability; or
2. 90.814% percent of the preceding May liability.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxes remitted after May 30, 2014.

Sec. 21. Laws 1980, chapter 511, section 1, subdivision 2, as amended by Laws 1991, chapter 291, article 8, section 22, Laws 1998, chapter 389, article 8, section 25, Laws 2003, First Special Session chapter 21, article 8, section 11, and Laws 2008, chapter 154, article 5, section 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 477A.016, or any other law, ordinance, or city charter provision to the contrary, the city of Duluth may, by ordinance, impose an additional sales tax of up to two and one-quarter percent and three-quarter percent on sales transactions which are described in Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 297A.01, subdivision 3, clause (c). When the city council determines that the taxes imposed under this subdivision and under Laws 1998, chapter 389, article 8, section 26, at a rate of one-half of one percent have produced revenue sufficient to pay (1) the debt service on bonds in a principal amount of $8,000,000 issued for capital improvements to the Duluth Entertainment and Convention Center, and (2) debt service on outstanding bonds originally issued in the principal amount of $4,970,000 to finance capital improvements to the Great Lakes Aquarium since the imposition of the taxes at the rate of one and one-half percent, the rate of the tax under this subdivision is reduced by one-half of one percent.

The imposition of this tax shall not be subject to voter referendum under either state law or city charter provisions. When the city council determines that the taxes imposed under
this subdivision paragraph at a rate of three-quarters of one percent and other sources of revenue produce revenue sufficient to pay debt service on bonds in the principal amount of $40,285,000 plus issuance and discount costs, issued for capital improvements at the Duluth Entertainment and Convention Center, which include a new arena, the rate of tax under this subdivision must be reduced by three-quarters of one percent.

(b) In addition to the tax in paragraph (a) and notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 477A.016, or any other law, ordinance, or city charter provision to the contrary, the city of Duluth may, by ordinance, impose an additional sales tax of up to one-half of one percent on sales transactions which are described in Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 297A.01, subdivision 3, clause (c). This tax expires when the city council determines that the tax imposed under this paragraph, along with the tax imposed under section 22, paragraph (b), has produced revenues sufficient to pay the debt service on bonds in a principal amount of no more than $18,000,000, plus issuance and discount costs, to finance capital improvements to public facilities to support tourism and recreational activities in that portion of the city west of 34th Avenue West.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day after the governing body of the city of Duluth and its chief clerical officer comply with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivisions 2 and 3.

Sec. 22. Laws 1980, chapter 511, section 2, as amended by Laws 1998, chapter 389, article 8, section 26, and Laws 2003, First Special Session chapter 21, article 8, section 12, is amended to read:

 Sec. 22. **CITY OF DULUTH; TAX ON RECEIPTS BY HOTELS AND MOTELS.**

(a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 477A.016, or any other law, or ordinance, or city charter provision to the contrary, the city of Duluth may, by ordinance, impose an additional tax of one and one-half percent upon the gross receipts from the sale of lodging for periods of less than 30 days in hotels and motels located in the city. When the city council determines that the taxes imposed under this section and section 25 at a rate of one-half of one percent have produced revenue sufficient to pay (1) the debt service on bonds in a principal amount of $8,000,000 issued for capital improvements for the Duluth Entertainment and Convention Center, and (2) the debt service on outstanding bonds originally issued in the principal amount of $4,970,000 to finance capital improvements to the Great Lakes Aquarium since the imposition of the taxes at the rate of one and one-half percent, the rate of the tax under this section is reduced to one percent. The tax shall be collected in the same manner as the tax set forth in the Duluth
city charter, section 54(d), paragraph one. The imposition of this tax shall not be subject to
voter referendum under either state law or city charter provisions.

(b) In addition to the tax in paragraph (a) and notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes,
section 477A.016, or any other law, ordinance, or city charter provision to the contrary,
the city of Duluth may, by ordinance, impose an additional sales tax of up to one-half
of one percent on the gross receipts from the sale of lodging for periods of less than
30 days in hotels and motels located in the city. This tax expires when the city council
first determines that the tax imposed under this paragraph, along with the tax imposed
under section 21, paragraph (b), has produced revenues sufficient to pay the debt
service on bonds in a principal amount of no more than $18,000,000, plus issuance and
discount costs, to finance capital improvements to public facilities to support tourism and
recreational activities in that portion of the city west of 34th Avenue West.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day after the governing body of
the city of Duluth and its chief clerical officer comply with Minnesota Statutes, section
645.021, subdivisions 2 and 3.

Sec. 23. Laws 2005, First Special Session chapter 3, article 5, section 38, subdivision
4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. Termination of taxes. The taxes imposed under this section expire at the
earlier of (1) ten 15 years after the taxes are first imposed, or (2) when the city council first
determines that the amount of revenues raised to pay for the projects under subdivision 2,
shall meet or exceed the sum of $15,000,000. Any funds remaining after completion of
the projects may be placed in the general fund of the city.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day after compliance by the
governing body of the city of Albert Lea and its chief clerical officer with Minnesota
Statutes, section 645.021, subdivisions 2 and 3.

Sec. 24. Laws 2006, chapter 259, article 3, section 10, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. Use of revenues. (a) Revenues received from the taxes authorized by
subdivisions 1 and 2 must be used to pay the cost of collecting and administering the tax
and to finance the acquisition and betterment of water and wastewater facilities to serve the
cities of Brainerd and Baxter, building and equipping a fire substation, as approved by the
voters at the referendum authorizing the tax. Authorized costs include, but are not limited
to, acquiring property and paying construction and engineering costs related to the projects.
(b) In addition to the projects authorized in paragraph (a), the city of Baxter may, if approved by the voters at an election under subdivision 5, paragraph (b), allocate up to an additional $32,000,000 of the revenues received from the taxes authorized by subdivisions 1 and 2 to a capital infrastructure fund. Money from this fund may only be used to finance (1) sanitary sewer, storm sewer, and water projects, and (2) transportation safety improvements.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day after the governing body of the city of Baxter and its chief clerical officer comply with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivisions 2 and 3.

Sec. 25. Laws 2006, chapter 259, article 3, section 10, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. Bonds. (a) The city of Baxter, pursuant to the approval of the voters at the November 2, 2004, referendum authorizing the imposition of the taxes in this section, may issue general obligation bonds of the city, in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed $15,000,000 to finance the projects listed in subdivision 3, paragraph (a). The debt represented by the bonds is not included in computing any debt limitations applicable to the city, and the levy of taxes required by Minnesota Statutes, section 475.61, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds is not subject to any levy limitation or included in computing or applying any levy limitation applicable to the city of Baxter.

(b) The city of Baxter, pursuant to the approval of the voters at the 2014 general election to extend the tax under this section, may issue general obligation bonds of the city, in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed $32,000,000 plus an amount equal to the costs of issuance of the bonds to finance the projects listed in subdivision 3, paragraph (b). The debt represented by the bonds is not included in computing any debt limitations applicable to the city, and the levy of taxes required by Minnesota Statutes, section 475.61, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds is not subject to any levy limitation or included in computing or applying any levy limitation applicable to the city of Baxter.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 26. Laws 2006, chapter 259, article 3, section 10, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. Termination of taxes. (a) The taxes imposed under subdivisions 1 and 2 expire at the earlier of a date 12 years after the imposition of the tax or when the Baxter City Council first determines that the amount of revenues raised from the taxes to pay for the projects under subdivision 3 equals or exceeds $15,000,000 plus any interest on bonds
issued for the projects under subdivision 4, paragraph (a). Any funds remaining after the
expiration of the taxes and retirement of the bonds shall be placed in a capital project fund
of the city of Baxter. The taxes imposed under subdivisions 1 and 2 may expire at an
earlier time if the city of Baxter so determines by ordinance.

(b) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 297A.99 and 477A.016, or any
other contrary provision of law, ordinance, or city charter, the city of Baxter may, by
ordinance, extend the taxes authorized under subdivisions 1 and 2 beyond the termination
date in paragraph (a) if approved by the voters of the city at a general election held in
2014. The question put to the voters must indicate that an affirmative vote would extend
the imposition of the taxes until 2031 or until an additional $32,000,000, plus an amount
equal to interest and issuance costs associated with bonds issued under subdivision 4,
paragraph (b), above the initial amount authorized to pay for $15,000,000 in bonds and
associated bond cost and projects, listed in subdivision 3, paragraph (a), is raised. If
extended under this paragraph, the taxes authorized in subdivisions 1 and 2 will terminate
at the earlier of (1) when an additional $32,000,000, plus an amount equal to interest and
issuance costs associated with bonds issued under subdivision 4, paragraph (b), above the
amount authorized under paragraph (a), is raised, or (2) December 31, 2031.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day after the governing body of
the city of Baxter and its chief clerical officer comply with Minnesota Statutes, section
645.021, subdivisions 2 and 3.

Sec. 27. Laws 2006, chapter 259, article 3, section 11, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. Use of revenues. (a) Revenues received from the taxes authorized by
subdivisions 1 and 2 must be used to pay the cost of collecting and administering the tax
and to finance all or part of the costs of constructing upgraded water and wastewater
treatment facilities to serve the cities of Brainerd and Baxter, water infrastructure
improvements, and trail development, contingent on approval by Brainerd voters at the
November 7, 2006, referendum. Authorized costs include, but are not limited to, acquiring
property and paying construction and engineering costs related to the projects.

(b) In addition to the projects authorized in paragraph (a), the city of Brainerd may,
if approved by the voters at an election under subdivision 5, paragraph (b), spend up to an
additional $15,000,000 from revenues raised from the taxes authorized in subdivisions 1
and 2 on the following projects:

(1) an upgraded waste treatment facility jointly serving the cities of Brainerd and
Baxter;
42.1 (2) with any funds not needed for the project in clause (1), water infrastructure improvements; and
42.3 (3) with any funds not needed for the projects in clauses (1) and (2), trail improvements.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day after the governing body of the city of Brainerd and its chief clerical officer comply with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivisions 2 and 3.

Sec. 29. Laws 2006, chapter 259, article 3, section 11, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Bonds.** The city of Brainerd, contingent on approval of the voters at the November 7, 2006, referendum authorizing the imposition of taxes in this section, may issue general obligation bonds of the city, in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed $22,030,000 to finance the projects listed in subdivision 3 paragraph (a). The debt represented by the bonds is not included in computing any debt limitations applicable to Brainerd, and the levy of taxes required by Minnesota Statutes, section 475.61, to pay the principal and interest on the bonds is not subject to any levy limitation or included in computing any levy limitation applicable to the city of Brainerd.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 29. Laws 2006, chapter 259, article 3, section 11, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Termination of taxes.** (a) The taxes imposed under subdivisions 1 and 2 expire at the earlier of a date 12 years after the imposition of the tax or when the city council first determines that the amount of revenues raised from the taxes to pay for projects under subdivision 3 equals or exceeds $22,030,000 plus any interest on bonds issued for the projects under subdivision 4. Any funds remaining after the expiration of the taxes and retirement of the bonds shall be placed in a capital project fund of the city of Brainerd. The taxes imposed under subdivision 1 and 2 may expire at an earlier time if the city of Brainerd so determines by ordinance.

(b) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 297A.99 and 477A.016, or any other contrary provision of law, ordinance, or city charter, the city of Brainerd may, by ordinance, extend the taxes authorized under subdivisions 1 and 2 beyond the termination date in paragraph (a) if approved by the voters of the city at a general election held in 2014. The question put to the voters must indicate that an affirmative vote would extend the imposition of the taxes for an additional 12 years or until an additional $15,000,000 above the initial amount authorized to pay for $22,030,000 in bonds is raised. If extended under
this paragraph, the taxes authorized in subdivisions 1 and 2 will terminate at the earlier of
(1) when an additional $15,000,000 above the amount authorized under paragraph (a) is
raised, or (2) 12 years after the taxes would have expired under paragraph (a).

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day after the governing body of
the city of Brainerd and its chief clerical officer comply with Minnesota Statutes, section
645.021, subdivisions 2 and 3.

Sec. 30. Laws 2013, chapter 143, article 8, section 37, the effective date, is amended to
read:

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively to capital investments
made and jobs created after December 31, 2012, and effective retroactively for sales and
purchases made after December 31, 2012, and before July 1, 2019. Applications for
refunds on purchases exempt under this section must not be filed before June 30, 2015.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 31. **VALIDATION OF PRIOR ACT; AUTHORIZATION.**

Notwithstanding the time limits in Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, the city of
Albert Lea may approve Laws 2005, First Special Session chapter 3, article 5, section 38,
as amended by Laws 2006, chapter 259, article 3, section 6, and file its approval with the
secretary of state by June 15, 2014. If approved as authorized under this section, actions
undertaken by the city pursuant to the approval of the voters on November 8, 2005, and
otherwise in accordance with Laws 2005, First Special Session chapter 3, article 5, section
38, as amended by Laws 2006, chapter 259, article 3, section 6, are validated.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 32. **TEMPORARY SALES TAX AMNESTY; ANIMAL SHELTERS.**

(a) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, amnesty is provided to any
nonprofit organization that is primarily engaged in the business of rescuing, sheltering, and
finding homes for unwanted animals if the organization registers and begins collecting the
sales and use tax within four months of the day following enactment of this provision. This
amnesty applies to qualifying organizations that are currently not registered to collect the
tax under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 297A, and to qualifying organizations that received
notice of the commencement of an audit and the audit is not yet finally resolved, provided
that the organization was not registered to collect sales and use tax at the time of the audit.
(b) The amnesty shall preclude assessment for uncollected and unpaid sales and use tax under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 297A, and to local taxes subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.99, together with penalty and interest for sales made during the period the qualifying organization was not registered in this state. The amnesty also applies to unpaid use tax on sales made by the organization during the same period. The amnesty is not available for sales and use taxes already paid or remitted to the state or to sales taxes already collected by the seller.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 33. TEMPORARY SALES TAX AMNESTY; AGRICULTURAL CENTERS.

(a) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, amnesty is provided on unpaid sales tax attributable only to sales of tickets or admissions to a performance or event on the premises of a tax-exempt organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, provided that the nonprofit organization is primarily engaged in the business of preserving Minnesota's rural agricultural heritage and educating the public about rural history and how farms in Minnesota helped to provide food for the nation and the world, and begins collecting the sales and use tax on sales of tickets or admissions by July 1, 2014.

(b) An organization qualifies for an exemption under this section if:

1. the premises of the organization is at least 115 acres;
2. the performances or events were sponsored and conducted exclusively by volunteers, employees of the nonprofit organization, or members of the board of directors of the organization; and
3. the performances or events were consistent with the organization's purposes under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(c) This amnesty applies to qualifying organizations that received notice of the commencement of an audit and the audit is not yet finally resolved.

(d) Amnesty granted under this section precludes assessment for uncollected and unpaid sales and use tax under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 297A, and to local taxes subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.99, together with penalty and interest for sales made during the period beginning December 31, 2008, and ending December 31, 2011. The amnesty is not available for sales and use taxes already paid or remitted to the state or to sales taxes already collected by the seller.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.
ARTICLE 4

INCOME AND ESTATE TAXES

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 116J.8737, subdivision 2, as amended by Laws 2014, chapter 150, article 1, section 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Certification of qualified small businesses. (a) Businesses may apply to the commissioner for certification as a qualified small business or qualified greater Minnesota small business for a calendar year. The application must be in the form and be made under the procedures specified by the commissioner, accompanied by an application fee of $150. Application fees are deposited in the small business investment tax credit administration account in the special revenue fund. The application for certification for 2010 must be made available on the department's Web site by August 1, 2010. Applications for subsequent years' certification must be made available on the department's Web site by November 1 of the preceding year.

(b) Within 30 days of receiving an application for certification under this subdivision, the commissioner must either certify the business as satisfying the conditions required of a qualified small business or qualified greater Minnesota small business, request additional information from the business, or reject the application for certification. If the commissioner requests additional information from the business, the commissioner must either certify the business or reject the application within 30 days of receiving the additional information. If the commissioner neither certifies the business nor rejects the application within 30 days of receiving the original application or within 30 days of receiving the additional information requested, whichever is later, then the application is deemed rejected, and the commissioner must refund the $150 application fee. A business that applies for certification and is rejected may reapply.

(c) To receive certification as a qualified small business, a business must satisfy all of the following conditions:

(1) the business has its headquarters in Minnesota;
(2) at least 51 percent of the business's employees are employed in Minnesota, and 51 percent of the business's total payroll is paid or incurred in the state;
(3) the business is engaged in, or is committed to engage in, innovation in Minnesota in one of the following as its primary business activity:
   (i) using proprietary technology to add value to a product, process, or service in a qualified high-technology field;
   (ii) researching or developing a proprietary product, process, or service in a qualified high-technology field; ⋄
(iii) researching or developing a proprietary product, process, or service in the fields of agriculture, tourism, forestry, mining, manufacturing, or transportation; or

(iv) researching, developing, or producing a new proprietary technology for use in the fields of agriculture, tourism, forestry, mining, manufacturing, or transportation;

(4) other than the activities specifically listed in clause (3), the business is not engaged in real estate development, insurance, banking, lending, lobbying, political consulting, information technology consulting, wholesale or retail trade, leisure, hospitality, transportation, construction, ethanol production from corn, or professional services provided by attorneys, accountants, business consultants, physicians, or health care consultants;

(5) the business has fewer than 25 employees;

(6) the business must pay its employees annual wages of at least 175 percent of the federal poverty guideline for the year for a family of four and must pay its interns annual wages of at least 175 percent of the federal minimum wage used for federally covered employers, except that this requirement must be reduced proportionately for employees and interns who work less than full-time, and does not apply to an executive, officer, or member of the board of the business, or to any employee who owns, controls, or holds power to vote more than 20 percent of the outstanding securities of the business;

(7) the business has (i) not been in operation for more than ten years, or (ii) not been in operation for more than 20 years if the business is engaged in the research, development, or production of medical devices or pharmaceuticals for which United States Food and Drug Administration approval is required for use in the treatment or diagnosis of a disease or condition;

(8) the business has not previously received private equity investments of more than $4,000,000;

(9) the business is not an entity disqualified under section 80A.50, paragraph (b), clause (3); and

(10) the business has not issued securities that are traded on a public exchange.

(d) In applying the limit under paragraph (c), clause (5), the employees in all members of the unitary business, as defined in section 290.17, subdivision 4, must be included.

(e) In order for a qualified investment in a business to be eligible for tax credits:

(1) the business must have applied for and received certification for the calendar year in which the investment was made prior to the date on which the qualified investment was made;

(2) the business must not have issued securities that are traded on a public exchange;
(3) the business must not issue securities that are traded on a public exchange within
180 days after the date on which the qualified investment was made; and
(4) the business must not have a liquidation event within 180 days after the date on
which the qualified investment was made.
(f) The commissioner must maintain a list of qualified small businesses and qualified
greater Minnesota businesses certified under this subdivision for the calendar year and
make the list accessible to the public on the department's Web site.
(g) For purposes of this subdivision, the following terms have the meanings given:
(1) "qualified high-technology field" includes aerospace, agricultural processing,
renewable energy, energy efficiency and conservation, environmental engineering, food
technology, cellulosic ethanol, information technology, materials science technology,
nanotechnology, telecommunications, biotechnology, medical device products,
pharmaceuticals, diagnostics, biologicals, chemistry, veterinary science, and similar fields;
(2) "proprietary technology" means the technical innovations that are unique and
legally owned or licensed by a business and includes, without limitation, those innovations
that are patented, patent pending, a subject of trade secrets, or copyrighted; and
(3) "greater Minnesota" means the area of Minnesota located outside of the
metropolitan area as defined in section 473.121, subdivision 2.
(h) To receive certification as a qualified greater Minnesota business, a business must
satisfy all of the requirements of paragraph (c) and must satisfy the following conditions:
(1) the business has its headquarters in greater Minnesota; and
(2) at least 51 percent of the business's employees are employed in greater Minnesota,
and 51 percent of the business's total payroll is paid or incurred in greater Minnesota.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for taxable years beginning after
December 31, 2013.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 116J.8737, is amended by adding a
subdivision to read:

**Subd. 5a. Promotion of credit in greater Minnesota.** (a) By July 1, 2014,
the commissioner shall develop a plan to increase awareness of and use of the credit
for investments in qualified greater Minnesota businesses and minority-owned and
women-owned qualified small businesses with the goal that the portion of the credit
reserved for investments in qualified greater Minnesota businesses and minority-owned
and women-owned qualified small businesses is allocated in full to those investments.
(b) Beginning with the legislative report due on March 15, 2015, under subdivision
9, the commissioner shall report on its plan under this subdivision and the results achieved.
Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 270B.01, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. **Minnesota tax laws.** For purposes of this chapter only, unless expressly stated otherwise, "Minnesota tax laws" means:

1. the taxes, refunds, and fees administered by or paid to the commissioner under chapters 115B, 289A (except taxes imposed under sections 298.01, 298.015, and 298.24), 290, 290A, 291, 292; 295, 297A, 297B, 297H, and 403, or any similar Indian tribal tax administered by the commissioner pursuant to any tax agreement between the state and the Indian tribal government, and includes any laws for the assessment, collection, and enforcement of those taxes, refunds, and fees; and
2. section 273.1315.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 270B.03, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Who may inspect.** Returns and return information must, on request, be made open to inspection by or disclosure to the data subject. The request must be made in writing or in accordance with written procedures of the chief disclosure officer of the department that have been approved by the commissioner to establish the identification of the person making the request as the data subject. For purposes of this chapter, the following are the data subject:

1. in the case of an individual return, that individual;
2. in the case of an income tax return filed jointly, either of the individuals with respect to whom the return is filed;
3. in the case of a return filed by a business entity, an officer of a corporation, a shareholder owning more than one percent of the stock, or any shareholder of an S corporation; a general partner in a partnership; the owner of a sole proprietorship; a member or manager of a limited liability company; a participant in a joint venture; the individual who signed the return on behalf of the business entity; or an employee who is responsible for handling the tax matters of the business entity, such as the tax manager, bookkeeper, or managing agent;
4. in the case of an estate return:
   i. the personal representative or trustee of the estate; and
   ii. any beneficiary of the estate as shown on the federal estate tax return;
5. in the case of a trust return:
   i. the trustee or trustees, jointly or separately; and
(ii) any beneficiary of the trust as shown in the trust instrument;

(6) if liability has been assessed to a transferee under section 270C.58, subdivision 1, the transferee is the data subject with regard to the returns and return information relating to the assessed liability;

(7) in the case of an Indian tribal government or an Indian tribal government-owned entity,

(i) the chair of the tribal government, or

(ii) any person authorized by the tribal government; and

(8) in the case of a successor as defined in section 270C.57, subdivision 1, paragraph (b), the successor is the data subject and information may be disclosed as provided by section 270C.57, subdivision 4, and

(9) in the case of a gift return, the donor.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 289A.02, subdivision 7, as amended by Laws 2014, chapter 150, article 1, section 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **Internal Revenue Code.** Unless specifically defined otherwise, "Internal Revenue Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 30, 2013 March 26, 2014.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 290.01, subdivision 19, as amended by Laws 2014, chapter 150, article 1, section 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 19. **Net income.** The term "net income" means the federal taxable income, as defined in section 63 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through the date named in this subdivision, incorporating the federal effective dates of changes to the Internal Revenue Code and any elections made by the taxpayer in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code in determining federal taxable income for federal income tax purposes, and with the modifications provided in subdivisions 19a to 19f.

In the case of a regulated investment company or a fund thereof, as defined in section 851(a) or 851(g) of the Internal Revenue Code, federal taxable income means investment company taxable income as defined in section 852(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, except that:
(1) the exclusion of net capital gain provided in section 852(b)(2)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code does not apply;

(2) the deduction for dividends paid under section 852(b)(2)(D) of the Internal Revenue Code must be applied by allowing a deduction for capital gain dividends and exempt-interest dividends as defined in sections 852(b)(3)(C) and 852(b)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code; and

(3) the deduction for dividends paid must also be applied in the amount of any undistributed capital gains which the regulated investment company elects to have treated as provided in section 852(b)(3)(D) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The net income of a real estate investment trust as defined and limited by section 856(a), (b), and (c) of the Internal Revenue Code means the real estate investment trust taxable income as defined in section 857(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The net income of a designated settlement fund as defined in section 468B(d) of the Internal Revenue Code means the gross income as defined in section 468B(b) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 20, 2013 March 26, 2014, shall be in effect for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1996.

Except as otherwise provided, references to the Internal Revenue Code in subdivisions 19 to 19f mean the code in effect for purposes of determining net income for the applicable year.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment, except the changes incorporated by federal changes are effective retroactively at the same time as the changes were effective for federal purposes.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 290.01, subdivision 19b, as amended by Laws 2014, chapter 150, article 1, section 11, is amended to read:

Subd. 19b. **Subtractions from federal taxable income.** For individuals, estates, and trusts, there shall be subtracted from federal taxable income:

(1) net interest income on obligations of any authority, commission, or instrumentality of the United States to the extent includable in taxable income for federal income tax purposes but exempt from state income tax under the laws of the United States;

(2) if included in federal taxable income, the amount of any overpayment of income tax to Minnesota or to any other state, for any previous taxable year, whether the amount is received as a refund or as a credit to another taxable year's income tax liability;

(3) the amount paid to others, less the amount used to claim the credit allowed under section 290.0674, not to exceed $1,625 for each qualifying child in grades kindergarten...
to 6 and $2,500 for each qualifying child in grades 7 to 12, for tuition, textbooks, and
transportation of each qualifying child in attending an elementary or secondary school
situated in Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa, or Wisconsin, wherein a
resident of this state may legally fulfill the state's compulsory attendance laws, which
is not operated for profit, and which adheres to the provisions of the Civil Rights Act
of 1964 and chapter 363A. For the purposes of this clause, "tuition" includes fees or
tuition as defined in section 290.0674, subdivision 1, clause (1). As used in this clause,
"textbooks" includes books and other instructional materials and equipment purchased
or leased for use in elementary and secondary schools in teaching only those subjects
legally and commonly taught in public elementary and secondary schools in this state.
Equipment expenses qualifying for deduction includes expenses as defined and limited in
section 290.0674, subdivision 1, clause (3). "Textbooks" does not include instructional
books and materials used in the teaching of religious tenets, doctrines, or worship, the
purpose of which is to instill such tenets, doctrines, or worship, nor does it include books
or materials for, or transportation to, extracurricular activities including sporting events,
musical or dramatic events, speech activities, driver's education, or similar programs. No
deduction is permitted for any expense the taxpayer incurred in using the taxpayer's or
the qualifying child's vehicle to provide such transportation for a qualifying child. For
purposes of the subtraction provided by this clause, "qualifying child" has the meaning
given in section 32(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code;

(4) income as provided under section 290.0802;

(5) to the extent included in federal adjusted gross income, income realized on
disposition of property exempt from tax under section 290.491;

(6) to the extent not deducted or not deductible pursuant to section 408(d)(8)(E)
of the Internal Revenue Code in determining federal taxable income by an individual
who does not itemize deductions for federal income tax purposes for the taxable year, an
amount equal to 50 percent of the excess of charitable contributions over $500 allowable
as a deduction for the taxable year under section 170(a) of the Internal Revenue Code,
under the provisions of Public Law 109-1 and Public Law 111-126;

(7) for individuals who are allowed a federal foreign tax credit for taxes that do not
qualify for a credit under section 290.06, subdivision 22, an amount equal to the carryover
of subnational foreign taxes for the taxable year, but not to exceed the total subnational
foreign taxes reported in claiming the foreign tax credit. For purposes of this clause,
"federal foreign tax credit" means the credit allowed under section 27 of the Internal
Revenue Code, and "carryover of subnational foreign taxes" equals the carryover allowed
under section 904(c) of the Internal Revenue Code minus national level foreign taxes to
the extent they exceed the federal foreign tax credit;

(8) in each of the five tax years immediately following the tax year in which an
addition is required under subdivision 19a, clause (7), or 19c, clause (12), in the case of a
shareholder of a corporation that is an S corporation, an amount equal to one-fifth of the
delayed depreciation. For purposes of this clause, "delayed depreciation" means the amount
of the addition made by the taxpayer under subdivision 19a, clause (7), or subdivision 19c,
clause (12), in the case of a shareholder of an S corporation, minus the positive value of
any net operating loss under section 172 of the Internal Revenue Code generated for the
tax year of the addition. The resulting delayed depreciation cannot be less than zero;

(9) job opportunity building zone income as provided under section 469.316;

(10) to the extent included in federal taxable income, the amount of compensation
paid to members of the Minnesota National Guard or other reserve components of
the United States military for active service, excluding compensation for
services performed under the Active Guard Reserve (AGR) program. For purposes of
this clause, "active service" means (i) state active service as defined in section 190.05,
subdivision 5a, clause (1); or (ii) federally funded state active service as defined in section
190.05, subdivision 5b, but and "active service" excludes service performed in
accordance with section 190.08, subdivision 3;

(11) to the extent included in federal taxable income, the amount of compensation
paid to Minnesota residents who are members of the armed forces of the United States
or United Nations for active duty performed under United States Code, title 10; or the
authority of the United Nations;

(12) an amount, not to exceed $10,000, equal to qualified expenses related to a
qualified donor's donation, while living, of one or more of the qualified donor's organs
to another person for human organ transplantation. For purposes of this clause, "organ"
means all or part of an individual's liver, pancreas, kidney, intestine, lung, or bone marrow;
"human organ transplantation" means the medical procedure by which transfer of a human
organ is made from the body of one person to the body of another person; "qualified
expenses" means unreimbursed expenses for both the individual and the qualified donor
for (i) travel, (ii) lodging, and (iii) lost wages net of sick pay, except that such expenses
may be subtracted under this clause only once; and "qualified donor" means the individual
or the individual's dependent, as defined in section 152 of the Internal Revenue Code. An
individual may claim the subtraction in this clause for each instance of organ donation for
transplantation during the taxable year in which the qualified expenses occur;
(13) in each of the five tax years immediately following the tax year in which an addition is required under subdivision 19a, clause (8), or 19c, clause (13), in the case of a shareholder of a corporation that is an S corporation, an amount equal to one-fifth of the addition made by the taxpayer under subdivision 19a, clause (8), or 19c, clause (13), in the case of a shareholder of a corporation that is an S corporation, minus the positive value of any net operating loss under section 172 of the Internal Revenue Code generated for the tax year of the addition. If the net operating loss exceeds the addition for the tax year, a subtraction is not allowed under this clause;

(14) to the extent included in the federal taxable income of a nonresident of Minnesota, compensation paid to a service member as defined in United States Code, title 10, section 101(a)(5), for military service as defined in the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, Public Law 108-189, section 101(2);

(15) to the extent included in federal taxable income, the amount of national service educational awards received from the National Service Trust under United States Code, title 42, sections 12601 to 12604, for service in an approved Americorps National Service program;

(16) to the extent included in federal taxable income, discharge of indebtedness income resulting from reacquisition of business indebtedness included in federal taxable income under section 108(i) of the Internal Revenue Code. This subtraction applies only to the extent that the income was included in net income in a prior year as a result of the addition under section 290.01, subdivision 19a, clause (13);

(17) the amount of the net operating loss allowed under section 290.095, subdivision 11, paragraph (c);

(18) the amount of expenses not allowed for federal income tax purposes due to claiming the railroad track maintenance credit under section 45G(a) of the Internal Revenue Code;

(19) the amount of the limitation on itemized deductions under section 68(b) of the Internal Revenue Code; and

(20) the amount of the phaseout of personal exemptions under section 151(d) of the Internal Revenue Code; and

(21) for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2013, and before January 1, 2015, to the extent included in federal taxable income, discharge of qualified principal residence indebtedness, as provided in subparagraph (E) of section 108(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code, without regard to whether subparagraph (E) of section 108(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code is in effect for the taxable year.
EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2013.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 290.01, subdivision 31, as amended by Laws 2014, chapter 150, article 1, section 13, is amended to read:

Subd. 31. Internal Revenue Code. Unless specifically defined otherwise, "Internal Revenue Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 20, 2013 March 26, 2014. Internal Revenue Code also includes any uncodified provision in federal law that relates to provisions of the Internal Revenue Code that are incorporated into Minnesota law. When used in this chapter, the reference to "subtitle A, chapter 1, subchapter N, part 1, of the Internal Revenue Code" is to the Internal Revenue Code as amended through March 18, 2010.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment, except the changes incorporated by federal changes are effective retroactively at the same time as the changes were effective for federal purposes.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 290.068, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. Credit allowed. A corporation, partners in a partnership, or shareholders in a corporation treated as an "S" corporation under section 290.9725 are individual, trust, or estate is allowed a credit against the tax computed under this chapter for the taxable year equal to:

(a) ten percent of the first $2,000,000 of the excess (if any) of
(1) the qualified research expenses for the taxable year, over
(2) the base amount; and
(b) 2.5 percent on all of such excess expenses over $2,000,000.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2013.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 290.091, subdivision 2, as amended by Laws 2014, chapter 150, article 1, section 21, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Definitions. For purposes of the tax imposed by this section, the following terms have the meanings given:

(a) "Alternative minimum taxable income" means the sum of the following for the taxable year:
(1) the taxpayer's federal alternative minimum taxable income as defined in section 55(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code;

(2) the taxpayer's itemized deductions allowed in computing federal alternative minimum taxable income, but excluding:

(i) the charitable contribution deduction under section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code;

(ii) the medical expense deduction;

(iii) the casualty, theft, and disaster loss deduction; and

(iv) the impairment-related work expenses of a disabled person;

(3) for depletion allowances computed under section 613A(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, with respect to each property (as defined in section 614 of the Internal Revenue Code), to the extent not included in federal alternative minimum taxable income, the excess of the deduction for depletion allowable under section 611 of the Internal Revenue Code for the taxable year over the adjusted basis of the property at the end of the taxable year (determined without regard to the depletion deduction for the taxable year);

(4) to the extent not included in federal alternative minimum taxable income, the amount of the tax preference for intangible drilling cost under section 57(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code determined without regard to subparagraph (E);

(5) to the extent not included in federal alternative minimum taxable income, the amount of interest income as provided by section 290.01, subdivision 19a, clause (1); and

(6) the amount of addition required by section 290.01, subdivision 19a, clauses (7) to (9), and (11) to (14);

less the sum of the amounts determined under the following:

(1) interest income as defined in section 290.01, subdivision 19b, clause (1);

(2) an overpayment of state income tax as provided by section 290.01, subdivision 19b, clause (2), to the extent included in federal alternative minimum taxable income;

(3) the amount of investment interest paid or accrued within the taxable year on indebtedness to the extent that the amount does not exceed net investment income, as defined in section 163(d)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code. Interest does not include amounts deducted in computing federal adjusted gross income;

(4) amounts subtracted from federal taxable income as provided by section 290.01, subdivision 19b, clauses (6), (8) to (14), and (16), and (21); and

(5) the amount of the net operating loss allowed under section 290.095, subdivision 11, paragraph (c).

In the case of an estate or trust, alternative minimum taxable income must be computed as provided in section 59(c) of the Internal Revenue Code.
(b) "Investment interest" means investment interest as defined in section 163(d)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(c) "Net minimum tax" means the minimum tax imposed by this section.

(d) "Regular tax" means the tax that would be imposed under this chapter (without regard to this section and section 290.032), reduced by the sum of the nonrefundable credits allowed under this chapter.

(e) "Tentative minimum tax" equals 6.75 percent of alternative minimum taxable income after subtracting the exemption amount determined under subdivision 3.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2013.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 290A.03, subdivision 15, as amended by Laws 2014, chapter 150, article 1, section 22, is amended to read:

Subd. 15. **Internal Revenue Code.** "Internal Revenue Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 20, 2013 March 26, 2014.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively for property tax refunds based on property taxes payable after December 31, 2013, and rent paid after December 31, 2012.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 291.005, subdivision 1, as amended by Laws 2014, chapter 150, article 3, section 3, is amended to read:

**Subdivision 1. Scope.** Unless the context otherwise clearly requires, the following terms used in this chapter shall have the following meanings:

(1) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of revenue or any person to whom the commissioner has delegated functions under this chapter.

(2) "Federal gross estate" means the gross estate of a decedent as required to be valued and otherwise determined for federal estate tax purposes under the Internal Revenue Code.

(3) "Internal Revenue Code" means the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through March 26, 2014.

(4) "Minnesota gross estate" means the federal gross estate of a decedent after excluding therefrom any property included in the estate which has its situs outside Minnesota, and (b) including any property omitted from the federal gross estate which is includable in the estate, has its situs in Minnesota, and was not disclosed to federal taxing authorities.
(5) "Nonresident decedent" means an individual whose domicile at the time of death was not in Minnesota.

(6) "Personal representative" means the executor, administrator or other person appointed by the court to administer and dispose of the property of the decedent. If there is no executor, administrator or other person appointed, qualified, and acting within this state, then any person in actual or constructive possession of any property having a situs in this state which is included in the federal gross estate of the decedent shall be deemed to be a personal representative to the extent of the property and the Minnesota estate tax due with respect to the property.

(7) "Resident decedent" means an individual whose domicile at the time of death was in Minnesota.

(8) "Situs of property" means, with respect to:

(i) real property, the state or country in which it is located;

(ii) tangible personal property, the state or country in which it was normally kept or located at the time of the decedent's death or for a gift of tangible personal property within three years of death, the state or country in which it was normally kept or located when the gift was executed; and

(iii) a qualified work of art, as defined in section 2503(g)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, owned by a nonresident decedent and that is normally kept or located in this state because it is on loan to an organization, qualifying as exempt from taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, that is located in Minnesota, the situs of the art is deemed to be outside of Minnesota, notwithstanding the provisions of item (ii); and

(iv) intangible personal property, the state or country in which the decedent was domiciled at death or for a gift of intangible personal property within three years of death, the state or country in which the decedent was domiciled when the gift was executed.

For a nonresident decedent with an ownership interest in a pass-through entity with assets that include real or tangible personal property, situs of the real or tangible personal property, including qualified works of art, is determined as if the pass-through entity does not exist and the real or tangible personal property is personally owned by the decedent.

If the pass-through entity is owned by a person or persons in addition to the decedent, ownership of the property is attributed to the decedent in proportion to the decedent's capital ownership share of the pass-through entity.

(9) "Pass-through entity" includes the following:

(i) an entity electing S corporation status under section 1362 of the Internal Revenue Code;

(ii) an entity taxed as a partnership under subchapter K of the Internal Revenue Code;
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(iii) a single-member limited liability company or similar entity, regardless of
whether it is taxed as an association or is disregarded for federal income tax purposes
under Code of Federal Regulations, title 26, section 301.7701-3; or
(iv) a trust to the extent the property is includible in the decedent's federal gross
estate; but excludes
(v) an entity whose ownership interest securities are traded on an exchange regulated
by the Securities and Exchange Commission as a national securities exchange under

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively for estates of decedents
dying after December 31, 2013.

Sec. 13. Laws 2014, chapter 150, article 3, section 4, the effective date, is amended to
read:

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively for estates of decedents
dying after December 31, 2013, and for taxable gifts made after June 30, 2013.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 14. **DEFINITION OF TAXABLE GIFT FOR DECEDETS DYING BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2014.**

For estates of decedents dying before January 1, 2014, "taxable gift" as used by
Minnesota Statutes, section 291.005, subdivision 1, paragraph (4), means a transfer by gift
which is included in taxable gifts for federal gift tax purposes under the following sections
of the Internal Revenue Code: section 529; section 530; section 2501(a)(4); section 2503;
sections 2511 to 2514; and sections 2516 to 2519; less the deductions allowed in sections
2522 to 2524 of the Internal Revenue Code, and after excluding taxable gifts of any
property that has its situs outside Minnesota and including taxable gifts of any property
that has its situs in Minnesota and were not disclosed to federal taxing authorities.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively for taxable gifts made
after June 30, 2013.

**ARTICLE 5**

**MINERALS TAXES**

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 298.75, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
Subd. 2. **Tax imposed.** (a) Except as provided in paragraph (e), a county that imposes the aggregate production tax shall impose upon every operator a production tax of 21.5 cents per cubic yard or 15 cents per ton of aggregate material excavated in the county except that the county board may decide not to impose this tax if it determines that in the previous year operators removed less than 20,000 tons or 14,000 cubic yards of aggregate material from that county. The tax shall not be imposed on aggregate material excavated in the county until the aggregate material is transported from the extraction site or sold, whichever occurs first. When aggregate material is stored in a stockpile within the state of Minnesota and a public highway, road or street is not used for transporting the aggregate material, the tax shall not be imposed until either when the aggregate material is sold, or when it is transported from the stockpile site, or when it is used from the stockpile, whichever occurs first.

(b) Except as provided in paragraph (e), a county that imposes the aggregate production tax under paragraph (a) shall impose upon every importer a production tax of 21.5 cents per cubic yard or 15 cents per ton of aggregate material imported into the county. The tax shall be imposed when the aggregate material is imported from the extraction site or sold. When imported aggregate material is stored in a stockpile within the state of Minnesota and a public highway, road, or street is not used for transporting the aggregate material, the tax shall be imposed either when the aggregate material is sold, when it is transported from the stockpile site, or when it is used from the stockpile, whichever occurs first. The tax shall be imposed on an importer when the aggregate material is imported into the county that imposes the tax.

(c) If the aggregate material is transported directly from the extraction site to a waterway, railway, or another mode of transportation other than a highway, road or street, the tax imposed by this section shall be apportioned equally between the county where the aggregate material is extracted and the county to which the aggregate material is originally transported. If that destination is not located in Minnesota, then the county where the aggregate material was extracted shall receive all of the proceeds of the tax.

(d) A county, city, or town that receives revenue under this section is prohibited from imposing any additional host community fees on aggregate production within that county, city, or town.

(e) A county that borders two other states and that is not contiguous to a county that imposes a tax under this section may impose the taxes under paragraphs (a) and (b) at the rate of ten cents per cubic yard or seven cents per ton. This paragraph expires December 31, 2014.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.
Sec. 2. Laws 2008, chapter 366, article 10, section 15, is amended to read:

Sec. 15. 2008 DISTRIBUTIONS ONLY.

For distribution in 2008 only, a special fund is established to receive 11.4 cents per ton that otherwise would be allocated under Minnesota Statutes, section 298.28, subdivision 6. If sufficient funds are not available under Minnesota Statutes, section 298.28, subdivision 6, to make the payments required under this section and under Minnesota Statutes, section 298.28, subdivision 6, the remaining amount needed to total 11.4 cents per ton may be taken from funds available under Minnesota Statutes, section 298.28, subdivision 9. If 2008 H.F. No. 1812 is enacted and includes a provision that distributes funds that would otherwise be allocated under Minnesota Statutes, section 298.28, subdivision 6, in a manner different from the distribution required in this section, the distribution in this section supersedes the distribution set in 2008 H.F. No. 1812 notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 645.26. The following amounts are allocated to St. Louis County acting as the fiscal agent for the recipients for the following specified purposes:

(1) two cents per ton must be paid to the Hibbing Economic Development Authority to retire bonds and for economic development purposes;

(2) one cent per ton must be divided among and paid in equal shares to each of the board of St. Louis County School District No. 2142, the board of Ely School District No. 696, the board of Mountain Iron-Buhl School District No. 712, and the board of Virginia School District No. 706 for each to study the potential for and impact of consolidation and streamlining the operations of their school districts;

(3) 0.25 cent per ton must be paid to the city of Grand Rapids, for industrial park work;

(4) 0.65 cent per ton must be paid to the city of Aitkin, for sewer and water for housing economic development projects;

(5) 0.5 cent per ton must be paid to the city of Crosby, for well and water tower infrastructure;

(6) 0.5 cent per ton must be paid to the city of Two Harbors, for well and water tower infrastructure;

(7) 1.5 cents per ton must be paid to the city of Silver Bay to pay for health and safety and maintenance improvements at a former elementary school building that is currently owned by the city, to be used for economic development purposes;

(8) 1.5 cents per ton must be paid to St. Louis County to extend water and sewer lines from the city of Chisholm to the St. Louis County fairgrounds;

(9) 1.5 cents per ton must be paid to the White Community Hospital for debt restructuring;
(10) 0.5 cent per ton must be paid to the city of Keewatin for street, sewer, and water improvements; and

(11) 0.5 cent per ton must be paid to the city of Calumet for street, sewer, and water improvements; and

(12) one cent per ton must be paid to Breitung township for sewer and water extensions associated with the development of a state park, provided that if a new state park is not established in Breitung township by July 1, 2009, the money provided in this clause must be transferred to the northeast Minnesota economic development fund established in Minnesota Statutes, section 298.2213.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Upon enactment, the city of Aitkin must release all funds under this section to St. Louis County acting as fiscal agent by July 1, 2014.

Sec. 3. Laws 2013, chapter 143, article 11, section 10, is amended to read:

Sec. 10. 2013 DISTRIBUTION ONLY.

For the 2013 distribution, a special fund is established to receive 38.7 cents per ton of any excess of the balance remaining after distribution of amounts required under Minnesota Statutes, section 298.28, subdivision 6. The following amounts are allocated to St. Louis County acting as the fiscal agent for the recipients for the following specific purposes:

(1) 5.1 cents per ton to the city of Hibbing for improvements to the city's water supply system;

(2) 4.3 cents per ton to the city of Mountain Iron for the cost of moving utilities required as a result of actions undertaken by United States Steel Corporation;

(3) 2.5 cents per ton to the city of Biwabik for improvements to the city's water supply system, payable upon agreement with ArcelorMittal to satisfy water permit conditions;

(4) 2 cents per ton to the city of Tower for the Tower Marina;

(5) 2.4 cents per ton to the city of Grand Rapids for an eco-friendly heat transfer system to replace aging effluent lines and for parking lot repaving;

(6) 2.4 cents per ton to the city of Two Harbors for wastewater treatment plant improvements;

(7) 0.9 cents per ton to the city of Ely for the sanitary sewer replacement project;

(8) 0.6 cents per ton to the town of Crystal Bay for debt service of the Claire Nelson Intermodal Transportation Center;

(9) 0.5 cents per ton to the Greenway Joint Recreation Board for the Coleraine hockey arena renovations;
(10) 1.2 cents per ton for the West Range Regional Fire Hall and Training Center to merge the existing fire services of Coleraine, Bovey, Taconite Marble, Calumet, and Greenway Township;

(11) 2.5 cents per ton to the city of Hibbing for the Memorial Building;

(12) 0.7 cents per ton to the city of Chisholm for public works infrastructure;

(13) 1.8 cents per ton to the Crane Lake Water and Sanitary District for sanitary sewer extension;

(14) 2.5 cents per ton for the city of Buhl for the roof on the Mesabi Academy;

(15) 1.2 cents per ton to the city of Gilbert for the New Jersey/Ohio Avenue project;

(16) 145 2.0 cents per ton to the city of Cook for street improvements, business park infrastructure, and a maintenance garage;

(17) 0.5 cents per ton to the city of Cook for a water line project;

(18) (17) 1.8 cents per ton to the city of Eveleth to be used for Jones Street reconstruction and the city auditorium;

(19) (18) 0.5 cents per ton for the city of Keewatin for an electrical substation and water line replacements;

(20) (19) 3.3 cents per ton for the city of Virginia for Fourth Street North infrastructure and Franklin Park improvement; and

(21) (20) 0.5 cents per ton to the city of Grand Rapids for an economic development project.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

**ARTICLE 6**

**LOCAL DEVELOPMENT**

Section 1. [383A.155] **HOUSING IMPROVEMENT AREAS.**

Subdivision 1. **Powers of a housing improvement authority.** The Ramsey County Housing and Redevelopment Authority shall have the powers of a city under sections 428A.11 to 428A.21 to establish housing improvement areas in Ramsey County.

Subd. 2. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of exercising the powers in sections 428A.11 to 428A.21, references in those sections to the terms in paragraphs (b) to (e) have the meanings given them for purposes of this section.

(b) "Mayor" means the chair of the Ramsey County Housing and Redevelopment Authority.

(c) "Council" or "governing body of the city" means the Ramsey County Housing and Redevelopment Authority.
(d) "City clerk" means the person designated by the Ramsey County Housing and Redevelopment Authority to carry out the duties of the city clerk under sections 428A.11 to 428A.21.

(e) "Enabling ordinance" means a resolution adopted under subdivision 3 by the Ramsey County Housing and Redevelopment Authority.

Subd. 3. **Establishment of housing improvement areas.** The Ramsey County Housing and Redevelopment Authority may adopt a resolution establishing one or more housing improvement areas within the county under this section. The Ramsey County Housing and Redevelopment Authority shall send a copy of each petition for the establishment of a housing improvement area to the city in which the proposed housing improvement area is located. The public hearings under sections 428A.13 and 428A.14 may be held at the times and places determined by the Ramsey County Housing and Redevelopment Authority, except that they must be held at least 30 days after the date the applicable petition was sent to the city. If the city council adopts a resolution opposing the establishment within 30 days of the date the copy of the petition was sent to the city under this subdivision, the Ramsey County Housing and Redevelopment Authority may not establish the proposed housing improvement area.

Subd. 4. **Applicability.** Except as otherwise provided in this section, sections 428A.11 to 428A.21 apply to the establishment of a housing improvement area by the Ramsey County Housing and Redevelopment Authority.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 383D.41, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 11. **Tax credit allocation threshold criteria.** (a) In addition to the projects described in section 462A.222, subdivision 3, paragraph (d), the Dakota County Community Development Agency may allocate tax credits in the first round for up to three projects of the following type: new construction or substantial rehabilitation multifamily housing projects that are not restricted to persons who are 55 years of age or older and that are located within one of the following areas at the time a reservation for tax credits is made:

(1) an area within one-half mile of a completed or planned light rail transit way, bus rapid transit way, or commuter rail station;

(2) an area within one-fourth mile from any spot along a high-frequency local bus line;

(3) an area within one-half mile from a bus stop or station on a high-frequency express route;

(4) an area within one-half mile from a park and ride lot; or
an area within one-fourth mile of a high-service public transportation fixed route stop.

(b) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the meaning given them:

(1) "high-frequency local bus line" means a local bus route providing service at least every 15 minutes and running between 6:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on weekdays and between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Saturdays;

(2) "high-frequency express route" means an express route with bus service providing six or more trips during at least one of the peak morning hours between 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. and every ten minutes during the peak morning hour; and

(3) "high-service public transportation fixed route stop" means a stop serviced between 6:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on weekdays and 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Saturdays and with service approximately every 30 minutes during that time.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective beginning with the 2015 allocation of tax credit.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.1763, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. Five-year rule. (a) Revenues derived from tax increments are considered to have been expended on an activity within the district under subdivision 2 only if one of the following occurs:

(1) before or within five years after certification of the district, the revenues are actually paid to a third party with respect to the activity;

(2) bonds, the proceeds of which must be used to finance the activity, are issued and sold to a third party before or within five years after certification, the revenues are spent to repay the bonds, and the proceeds of the bonds either are, on the date of issuance, reasonably expected to be spent before the end of the later of (i) the five-year period, or (ii) a reasonable temporary period within the meaning of the use of that term under section 148(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code, or are deposited in a reasonably required reserve or replacement fund;

(3) binding contracts with a third party are entered into for performance of the activity before or within five years after certification of the district and the revenues are spent under the contractual obligation;

(4) costs with respect to the activity are paid before or within five years after certification of the district and the revenues are spent to reimburse a party for payment of the costs, including interest on unreimbursed costs; or
(5) expenditures are made for housing purposes as permitted by subdivision 2, paragraphs (b) and (d), or for public infrastructure purposes within a zone as permitted by subdivision 2, paragraph (e).

(b) For purposes of this subdivision, bonds include subsequent refunding bonds if the original refunded bonds meet the requirements of paragraph (a), clause (2).

(c) For a redevelopment district or a renewal and renovation district certified after June 30, 2003, and before April 20, 2009, the five-year periods described in paragraph (a) are extended to (1) ten years after certification of the district or (2) June 30, 2017, whichever is later. This extension is provided primarily to accommodate delays in development activities due to unanticipated economic circumstances.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and applies to all districts, regardless of when the request for certification was made.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.177, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Tax increment, relationship to chapters 276A and 473F.** (a) Unless the governing body elects pursuant to paragraph (b) the following method of computation shall apply to a district other than an economic development district for which the request for certification was made after June 30, 1997:

(1) The original net tax capacity and the current net tax capacity shall be determined before the application of the fiscal disparity provisions of chapter 276A or 473F. Where the original net tax capacity is equal to or greater than the current net tax capacity, there is no captured net tax capacity and no tax increment determination. Where the original net tax capacity is less than the current net tax capacity, the difference between the original net tax capacity and the current net tax capacity is the captured net tax capacity. This amount less any portion thereof which the authority has designated, in its tax increment financing plan, to share with the local taxing districts is the retained captured net tax capacity of the authority.

(2) The county auditor shall exclude the retained captured net tax capacity of the authority from the net tax capacity of the local taxing districts in determining local taxing district tax rates. The local tax rates so determined are to be extended against the retained captured net tax capacity of the authority as well as the net tax capacity of the local taxing districts. The tax generated by the extension of the lesser of (A) the local taxing district tax rates or (B) the original local tax rate to the retained captured net tax capacity of the authority is the tax increment of the authority.

(b) The following method of computation applies to any economic development district for which the request for certification was made after June 30, 1997, and to any...
other district for which the governing body, by resolution approving the tax increment financing plan pursuant to section 469.175, subdivision 3, elects:

(1) The original net tax capacity shall be determined before the application of the fiscal disparity provisions of chapter 276A or 473F. The current net tax capacity shall exclude any fiscal disparity commercial-industrial net tax capacity increase between the original year and the current year multiplied by the fiscal disparity ratio determined pursuant to section 276A.06, subdivision 7, or 473F.08, subdivision 6. Where the original net tax capacity is equal to or greater than the current net tax capacity, there is no captured net tax capacity and no tax increment determination. Where the original net tax capacity is less than the current net tax capacity, the difference between the original net tax capacity and the current net tax capacity is the captured net tax capacity. This amount less any portion thereof which the authority has designated, in its tax increment financing plan, to share with the local taxing districts is the retained captured net tax capacity of the authority.

(2) The county auditor shall exclude the retained captured net tax capacity of the authority from the net tax capacity of the local taxing districts in determining local taxing district tax rates. The local tax rates so determined are to be extended against the retained captured net tax capacity of the authority as well as the net tax capacity of the local taxing districts. The tax generated by the extension of the lesser of (A) the local taxing district tax rates or (B) the original local tax rate to the retained captured net tax capacity of the authority is the tax increment of the authority.

(3) An election by the governing body pursuant to paragraph (b) shall be submitted to the county auditor by the authority at the time of the request for certification pursuant to subdivision 1.

(c) The method of computation of tax increment applied to a district pursuant to paragraph (a) or (b) shall remain the same for the duration of the district, except that the governing body may elect to change its election from the method of computation in paragraph (a) to the method in paragraph (b).

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for districts for which the request for certification is made after June 30, 2014.

Sec. 5. Laws 2013, chapter 143, article 9, section 23, is amended to read:

Sec. 23. CITY OF BLOOMINGTON; OLD CEDAR AVENUE BRIDGE.

(a) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the city of Bloomington shall transfer from the tax increment financing accounts for its Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-C and Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-G an amount equal to the tax increment for each district that is computed under the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section
473F.08, subdivision 3c, for taxes payable in 2014 to an account or fund established for
the repair, restoration, or replacement of the Old Cedar Avenue bridge for use by bicycle
commuters and recreational users. The city is authorized to and must use the transferred
funds to complete the repair, renovation, or replacement of the bridge. Upon completion
of the repair, renovation, or replacement of the bridge, the city may use any remaining
funds in the account for costs of improving bicycle and pedestrian trails that access the
bridge and that use is deemed to be a permitted use of the increments.

(b) No signs, plaques, or markers acknowledging or crediting donations for,
sponsorships of, or naming rights may be posted on or in the vicinity of the Old Cedar
Avenue bridge.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective without local approval under
Minnesota Statutes, section 645.023, subdivision 1, paragraph (a).

Sec. 6. CITY OF EAGAN; TAX INCREMENT FINANCING.

(a) Effective for taxes payable in 2015, the city of Eagan may elect to compute tax
increment for the Cedar Grove Tax Increment Financing District using the current local tax
rate, notwithstanding the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 469.177, subdivision 1a.

(b) The requirements of Minnesota Statutes, section 469.1763, subdivision 3, that
activities must be undertaken within a five-year period from the date of certification of a
tax increment financing district, is considered to be met for TIF District 2-5 in the city
of Eagan if the activities are undertaken within seven years from the date of certification
of the district.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective upon compliance by the governing
body of the city of Eagan with the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021,
subdivision 3.

Sec. 7. CITY OF EDINA; TAX INCREMENT FINANCING.

Subdivision 1. Authority to create districts. (a) The governing body of the city of
Edina or its development authority may establish one or more tax increment financing
housing districts in the Southeast Edina Redevelopment Project Area, as the boundaries
exist on March 31, 2014.

(b) The authority to request certification of districts under this section expires on
June 30, 2017.
Subd. 2. Rules governing districts. (a) Housing districts established under this section are subject to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, sections 469.174 to 469.1794, except as otherwise provided in this subdivision.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 469.176, subdivision 1b, no increment must be paid to the authority after 15 years after receipt by the authority of the first increment from a district established under this section.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 469.1761, subdivision 3, for a residential rental project, the city may elect to substitute "10 percent" for "40 percent" in the 40-60 test under section 142(d)(1)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code in determining the applicable income limits.

Subd. 3. Pooling authority. The city may elect to treat expenditures of increment from the Southdale 2 district for a housing project of a district established under this section as expenditures qualifying under Minnesota Statutes, section 469.1763, subdivision 2, paragraph (d), without regard to whether the housing meets the requirement of a qualified building under section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective upon compliance by the governing body of the city of Edina with the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivisions 2 and 3.

Sec. 8. SHOREVIEW TAX INCREMENT FINANCING PILOT PROJECT.

Subdivision 1. Authority to establish districts. (a) The governing body of the city of Shoreview or a development authority it designates may establish one or more economic development tax increment financing districts in the city subject to the special rules under this section. The purpose of these districts is the retention and expansion of existing businesses in the city and the attraction of new business to the state to create and retain high paying jobs.

(b) The authority to establish or approve the tax increment financing plans and request certification for districts under this section expires on June 30, 2019.

Subd. 2. Qualified businesses. For purposes of this section, a "qualified business" must satisfy the following requirements:

(1) the business must qualify under one of the following when the tax increment financing plan is approved:

(i) it operates at a location in the city of Shoreview;

(ii) it does not have substantial operations in Minnesota; or

(iii) the assistance is provided for relocation of a portion of the business's operation from another state;
(2) the expansion or location of the operations of the business in the city, as
provided in the business subsidy agreement under Minnesota Statutes, sections 116J.993 to
116J.995, will result in an increase in manufacturing, research, service, or professional
jobs, at least 75 percent of which pay an average wage or salary that is equal to or greater
than 25 percent of the median wage or salary for all jobs within the metropolitan area; and
(3) the business is not engaged in making retail sales or in providing other services,
such as legal, medical, accounting, financial, entertainment, or similar, to third parties, at
the location receiving assistance.

Subd. 3. Applicable rules. (a) Unless otherwise stated, the provisions of Minnesota
Statutes, sections 469.174 to 469.1794, apply to districts established under this section.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 469.176, subdivision 1b, the duration
limit for districts created under this section is 12 years after the receipt of the first increment.

(c) The provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 469.176, subdivision 4c, apply
to determining the permitted uses of increments from the districts with the following
exceptions:

(1) any building and facilities must be for a qualified business;

(2) the building and facilities must not be used by the qualified business or its
lessees or tenants to relocate operations from another location in this state outside of the
city of Shoreview;

(3) the 15 percent limit in subdivision 4c, paragraph (a), is increased to 25 percent; and

(4) the city or development authority may elect to deposit up to 20 percent of the
increments in the fund established under subdivision 4. If the city elects to use this
authority, all of the remaining increments must be expended for administrative expenses
or for activities within the district under Minnesota Statutes, section 469.1763.

(d) The governing body of the city may elect, by resolution, to determine the
original and current net tax capacity of a district established under this section using the
computation under Minnesota Statutes, section 469.177, subdivision 3, paragraph (a) or (b).

Subd. 4. Business retention and expansion fund. (a) The city may establish a
business retention and expansion fund and deposit in the fund:

(1) increments as provided under subdivision 3, paragraph (c), clause (4); and

(2) increments from a district for which the request for certification of the district
was made prior to April 30, 1990, if the amount necessary to meet all of the debt and other
obligations incurred for that district has been received by the city.

(b) Amounts in the fund may be expended to assist qualified businesses, as permitted
under subdivisions 2 and 3, and are not otherwise subject to the restrictions in Minnesota
Statutes, sections 469.174 to 469.1794.
EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective upon compliance by the governing
body of the city of Shoreview with the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, section
645.021, subdivision 3.

Sec. 9. CITY OF NORTH ST. PAUL; TAX INCREMENT FINANCING;
PARCELS DEEMED OCCUPIED.

If the city of North St. Paul authorizes the creation of a redevelopment tax increment
financing district under Minnesota Statutes, section 469.174, subdivision 10, parcel
number 122922330059 is deemed to meet the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, section
469.174, subdivision 10, paragraph (d), notwithstanding any contrary provisions of that
paragraph, if the following conditions are met:

(1) buildings located on the parcel were demolished after the city of North St. Paul
adopted a resolution under Minnesota Statutes, section 469.174, subdivision 10, paragraph
(d), clause (3);

(2) the buildings were removed either by the city of North St. Paul or by the owner
of the property by entering into a development agreement; and

(3) the request for certification of the parcel as part of a district is filed with the
county auditor by December 31, 2016.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective upon compliance by the governing
body of the city of North St. Paul with the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, section
645.021, subdivisions 2 and 3.

ARTICLE 7
MISCELLANEOUS

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 270C.72, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. Tax clearance required. (a) The state or a political subdivision of
the state may not issue, transfer, or renew, and must revoke, a license for the conduct of
a profession, occupation, trade, or business, if the commissioner notifies the licensing
authority that the applicant owes the state delinquent taxes payable to the commissioner,
penalties, or interest. The commissioner may not notify the licensing authority unless the
applicant taxpayer owes $500 or more in delinquent taxes, penalties, or interest, or has
not filed returns. If the applicant taxpayer does not owe delinquent taxes, penalties, or
interest, but has not filed returns, the commissioner may not notify the licensing authority
unless the taxpayer has been given 90 days' written notice to file the returns or show
that the returns are not required to be filed.
(b) Within ten days after receipt of the notification from the commissioner under paragraph (a), the licensing authority must notify the license holder by certified mail of the potential revocation of the license for the applicable reason under paragraph (a). The notice must include a copy of the commissioner's notice to the licensing agency and information, in the form specified by the commissioner, on the licensee's option for receiving a tax clearance from the commissioner. The licensing authority must revoke the license 30 days after receiving the notice from the commissioner, unless it receives a tax clearance from the commissioner as provided in paragraph (c).

(c) A licensing authority that has received a notice from the commissioner may issue, transfer, renew, or not revoke the applicant's license only if (a) (1) the commissioner issues a tax clearance certificate and (b) (2) the commissioner or the applicant forwards a copy of the clearance to the authority. The commissioner may issue a clearance certificate only if the applicant does not owe the state any uncontested delinquent taxes, penalties, or interest and has filed all required returns.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2014.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 270C.72, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Notice and hearing.** (a) The commissioner, on notifying a licensing authority pursuant to subdivision 1 not to issue, transfer, or renew a license, must send a copy of the notice to the applicant. If the applicant requests, in writing, within 30 days of the date of the notice a hearing, a contested case hearing must be held. The hearing must be held within 45 days of the date the commissioner refers the case to the Office of Administrative Hearings. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the applicant must be served with 20 days' notice in writing specifying the time and place of the hearing and the allegations against the applicant. The notice may be served personally or by mail.

(b) (a) Prior to notifying a licensing authority pursuant to subdivision 1 to revoke a license, the commissioner must send a notice to the applicant of the commissioner's intent to require revocation of the license and of the applicant's right to a hearing under paragraph (a). If the applicant requests a hearing in writing within 30 days of the date of the notice, a contested case hearing must be held. The hearing must be held within 45 days of the date the commissioner refers the case to the Office of Administrative Hearings. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the applicant must be served with 20 days notice in writing specifying the time and place of the hearing and the allegations against the applicant. The notice may be served personally or by mail. A license is subject to revocation when 30 days have passed following the date of the notice in this paragraph without the applicant requesting a hearing, or, if a hearing is timely requested, upon final determination of the
hearing under section 14.62, subdivision 1. A license shall be revoked by the licensing
authority within 30 days after receiving notice from the commissioner to revoke.
(b) The commissioner may notify a licensing authority under subdivision 1 only
after the requirements of paragraph (a) have been satisfied.
(c) A hearing under this subdivision is in lieu of any other hearing or proceeding
provided by law arising from any action taken under subdivision 1.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2014.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 279.03, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
Subd. 2. Composite judgment. Amounts included in composite judgments
authorized by section 279.37, subdivision 1, and confessed on or after July 1, 1982, are
subject to interest at the rate determined pursuant to section 549.09. Amounts confessed
under this authority after December 31, 1990: (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b),
amounts included in composite judgments authorized by section 279.37, subdivision 1, are
subject to interest at the rate calculated under subdivision 1a. During each calendar year,
interest shall accrue on the unpaid balance of the composite judgment from the time it is
confessed until it is paid. The rate of interest is subject to change each year in the same
manner that section 549.09 or subdivision 1a, whichever is applicable, for rate changes.
Interest on the unpaid contract balance on judgments confessed before July 1, 1982,
is payable at the rate applicable to the judgment at the time that it was confessed. The
interest rate established at the time the judgment is confessed is fixed for the duration of
that judgment.
(b) A confession of judgment covering any part of a parcel classified as 1a or 1b, and
used as the primary homestead of the owner, is subject to interest at the rate provided in
section 279.37, subdivision 2, paragraph (b).

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for confession judgments entered
into on or after January 1, 2015.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 279.37, subdivision 2, is
amended to read:
Subd. 2. Installment payments. (a) The owner of any such parcel, or any person to
whom the right to pay taxes has been given by statute, mortgage, or other agreement, may
make and file with the county auditor of the county in which the parcel is located a written
offer to pay the current taxes each year before they become delinquent, or to contest the
taxes under Minnesota Statutes 1941, sections 278.01 to 278.13, and agree to confess
judgment for the amount provided, as determined by the county auditor. By filing the
offer, the owner waives all irregularities in connection with the tax proceedings affecting
the parcel and any defense or objection which the owner may have to the proceedings, and
also waives the requirements of any notice of default in the payment of any installment or
interest to become due pursuant to the composite judgment to be so entered. Unless the
property is subject to subdivision 1a, with the offer, the owner shall (i) tender one-tenth of
the amount of the delinquent taxes, costs, penalty, and interest, and (ii) tender all current
year taxes and penalty due at the time the confession of judgment is entered. In the offer,
the owner shall agree to pay the balance in nine equal installments, with interest as provided
in section 279.03, payable annually on installments remaining unpaid from time to time, on
or before December 31 of each year following the year in which judgment was confessed.

(b) If any part of the parcel consists of real estate classified as 1a or 1b and used as the
homestead by the owner of the property, the commissioner of revenue shall set annually
the interest rate on offers made under paragraph (a) at the greater of five percent or two
percent above the prime rate charged by banks during the six-month period ending on
September 30 of that year, rounded to the nearest full percent, provided that the rate must
not exceed the maximum annum rate specified under section 279.03, subdivision 1a. The
rate of interest becomes effective on January 1 of the immediately succeeding year. If a
default occurs in the payments under any confessed judgment entered under this paragraph,
the taxes and penalties due are subject to the interest rate specified in section 279.03.

For the purposes of this subdivision:

(1) the term "prime rate charged by banks" means the average predominant prime
rate quoted by commercial banks to large businesses, as determined by the Board of
Governors of the Federal Reserve System; and

(2) "default" means the cancellation of the confession of judgment due to
nonpayment of the current year tax or failure to make any installment payment required by
this confessed judgment within 60 days from the date on which payment was due.

c) The interest rate established at the time judgment is confessed is fixed for the
duration of the judgment. By October 15 of each year, the commissioner of revenue must
determine the rate of interest as provided under paragraph (b) and, by November 1 of each
year, must certify the rate to the county auditor.

d) A qualified property owner eligible to enter into a second confession of judgment
may do so at the interest rate provided in paragraph (b).

e) Repurchase agreements or contracts for repurchase for properties being
repurchased under section 282.261 are not eligible to receive the interest rate under
paragraph (b).
The offer must be substantially as follows:

"To the court administrator of the district court of .......... county, I, .....

am the owner of the following described parcel of real estate located in .....

county, Minnesota:

...................... Upon that real estate there are delinquent taxes for the year ..

and prior years, as follows: (here insert year of delinquency and the total amount of delinquent
taxes, costs, interest, and penalty). By signing this document I offer to confess judgment in

the sum of $...... and waive all irregularities in the tax proceedings affecting these taxes and

any defense or objection which I may have to them, and direct judgment to be entered for

the amount stated above, minus the sum of $..........., to be paid with this document, which

is one-tenth or one-fifth of the amount of the taxes, costs, penalty, and interest stated above.

I agree to pay the balance of the judgment in nine or four equal, annual installments, with

interest as provided in section 279.03, payable annually, on the installments remaining

unpaid. I agree to pay the installments and interest on or before December 31 of each year

following the year in which this judgment is confessed and current taxes each year before

they become delinquent, or within 30 days after the entry of final judgment in proceedings

to contest the taxes under Minnesota Statutes, sections 278.01 to 278.13.

Dated .....

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section shall be effective for confession judgments entered into on or after January 1, 2015.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 360.531, subdivision 2, is

amended to read:

Subd. 2. Rate. The tax shall be as follows:

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but not over $30,000,000  $30,000
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but not over $40,000,000  $50,000
over $40,000,000 and over  $75,000

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2014, and applies to aircraft
tax due on or after that date.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 383E.21, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. Authority to levy property taxes and incur debt. (a) To finance the
cost of designing, constructing, and acquiring countywide public safety improvements
and equipment, including personal property, benefiting both Anoka County and the
municipalities located within Anoka County, the governing body of Anoka County may
levy property taxes for public safety improvements and equipment, and issue:

(1) capital improvement bonds under the provisions of section 373.40 as if the
infrastructure and equipment qualified as a "capital improvement" within the meaning of
section 373.40, subdivision 1, paragraph (b); and

(2) capital notes under the provisions of section 373.01, subdivision 3, as if the
equipment qualified as "capital equipment" within the meaning of section 373.01,
subdivision 3. Personal property acquired with the proceeds of the bonds or capital
notes issued under this section must have an expected useful life at least as long as the
term of debt.

(b) The outstanding principal amount of the bonds and the capital notes issued under
this section may not exceed $8,000,000 at any time. Any bonds or notes issued pursuant
to this section must only be issued after approval by a majority vote of the Anoka County
Joint Law Enforcement Council, a joint powers board.
**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective beginning for taxes payable in 2013 and expires under Minnesota Statutes, section 383E.21, subdivision 3.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 383E.21, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Treatment of levy.** Notwithstanding sections 275.065, subdivision 3, and 276.04, the county may report the tax attributable to any levy to fund public safety capital improvements or equipment projects approved by the Anoka County Joint Law Enforcement Council or pay principal and interest on bonds or notes issued under this section as a separate line item on the proposed property tax notice and the property tax statement. Notwithstanding any provision in chapter 275 or 277 to the contrary, bonds or notes issued by Anoka County under this section must not be included in the computation of the net debt of Anoka County.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective beginning for taxes payable in 2013 and expires under Minnesota Statutes, section 383E.21, subdivision 3.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 469.169, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 20. **Additional zone allocations.** $3,000,000 is allocated per year for calendar years 2014 through 2019 for tax reductions in border city enterprise zones and border city development zones. The commissioner shall allocate this amount among the cities on a per capita basis. Allocations may be used for tax reductions for that year under either:

(1) the border city enterprise zone program under section 469.171, or for other offsets of taxes imposed on or remitted by businesses located in the enterprise zone, if the municipality determines that the granting of the tax reduction or offset is necessary to retain a business within or attract a business to the zone; or

(2) the border city development zone program under section 469.1732 or 469.1734.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2014, but only $1,500,000 is available in calendar year 2014.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.171, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Additional border city tax reductions.** In addition to the tax reductions authorized by subdivision 1, for a border city zone, the following types of tax reductions may be approved:
(1) a credit against income tax for workers employed in the zone and not qualifying
for a credit under subdivision 1, clause (2), subject to a maximum of $1,500 per
employee per year;

(2) a state paid property tax credit for a portion of the property taxes paid by a
commercial or industrial facility located in the zone.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

**Sec. 10. CARLTON COUNTY; LEVY FOR SOIL AND WATER**

**CONSERVATION DISTRICT.**

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For the purposes of this section, "district" means
the Carlton County Soil and Water Conservation District.

(b) For the purposes of this section, "county" means Carlton County.

Subd. 2. **Special project levy.** Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the county
may levy ad valorem property taxes on taxable property within the area of its jurisdiction
for the purposes specified in subdivision 3. The proceeds of the tax must be placed in a
separate account and used only for the purposes specified in subdivision 3. The amount
levied is separate from any other amount to be levied for the district by the county under
Minnesota Statutes, section 103C.331, subdivision 16.

Subd. 3. **Purpose; limit on levy amount.** (a) The county must allocate the
proceeds of any tax imposed under this section to the district solely to pay principal,
interest, and any associated costs of obtaining and servicing a loan to finance the planning,
constructing, and equipping of an office and storage facility for the district.

(b) The maximum amount of the levy in any year may not exceed the amount
necessary, after deduction of any amount remaining from the levy imposed in prior years,
to pay 105 percent of the principal and interest due in the following calendar year and
through July 1 of the next year.

Subd. 4. **Expiration.** (a) This section expires:

(1) following the final payment of principal, interest, and any associated costs of the
loan under subdivision 3, or any loan or other financing that refinanced the original loan; or

(2) if the district does not obtain the loan under subdivision 3 prior to May 1, 2017.

(b) Upon expiration of this section, any amount remaining in the account created
under subdivision 2 must be transferred to the general account of the county and used to
reduce any amount to be levied for the district by the county under Minnesota Statutes,
section 103C.331, subdivision 16, for the following year, and any subsequent years, until
the amount remaining is exhausted.
EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following compliance by
Carlton County with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivisions 2 and 3.

Sec. 11. PURPOSE STATEMENTS; TAX EXPENDITURES.

Subdivision 1. Authority. This section is intended to fulfill the requirement under
Minnesota Statutes, section 3.192, that a bill creating, renewing, or continuing a tax
expenditure provide a purpose for the tax expenditure and a standard or goal against
which its effectiveness may be measured.

Subd. 2. Income tax subtraction for discharge of indebtedness income. The
provisions of article 4, section 7, clause (21), are intended to exclude from state taxation in
2014 amounts otherwise recognizable as income but excluded at the federal level for tax
years 2007 through 2013 in response to the national housing crisis.

Subd. 3. Income tax subtraction for military pay; Active Guard/Reserve
members of the National Guard. The provisions of article 4, section 7, clause (10), are
intended to provide equitable tax treatment to Minnesota residents who are members of
the National Guard and serve full time in Active Guard/Reserve (AGR) status by allowing
an income tax subtraction for military pay equivalent to that allowed under Minnesota
Statutes, section 290.01, subdivision 19b, clause (11), for Minnesota residents who serve
full time in the armed forces of the United States.

Subd. 4. Research credit for sole proprietors. The provisions of article 4, section
9, are intended to provide equitable tax treatment for Minnesota businesses operated as
sole proprietorships by allowing sole proprietors to claim the research credit on the same
basis as it is allowed for businesses operated as C corporations or pass-through entities.

Subd. 5. Estate tax situs rule for qualified art. The provisions of article 4, section
12, deeming certain qualified art on loan to Minnesota nonprofit entities as property with
a situs outside Minnesota under the estate tax are intended to prevent the Minnesota
estate tax from discouraging nonresident owners of art from loaning it to Minnesota
nonprofit museums.

Subd. 6. Sales of coin-operated amusement devices defined as sales for resale.
The provisions of article 3, section 9, defining certain coin-operated amusement devices
as sales for resale are intended to reduce tax pyramiding by exempting an input to a
taxable service.

Subd. 7. Expansion of sales tax exemption for local governments. The provisions
of article 3, sections 12 and 17, modifying the sales tax on certain local government
purchases are intended to reduce the cost of providing local government services,
remove a barrier for intergovernmental cooperation, and reduce existing compliance and
administration costs for local governments.

Subd. 8. Fund-raising sales by nonprofit groups. The provisions of article 3, section 13, raising the limit on tax exempt fund-raising by nonprofit organizations is intended to reflect the impact on inflation over time on the limit and reduce compliance costs for groups that exceed the limit.

Subd. 10. Microdistillery credit. The provisions of article 3, section 19, allowing a microdistillery credit is to relieve small distillers of the burden of paying excise tax on the distribution of free samples of their products and to encourage the development and marketing of products by niche distillers in the state.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

ARTICLE 8
UNSESSION

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 16D.02, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. Debt. "Debt" means an amount owed to the state directly, or through a state agency, on account of a fee, duty, lease, direct loan, loan insured or guaranteed by the state, rent, service, sale of real or personal property, overpayment, fine, assessment, penalty, restitution, damages, interest, tax, bail bond, forfeiture, reimbursement, liability owed, an assignment to the state including assignments under section 256.741, the Social Security Act, or other state or federal law, recovery of costs incurred by the state, or any other source of indebtedness to the state. Debt also includes amounts owed to individuals as a result of civil, criminal, or administrative action brought by the state or a state agency pursuant to its statutory authority or for which the state or state agency acts in a fiduciary capacity in providing collection services in accordance with the regulations adopted under the Social Security Act at Code of Federal Regulations, title 45, section 302.33. When the commissioner provides collection services pursuant to a debt qualification plan to a referring agency, debt also includes an amount owed to the courts, local government units, Minnesota state colleges and universities governed by the Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, or University of Minnesota.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 16D.02, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. Referring agency. "Referring agency" means a state agency, local government unit, Minnesota state colleges and universities governed by the Board of
Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, University of Minnesota, or a court, that has entered into a debt qualification plan with the commissioner to refer debts to the commissioner for collection.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 16D.04, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. Services. The commissioner shall provide collection services for a state agency, and may provide for collection services for a court, in accordance with the terms and conditions of a signed debt qualification plan referring agencies other than state agencies.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 16D.04, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. Authority to contract. The commissioner of revenue and management and budget may contract with credit bureaus, private collection agencies, and other entities as necessary for the collection of debts. A private collection agency acting under a contract with the commissioner of revenue and management and budget is subject to sections 332.31 to 332.45, except that the private collection agency may indicate that it is acting under a contract with the state. The commissioner may not delegate the powers provided under section 16D.08 to any nongovernmental entity.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 16D.07, is amended to read:

16D.07 NOTICE TO DEBTOR.

The referring agency shall send notice to the debtor by United States mail or personal delivery at the debtor's last known address at least 20 days before the debt is referred to the commissioner. The notice must state the nature and amount of the debt, identify to whom the debt is owed, and inform the debtor of the remedies available under this chapter. The referring agency shall advise the debtor of collection costs imposed under section 16D.11 and of the debtor's right to cancellation of collection costs under section 16D.11, subdivision 3.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 16D.11, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
Subdivision 1. **Imposition.** As determined by the commissioner of management and budget revenue, collection costs shall be added to the debts referred to the commissioner or private collection agency for collection. Collection costs are collectible by the commissioner or private agency from the debtor at the same time and in the same manner as the referred debt. The referring agency shall advise the debtor of collection costs under this section and the debtor's right to cancellation of collection costs under subdivision 3 at the time the agency sends notice to the debtor under section 16D.07.

If the commissioner or private agency collects an amount less than the total due, the payment is applied proportionally to collection costs and the underlying debt unless the commissioner of management and budget has waived this requirement for certain categories of debt pursuant to the department's internal guidelines. Collection costs collected by the commissioner under this subdivision or retained under subdivision 6 shall be deposited in the general fund as nondedicated receipts. Collection costs collected by private agencies are appropriated to the referring agency to pay the collection fees charged by the private agency. Collections of collection costs in excess of collection agency fees must be deposited in the general fund as nondedicated receipts.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 16D.11, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Cancellation.** Collection costs imposed under subdivision 1 shall be canceled and subtracted from the amount due if:

1. the debtor's household income as defined in section 290A.03, subdivision 5, excluding the exemption subtractions in subdivision 3, paragraph (3) of that section, for the 12 months preceding the date of referral is less than twice the annual federal poverty guideline under United States Code, title 42, section 9902, subsection (2);
2. within 60 days after the first contact with the debtor by the enterprise commissioner or collection agency, the debtor establishes reasonable cause for the failure to pay the debt prior to referral of the debt to the enterprise commissioner;
3. a good faith dispute as to the legitimacy or the amount of the debt is made, and payment is remitted or a payment agreement is entered into within 30 days after resolution of the dispute;
4. good faith litigation occurs and the debtor's position is substantially justified, and if the debtor does not totally prevail, the debt is paid or a payment agreement is entered into within 30 days after the judgment becomes final and nonappealable; or
5. collection costs have been added by the referring agency and are included in the amount of the referred debt.
82.1  **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

82.2  Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 16D.11, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. Adjustment of rate. By June 1 of each year, the commissioner shall determine the rate of collection costs for debts referred to the enterprise commissioner during the next fiscal year. The rate is a percentage of the debts in an amount that most nearly equals the costs of the enterprise commissioner necessary to process and collect referred debts under this chapter. In no event shall the rate of the collection costs exceed 25 percent of the debt. Determination of the rate of collection costs under this section is not subject to the fee setting requirements of section 16A.1283.

82.10  **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

82.11  Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 84A.20, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. County proposal to state. Under certain conditions, The board of county commissioners of any county may by resolution propose to the state that one or more areas in the county be taken over by the state for afforestation, reforestation, flood control projects, or other state purposes. The projects are to be managed, controlled, and used for the purposes in subdivision 1 on lands to be acquired by the state within the projects, as set forth in sections 84A.20 to 84A.30. The county board may propose this if (1) the county contains lands suitable for the purposes in subdivision 1, (2) on January 1, 1931, the taxes on more than 35 percent of the taxable land in the county are delinquent, (3) on January 1, 1931, the county's bonded ditch indebtedness, including accrued interest, equals or exceeds nine percent of the assessed valuation of the county, exclusive of money and credits.

The area taken over must include lands that have been assessed for all or part of the cost of the establishment and construction of public drainage ditches under state law, and on which the assessments or installments are delinquent. A certified copy of the county board's resolution must be filed with the department and considered and acted upon by the department. If approved by the department, it must then be submitted to, considered, and acted upon by the executive council. If approved by the Executive Council, the proposition must be formally accepted by the governor. Acceptance must be communicated in writing to and filed with the county auditor.

82.30  **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

82.31  Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 84A.31, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
Subd. 2. County proposal to state. Under certain conditions, the board of county commissioners of any county may by resolution propose that the state take over part of the tax-delinquent lands in the county. The board may propose this if:

(1) the county contains land suitable for the purposes in subdivision 1;

(2) on January 1, 1932, the taxes on more than 25 percent of the acreage of the lands in a town in the county are delinquent, as shown by its tax books;

(3) on January 1, 1933, the taxes or ditch assessments on more than 50 percent of the acreage of the lands to be taken over are delinquent, as shown by the county's tax books; and

(4) on January 1, 1933, the bonded ditch indebtedness of the county equals or exceeds 15 percent of the assessed value of the county for 1932 as fixed by the Minnesota Tax Commission, exclusive of money and credits.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 115B.49, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. Registration; fees. (a) The owner or operator of a dry cleaning facility shall register on or before October 1 of each year with the commissioner of revenue in a manner prescribed by the commissioner of revenue and pay a registration fee for the facility. The amount of the fee is:

(1) $500, for facilities with a full-time equivalence of fewer than five;

(2) $1,000, for facilities with a full-time equivalence of five to ten; and

(3) $1,500, for facilities with a full-time equivalence of more than ten.

The registration fee must be paid on or before October 18 or the owner or operator of a dry cleaning facility may elect to pay the fee in equal installments. Installment payments must be paid on or before October 18, on or before January 18, on or before April 18, and on or before June 18. All payments made after October 18 bear interest at the rate specified in section 270C.40.

(b) A person who sells dry cleaning solvents for use by dry cleaning facilities in the state shall collect and remit to the commissioner of revenue in the same manner prescribed by the commissioner of revenue, on or before the 20th day of the month following the month in which the sales of dry cleaning solvents are made for the taxes imposed under chapter 297A, a fee of:

(1) $3.50 for each gallon of perchloroethylene sold for use by dry cleaning facilities in the state;

(2) 70 cents for each gallon of hydrocarbon-based dry cleaning solvent sold for use by dry cleaning facilities in the state; and
(3) 35 cents for each gallon of other nonaqueous solvents sold for use by dry
cleaning facilities in the state.

(c) The audit, assessment, appeal, collection, enforcement, and administrative
provisions of chapters 270C and 289A apply to the fee imposed by this subdivision. To
enforce this subdivision, the commissioner of revenue may grant extensions to file returns
and pay fees, impose penalties and interest on the annual registration fee under paragraph
(a) and the monthly fee under paragraph (b), and abate penalties and interest in the manner
provided in chapters 270C and 289A. The penalties and interest imposed on taxes under
chapter 297A apply to the fees imposed under this subdivision. Disclosure of data collected
by the commissioner of revenue under this subdivision is governed by chapter 270B.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for fees due after June 30, 2014.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 163.06, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
Subdivision 1. Levy. The county board of any county in which there are unorganized
townships may levy a tax for road and bridge purposes upon all the real and personal
property in such unorganized townships, exclusive of money and credits taxed under the
provisions of chapter 285.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 270.11, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
Subdivision 1. To act as State Board of Equalization. The commissioner of
revenue shall have and exercise all the rights, powers and authority by law vested in the
State Board of Equalization, which board of equalization is hereby continued, with full
power and authority to review, modify, and revise all of the acts and proceedings of the
commissioner in so far as they relate to the equalization and valuation of property assessed
for taxation, as prescribed by section 270.12.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 270.12, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
Subd. 2. Meeting dates; duties. The board shall meet annually between April 15
and June 30 at the office of the commissioner of revenue and examine and compare the
returns of the assessment of the property in the several counties, and equalize the same so
that all the taxable property in the state shall be assessed at its market value, subject to
the following rules:
(1) The board shall add to or deduct from the aggregate valuation of the real property
of every county, which the board believes to be valued below or above its market value in 
money, such percent as will bring the same to its market value in money;

(2) The board shall deduct from the aggregate valuation of the real property of every 
county, which the board believes to be valued above its market value in money, such 
percent as will reduce the same to its market value in money;

(3) If the board believes the valuation for a part of a class determined by a range 
of market value under clause (8) (6) or otherwise, a class, or classes of the real property of 
any town or district in any county, or the valuation for a part of a class, a class, or classes 
of the real property of any county not in towns or cities, should be raised or reduced, 
without raising or reducing the other real property of such county, or without raising or 
reducing it in the same ratio, the board may add to, or take from, the valuation of a part of 
a class, a class, or classes in any one or more of such towns or cities, or of the property not 
in towns or cities, such percent as the board believes will raise or reduce the same to its 
market value in money;

(4) The board shall add to or take from the aggregate valuation of any part of a 
class, a class, or classes of personal property of any county, town, or city, which the 
board believes to be valued below or above the market value thereof, such percent as will 
raise the same to its market value in money;

(5) The board shall take from the aggregate valuation of any part of a class, a class, 
or classes of personal property in any county, town or city, which the board believes to 
be valued above the market value thereof, such percent as will reduce the same to its 
market value in money;

(6) The board shall not reduce the aggregate valuation of all the property of the 
state, as returned by the several county auditors, more than one percent on the whole 
valuation thereof;

(7) When it would be of assistance in equalizing values the board may require any 
county auditor to furnish statements showing assessments of real and personal property 
of any individuals, firms, or corporations within the county. The board shall consider 
and equalize such assessments and may increase the assessment of individuals, firms, or 
corporations above the amount returned by the county board of equalization when it shall 
appear to be undervalued, first giving notice to such persons of the intention of the board 
so to do, which notice shall fix a time and place of hearing. The board shall not decrease 
any such assessment below the valuation placed by the county board of equalization;

(8) In equalizing values pursuant to this section, the board shall utilize a 12-month 
assessment/sales ratio study conducted by the Department of Revenue containing only
sales that are filed in the county auditor's office under section 272.115, by November 1 of the previous year and that occurred between October 1 of the year immediately preceding the previous year and September 30 of the previous year.

The assessment/sales ratio study may separate the values of residential property into market value categories. The board may adjust the market value categories and the number of categories as necessary to create an adequate sample size for each market value category. The board may determine the adequate sample size. To the extent practicable, the methodology used in preparing the assessment/sales ratio study must be consistent with the most recent Standard on Assessment Sales Ratio Studies published by the Assessment Standards Committee of the International Association of Assessing Officers. The board may determine the geographic area used in preparing the study to accurately equalize values. A sales ratio study separating residential property into market value categories may not be used as the basis for a petition under chapter 278.

The sales prices used in the study must be discounted for terms of financing. The board shall use the median ratio as the statistical measure of the level of assessment for any particular category of property; and

(9) (7) The board shall receive from each county the estimated market values on the assessment date falling within the study period for all parcels by magnetic tape or other a medium as prescribed by the commissioner of revenue.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 270.12, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. Public utility property. For purposes of equalization only, public utility personal property shall be treated as a separate class of property notwithstanding the fact that its class rate is the same as commercial-industrial property.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 270A.03, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Claimant agency. "Claimant agency" means any state agency, as defined by section 14.02, subdivision 2, the regents of the University of Minnesota, any district court of the state, any county, any statutory or home rule charter city, including a city that is presenting a claim for a municipal hospital or a public library or a municipal ambulance service, a hospital district, a private nonprofit hospital that leases its building from the county or city in which it is located, any ambulance service licensed under chapter 144E, any public agency responsible for child support enforcement, any public agency responsible...
for the collection of court-ordered restitution, and any public agency established by
general or special law that is responsible for the administration of a low-income housing
program, and the Minnesota collection enterprise as defined in section 16D.02, subdivision
8, for the purpose of collecting the costs imposed under section 16D.11.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 270B.14, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Administration of enterprise, and job opportunity, and biotechnology**
and health sciences industry zone programs. The commissioner may disclose return
information relating to the taxes imposed by chapters 290 and 297A to the Department of
Employment and Economic Development or a municipality with a border city enterprise
zone as defined under section 469.166, but only as necessary to administer the funding
limitations under section 469.169, or to the Department of Employment and Economic
Development and appropriate officials from the local government units in which a
qualified business is located but only as necessary to enforce the job opportunity building
zone benefits under section 469.315, or biotechnology and health sciences industry zone
benefits under section 469.336.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 270C.085, is amended to read:

**270C.085 NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS; SALES AND USE TAXES.**

The commissioner of revenue shall establish a means of electronically notifying
persons holding a sales tax permit under section 297A.84 of any statutory change in
chapter 297A and any issuance or change in any administrative rule, revenue notice, or
sales tax fact sheet or other written information provided by the department explaining the
interpretation or administration of the tax imposed under that chapter. The notification
must indicate the basic subject of the statute, rule, fact sheet, or other material and provide
an electronic link to the material. Any person holding a sales tax permit that provides
an electronic address to the department must receive these notifications unless they
specifically request electronically, or in writing, to be removed from the notification list.
This requirement does not replace traditional means of notifying the general public or
persons without access to electronic communications of changes in the sales tax law. The
electronic notification must begin no later than December 31, 2009.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.
Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 270C.52, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Payment agreements. (a) When any portion of any tax payable to the commissioner together with interest and penalty thereon, if any, has not been paid, the commissioner may extend the time for payment for a further period. When the authority of this section is invoked, the extension shall be evidenced by written agreement signed by the taxpayer and the commissioner, stating the amount of the tax with penalty and interest, if any, and providing for the payment of the amount in installments.

(b) The agreement may contain a confession of judgment for the amount and for any unpaid portion thereof. If the agreement contains a confession of judgment, the confession of judgment must provide that the commissioner may enter judgment against the taxpayer in the district court of the county of residence as shown upon the taxpayer's tax return for the unpaid portion of the amount specified in the extension agreement.

(c) The agreement shall provide that it can be terminated, after notice by the commissioner, if information provided by the taxpayer prior to the agreement was inaccurate or incomplete, collection of the tax covered by the agreement is in jeopardy, there is a subsequent change in the taxpayer's financial condition, the taxpayer has failed to make a payment due under the agreement, or the taxpayer has failed to pay any other tax or file a tax return coming due after the agreement.

(d) The notice must be given at least 14 calendar days prior to termination, and shall advise the taxpayer of the right to request a reconsideration from the commissioner of whether termination is reasonable and appropriate under the circumstances. A request for reconsideration does not stay collection action beyond the 14-day notice period. If the commissioner has reason to believe that collection of the tax covered by the agreement is in jeopardy, the commissioner may proceed under section 270C.36 and terminate the agreement without regard to the 14-day period.

(e) The commissioner may accept other collateral the commissioner considers appropriate to secure satisfaction of the tax liability. The principal sum specified in the agreement shall bear interest at the rate specified in section 270C.40 on all unpaid portions thereof until the same has been fully paid or the unpaid portion thereof has been entered as a judgment. The judgment shall bear interest at the rate specified in section 270C.40.

(f) If it appears to the commissioner that the tax reported by the taxpayer is in excess of the amount actually owing by the taxpayer, the extension agreement or the judgment entered pursuant thereto shall be corrected. If after making the extension agreement or entering judgment with respect thereto, the commissioner determines that the tax as reported by the taxpayer is less than the amount actually due, the commissioner shall assess a further tax in accordance with the provisions of law applicable to the tax.
89.1 (g) The authority granted to the commissioner by this section is in addition to any
89.2 other authority granted to the commissioner by law to extend the time of payment or the
time for filing a return and shall not be construed in limitation thereof.
89.4 (h) The commissioner shall charge a fee for entering into payment agreements that
reflects the commissioner’s costs for entering into payment agreements. The fee is set at
$50 and is charged for entering into a payment agreement, for entering into a new payment
agreement after the taxpayer has defaulted on a prior agreement, and for entering into a
new payment agreement as a result of renegotiation of the terms of an existing agreement.
89.9 The fee is paid to the commissioner before the payment agreement becomes effective and
does not reduce the amount of the liability.
89.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

89.12 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 272.01, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
89.13 Subdivision 1. **Generally taxable.** All real and personal property in this state, and
all personal property of persons residing therein, including the property of corporations,
banks, banking companies, and bankers; is taxable, except Indian lands and such other
property as is by law exempt from taxation.
89.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

89.18 Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 272.01, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
89.19 Subd. 3. **Exceptions.** The provisions of subdivision 2 shall not apply to:
89.20 (a) Federal property for which payments are made in lieu of taxes in amounts
89.21 equivalent to taxes which might otherwise be lawfully assessed;
89.22 (b) Real estate exempt from ad valorem taxes and taxes in lieu thereof which is
89.23 leased, loaned, or otherwise made available to telephone companies or electric, light
and power companies upon which personal property consisting of transmission and
distribution lines is situated and assessed pursuant to sections 273.37, 273.38, 273.40
89.26 and 273.41, or upon which are situated the communication lines of express, railway, or
89.27 telephone or telegraph companies, or pipelines used for the transmission and distribution
89.28 of petroleum products, or the equipment items of a cable communications company
89.29 subject to sections 238.35 to 238.42;
89.30 (c) Property presently owned by any educational institution chartered by the
territorial legislature;
89.32 (d) Indian lands;
(e) Property of any corporation organized as a tribal corporation under the Indian
Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, (Statutes at Large, volume 48, page 984);

(f) Real property owned by the state and leased pursuant to section 161.23 or
161.431, and acts amendatory thereto;

(g) Real property owned by a seaway port authority on June 1, 1967, upon which
there has been constructed docks, warehouses, tank farms, administrative and maintenance
buildings, railroad and ship terminal facilities and other maritime and transportation
facilities or those directly related thereto, together with facilities for the handling of
passengers and baggage and for the handling of freight and bulk liquids, and personal
property owned by a seaway port authority used or usable in connection therewith, when
said property is leased to a private individual, association or corporation, but only when
such lease provides that the said facilities are available to the public for the loading and
unloading of passengers and their baggage and the handling, storage, care, shipment,
and delivery of merchandise, freight and baggage and other maritime and transportation
activities and functions directly related thereto, but not including property used for grain
elevator facilities; it being the declared policy of this state that such property when
so leased is public property used exclusively for a public purpose, notwithstanding the
one-year limitation in the provisions of section 273.19;

(h) Notwithstanding the provisions of clause (g), when the annual rental received by
a seaway port authority in any calendar year for such leased property exceeds an amount
reasonably required for administrative expense of the authority per year, plus promotional
expense for the authority not to exceed the sum of $100,000 per year, to be expended
when and in the manner decided upon by the commissioners, plus an amount sufficient to
pay all installments of principal and interest due, or to become due, during such calendar
year and the next succeeding year on any revenue bonds issued by the authority, plus
25 percent of the gross annual rental to be retained by the authority for improvement,
development, or other contingencies, the authority shall make a payment in lieu of real
and personal property taxes of a reasonable portion of the remaining annual rental to the
county treasurer of the county in which such seaway port authority is principally located.
Any such payments to the county treasurer shall be disbursed by the treasurer on the same
basis as real estate taxes are divided among the various governmental units, but if such
port authority shall have received funds from the state of Minnesota and funds from any
city and county pursuant to Laws 1957, chapters 648, 831, and 849 and acts amendatory
thereof, then such disbursement by the county treasurer shall be on the same basis as real
estate taxes are divided among the various governmental units, except that the portion of
such payments which would otherwise go to other taxing units shall be divided equally
among the state of Minnesota and said county and city.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 272.025, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. Statement of exemption. (a) Except in the case of property owned
by the state of Minnesota or any political subdivision thereof, and property exempt from
taxation under section 272.02, subdivisions 9, 10, 13, 15, 18, 20, and 22 to 25, and at the
times provided in subdivision 3, a taxpayer claiming an exemption from taxation on
property described in section 272.02, subdivisions 22 to 33, must file a statement of
exemption with the assessor of the assessment district in which the property is located.
(b) A taxpayer claiming an exemption from taxation on property described in section
272.02, subdivision 10, must file a statement of exemption with the commissioner of
revenue, on or before February 15 of each year for which the taxpayer claims an exemption.
(c) In case of sickness, absence or other disability or for good cause, the assessor
or the commissioner may extend the time for filing the statement of exemption for a
period not to exceed 60 days.
(d) The commissioner of revenue shall prescribe the form and contents of the
statement of exemption.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 272.027, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. Electricity generated to produce goods and services. Personal
property used to generate electric power is exempt from property taxation if the electric
power is used to manufacture or produce goods, products, or services, other than electric
power, by the owner of the electric generation plant. Except as provided in subdivisions 2
and 3, the exemption does not apply to property used to produce electric power for sale
to others and does not apply to real property. In determining the value subject to tax,
a proportionate share of the value of the generating facilities, equal to the proportion
that the power sold to others bears to the total generation of the plant, is subject to the
general property tax in the same manner as other property. Power generated in such a
plant and exchanged for an equivalent amount of power that is used for the manufacture or
production of goods, products, or services other than electric power by the owner of the
generating plant is considered to be used by the owner of the plant.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Article 8 Sec. 23.
Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 272.029, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. Distribution of revenues. Revenues from the taxes imposed under subdivision 5 must be part of the settlement between the county treasurer and the county auditor under section 276.09. The revenue must be distributed by the county auditor or the county treasurer to local taxing jurisdictions in which the wind energy conversion system is located as follows: beginning with distributions in 2010, 80 percent to counties; and 20 percent to cities and townships; and for distributions occurring in 2006 to 2009, 80 percent to counties; 14 percent to cities and townships; and six percent to school districts.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 273.032, is amended to read:

273.032 MARKET VALUE DEFINITION.

(a) Unless otherwise provided, for the purpose of determining any property tax levy limitation based on market value or any limit on net debt, the issuance of bonds, certificates of indebtedness, or capital notes based on market value, any qualification to receive state aid based on market value, or any state aid amount based on market value, the terms "market value," "estimated market value," and "market valuation," whether equalized or unequalized, mean the estimated market value of taxable property within the local unit of government before any of the following or similar adjustments for:

(1) the market value exclusions under:
   (i) section 273.11, subdivisions 14a and 14c (vacant platted land);
   (ii) section 273.11, subdivision 16 (certain improvements to homestead property);
   (iii) section 273.11, subdivisions 19 and 20 (certain improvements to business properties);
   (iv) section 273.11, subdivision 21 (homestead property damaged by mold);
   (v) section 273.11, subdivision 22 (qualifying lead hazardous reduction projects);
   (vi) section 273.13, subdivision 34 (homestead of a disabled veteran or family caregiver);
   (vii) section 273.13, subdivision 35 (homestead market value exclusion); or
(2) the deferment of value under:
   (i) the Minnesota Agricultural Property Tax Law, section 273.111;
   (ii) the Aggregate Resource Preservation Law, section 273.1115;
   (iii) (ii) the Minnesota Open Space Property Tax Law, section 273.112;
   (iv) (iii) the rural preserves property tax program, section 273.114; or
   (v) (iv) the Metropolitan Agricultural Preserves Act, section 473H.10; or
(3) the adjustments to tax capacity for:
   (i) tax increment financing under sections 469.174 to 469.1794;
   (ii) fiscal disparities under chapter 276A or 473F; or
   (iii) powerline credit under section 273.425.
(b) Estimated market value under paragraph (a) also includes the market value
of tax-exempt property if the applicable law specifically provides that the limitation,
qualification, or aid calculation includes tax-exempt property.
(c) Unless otherwise provided, "market value," "estimated market value," and
"market valuation" for purposes of property tax levy limitations and calculation of state
aid, refer to the estimated market value for the previous assessment year and for purposes
of limits on net debt, the issuance of bonds, certificates of indebtedness, or capital notes
refer to the estimated market value as last finally equalized.
(d) For purposes of a provision of a home rule charter or of any special law that is not
codified in the statutes and that imposes a levy limitation based on market value or any limit
on debt, the issuance of bonds, certificates of indebtedness, or capital notes based on market
value, the terms "market value," "taxable market value," and "market valuation," whether
equalized or unequalized, mean "estimated market value" as defined in paragraph (a).

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.061, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Salaries; expenses.** The salaries of the county assessor and assistants and
clerical help, shall be fixed by the board of county commissioners and shall be payable in
monthly installments out of the general revenue fund of the county. In counties with a
population of less than 50,000 inhabitants, according to the then last preceding federal
census, the board of county commissioners shall not fix the salary of the county assessor at
an amount below the following schedule:

- In counties with a population of less than 6,500, $3,000;
- In counties with a population of 6,500 but less than 12,000, $6,200;
- In counties with a population of 12,000 but less than 16,000, $6,500;
- In counties with a population of 16,000 but less than 21,000, $6,700;
- In counties with a population of 21,000 but less than 30,000, $6,900;
- In counties with a population of 30,000 but less than 39,500, $7,100;
- In counties with a population of 39,500 but less than 50,000, $7,300;
- In counties with a population of 50,000 or more, $8,300.

In addition to their salaries, the county assessor and assistants shall be allowed their
expenses for reasonable and necessary travel in the performance of their duties, including
necessary travel, lodging and meal expense incurred by them while attending meetings of
instructions or official hearings called by the commissioner of revenue. These expenses
shall be payable out of the general revenue fund of the county, and shall be allowed on the
same basis as such expenses are allowed to other county officers.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.10, is amended to read:

273.10 SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

When assessing personal property the county assessor shall designate the number of
the school district in which each person assessed is liable for tax, by writing the number
of the district opposite each assessment in a column provided for that purpose in the
assessment book. When the personal property of any person is assessable in several
school districts, the amount in each shall be assessed separately, and the name of the
owner placed opposite each amount.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.11, subdivision 13, is amended to read:

Subd. 13. Valuation of income-producing property. Beginning with the 1995
assessment, Only accredited assessors or senior accredited assessors or other licensed
assessors who have successfully completed at least two income-producing property
appraisal courses may value income-producing property for ad valorem tax purposes.
"Income-producing property" as used in this subdivision means the taxable property in
class 3a and 3b in section 273.13, subdivision 24; class 4a and 4c, except for seasonal
recreational property not used for commercial purposes; and class 5 in section 273.13,
subdivision 31. "Income-producing property" includes any property in class 4e in section
273.13, subdivision 25, that would be income-producing property under the definition in
this subdivision if it were not substandard. "Income-producing property appraisal course"

as used in this subdivision means a course of study of approximately 30 instructional
hours, with a final comprehensive test. An assessor must successfully complete the final
examination for each of the two required courses. The course must be approved by the
board of assessors.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.112, subdivision 6a, is amended to read:
Subd. 6a. **Guidelines issued by commissioner.** The commissioner of revenue shall develop and issue guidelines for qualification by private golf clubs under this section covering the access to and use of the golf course by members and other adults so as to be consistent with the purposes and terms of this section. The guidelines shall be mailed to the county attorney and assessor of each county not later than 60 days following May 26, 1989. Within 15 days of receipt of the guidelines from the commissioner, the assessor shall mail a copy of the guidelines to each golf club in the county.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 273.1325, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Methodology.** In making its annual assessment/sales ratio studies, the Department of Revenue must use a methodology consistent with the most recent Standard on Assessment Ratio Studies published by the assessment standards committee of the International Association of Assessing Officers. The commissioner of revenue shall supplement this general methodology with specific procedures necessary for execution of the study in accordance with other Minnesota laws impacting the assessment/sales ratio study. The commissioner shall document these specific procedures in writing and shall publish the procedures in the State Register, but these procedures will not be considered "rules" pursuant to the Minnesota Administrative Procedure Act. When property is sold and the purchaser changes its use in a manner that would result in a change of classification of the property, the assessment sales ratio study under this subdivision must take into account that changed classification as soon as practicable. A change in status from homestead to nonhomestead or from nonhomestead to homestead is not a change under this subdivision. For purposes of this section, sections 270.12, subdivision 2, clause (6), and 278.05, subdivision 4, the commissioner of revenue shall exclude from the assessment/sales ratio study the sale of any nonagricultural property which does not contain an improvement, if (1) the statutory basis on which the property's taxable value as most recently assessed is less than market value as defined in section 273.11, or (2) the property has undergone significant physical change or a change of use since the most recent assessment.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 273.1398, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
Subd. 3. **Disparity reduction aid.** The amount of disparity aid certified for each taxing district within each unique taxing jurisdiction is the amount certified for taxes payable in the prior year shall be multiplied by the ratio of (1) the jurisdiction's tax capacity using the class rates for taxes payable in the year for which aid is being computed, to (2) its tax capacity using the class rates for taxes payable in the year prior to that for which aid is being computed, both based upon taxable market values for taxes payable in the year prior to that for which aid is being computed. If the commissioner determines that insufficient information is available to reasonably and timely calculate the numerator in this ratio for the first taxes payable year that a class rate change or new class rate is effective, the commissioner shall omit the effects of that class rate change or new class rate when calculating this ratio for aid payable in that taxes payable year. For aid payable in the year following a year for which such omission was made, the commissioner shall use in the denominator for the class that was changed or created, the tax capacity for taxes payable two years prior to that in which the aid is payable, based on taxable market values for taxes payable in the year prior to that for which aid is being computed.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective beginning for taxes payable in 2015.

Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.18, is amended to read:

**273.18 LISTING, VALUATION, AND ASSESSMENT OF EXEMPT PROPERTY BY COUNTY AUDITORS.**

(a) In every sixth year after the year 1926, the county auditor shall enter, in a separate place in the real estate assessment books, the description of each tract of real property exempt by law from taxation, with the name of the owner, if known, and the assessor shall value and assess the same in the same manner that other real property is valued and assessed, and shall designate in each case the purpose for which the property is used.

(b) For purposes of the apportionment of fire state aid under section 69.021, subdivision 7, the county auditor shall include on the abstract of assessment of exempt real property filed under this section, the total number of acres of all natural resources lands for which in lieu payments are made under sections 477A.11 to 477A.14. The assessor shall estimate its market value, provided that if the assessor is not able to estimate the market value of the land on a per parcel basis, the assessor shall furnish the commissioner of revenue with an estimate of the average value per acre of this land within the county.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.
Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 274.01, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. Ordinary board; meetings, deadlines, grievances. (a) The town board of a town, or the council or other governing body of a city, is the board of appeal and equalization except (1) in cities whose charters provide for a board of equalization or (2) in any city or town that has transferred its local board of review power and duties to the county board as provided in subdivision 3. The county assessor shall fix a day and time when the board or the board of equalization shall meet in the assessment districts of the county. Notwithstanding any law or city charter to the contrary, a city board of equalization shall be referred to as a board of appeal and equalization. On or before February 15 of each year the assessor shall give written notice of the time to the city or town clerk. Notwithstanding the provisions of any charter to the contrary, the meetings must be held between April 1 and May 31 each year. The clerk shall give published and posted notice of the meeting at least ten days before the date of the meeting.

The board shall meet at the office of the clerk to review the assessment and classification of property in the town or city. No changes in valuation or classification which are intended to correct errors in judgment by the county assessor may be made by the county assessor after the board has adjourned in those cities or towns that hold a local board of review; however, corrections of errors that are merely clerical in nature or changes that extend homestead treatment to property are permitted after adjournment until the tax extension date for that assessment year. The changes must be fully documented and maintained in the assessor's office and must be available for review by any person. A copy of the changes made during this period in those cities or towns that hold a local board of review must be sent to the county board no later than December 31 of the assessment year.

(b) The board shall determine whether the taxable property in the town or city has been properly placed on the list and properly valued by the assessor. If real or personal property has been omitted, the board shall place it on the list with its market value, and correct the assessment so that each tract or lot of real property, and each article, parcel, or class of personal property, is entered on the assessment list at its market value. No assessment of the property of any person may be raised unless the person has been duly notified of the intent of the board to do so. On application of any person feeling aggrieved, the board shall review the assessment or classification, or both, and correct it as appears just. The board may not make an individual market value adjustment or classification change that would benefit the property if the owner or other person having control over the property has refused the assessor access to inspect the property and the interior of any buildings or structures as provided in section 273.20. A board member shall not participate in any actions of the board which result in market value adjustments.
or classification changes to property owned by the board member, the spouse, parent,
stepparent, child, stepchild, grandparent, grandchild, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, nephew,
or niece of a board member, or property in which a board member has a financial interest.
The relationship may be by blood or marriage.

(c) A local board may reduce assessments upon petition of the taxpayer but the total reductions must not reduce the aggregate assessment made by the county assessor by more than one percent. If the total reductions would lower the aggregate assessments made by the county assessor by more than one percent, none of the adjustments may be made. The assessor shall correct any clerical errors or double assessments discovered by the board without regard to the one percent limitation.

(d) A local board does not have authority to grant an exemption or to order property removed from the tax rolls.

(e) A majority of the members may act at the meeting, and adjourn from day to day until they finish hearing the cases presented. The assessor shall attend, with the assessment books and papers, and take part in the proceedings, but must not vote. The county assessor, or an assistant delegated by the county assessor shall attend the meetings. The board shall list separately, on a form appended to the assessment book, all omitted property added to the list by the board and all items of property increased or decreased, with the market value of each item of property, added or changed by the board, placed opposite the item. The county assessor shall enter all changes made by the board in the assessment book.

(f) Except as provided in subdivision 3, if a person fails to appear in person, by counsel, or by written communication before the board after being duly notified of the board's intent to raise the assessment of the property, or if a person feeling aggrieved by an assessment or classification fails to apply for a review of the assessment or classification, the person may not appear before the county board of appeal and equalization for a review of the assessment or classification. This paragraph does not apply if an assessment was made after the local board meeting, as provided in section 273.01, or if the person can establish not having received notice of market value at least five days before the local board meeting.

(g) The local board must complete its work and adjourn within 20 days from the time of convening stated in the notice of the clerk, unless a longer period is approved by the commissioner of revenue. No action taken after that date is valid. All complaints about an assessment or classification made after the meeting of the board must be heard and determined by the county board of equalization. A nonresident may, at any time, before the meeting of the board file written objections to an assessment or classification
with the county assessor. The objections must be presented to the board at its meeting by
the county assessor for its consideration.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 274.01, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Special board; duties delegated.** The governing body of a city, including
a city whose charter provides for a board of equalization, may appoint a special board of
review. The city may delegate to the special board of review all of the powers and duties
in subdivision 1. The special board of review shall serve at the direction and discretion
of the appointing body, subject to the restrictions imposed by law. The appointing body
shall determine the number of members of the board, the compensation and expenses to be
paid, and the term of office of each member. At least one member of the special board
of review must be an appraiser, realtor, or other person familiar with property valuations
in the assessment district.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 275.08, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

Subd. 1a. **Computation of tax capacity.** For taxes payable in 1989, the county
auditor shall compute the gross tax capacity for each parcel according to the class rates
specified in section 273.13. The gross tax capacity will be the appropriate class rate
multiplied by the parcel's market value. For taxes payable in 1990 and subsequent years,
The county auditor shall compute the net tax capacity for each parcel according to the
class rates specified in section 273.13. The net tax capacity will be the appropriate class
rate multiplied by the parcel's market value.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 275.08, subdivision 1d, is amended to read:

Subd. 1d. **Additional adjustment.** If, after computing each local government's
adjusted local tax rate within a unique taxing jurisdiction pursuant to subdivision 1c, the
auditor finds that the total adjusted local tax rate of all local governments combined is
less than 90 percent of gross tax capacity for taxes payable in 1989 and 90 percent of net
tax capacity for taxes payable in 1990 and thereafter, the auditor shall increase each local
government's adjusted local tax rate proportionately so the total adjusted local tax rate of
all local governments combined equals 90 percent. The total amount of the increase in
tax resulting from the increased local tax rates must not exceed the amount of disparity
aid allocated to the unique taxing district under section 273.1398. The auditor shall
certify to the Department of Revenue the difference between the disparity aid originally
allocated under section 273.1398, subdivision 3, and the amount necessary to reduce
the total adjusted local tax rate of all local governments combined to 90 percent. Each
local government's disparity reduction aid payment under section 273.1398, subdivision
6, must be reduced accordingly.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 275.70, subdivision 5, is
amended to read:

Subd. 5. Special levies. "Special levies" means those portions of ad valorem taxes
levied by a local governmental unit for the following purposes or in the following manner:

(1) to pay the costs of the principal and interest on bonded indebtedness or to
reimburse for the amount of liquor store revenues used to pay the principal and interest
due on municipal liquor store bonds in the year preceding the year for which the levy
limit is calculated;

(2) to pay the costs of principal and interest on certificates of indebtedness issued for
any corporate purpose except for the following:

(i) tax anticipation or aid anticipation certificates of indebtedness;

(ii) certificates of indebtedness issued under sections 298.28 and 298.282;

(iii) certificates of indebtedness used to fund current expenses or to pay the costs of
extraordinary expenditures that result from a public emergency; or

(iv) certificates of indebtedness used to fund an insufficiency in tax receipts or an
insufficiency in other revenue sources, provided that nothing in this subdivision limits the
special levy authorized under section 475.755;

(3) to provide for the bonded indebtedness portion of payments made to another
political subdivision of the state of Minnesota;

(4) to fund payments made to the Minnesota State Armory Building Commission
under section 193.145, subdivision 2, to retire the principal and interest on armory
construction bonds;

(5) property taxes approved by voters which are levied against the referendum
market value as provided under section 275.61;

(6) to fund matching requirements needed to qualify for federal or state grants or
programs to the extent that either (i) the matching requirement exceeds the matching
requirement in calendar year 2001, or (ii) it is a new matching requirement that did not
exist prior to 2002;
(7) to pay the expenses reasonably and necessarily incurred in preparing for or repairing the effects of natural disaster including the occurrence or threat of widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property resulting from natural causes, in accordance with standards formulated by the Emergency Services Division of the state Department of Public Safety, as allowed by the commissioner of revenue under section 275.74, subdivision 2;

(8) pay amounts required to correct an error in the levy certified to the county auditor by a city or county in a levy year, but only to the extent that when added to the preceding year's levy it is not in excess of an applicable statutory, special law or charter limitation, or the limitation imposed on the governmental subdivision by sections 275.70 to 275.74 in the preceding levy year;

(9) to pay an abatement under section 469.1815;

(10) to pay any costs attributable to increases in the employer contribution rates under chapter 353, or locally administered pension plans, that are effective after June 30, 2001;

(11) to pay the operating or maintenance costs of a county jail as authorized in section 641.01 or 641.262, or of a correctional facility as defined in section 241.021, subdivision 1, paragraph (f), to the extent that the county can demonstrate to the commissioner of revenue that the amount has been included in the county budget as a direct result of a rule, minimum requirement, minimum standard, or directive of the Department of Corrections, or to pay the operating or maintenance costs of a regional jail as authorized in section 641.262. For purposes of this clause, a district court order is not a rule, minimum requirement, minimum standard, or directive of the Department of Corrections. If the county utilizes this special levy, except to pay operating or maintenance costs of a new regional jail facility under sections 641.262 to 641.264 which will not replace an existing jail facility, any amount levied by the county in the previous levy year for the purposes specified under this clause and included in the county's previous year's levy limitation computed under section 275.71, shall be deducted from the levy limit base under section 275.71, subdivision 2, when determining the county's current year levy limitation. The county shall provide the necessary information to the commissioner of revenue for making this determination;

(12) to pay for operation of a lake improvement district, as authorized under section 103B.555. If the county utilizes this special levy, any amount levied by the county in the previous levy year for the purposes specified under this clause and included in the county's previous year's levy limitation computed under section 275.71 shall be deducted from the levy limit base under section 275.71, subdivision 2, when determining the county's current year levy limitation. The county shall provide the necessary information to the commissioner of revenue for making this determination;
(13) to repay a state or federal loan used to fund the direct or indirect required
spending by the local government due to a state or federal transportation project or other
state or federal capital project. This authority may only be used if the project is not a
local government initiative;

(14) to pay for court administration costs as required under section 273.1398;
subdivision 4b, less the (i) county's share of transferred fines and fees collected by the
district courts in the county for calendar year 2001 and (ii) the aid amount certified to be
paid to the county in 2004 under section 273.1398, subdivision 4c; however, for taxes
levied to pay for these costs in the year in which the court financing is transferred to the
state, the amount under this clause is limited to the amount of aid the county is certified to
receive under section 273.1398, subdivision 4a;

(15) (14) to fund a firefighters relief association as required under Laws 2013,
chapter 111, article 5, sections 31 to 42, to the extent that the required amount exceeds the
amount levied for this purpose in 2001;

(16) (15) for purposes of a storm sewer improvement district under section 444.20;

(17) (16) to pay for the maintenance and support of a city or county society for
the prevention of cruelty to animals under section 343.11, but not to exceed in any year
$4,800 or the sum of $1 per capita based on the county's or city's population as of the most
recent federal census, whichever is greater. If the city or county uses this special levy, any
amount levied by the city or county in the previous levy year for the purposes specified
in this clause and included in the city's or county's previous year's levy limit computed
under section 275.71, must be deducted from the levy limit base under section 275.71,
subdivision 2, in determining the city's or county's current year levy limit;

(18) (17) for counties, to pay for the increase in their share of health and human
service costs caused by reductions in federal health and human services grants effective
after September 30, 2007;

(19) (18) for a city, for the costs reasonably and necessarily incurred for securing,
maintaining, or demolishing foreclosed or abandoned residential properties, as allowed by
the commissioner of revenue under section 275.74, subdivision 2. A city must have either
(i) a foreclosure rate of at least 1.4 percent in 2007, or (ii) a foreclosure rate in 2007 in
the city or in a zip code area of the city that is at least 50 percent higher than the average
foreclosure rate in the metropolitan area, as defined in section 473.121, subdivision 2,
to use this special levy. For purposes of this paragraph, "foreclosure rate" means the
number of foreclosures, as indicated by sheriff's sales records, divided by the number of
households in the city in 2007;
(20) for a city, for the unreimbursed costs of redeployed traffic control agents and
lost traffic citation revenue due to the collapse of the Interstate 35W bridge, as certified
to the Federal Highway Administration;

(21) (19) to pay costs attributable to wages and benefits for sheriff, police, and fire
personnel. If a local governmental unit did not use this special levy in the previous year its
levy limit base under section 275.71 shall be reduced by the amount equal to the amount it
levied for the purposes specified in this clause in the previous year;

(22) (20) an amount equal to any reductions in the certified aids or credit
reimbursements payable under sections 477A.011 to 477A.014, and section 273.1384,
due to unallotment under section 16A.152 or reductions under another provision of law.
The amount of the levy allowed under this clause for each year is limited to the amount
unallotted or reduced from the aids and credit reimbursements certified for payment in the
year following the calendar year in which the tax levy is certified unless the unallotment
or reduction amount is not known by September 1 of the levy certification year, and
the local government has not adjusted its levy under section 275.065, subdivision 6, or
275.07, subdivision 6, in which case that unallotment or reduction amount may be levied
in the following year;

(23) (21) to pay for the difference between one-half of the costs of confining sex
offenders undergoing the civil commitment process and any state payments for this
purpose pursuant to section 253D.12;

(24) (22) for a county to pay the costs of the first year of maintaining and operating
a new facility or new expansion, either of which contains courts, corrections, dispatch,
criminal investigation labs, or other public safety facilities and for which all or a portion
of the funding for the site acquisition, building design, site preparation, construction, and
related equipment was issued or authorized prior to the imposition of levy limits in 2008.
The levy limit base shall then be increased by an amount equal to the new facility's first
full year's operating costs as described in this clause; and

(25) (23) for the estimated amount of reduction to market value credit reimbursements
under section 273.1384 for credits payable in the year in which the levy is payable.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 38. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 275.74, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Authorization for special levies.** (a) A local governmental unit may
request authorization to levy for unreimbursed costs for natural disasters under section
275.70, subdivision 5, clause (7). The local governmental unit shall submit a request to
levy under section 275.70, subdivision 5, clause (7), to the commissioner of revenue by
September 30 of the levy year and the request must include information documenting the estimated unreimbursed costs. The commissioner of revenue may grant levy authority, up to the amount requested based on the documentation submitted. All decisions of the commissioner are final.

(b) A city may request authorization to levy for reasonable and necessary costs for securing, maintaining, or demolishing foreclosed or abandoned residential properties under section 275.70, subdivision 5, clause (19) (18). The local governmental unit shall submit a request to levy under section 275.70, subdivision 5, clause (19) (18), to the commissioner of revenue by September 30 of the levy year and the request must include information documenting the estimated costs. For taxes payable in 2009, the amount may include unanticipated costs incurred above the amount budgeted for these purposes in 2008. Costs of securing foreclosed or abandoned residential properties include payment for police and fire department services. The commissioner of revenue may grant levy authority, up to the lesser of (1) the amount requested based on the documentation submitted, or (2) $3,000 multiplied by the number of foreclosed residential properties, as defined by sheriff sales records, in calendar year 2007. All decisions of the commissioner are final.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 39. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 275.75, is amended to read:

275.75 CHARTER EXEMPTION FOR AID LOSS.

Notwithstanding any other provision of a municipal charter that limits ad valorem taxes to a lesser amount, or that would require voter approval for any increase, the governing body of a municipality may by resolution increase its levy in any year by an amount equal to its special levies under section 275.70, subdivision 5, clauses (22) and (25) (20) and (23).

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 40. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 279.03, is amended to read:

279.03 INTEREST ON DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAXES.

Subdivision 1. Rate Interest calculation. The rate of interest on delinquent property taxes levied in 1979 and prior years is fixed at six percent per year until January 1, 1983. Thereafter Interest is payable at the rate determined pursuant to section 549.09. The rate of interest on delinquent property taxes levied in 1980 and subsequent years is the rate determined pursuant to section 549.09. All provisions of law except section 549.09 providing for the calculation of interest at any different rate on delinquent taxes in
any notice or proceeding in connection with the payment, collection, sale, or assignment
of delinquent taxes, or redemption from such sale or assignment are hereby amended
to correspond herewith. Section 549.09 shall continue in force applies with respect to
judgments arising out of petitions for review filed pursuant to chapter 278 irrespective of
the levy year.

For property taxes levied in 1980 and prior years, interest is to be calculated at
simple interest from the second Monday in May following the year in which the taxes
become due until the time that the taxes and penalties are paid, computed on the amount
of unpaid taxes, penalties and costs. For property taxes levied in 1981 and subsequent
years, Interest shall commence on the first day of January following the year in which the
taxes become due, but the county treasurer need not calculate interest on unpaid taxes and
penalties on the tax list returned to the county auditor pursuant to section 279.01.

If interest is payable for a portion of a year, the interest is calculated only for the
months that the taxes or penalties remain unpaid, and for this purpose a portion of a month
is deemed to be a whole month.

Subd. 1a. Rate after December 31, 1990. (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b),
interest on delinquent property taxes, penalties, and costs unpaid on or after January 1;
1991, shall be is payable at the per annum rate determined in section 270C.40, subdivision
5. If the rate so determined is less than ten percent, the rate of interest shall be is ten
percent. The maximum per annum rate shall be is 14 percent if the rate specified under
section 270C.40, subdivision 5, exceeds 14 percent. The rate shall be is subject to change
on January 1 of each year.

(b) If a person is the owner of one or more parcels of property on which taxes are
delinquent, and the delinquent taxes are more than 25 percent of the prior year's school
district levy, interest on the delinquent property taxes, penalties, and costs unpaid after
January 1, 1992, shall be is payable at twice the rate determined under paragraph (a) for
the year.

Subd. 2. Composite judgment. Amounts included in composite judgments
authorized by section 279.37, subdivision 1, and confessed on or after July 1, 1982, are
subject to interest at the rate determined pursuant to section 549.09. Amounts confessed
under this authority after December 31, 1990, are subject to interest at the rate calculated
under subdivision 1a. During each calendar year, interest shall accrue accrues on the
unpaid balance of the composite judgment from the time it is confessed until it is paid.
The rate of interest is subject to change each year in the same manner that section 549.09
or as provided in subdivision 1a, whichever is applicable, for rate changes. Interest on the
unpaid contract balance on judgments confessed before July 1, 1982, is payable at the rate
applicable to the judgment at the time that it was confessed.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 41. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 279.16, is amended to read:

**279.16 JUDGMENT WHEN NO ANSWER; FORM; ENTRY.**

Upon the expiration of 20 days from the later of the filing of the affidavit of
publication or the filing of the affidavit of mailing pursuant to section 279.131, the
court administrator shall enter judgment against each and every such parcel as to which
no answer has been filed, which judgment shall include all such parcels, and shall be
substantially in the following form:

106.11 State of Minnesota ) District Court,
106.12 ) ss.
106.13 County of ............. ) ............. Judicial District.

In the matter of the proceedings to enforce payment of the taxes on real estate
remaining delinquent on the first Monday in January, ......., for the county of ...............,
state of Minnesota.

106.17 A list of taxes on real property, delinquent on the first Monday in January, ......., for
said county of ............... , having been duly filed in the office of the court administrator of
this court, and the notice and list required by law having been duly published and mailed
as required by law, and more than 20 days having elapsed since the last publication of the
notice and list, and no answer having been filed by any person, company, or corporation
to the taxes upon any of the parcels of land hereinafter described, it is hereby adjudged
that each parcel of land hereinafter described is liable for taxes, penalties, and costs to the
amount set opposite the same, as follows:

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<th>Description</th>
<th>Parcel Number</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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| The amount of taxes, penalties, and cost to which, as hereinbefore stated, each of
such parcels of land is liable, is hereby declared a lien upon such parcel of land as against
the estate, right, title, interest, claim, or lien, of whatever nature, in law or equity, of every
person, company, or corporation; and it is adjudged that, unless the amount to which
each of such parcels is liable be paid, each of such parcels be sold, as provided by law,
to satisfy the amount to which it is liable.

106.27 Dated this ........... day of ..........., ....
106.28 ..........................................................
106.29 Court Administrator of the District Court,
106.30 County of ...........................................
The judgment shall be entered by the court administrator in a book to be kept by the court administrator, to be called the real estate tax judgment book, and signed by the court administrator. The judgment shall be written out on the left hand pages of the book, leaving the right hand pages blank for the entries in this chapter hereinafter provided; and The same presumption in favor of the regularity and validity of the judgment shall be deemed to exist as in respect to judgments in civil actions in such court, except where taxes have been paid before the entry of judgment, or where the land is exempt from taxation, in which cases the judgment shall be prima facie evidence only of its regularity and validity.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 42. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 279.23, is amended to read:

279.23 COPY OF JUDGMENT TO COUNTY AUDITOR.

When any real estate tax judgment is entered, the court administrator shall forthwith deliver to the county auditor, in a book to be provided by the auditor, a certified copy of such judgment, which shall be written on the left hand pages of the book, leaving the right hand pages blank.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 43. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 279.25, is amended to read:

279.25 PAYMENT BEFORE JUDGMENT.

Before sale any person may pay the amount adjudged against any parcel of land. If payment is made before entry of judgment, and the delinquent list has been filed with the court administrator, the county auditor shall immediately certify such payment to the court administrator, who shall note the same on such delinquent list; and all proceedings pending against such parcel shall thereupon be discontinued. If payment is made after judgment is entered and before sale, the auditor shall certify such payment to the clerk, who, upon production of such certificate and the payment of a fee of ten cents, shall enter on the right hand page of the real estate tax judgment book, and opposite the description of such parcel, satisfaction of the judgment against the same. The auditor shall make proper records of all payments made under this section.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 44. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 279.37, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
Subd. 2. **Installment payments.** The owner of any such parcel, or any person to whom the right to pay taxes has been given by statute, mortgage, or other agreement, may make and file with the county auditor of the county in which the parcel is located a written offer to pay the current taxes each year before they become delinquent, or to contest the taxes under Minnesota Statutes 1941, sections 278.01 to 278.13 chapter 278, and agree to confess judgment for the amount provided, as determined by the county auditor. By filing the offer, the owner waives all irregularities in connection with the tax proceedings affecting the parcel and any defense or objection which the owner may have to the proceedings, and also waives the requirements of any notice of default in the payment of any installment or interest to become due pursuant to the composite judgment to be so entered. Unless the property is subject to subdivision 1a, with the offer, the owner shall (i) tender one-tenth of the amount of the delinquent taxes, costs, penalty, and interest, and (ii) tender all current year taxes and penalty due at the time the confession of judgment is entered. In the offer, the owner shall agree to pay the balance in nine equal installments, with interest as provided in section 279.03, payable annually on installments remaining unpaid from time to time, on or before December 31 of each year following the year in which judgment was confessed. The offer must be substantially as follows:

"To the court administrator of the district court of .......... county, I, ................., am the owner of the following described parcel of real estate located in .......... county, Minnesota:

......................... Upon that real estate there are delinquent taxes for the year ........, and prior years, as follows: (here insert year of delinquency and the total amount of delinquent taxes, costs, interest, and penalty). By signing this document I offer to confess judgment in the sum of $...... and waive all irregularities in the tax proceedings affecting these taxes and any defense or objection which I may have to them, and direct judgment to be entered for the amount stated above, minus the sum of $..........., to be paid with this document, which is one-tenth or one-fifth of the amount of the taxes, costs, penalty, and interest stated above. I agree to pay the balance of the judgment in nine or four equal, annual installments, with interest as provided in section 279.03, payable annually, on the installments remaining unpaid. I agree to pay the installments and interest on or before December 31 of each year following the year in which this judgment is confessed and current taxes each year before they become delinquent, or within 30 days after the entry of final judgment in proceedings to contest the taxes under Minnesota Statutes, sections 278.01 to 278.13 chapter 278.

Dated ..........., ......"

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.
Sec. 45. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 280.001, is amended to read:

280.001 PUBLIC SALES, AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATES ABOLISHED.

Effective the second Monday in May 1974, and each year thereafter, no parcel of land against which judgment has been entered and remains unsatisfied for the taxes of the preceding year or years may be sold at public vendue as provided in sections 280.01 and 280.02 by the county auditor but shall be treated in the same manner and regarded in all respects as land bid in for the state by the auditor in the manner provided in section 280.02. No notice of sale required by section 280.01 shall be published or posted in 1974 and in years thereafter, and no auditor's certificate authorized by section 280.03 shall be issued on the second Monday in May 1974, or thereafter.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 46. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 280.03, is amended to read:

280.03 CERTIFICATE OF SALE.

The county auditor shall execute to the purchaser of each parcel a certificate which may be substantially in the following form:

"I, ........, auditor of the county of ........, state of Minnesota, do hereby certify that at the sale of lands pursuant to the real estate tax judgment entered in the district court in the county of ........, on the .......... day of .........., ........, in proceedings to enforce the payment of taxes delinquent on real estate for the years ........, for the county of ........, which sale was held at .............., in said county of ........, on the ........ day of ........, ........, the following described parcel of land, situate in said county of ........, state of Minnesota:

(insert description), was offered for sale to the bidder who should offer to pay the amount for which the same was to be sold, at the lowest annual rate of interest on such amount; and at said sale I did sell the said parcel of land to ........ for the sum of ........ dollars, with interest at ........ percent per annum on such amount, that being the sum for which the same was to be sold, and such rate of interest being the lowest rate percent per annum bid on such sum; and, the sum having been paid, I do therefore, in consideration thereof, and pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, convey the said parcel of land, in fee simple, subject to easements and restrictions of record at the date of the tax judgment sale, including, but without limitation, permits for telephone, telegraph and electric power lines either by underground cable or conduit or otherwise, sewer and water lines, highways, railroads, and pipe lines for gas, liquids, or solids in suspension, to said ........, and the heirs and assigns of ........, forever, subject to redemption as provided by law.

Witness my hand and official seal this ........ day of ........, ........ .

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County Auditor."

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If the land shall not be redeemed as provided in chapter 281, such certificate shall
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pass to the purchaser an estate therein, in fee simple, without any other act or deed
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whatever subject to easements and restrictions of record at the date of the tax judgment
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sale, including, but without limitation, permits for telephone, telegraph, and electric
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power lines either by underground cable or conduit or otherwise, sewer and water lines,
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highways, railroads, and pipe lines for gas, liquids, or solids in suspension. Such certificate
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may be recorded, after the time for redemption shall have expired, as other deeds of real
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estate, and with like effect. If any purchaser at such sale shall purchase more than one
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parcel, the auditor shall issue to the purchaser a certificate for each parcel so purchased.

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EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

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Sec. 47. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 280.07, is amended to read:

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280.07 ENTRIES IN JUDGMENT BOOKS AFTER SALE.

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Immediately after such sale the county auditor shall set out in the copy judgment
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book record that all parcels were bid in for the state. The county auditor shall thereupon
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deliver such book to notify the court administrator, who shall forthwith enter on the
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right-hand page of the real estate tax judgment book, opposite the description of each
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parcel sold, the words "bid in for the state," and thereupon redeliver the copy judgment
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book to the auditor. Upon redemption the auditor shall make a note thereon in the copy
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judgment book, opposite the parcel redeemed.

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EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

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Sec. 48. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 280.11, is amended to read:

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280.11 LANDS BID IN FOR STATE.

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At any time after any parcel of land has been bid in for the state, the same not having
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been redeemed, the county auditor shall assign and convey the same, and all the right of
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the state therein acquired at such sale, to any person who shall pay the amount for which
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the same was bid in, with interest at the rate of 12 percent per annum, and the amount of
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all subsequent delinquent taxes, penalties, costs, and interest at such rate upon the same
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from the time when such taxes became delinquent. The county auditor shall execute to
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such person a certificate for such parcel, which may be substantially in the following form:

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"I, .........., auditor of the county of .........., state of Minnesota, do hereby certify that
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at the sale of lands pursuant to the real estate tax judgment entered in the district court
in the county of ........., on the ........ day of ........, ......, in proceedings to enforce the
payment of taxes delinquent upon real estate for the years ........ for the county of .........,
which sale was held at ........, in said county of .........., on the .......... day of .........., ......
the following described parcel of land, situate in said county of .........., state of Minnesota:
(insert description), was duly offered for sale; and, no one bidding upon such offer an
amount equal to that for which the parcel was subject to be sold, the same was then bid in
for the state at such amount, being the sum of .......... dollars; and the same still remaining
unredeemed, and on this day ........ having paid into the treasury of the county the amount
for which the same was so bid in, and all subsequent delinquent taxes, penalties, costs,
and interest, amounting in all to ........ dollars, therefore, in consideration thereof, and
pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, I do hereby assign and convey this
parcel of land, in fee simple, subject to easements and restrictions of record at the date of
the tax judgment sale, including but without limitation, permits for telephone, telegraph,
and electric power lines either by underground cable or conduit or otherwise, sewer and
water lines, highways, railroads, and pipe lines for gas, liquids, or solids in suspension,
with all the right, title and interest of the state acquired therein at such sale to ........, and
the heirs and assigns of ........, forever, subject to redemption as provided by law.
Witness my hand and official seal this ........ day of ........, ......

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County Auditor."

If the land shall not be redeemed, as provided in chapter 281, such certificate shall
pass to the purchaser or assignee an estate therein, in fee simple, without any other act
or deed whatever subject to easements and restrictions of record at the date of the tax
judgment sale, including, but without limitation, permits for telephone, telegraph and
electric power lines either by underground cable or conduit or otherwise, sewer and water
lines, highways, railroads, and pipe lines for gas, liquids, or solids in suspension. Such
certificate or conveyance may be recorded, after the time for redemption shall have
expired, as other deeds of real estate, and with like effect. No assignment of the right of
the state shall be given pursuant to this section after January 1, 1972.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 49. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 281.03, is amended to read:

281.03 AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE.

The county auditor shall certify to the amount due on such redemption, and, on
payment of the same to the county treasurer, shall make duplicate receipts for the certified
amount, describing the property redeemed, one of which shall be filed with the auditor.
Such receipts shall be governed by the provisions of this chapter regulating the payment of current taxes and such payment shall have the effect to annul the sale. If the amount certified by the auditor and received in payment for redemption be less than that required by law, it shall not invalidate the redemption. On redemption being made, the auditor shall enter upon the copy of the tax judgment book, opposite the description of record the parcel as redeemed, the word, "redeemed." 

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 50. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 281.17, is amended to read:

**281.17 PERIOD FOR REDEMPTION.**

Except for properties for which the period of redemption has been limited under sections 281.173 and 281.174, the following periods for redemption apply:

The period of redemption for all lands sold to the state at a tax judgment sale shall be three years from the date of sale to the state of Minnesota.

The period of redemption for homesteaded lands as defined in section 273.13, subdivision 22, located in a targeted neighborhood as defined in Laws 1987, chapter 386, article 6, section 4, and sold to the state at a tax judgment sale is three years from the date of sale. The period of redemption for all lands located in a targeted neighborhood as defined in Laws 1987, chapter 386, article 6, section 4, except (4) homesteaded lands as defined in section 273.13, subdivision 22, and (2) for periods of redemption beginning after June 30, 1991, but before July 1, 1996, lands located in the Loring Park targeted neighborhood on which a notice of lis pendens has been served, and sold to the state at a tax judgment sale is one year from the date of sale.

The period of redemption for all real property constituting a mixed municipal solid waste disposal facility that is a qualified facility under section 115B.39, subdivision 1, is one year from the date of the sale to the state of Minnesota.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 51. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 281.327, is amended to read:

**281.327 CANCELLATION OF CERTIFICATE UPON JUDICIAL ORDER.**

Upon the petition of any person interested in the land covered by a real estate tax sale certificate, state assignment certificate, or forfeited tax sale certificate and, upon the giving of such notice to the holder of such certificate as may be ordered, the district court, in the proceedings resulting in the judgment upon which a real estate tax judgment sale certificate, state assignment certificate, or forfeited tax sale certificate is based, may order
the cancellation of a real estate tax judgment sale certificate, state assignment certificate, 
or forfeited tax sale certificate upon which notice of expiration of time of redemption 
has been issued when the certificate or a deed issued thereon has not been recorded in 
the office of the county recorder or filed in that of the registrar of titles, if the land is 
registered, within seven years after the date of the issuance of such certificate; the county 
auditor, on the filing of the order, shall make an entry in the proper copy real estate tax 
judgment book, opposite the description of the land, "canceled by order of court" record 
the land as canceled by order of court; and the rights of the holder under the certificate 
shall thereupon be terminated of record in the office of the county auditor.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 52. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 282.01, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. Duties of commissioner after sale. When any sale has been made by the 
county auditor under sections 282.01 to 282.13, the auditor shall immediately certify to 
the commissioner of revenue such information relating to such sale, on such forms as the 
commissioner of revenue may prescribe as will enable the commissioner of revenue to 
prepare an appropriate deed if the sale is for cash, or keep necessary records if the sale 
is on terms; and not later than October 31 of each year the county auditor shall submit 
to the commissioner of revenue a statement of all instances wherein any payment of 
principal, interest, or current taxes on lands held under certificate, due or to be paid during 
the preceding calendar years, are still outstanding at the time such certificate is made. 
When such statement shows that a purchaser or the purchaser's assignee is in default, the 
commissioner of revenue may instruct the county board of the county in which the land is 
located to cancel said certificate of sale in the manner provided by subdivision 5, provided 
that upon recommendation of the county board, and where the circumstances are such 
that the commissioner of revenue after investigation is satisfied that the purchaser has 
made every effort reasonable to make payment of both the annual installment and said 
taxes, and that there has been no willful neglect on the part of the purchaser in meeting 
these obligations, then the commissioner of revenue may extend the time for the payment 
for such period as the commissioner may deem warranted, not to exceed one year. On 
payment in full of the purchase price, appropriate conveyance in fee, in such form as may 
be prescribed by the attorney general, shall be issued by the commissioner of revenue, 
which conveyance must be recorded by the county and shall have the force and effect of 
a patent from the state subject to easements and restrictions of record at the date of the 
tax judgment sale, including, but without limitation, permits for telephone, telegraph, and
electric power lines either by underground cable or conduit or otherwise, sewer and water
lines, highways, railroads, and pipe lines for gas, liquids, or solids in suspension.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 53. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 282.04, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Easements.** The county auditor, when and for such price and on such
terms and for such period as the county board prescribes, may grant easements or permits
on unsold tax-forfeited land for telephone, telegraph, and electric power lines either by
underground cable or conduit or otherwise, sewer and water lines, highways, recreational
 Trails, railroads, and pipe lines for gas, liquids, or solids in suspension. Any such easement
or permit may be canceled by resolution of the county board after reasonable notice for
any substantial breach of its terms or if at any time its continuance will conflict with
public use of the land, or any part thereof, on which it is granted. Land affected by any
such easement or permit may be sold or leased for mineral or other legal purpose, but sale
or lease shall be subject to the easement or permit, and all rights granted by the easement
or permit shall be excepted from the conveyance or lease of the land and be reserved,
and may be canceled by the county board in the same manner and for the same reasons
as it could have been canceled before sale and in that case the rights granted thereby
shall vest in the state in trust as the land on which it was granted was held before sale or
lease. Any easement or permit granted before passage of Laws 1951, Chapter 203, may
be governed thereby if the holder thereof and county board so agree. Reasonable notice
as used in this subdivision, means a 90-day written notice addressed to the record owner
of the easement at the last known address, and upon cancellation the county board may
grant extensions of time to vacate the premises affected.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 54. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 282.261, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Interest rate.** The unpaid balance on any repurchase contract approved
by the county board on or after July 1, 1982, is subject to interest at the rate determined
pursuant to section 549.09. Repurchase contracts approved after December 31, 1990, are
subject to interest at the rate determined in section 279.03, subdivision 1a. The interest
rate is subject to change each year on the unpaid balance in the manner provided for rate
changes in section 549.09 or 279.03, subdivision 1a, whichever is applicable. Interest on
the unpaid contract balance on repurchases approved before July 1, 1982, is payable at the
rate applicable to the repurchase contract at the time that it was approved.
EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 55. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 282.261, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. Service fee. The county auditor may collect a service fee to cover administrative costs as set by the county board for each repurchase application received after July 1, 1985. The fee must be paid at the time of application and must be credited to the county general revenue fund.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 56. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 282.261, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. County may impose conditions of repurchase. The county auditor, after receiving county board approval, may impose conditions on repurchase of tax-forfeited lands limiting the use of the parcel subject to the repurchase, including, but not limited to, environmental remediation action plan restrictions or covenants, or easements for lines or equipment for telephone, telegraph, electric power, or telecommunications.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 57. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 282.322, is amended to read:

282.322 FORFEITED LANDS LIST.

The county board of any county may at any time after the passage of Laws 1945, chapter 296, file a list of forfeited lands with the county auditor, if the board is of the opinion that such lands may be acquired by the state or any municipal subdivision thereof for public purposes. Upon the filing of such list the county auditor shall withhold said lands from repurchase. If no proceeding shall be started to acquire such lands by the state or some municipal subdivision thereof within one year after the filing of such list the county board shall withdraw said list and thereafter the owner shall have one year in which to repurchase as otherwise provided in Laws 1945, chapter 296.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 58. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 287.30, is amended to read:

287.30 COUNTY TREASURER; DUTIES.

The care of documentary stamps entrusted to county treasurers and the duties imposed upon county treasurers by this chapter are within the duties of such office and are within the coverage of any official bond delivered to the state, conditioned that any such officer...
shall faithfully execute the duties of office. The county board may by resolution require
the county auditor to perform any duty imposed on the county treasurer under this chapter.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 59. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 289A.25, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. Requirements to pay. An individual, trust, S corporation, or
partnership must, when prescribed in subdivision 3, paragraph (b), make payments of
estimated tax. For individuals, the term "estimated tax" means the amount the taxpayer
estimates is the sum of the taxes imposed by chapter 290 for the taxable year. For trusts,
S corporations, and partnerships, the term estimated tax means the amount the taxpayer
estimates is the sum of the taxes for the taxable year imposed by chapter 290 and the
composite income tax imposed by section 289A.08, subdivision 7. If the individual is an
infant or incompetent person, the payments must be made by the individual's guardian. If
joint payments on estimated tax are made but a joint return is not made for the taxable
year, the estimated tax for that year may be treated as the estimated tax of either the
husband or the wife or may be divided between them.

Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, no payments of estimated tax are
required if the estimated tax, as defined in this subdivision, less the credits allowed against
the tax, is less than $500.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 60. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 290.01, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. Domestic corporation. The term "domestic" when applied to a corporation
means a corporation:

(1) created or organized in the United States, or under the laws of the United
States or of any state, the District of Columbia, or any political subdivision of any of
the foregoing but not including the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or any possession
of the United States; or

(2) which qualifies as a DISC, as defined in section 992(a) of the Internal Revenue
Code; or

(3) which qualifies as a FSC, as defined in section 922 of the Internal Revenue Code.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxable years beginning after

December 31, 2013.
Sec. 61. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 290.01, subdivision 19d, is amended to read:

Subd. 19d. Corporations; modifications decreasing federal taxable income. For corporations, there shall be subtracted from federal taxable income after the increases provided in subdivision 19c:

1. the amount of foreign dividend gross-up added to gross income for federal income tax purposes under section 78 of the Internal Revenue Code;
2. the amount of salary expense not allowed for federal income tax purposes due to claiming the work opportunity credit under section 51 of the Internal Revenue Code;
3. any dividend (not including any distribution in liquidation) paid within the taxable year by a national or state bank to the United States, or to any instrumentality of the United States exempt from federal income taxes, on the preferred stock of the bank owned by the United States or the instrumentality;
4. amounts disallowed for intangible drilling costs due to differences between this chapter and the Internal Revenue Code in taxable years beginning before January 1, 1987, as follows:

   (i) to the extent the disallowed costs are represented by physical property, an amount equal to the allowance for depreciation under Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 290.09, subdivision 7, subject to the modifications contained in subdivision 19e; and

   (ii) to the extent the disallowed costs are not represented by physical property, an amount equal to the allowance for cost depletion under Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 290.09, subdivision 8;

5. (4) the deduction for capital losses pursuant to sections 1211 and 1212 of the Internal Revenue Code, except that:

   (i) for capital losses incurred in taxable years beginning after December 31, 1986, capital loss carrybacks shall not be allowed;

   (ii) for capital losses incurred in taxable years beginning after December 31, 1986, a capital loss carryover to each of the 15 taxable years succeeding the loss year shall be allowed;

   (iii) for capital losses incurred in taxable years beginning before January 1, 1987, a capital loss carryback to each of the three taxable years preceding the loss year, subject to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 290.16, shall be allowed; and

   (iv) for capital losses incurred in taxable years beginning before January 1, 1987, a capital loss carryover to each of the five taxable years succeeding the loss year to the extent such loss was not used in a prior taxable year and subject to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 290.16, shall be allowed;
(6) (5) an amount for interest and expenses relating to income not taxable for federal
income tax purposes, if (i) the income is taxable under this chapter and (ii) the interest and
expenses were disallowed as deductions under the provisions of section 171(a)(2), 265 or
291 of the Internal Revenue Code in computing federal taxable income;
(7) (6) in the case of mines, oil and gas wells, other natural deposits, and timber for
which percentage depletion was disallowed pursuant to subdivision 19c, clause (8), a
reasonable allowance for depletion based on actual cost. In the case of leases the deduction
must be apportioned between the lessor and lessee in accordance with rules prescribed
by the commissioner. In the case of property held in trust, the allowable deduction must
be apportioned between the income beneficiaries and the trustee in accordance with the
pertinent provisions of the trust, or if there is no provision in the instrument, on the basis
of the trust's income allocable to each;
(8) (7) for certified pollution control facilities placed in service in a taxable year
beginning before December 31, 1986, and for which amortization deductions were elected
under section 169 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended through December
31, 1985, an amount equal to the allowance for depreciation under Minnesota Statutes
1986, section 290.09, subdivision 7;
(9) (8) amounts included in federal taxable income that are due to refunds of
income, excise, or franchise taxes based on net income or related minimum taxes paid
by the corporation to Minnesota, another state, a political subdivision of another state,
the District of Columbia, or a foreign country or possession of the United States to the
extent that the taxes were added to federal taxable income under subdivision 19c, clause
(1), in a prior taxable year;
(10) (9) income or gains from the business of mining as defined in section 290.05,
subdivision 1, clause (a), that are not subject to Minnesota franchise tax;
(11) (10) the amount of disability access expenditures in the taxable year which are not
allowed to be deducted or capitalized under section 44(d)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code;
(12) (11) the amount of qualified research expenses not allowed for federal income
tax purposes under section 280C(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, but only to the extent
that the amount exceeds the amount of the credit allowed under section 290.068;
(13) (12) the amount of salary expenses not allowed for federal income tax purposes
due to claiming the Indian employment credit under section 45A(a) of the Internal
Revenue Code;
(14) (13) any decrease in subpart F income, as defined in section 952(a) of the
Internal Revenue Code, for the taxable year when subpart F income is calculated without
regard to the provisions of Division C, title III, section 303(b) of Public Law 110-343;
\(\text{(14)}\) in each of the five tax years immediately following the tax year in which an addition is required under subdivision 19c, clause (12), an amount equal to one-fifth of the delayed depreciation. For purposes of this clause, "delayed depreciation" means the amount of the addition made by the taxpayer under subdivision 19c, clause (12). The resulting delayed depreciation cannot be less than zero;

\(\text{(15)}\) in each of the five tax years immediately following the tax year in which an addition is required under subdivision 19c, clause (13), an amount equal to one-fifth of the amount of the addition;

\(\text{(16)}\) to the extent included in federal taxable income, discharge of indebtedness income resulting from reacquisition of business indebtedness included in federal taxable income under section 108(i) of the Internal Revenue Code. This subtraction applies only to the extent that the income was included in net income in a prior year as a result of the addition under subdivision 19c, clause (16); and

\(\text{(17)}\) the amount of expenses not allowed for federal income tax purposes due to claiming the railroad track maintenance credit under section 45G(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2013.

Sec. 62. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 290.01, subdivision 19f, is amended to read:

Subd. 19f. Basis modifications affecting gain or loss on disposition of property.

(a) For individuals, estates, and trusts, the basis of property is its adjusted basis for federal income tax purposes except as set forth in paragraphs (c), (f), (g), and (m). For corporations, the basis of property is its adjusted basis for federal income tax purposes, without regard to the time when the property became subject to tax under this chapter or to whether out-of-state losses or items of tax preference with respect to the property were not deductible under this chapter, except that the modifications to the basis for federal income tax purposes set forth in paragraphs (b) to (j) are allowed to corporations, and the resulting modifications to federal taxable income must be made in the year in which gain or loss on the sale or other disposition of property is recognized.

(b) The basis of property shall not be reduced to reflect federal investment tax credit.

(c) The basis of property subject to the accelerated cost recovery system under section 168 of the Internal Revenue Code shall be modified to reflect the modifications in depreciation with respect to the property provided for in subdivision 19c. For certified pollution control facilities for which amortization deductions were elected under section...
169 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, the basis of the property must be increased by
the amount of the amortization deduction not previously allowed under this chapter.

(4) For property acquired before January 1, 1933, the basis for computing a gain is
the fair market value of the property as of that date. The basis for determining a loss is
the cost of the property to the taxpayer less any depreciation, amortization, or depletion,
actually sustained before that date. If the adjusted cost exceeds the fair market value of the
property, then the basis is the adjusted cost regardless of whether there is a gain or loss.

(5) (d) The basis is reduced by the allowance for amortization of bond premium if
an election to amortize was made pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 290.09,
subdivision 13, and the allowance could have been deducted by the taxpayer under this
chapter during the period of the taxpayer's ownership of the property.

(5) (e) For assets placed in service before January 1, 1987, corporations, partnerships,
or individuals engaged in the business of mining ores other than iron ore or taconite
concentrates subject to the occupation tax under chapter 298 must use the occupation
tax basis of property used in that business.

(5) (f) For assets placed in service before January 1, 1990, corporations, partnerships,
or individuals engaged in the business of mining iron ore or taconite concentrates subject
to the occupation tax under chapter 298 must use the occupation tax basis of property
used in that business.

(5) (g) In applying the provisions of sections 301(c)(3)(B), 312(f) and (g), and
316(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code, the dates December 31, 1932, and January 1,
1933, shall be substituted for February 28, 1913, and March 1, 1913, respectively.

(5) (h) In applying the provisions of section 362(a) and (c) of the Internal Revenue
Code, the date December 31, 1956, shall be substituted for June 22, 1954.

(5) (i) The basis of property shall be increased by the amount of intangible drilling
costs not previously allowed due to differences between this chapter and the Internal
Revenue Code.

(5) (j) The adjusted basis of any corporate partner's interest in a partnership is
the same as the adjusted basis for federal income tax purposes modified as required to
reflect the basis modifications set forth in paragraphs (b) to (i). The adjusted basis
of a partnership in which the partner is an individual, estate, or trust is the same as the
adjusted basis for federal income tax purposes modified as required to reflect the basis
modifications set forth in paragraphs (c) and (f) and (g).

(5) (k) The modifications contained in paragraphs (b) to (i) also apply to the basis
of property that is determined by reference to the basis of the same property in the hands
of a different taxpayer or by reference to the basis of different property.
EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2013.

Sec. 63. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 290.01, subdivision 29, is amended to read:

Subd. 29. Taxable income. The term "taxable income" means:

(1) for individuals, estates, and trusts, the same as taxable net income;

(2) for corporations, the taxable net income less

(i) the net operating loss deduction under section 290.095;

(ii) the dividends received deduction under section 290.21, subdivision 4; and

(iii) the exemption for operating in a job opportunity building zone under section 469.317.

(iv) the exemption for operating in a biotechnology and health sciences industry zone under section 469.337.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2013.

Sec. 64. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 290.015, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. General rule. (a) Except as provided in subdivision 3, a person that conducts a trade or business that has a place of business in this state, regularly has employees or independent contractors conducting business activities on its behalf in this state, or owns or leases real property that is located in this state or tangible personal property, including but not limited to mobile property, that is present in this state is subject to the taxes imposed by this chapter.

(b) Except as provided in subdivision 3, a person that conducts a trade or business not described in paragraph (a) is subject to the taxes imposed by this chapter if the trade or business obtains or regularly solicits business from within this state, without regard to physical presence in this state.

(c) For purposes of paragraph (b), business from within this state includes, but is not limited to:

(1) sales of products or services of any kind or nature to customers in this state who receive the product or service in this state;

(2) sales of services which are performed from outside this state but the services are received in this state;

(3) transactions with customers in this state that involve intangible property and result in receipts attributed to this state as provided in section 290.191, subdivision 5 or 6;
122.1 (4) leases of tangible personal property that is located in this state as defined in
122.2 section 290.191, subdivision 5, paragraph (g), or 6, paragraph (e); and
122.3 (5) sales and leases of real property located in this state.
122.4 (d) For purposes of paragraph (b), solicitation includes, but is not limited to:
122.5 (1) the distribution, by mail or otherwise, without regard to the state from which such
122.6 distribution originated or in which the materials were prepared, of catalogs, periodicals,
122.7 advertising flyers, or other written solicitations of business to customers in this state;
122.8 (2) display of advertisements on billboards or other outdoor advertising in this state;
122.9 (3) advertisements in newspapers published in this state;
122.10 (4) advertisements in trade journals or other periodicals, the circulation of which is
122.11 primarily within this state;
122.12 (5) advertisements in a Minnesota edition of a national or regional publication or a
122.13 limited regional edition of which this state is included of a broader regional or national
122.14 publication which are not placed in other geographically defined editions of the same issue
122.15 of the same publication;
122.16 (6) advertisements in regional or national publications in an edition which is not
122.17 by its contents geographically targeted to Minnesota, but which is sold over the counter
122.18 in Minnesota or by subscription to Minnesota residents;
122.19 (7) advertisements broadcast on a radio or television station located in Minnesota; or
122.20 (8) any other solicitation by telephone, computer database, cable, optic, microwave, or other communication system.
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**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

122.22 Sec. 65. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 290.07, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
122.23 Subdivision 1. Annual accounting period. Net income and taxable net income
122.24 shall be computed upon the basis of the taxpayer's annual accounting period. If a taxpayer
122.25 has no annual accounting period, or has one other than a fiscal year, as heretofore defined,
122.26 the net income and taxable net income shall be computed on the basis of the calendar year.
122.27 Taxpayers shall employ the same accounting period on which they report, or would be
122.28 required to report, their net income under the Internal Revenue Code. The commissioner
122.29 shall provide by rule for the determination of the accounting period for taxpayers who file
122.30 a combined report under section 290.17, subdivision 4, when members of the group use
122.31 different accounting periods for federal income tax purposes. Unless the taxpayer changes
122.32 its accounting period for federal purposes, the due date of the return is not changed.
122.33 A taxpayer may change accounting periods only with the consent of the
122.34 commissioner. In case of any such change, the taxpayer shall pay a tax for the period

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not included in either the taxpayer's former or newly adopted taxable year, computed as
provided in section 290.32.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxable years beginning after

December 31, 2013.

Sec. 66. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 290.07, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Accounting methods. Except as specifically provided to the contrary by
this chapter, net income and taxable net income shall be computed in accordance with
the method of accounting regularly employed in keeping the taxpayer's books. If no such
accounting system has been regularly employed, or if that employed does not clearly or
fairly reflect income or the income taxable under this chapter, the computation shall be
made in accordance with such method as in the opinion of the commissioner does clearly
and fairly reflect income and the income taxable under this chapter.

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this chapter, a taxpayer who changes the
method of accounting for regularly computing the taxpayer's income in keeping books
shall, before computing net income and taxable net income under the new method, secure
the consent of the commissioner.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxable years beginning after

December 31, 2013.

Sec. 67. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 290.0921, subdivision 3,

is amended to read:

Subd. 3. Alternative minimum taxable income. "Alternative minimum taxable
income" is Minnesota net income as defined in section 290.01, subdivision 19, and
includes the adjustments and tax preference items in sections 56, 57, 58, and 59(d), (e),
(f), and (h) of the Internal Revenue Code. If a corporation files a separate company
Minnesota tax return, the minimum tax must be computed on a separate company basis.
If a corporation is part of a tax group filing a unitary return, the minimum tax must be
computed on a unitary basis. The following adjustments must be made.

(1) For purposes of the depreciation adjustments under section 56(a)(1) and
56(g)(4)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code, the basis for depreciable property placed in
service in a taxable year beginning before January 1, 1990, is the adjusted basis for federal
income tax purposes, including any modification made in a taxable year under section
290.01, subdivision 19e, or Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 290.09, subdivision 7.
For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2000, the amount of any remaining modification made under section 290.01, subdivision 19e, or Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 290.09, subdivision 7, paragraph (c), not previously deducted is a depreciation allowance in the first taxable year after December 31, 2000.

(2) (1) The portion of the depreciation deduction allowed for federal income tax purposes under section 168(k) of the Internal Revenue Code that is required as an addition under section 290.01, subdivision 19c, clause (12), is disallowed in determining alternative minimum taxable income.

(3) (2) The subtraction for depreciation allowed under section 290.01, subdivision 19d, clause (4) (14), is allowed as a depreciation deduction in determining alternative minimum taxable income.

(4) (3) The alternative tax net operating loss deduction under sections 56(a)(4) and 56(d) of the Internal Revenue Code does not apply.

(5) (4) The special rule for certain dividends under section 56(g)(4)(C)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code does not apply.

(6) (5) The tax preference for depletion under section 57(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code does not apply.

(7) The tax preference for intangible drilling costs under section 57(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code must be calculated without regard to subparagraph (E) and the subtraction under section 290.01, subdivision 19d, clause (4).

(8) (6) The tax preference for tax exempt interest under section 57(a)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code does not apply.

(9) (7) The tax preference for charitable contributions of appreciated property under section 57(a)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code does not apply.

(10) For purposes of calculating the tax preference for accelerated depreciation or amortization on certain property placed in service before January 1, 1987, under section 57(a)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, the deduction allowable for the taxable year is the deduction allowed under section 290.01, subdivision 19e.

For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2000, the amount of any remaining modification made under section 290.01, subdivision 19e, not previously deducted is a depreciation or amortization allowance in the first taxable year after December 31, 2004.

(11) (8) For purposes of calculating the adjustment for adjusted current earnings in section 56(g) of the Internal Revenue Code, the term "alternative minimum taxable income" as it is used in section 56(g) of the Internal Revenue Code, means alternative minimum taxable income as defined in this subdivision, determined without regard to the adjustment for adjusted current earnings in section 56(g) of the Internal Revenue Code.
(12) (9) For purposes of determining the amount of adjusted current earnings under 
section 56(g)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, no adjustment shall be made under section 
56(g)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code with respect to (i) the amount of foreign dividend 
gross-up subtracted as provided in section 290.01, subdivision 19d, clause (1), or (ii) the 
amount of refunds of income, excise, or franchise taxes subtracted as provided in section 
290.01, subdivision 19d, clause (9).

(13) (10) Alternative minimum taxable income excludes the income from operating 
in a job opportunity building zone as provided under section 469.317.

(14) Alternative minimum taxable income excludes the income from operating in a 
biotechnology and health sciences industry zone as provided under section 469.327.

Items of tax preference must not be reduced below zero as a result of the 
modifications in this subdivision.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for taxable years beginning after 
December 31, 2013.

Sec. 68. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 290.0922, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Definitions.** (a) "Minnesota sales or receipts" means the total sales 
apportioned to Minnesota pursuant to section 290.191, subdivision 5, the total receipts 
attributed to Minnesota pursuant to section 290.191, subdivisions 6 to 8, and/or the 
total sales or receipts apportioned or attributed to Minnesota pursuant to any other 
apportionment formula applicable to the taxpayer.

(b) "Minnesota property" means total Minnesota tangible property as provided in 
section 290.191, subdivisions 9 to 11, any other tangible property located in Minnesota, 
but does not include (1) the property of a qualified business as defined under section 
469.310, subdivision 11, that is located in a job opportunity building zone designated 
under section 469.314 and (2) property of a qualified business located in a biotechnology 
and health sciences industry zone designated under section 469.334. Intangible property 
shall not be included in Minnesota property for purposes of this section. Taxpayers who 
do not utilize tangible property to apportion income shall nevertheless include Minnesota 
property for purposes of this section. On a return for a short taxable year, the amount of 
Minnesota property owned, as determined under section 290.191, shall be included in 
Minnesota property based on a fraction in which the numerator is the number of days in 
the short taxable year and the denominator is 365.

(c) "Minnesota payrolls" means total Minnesota payrolls as provided in section 
290.191, subdivision 12, but does not include (1) the job opportunity building zone payroll 
under section 469.310, subdivision 8, of a qualified business as defined under section
469.310, subdivision 11, and (2) biotechnology and health sciences industry zone payrolls under section 469.330, subdivision 8. Taxpayers who do not utilize payrolls to apportion income shall nevertheless include Minnesota payrolls for purposes of this section.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2013.

Sec. 69. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 290.095, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Carryover.** (a) A net operating loss incurred in a during the taxable year:

(i) beginning after December 31, 1986, shall be a net operating loss carryover to each of the 15 taxable years following the taxable year of such loss; (ii) beginning before January 1, 1987, shall be a net operating loss carryover to each of the five taxable years following the taxable year of such loss subject to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 290.095; and (iii) beginning before January 1, 1987, shall be a net operating loss carryback to each of the three taxable years preceding the loss year subject to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 290.095.

(b) The entire amount of the net operating loss for any taxable year shall be carried to the earliest of the taxable years to which such loss may be carried. The portion of such loss which shall be carried to each of the other taxable years shall be the excess, if any, of the amount of such loss over the sum of the taxable net income, adjusted by the modifications specified in subdivision 4, for each of the taxable years to which such loss may be carried.

(c) Where a corporation apportions its income under the provisions of section 290.191, the net operating loss deduction incurred in any taxable year shall be allowed to the extent of the apportionment ratio of the loss year.

(d) The provisions of sections 381, 382, and 384 of the Internal Revenue Code apply to carryovers in certain corporate acquisitions and special limitations on net operating loss carryovers. The limitation amount determined under section 382 shall be applied to net income, before apportionment, in each post change year to which a loss is carried.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2013.

Sec. 70. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 290.191, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Determination of sales factor.** For purposes of this section, the following rules apply in determining the sales factor.
(a) The sales factor includes all sales, gross earnings, or receipts received in the
ordinary course of the business, except that the following types of income are not included
in the sales factor:

(1) interest;

(2) dividends;

(3) sales of capital assets as defined in section 1221 of the Internal Revenue Code;

(4) sales of property used in the trade or business, except sales of leased property of
a type which is regularly sold as well as leased; and

(5) sales of debt instruments as defined in section 1275(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue
Code or sales of stock.

(b) Sales of tangible personal property are made within this state if the property is
received by a purchaser at a point within this state, and the taxpayer is taxable in this state,
regardless of the f.o.b. point, other conditions of the sale, or the ultimate destination
of the property.

(c) Tangible personal property delivered to a common or contract carrier or foreign
vessel for delivery to a purchaser in another state or nation is a sale in that state or nation,
regardless of f.o.b. point or other conditions of the sale.

(d) Notwithstanding paragraphs (b) and (c), when intoxicating liquor, wine,
fermented malt beverages, cigarettes, or tobacco products are sold to a purchaser who is
licensed by a state or political subdivision to resell this property only within the state of
ultimate destination, the sale is made in that state.

(e) Sales made by or through a corporation that is qualified as a domestic
international sales corporation under section 992 of the Internal Revenue Code are not
considered to have been made within this state.

(f) Sales, rents, royalties, and other income in connection with real property is
attributed to the state in which the property is located.

(g) Receipts from the lease or rental of tangible personal property, including finance
leases and true leases, must be attributed to this state if the property is located in this
state and to other states if the property is not located in this state. Receipts from the
lease or rental of moving property including, but not limited to, motor vehicles, rolling
stock, aircraft, vessels, or mobile equipment are included in the numerator of the receipts
factor to the extent that the property is used in this state. The extent of the use of moving
property is determined as follows:

(1) A motor vehicle is used wholly in the state in which it is registered.

(2) The extent that rolling stock is used in this state is determined by multiplying
the receipts from the lease or rental of the rolling stock by a fraction, the numerator of
128.1 which is the miles traveled within this state by the leased or rented rolling stock and the
denominator of which is the total miles traveled by the leased or rented rolling stock.

128.3 (3) The extent that an aircraft is used in this state is determined by multiplying the
receipts from the lease or rental of the aircraft by a fraction, the numerator of which is
the number of landings of the aircraft in this state and the denominator of which is the
total number of landings of the aircraft.

128.7 (4) The extent that a vessel, mobile equipment, or other mobile property is used in
the state is determined by multiplying the receipts from the lease or rental of the property
by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days during the taxable year the
property was in this state and the denominator of which is the total days in the taxable year.

128.11 (h) Royalties and other income received for the use of or for the privilege of using
intangible property, including patents, know-how, formulas, designs, processes, patterns,
copyrights, trade names, service names, franchises, licenses, contracts, customer lists, or
similar items, must be attributed to the state in which the property is used by the purchaser.

128.15 If the property is used in more than one state, the royalties or other income must be
apportioned to this state pro rata according to the portion of use in this state. If the portion
of use in this state cannot be determined, the royalties or other income must be excluded
from both the numerator and the denominator. Intangible property is used in this state if
the purchaser uses the intangible property or the rights therein in the regular course of its
business operations in this state, regardless of the location of the purchaser's customers.

128.21 (i) Sales of intangible property are made within the state in which the property is
used by the purchaser. If the property is used in more than one state, the sales must be
apportioned to this state pro rata according to the portion of use in this state. If the
portion of use in this state cannot be determined, the sale must be excluded from both the
numerator and the denominator of the sales factor. Intangible property is used in this
state if the purchaser used the intangible property in the regular course of its business
operations in this state.

128.28 (j) Receipts from the performance of services must be attributed to the state where
the services are received. For the purposes of this section, receipts from the performance
of services provided to a corporation, partnership, or trust may only be attributed to a state
where it has a fixed place of doing business. If the state where the services are received is
not readily determinable or is a state where the corporation, partnership, or trust receiving
the service does not have a fixed place of doing business, the services shall be deemed
to be received at the location of the office of the customer from which the services were
ordered in the regular course of the customer's trade or business. If the ordering office

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cannot be determined, the services shall be deemed to be received at the office of the customer to which the services are billed.

(k) For the purposes of this subdivision and subdivision 6, paragraph (l), receipts from management, distribution, or administrative services performed by a corporation or trust for a fund of a corporation or trust regulated under United States Code, title 15, sections 80a-1 through 80a-64, must be attributed to the state where the shareholder of the fund resides. Under this paragraph, receipts for services attributed to shareholders are determined on the basis of the ratio of: (1) the average of the outstanding shares in the fund owned by shareholders residing within Minnesota at the beginning and end of each year; and (2) the average of the total number of outstanding shares in the fund at the beginning and end of each year. Residence of the shareholder, in the case of an individual, is determined by the mailing address furnished by the shareholder to the fund. Residence of the shareholder, when the shares are held by an insurance company as a depositor for the insurance company policyholders, is the mailing address of the policyholders. In the case of an insurance company holding the shares as a depositor for the insurance company policyholders, if the mailing address of the policyholders cannot be determined by the taxpayer, the receipts must be excluded from both the numerator and denominator.

Residence of other shareholders is the mailing address of the shareholder.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 71. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 290.9728, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Taxable income.** For purposes of this section, taxable income means

the lesser of:

(1) the amount of the net capital gain of the S corporation for the taxable year, as determined under sections 1222 and 1374 of the Internal Revenue Code, and subject to the modifications provided in section 290.01, subdivisions 19e and 19f, in excess of $25,000 that is allocable to this state under section 290.17, 290.191, or 290.20; or

(2) the amount of the S corporation's federal taxable income, subject to the provisions of section 290.01, subdivisions 19c to 19f, that is allocable to this state under section 290.17, 290.191, or 290.20.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2013.

Sec. 72. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 297A.61, subdivision 3, as amended by Laws 2014, chapter 150, article 2, section 1, is amended to read:
Subd. 3. Sale and purchase. (a) "Sale" and "purchase" include, but are not limited to, each of the transactions listed in this subdivision. In applying the provisions of this chapter, the terms "tangible personal property" and "retail sale" include the taxable services listed in paragraph (g), clause (6), items (i) to (vi) and (viii), and the provision of these taxable services, unless specifically provided otherwise. Services performed by an employee for an employer are not taxable. Services performed by a partnership or association for another partnership or association are not taxable if one of the entities owns or controls more than 80 percent of the voting power of the equity interest in the other entity. Services performed between members of an affiliated group of corporations are not taxable. For purposes of the preceding sentence, "affiliated group of corporations" means those entities that would be classified as members of an affiliated group as defined under United States Code, title 26, section 1504, disregarding the exclusions in section 1504(b).

(b) Sale and purchase include:

(1) any transfer of title or possession, or both, of tangible personal property, whether absolutely or conditionally, for a consideration in money or by exchange or barter; and

(2) the leasing of or the granting of a license to use or consume, for a consideration in money or by exchange or barter, tangible personal property, other than a manufactured home used for residential purposes for a continuous period of 30 days or more.

(c) Sale and purchase include the production, fabrication, printing, or processing of tangible personal property for a consideration for consumers who furnish either directly or indirectly the materials used in the production, fabrication, printing, or processing.

(d) Sale and purchase include the preparing for a consideration of food.

Notwithstanding section 297A.67, subdivision 2, taxable food includes, but is not limited to, the following:

(1) prepared food sold by the retailer;

(2) soft drinks;

(3) candy;

(4) dietary supplements; and

(5) all food sold through vending machines.

(e) A sale and a purchase includes the furnishing for a consideration of electricity, gas, water, or steam for use or consumption within this state.

(f) A sale and a purchase includes the transfer for a consideration of prewritten computer software whether delivered electronically, by load and leave, or otherwise.

(g) A sale and a purchase includes the furnishing for a consideration of the following services:
(1) the privilege of admission to places of amusement, recreational areas, or athletic 
events, and the making available of amusement devices, tanning facilities, reducing 
salons, steam baths, Turkish baths; health clubs, and spas or athletic facilities;
(2) lodging and related services by a hotel, rooming house, resort, campground,
motel, or trailer camp, including furnishing the guest of the facility with access to 
telecommunication services, and the granting of any similar license to use real property in 
a specific facility, other than the renting or leasing of it for a continuous period of 30 days 
or more under an enforceable written agreement that may not be terminated without prior 
notice and including accommodations intermediary services provided in connection with 
other services provided under this clause;
(3) nonresidential parking services, whether on a contractual, hourly, or other 
periodic basis, except for parking at a meter;
(4) the granting of membership in a club, association, or other organization if:
(i) the club, association, or other organization makes available for the use of its 
members sports and athletic facilities, without regard to whether a separate charge is 
assessed for use of the facilities; and
(ii) use of the sports and athletic facility is not made available to the general public 
on the same basis as it is made available to members.
Granting of membership means both onetime initiation fees and periodic membership 
dues. Sports and athletic facilities include golf courses; tennis, racquetball, handball, and 
squash courts; basketball and volleyball facilities; running tracks; exercise equipment; 
swimming pools; and other similar athletic or sports facilities;
(5) delivery of aggregate materials by a third party, excluding delivery of aggregate 
material used in road construction; and delivery of concrete block by a third party if the 
delivery would be subject to the sales tax if provided by the seller of the concrete block. 
For purposes of this clause, "road construction" means construction of:
(i) public roads;
(ii) cartways; and 
(iii) private roads in townships located outside of the seven-county metropolitan area 
up to the point of the emergency response location sign; and 
(6) services as provided in this clause:
(i) laundry and dry cleaning services including cleaning, pressing, repairing, altering, 
and storing clothes, linen services and supply, cleaning and blocking hats, and carpet, 
drapery, upholstery, and industrial cleaning. Laundry and dry cleaning services do not 
include services provided by coin operated facilities operated by the customer;
(ii) motor vehicle washing, waxing, and cleaning services, including services

provided by coin operated facilities operated by the customer, and rustproofing,

undercoating, and towing of motor vehicles;

(iii) building and residential cleaning, maintenance, and disinfecting services and

pest control and exterminating services;

(iv) detective, security, burglar, fire alarm, and armored car services; but not

including services performed within the jurisdiction they serve by off-duty licensed peace

officers as defined in section 626.84, subdivision 1, or services provided by a nonprofit

organization or any organization at the direction of a county for monitoring and electronic

surveillance of persons placed on in-home detention pursuant to court order or under the

direction of the Minnesota Department of Corrections;

(v) pet grooming services;

(vi) lawn care, fertilizing, mowing, spraying and sprigging services; garden planting

and maintenance; tree, bush, and shrub pruning, bracing, spraying, and surgery; indoor

plant care; tree, bush, shrub, and stump removal, except when performed as part of a land

clearing contract as defined in section 297A.68, subdivision 40; and tree trimming for

public utility lines. Services performed under a construction contract for the installation of

shrubbery, plants, sod, trees, bushes, and similar items are not taxable;

(vii) massages, except when provided by a licensed health care facility or

professional or upon written referral from a licensed health care facility or professional for

treatment of illness, injury, or disease; and

(viii) the furnishing of lodging, board, and care services for animals in kennels and

other similar arrangements, but excluding veterinary and horse boarding services.

(h) A sale and a purchase includes the furnishing for a consideration of tangible

personal property or taxable services by the United States or any of its agencies or

instrumentalities, or the state of Minnesota, its agencies, instrumentalities, or political

subdivisions.

(i) A sale and a purchase includes the furnishing for a consideration of

telecommunications services, ancillary services associated with telecommunication

services, and pay television services. Telecommunication services include, but are

not limited to, the following services, as defined in section 297A.669: air-to-ground

radiotelephone service, mobile telecommunication service, postpaid calling service,

prepaid calling service, prepaid wireless calling service, and private communication

services. The services in this paragraph are taxed to the extent allowed under federal law.
(j) A sale and a purchase includes the furnishing for a consideration of installation if
the installation charges would be subject to the sales tax if the installation were provided
by the seller of the item being installed.

(k) A sale and a purchase includes the rental of a vehicle by a motor vehicle dealer
to a customer when (1) the vehicle is rented by the customer for a consideration, or (2)
the motor vehicle dealer is reimbursed pursuant to a service contract as defined in section
59B.02, subdivision 11.

(l) A sale and a purchase includes furnishing for a consideration of specified digital
products or other digital products or granting the right for a consideration to use specified
digital products or other digital products on a temporary or permanent basis and regardless
of whether the purchaser is required to make continued payments for such right. Wherever
the term "tangible personal property" is used in this chapter, other than in subdivisions 10
and 38, the provisions also apply to specified digital products, or other digital products,
unless specifically provided otherwise or the context indicates otherwise.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 73. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 297A.70, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

Subd. 10. **Nonprofit tickets or admissions.** (a) Tickets or admissions to an event
are exempt if all the gross receipts are recorded as such, in accordance with generally
accepted accounting principles, on the books of one or more organizations whose primary
mission is to provide an opportunity for citizens of the state to participate in the creation,
performance, or appreciation of the arts, and provided that each organization is:

(1) an organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code
in which voluntary contributions make up at least **the following five percent of the**
organization's annual revenue in its most recently completed 12-month fiscal year, or in
the current year if the organization has not completed a 12-month fiscal year;

(i) for sales made after July 31, 2001, and before July 1, 2002, for the organization's
fiscal year completed in calendar year 2000, three percent;

(ii) for sales made on or after July 1, 2002, and on or before June 30, 2003, for the
organization's fiscal year completed in calendar year 2001, three percent;

(iii) for sales made on or after July 1, 2003, and on or before June 30, 2004, for the
organization's fiscal year completed in calendar year 2002, four percent; and

(iv) for sales made in each 12-month period, beginning on July 1, 2004, and each
subsequent year, for the organization's fiscal year completed in the preceding calendar
year, five percent;

(2) a municipal board that promotes cultural and arts activities; or
(3) the University of Minnesota, a state college and university, or a private nonprofit college or university provided that the event is held at a facility owned by the educational institution holding the event.

The exemption only applies if the entire proceeds, after reasonable expenses, are used solely to provide opportunities for citizens of the state to participate in the creation, performance, or appreciation of the arts.

(b) Tickets or admissions to the premises of the Minnesota Zoological Garden are exempt, provided that the exemption under this paragraph does not apply to tickets or admissions to performances or events held on the premises unless the performance or event is sponsored and conducted exclusively by the Minnesota Zoological Board or employees of the Minnesota Zoological Garden.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 74. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 297A.75, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Tax collected.** The tax on the gross receipts from the sale of the following exempt items must be imposed and collected as if the sale were taxable and the rate under section 297A.62, subdivision 1, applied. The exempt items include:

1. building materials for an agricultural processing facility exempt under section 297A.71, subdivision 13;
2. building materials for mineral production facilities exempt under section 297A.71, subdivision 14;
3. building materials for correctional facilities under section 297A.71, subdivision 3;
4. building materials used in a residence for disabled veterans exempt under section 297A.71, subdivision 11;
5. elevators and building materials exempt under section 297A.71, subdivision 12;
6. building materials for the Long Lake Conservation Center exempt under section 297A.71, subdivision 17;
7. materials and supplies for qualified low-income housing under section 297A.71, subdivision 23;
8. materials, supplies, and equipment for municipal electric utility facilities under section 297A.71, subdivision 35;
9. equipment and materials used for the generation, transmission, and distribution of electrical energy and an aerial camera package exempt under section 297A.68, subdivision 37;
(9) commuter rail vehicle and repair parts under section 297A.70, subdivision 3, paragraph (a), clause (10);

(10) materials, supplies, and equipment for construction or improvement of projects and facilities under section 297A.71, subdivision 40;

(12) materials, supplies, and equipment for construction or improvement of a meat processing facility exempt under section 297A.71, subdivision 41;

(11) materials, supplies, and equipment for construction, improvement, or expansion of:

(i) an aerospace defense manufacturing facility exempt under section 297A.71, subdivision 42;

(ii) a biopharmaceutical manufacturing facility exempt under section 297A.71, subdivision 45;

(iii) a research and development facility exempt under section 297A.71, subdivision 46; and

(iv) an industrial measurement manufacturing and controls facility exempt under section 297A.71, subdivision 47;

enterprise information technology equipment and computer software for use in a qualified data center exempt under section 297A.68, subdivision 42;

materials, supplies, and equipment for qualifying capital projects under section 297A.71, subdivision 44;

items purchased for use in providing critical access dental services exempt under section 297A.70, subdivision 7, paragraph (c); and

items and services purchased under a business subsidy agreement for use or consumption primarily in greater Minnesota exempt under section 297A.68, subdivision 44.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 75. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 297A.75, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Refund; eligible persons.** Upon application on forms prescribed by the commissioner, a refund equal to the tax paid on the gross receipts of the exempt items must be paid to the applicant. Only the following persons may apply for the refund:

(1) for subdivision 1, clauses (1), (2), and (14), the applicant must be the purchaser;

(2) for subdivision 1, clauses (3) and (6), the applicant must be the governmental subdivision;

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(3) for subdivision 1, clause (4), the applicant must be the recipient of the benefits provided in United States Code, title 38, chapter 21;

(4) for subdivision 1, clause (5), the applicant must be the owner of the homestead property;

(5) for subdivision 1, clause (7) (6), the owner of the qualified low-income housing project;

(6) for subdivision 1, clause (8) (7), the applicant must be a municipal electric utility or a joint venture of municipal electric utilities;

(7) for subdivision 1, clauses (9), (12), (13), (14) (8), (11), (12), and (17) (15), the owner of the qualifying business; and

(8) for subdivision 1, clauses (9), (10), (14), and (15) (13), the applicant must be the governmental entity that owns or contracts for the project or facility.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 76. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 297A.75, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Application.** (a) The application must include sufficient information to permit the commissioner to verify the tax paid. If the tax was paid by a contractor, subcontractor, or builder, under subdivision 1, clauses (3) to (14) (13), or (17) (15), the contractor, subcontractor, or builder must furnish to the refund applicant a statement including the cost of the exempt items and the taxes paid on the items unless otherwise specifically provided by this subdivision. The provisions of sections 289A.40 and 289A.50 apply to refunds under this section.

(b) An applicant may not file more than two applications per calendar year for refunds for taxes paid on capital equipment exempt under section 297A.68, subdivision 5.

(c) Total refunds for purchases of items in section 297A.71, subdivision 40, must not exceed $5,000,000 in fiscal years 2010 and 2011. Applications for refunds for purchases of items in sections 297A.70, subdivision 3, paragraph (a), clause (11), and 297A.71, subdivision 40, must not be filed until after June 30, 2009.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 77. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 297A.94, is amended to read:

**297A.94 DEPOSIT OF REVENUES.**
(a) Except as provided in this section, the commissioner shall deposit the revenues, including interest and penalties, derived from the taxes imposed by this chapter in the state treasury and credit them to the general fund.

(b) The commissioner shall deposit taxes in the Minnesota agricultural and economic account in the special revenue fund if:

(1) the taxes are derived from sales and use of property and services purchased for the construction and operation of an agricultural resource project; and

(2) the purchase was made on or after the date on which a conditional commitment was made for a loan guaranty for the project under section 41A.04, subdivision 3.

The commissioner of management and budget shall certify to the commissioner the date on which the project received the conditional commitment. The amount deposited in the loan guaranty account must be reduced by any refunds and by the costs incurred by the Department of Revenue to administer and enforce the assessment and collection of the taxes.

(c) The commissioner shall deposit the revenues, including interest and penalties, derived from the taxes imposed on sales and purchases included in section 297A.61, subdivision 3, paragraph (g), clauses (1) and (4), in the state treasury, and credit them as follows:

(1) first to the general obligation special tax bond debt service account in each fiscal year the amount required by section 16A.661, subdivision 3, paragraph (b); and

(2) after the requirements of clause (1) have been met, the balance to the general fund.

(d) The commissioner shall deposit the revenues, including interest and penalties, collected under section 297A.64, subdivision 5, in the state treasury and credit them to the general fund. By July 15 of each year the commissioner shall transfer to the highway user tax distribution fund an amount equal to the excess fees collected under section 297A.64, subdivision 5, for the previous calendar year.

(e) For fiscal year 2001, 97 percent; for fiscal years 2002 and 2003, 87 percent; and for fiscal year 2004 and thereafter, 72.43 percent of the revenues, including interest and penalties, transmitted to the commissioner under section 297A.65, must be deposited by the commissioner in the state treasury as follows:

(1) 50 percent of the receipts must be deposited in the heritage enhancement account in the game and fish fund, and may be spent only on activities that improve, enhance, or protect fish and wildlife resources, including conservation, restoration, and enhancement of land, water, and other natural resources of the state;

(2) 22.5 percent of the receipts must be deposited in the natural resources fund, and may be spent only for state parks and trails;
(3) 22.5 percent of the receipts must be deposited in the natural resources fund, and
may be spent only on metropolitan park and trail grants;

(4) three percent of the receipts must be deposited in the natural resources fund, and
may be spent only on local trail grants; and

(5) two percent of the receipts must be deposited in the natural resources fund,
and may be spent only for the Minnesota Zoological Garden, the Como Park Zoo and
Conservatory, and the Duluth Zoo.

(f) The revenue dedicated under paragraph (e) may not be used as a substitute
for traditional sources of funding for the purposes specified, but the dedicated revenue
shall supplement traditional sources of funding for those purposes. Land acquired with
money deposited in the game and fish fund under paragraph (e) must be open to public
hunting and fishing during the open season, except that in aquatic management areas or
on lands where angling easements have been acquired, fishing may be prohibited during
certain times of the year and hunting may be prohibited. At least 87 percent of the money
deposited in the game and fish fund for improvement, enhancement, or protection of fish
and wildlife resources under paragraph (e) must be allocated for field operations.

(g) The revenues deposited under paragraphs (a) to (f) do not include the revenues,
including interest and penalties, generated by the sales tax imposed under section
297A.62, subdivision 1a, which must be deposited as provided under the Minnesota
Constitution, article XI, section 15.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 78. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 297B.09, is amended to read:

297B.09 ALLOCATION OF REVENUE.

Subdivision 1. Deposit of revenues. (a) Money collected and received under this
chapter must be deposited as provided in this subdivision.

(b) From July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008, 38.25 percent of the money collected
and received must be deposited in the highway user tax distribution fund, 24 percent must
be deposited in the metropolitan area transit account under section 16A.88, and 1.5 percent
must be deposited in the greater Minnesota transit account under section 16A.88. The
remaining money must be deposited in the general fund.

(e) From July 1, 2008, through June 30, 2009, 44.25 percent of the money collected
and received must be deposited in the highway user tax distribution fund, 27.75 percent
must be deposited in the metropolitan area transit account under section 16A.88, 1.75

percent must be deposited in the greater Minnesota transit account under section 16A.88, and the remaining money must be deposited in the general fund.

(d) From July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2010, 47.5 percent of the money collected and received must be deposited in the highway user tax distribution fund; 30 percent must be deposited in the metropolitan area transit account under section 16A.88; 3.5 percent must be deposited in the greater Minnesota transit account under section 16A.88, and 16.25 percent must be deposited in the general fund. The remaining amount must be deposited as follows:

(1) 1.5 percent in the metropolitan area transit account, except that any amount in excess of $6,000,000 must be deposited in the highway user tax distribution fund; and

(2) 1.25 percent in the greater Minnesota transit account, except that any amount in excess of $5,000,000 must be deposited in the highway user tax distribution fund.

(e) From July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2011, 54.5 percent of the money collected and received must be deposited in the highway user tax distribution fund, 33.75 percent must be deposited in the metropolitan area transit account under section 16A.88, 3.75 percent must be deposited in the greater Minnesota transit account under section 16A.88, and 6.25 percent must be deposited in the general fund. The remaining amount must be deposited as follows:

(1) 1.5 percent in the metropolitan area transit account, except that any amount in excess of $6,750,000 must be deposited in the highway user tax distribution fund; and

(2) 0.25 percent in the greater Minnesota transit account, except that any amount in excess of $1,250,000 must be deposited in the highway user tax distribution fund.

(f) On and after July 1, 2011, (b) 60 percent of the money collected and received must be deposited in the highway user tax distribution fund, 36 percent must be deposited in the metropolitan area transit account under section 16A.88, and four percent must be deposited in the greater Minnesota transit account under section 16A.88.

(c) It is the intent of the legislature that the allocations under paragraph (f) (b) remain unchanged for fiscal year 2012 and all subsequent fiscal years.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 79. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 297F.03, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Form of application. Every application for a cigarette or tobacco products license shall be made on a form prescribed by the commissioner and shall state the name and address of the applicant; if the applicant is a firm, partnership, or association, the name and address of each of its members; if the applicant is a corporation, the name and address of each of its officers; the address of its principal place of business; the place where the
business to be licensed is to be conducted; and any other information the commissioner
may require for the administration of this chapter.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 80. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 297I.05, subdivision 14, is amended to read:

Subd. 14. Life insurance. A tax is imposed on life insurance. The rate of tax equals
a percentage 1.5 percent of gross premiums less return premiums on all direct business
received by the insurer or agents of the insurer in Minnesota for life insurance, in cash or
otherwise, during the year. For premiums received after December 31, 2005, but before
January 1, 2007, the rate of tax is 1.875 percent. For premiums received after December
31, 2006, but before January 1, 2008, the rate of tax is 1.75 percent. For premiums
received after December 31, 2007, but before January 1, 2009, the rate of tax is 1.625
percent. For premiums received after December 31, 2008, the rate of tax is 1.5 percent.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 81. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 298.75, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. Definitions. Except as may otherwise be provided, the following
words, when used in this section, shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them.

(a) "Aggregate material" means:

(1) nonmetallic natural mineral aggregate including, but not limited to sand, silica
sand, gravel, crushed rock, limestone, granite, and borrow, but only if the borrow is
transported on a public road, street, or highway, provided that nonmetallic aggregate
material does not include dimension stone and dimension granite; and

(2) taconite tailings, crushed rock, and architectural or dimension stone and dimension
granite removed from a taconite mine or the site of a previously operated taconite mine.

Aggregate material must be measured or weighed after it has been extracted from
the pit, quarry, or deposit.

(b) "Person" means any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, organization,
trustee, association, or other entity.

(c) "Operator" means any person engaged in the business of removing aggregate
material from the surface or subsurface of the soil, for the purpose of sale, either directly
or indirectly, through the use of the aggregate material in a marketable product or service.

(d) "Extraction site" means a pit, quarry, or deposit containing aggregate material
and any contiguous property to the pit, quarry, or deposit which is used by the operator for
stockpiling the aggregate material.
(e) "Importer" means any person who buys aggregate material excavated from a
county not listed in paragraph (f) or another state site on which the tax under this section is
not imposed and causes the aggregate material to be imported into a county in this state
which imposes a tax on aggregate material.

(f) "County" means the counties of Pope, Stearns, Benton, Sherburne, Carver, Scott,
Dakota, Le Sueur, Kittson, Marshall, Pennington, Red Lake, Polk, Norman, Mahnomen,
Clay, Becker, Carlton, St. Louis, Rock, Murray, Wilkin, Big Stone, Sibley, Hennepin,
Washington, Chisago, and Ramsey. County also means a county imposing the tax under
this section on December 31, 2014, or any other county whose board has voted after a
public hearing to impose the tax under this section and has notified the commissioner of
revenue of the imposition of the tax.

(g) "Borrow" means granular borrow, consisting of durable particles of gravel and
sand, crushed quarry or mine rock, crushed gravel or stone, or any combination thereof,
the ratio of the portion passing the (#200) sieve divided by the portion passing the (1 inch)
sieve may not exceed 20 percent by mass.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective January 1, 2015.

Sec. 82. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 412.131, is amended to read:

412.131 ASSESSOR; DUTIES, COMPENSATION.

The city assessor, if there is one, shall assess and return as provided by law all
property taxable within the city, if a separate assessment district, and the assessor of the
town within which the city lies shall not include in the return any property taxable in the
city. Any assessor may appoint a deputy assessor as provided in section 273.06. The
assessor may be compensated on a full-time or part-time basis at the option of the council
but the compensation shall be not less than $100 in any one year, if fixed on an annual
basis, or not more than $20 per day, if fixed on a per diem basis. If the compensation is
not fixed by the council the assessor shall be entitled to compensation at the rate of $20
per day for each days service necessarily rendered, and mileage at the rate paid other city
officers for each mile necessarily traveled in going to and returning from the county seat of
the county to attend any meeting of the assessors of the county legally called by the county
auditor, and also for each mile necessarily traveled in making the return of assessment
to the proper county officer and in attending sectional meetings called by the county
assessor, except when mileage is paid by the county. In addition to other compensation,
the council may allow the assessor mileage at the same rate per mile as paid other city
officers for each mile necessarily traveled in assessment work.
EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 83. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 423A.022, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. Reporting; definitions. (a) On or before September 1, annually, the executive director of the Public Employees Retirement Association shall report to the commissioner of revenue the following:

(1) the municipalities which employ firefighters with retirement coverage by the public employees police and fire retirement plan;

(2) the number of firefighters with public employees police and fire retirement plan coverage employed by each municipality;

(3) (2) the fire departments covered by the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan; and

(4) (3) any other information requested by the commissioner to administer the police and firefighter retirement supplemental state aid program.

(b) For this subdivision, (i) the number of firefighters employed by a municipality who have public employees police and fire retirement plan coverage means the number of firefighters with public employees police and fire retirement plan coverage that were employed by the municipality for not less than 30 hours per week for a minimum of six months prior to December 31 preceding the date of the payment under this section and, if the person was employed for less than the full year, prorated to the number of full months employed; and (ii) the number of active police officers certified for police state aid receipt under section 69.011, subdivisions 2 and 2b, means, for each municipality, the number of police officers meeting the definition of peace officer in section 69.011, subdivision 1, counted as provided and limited by section 69.011, subdivisions 2 and 2b.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 84. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 465.04, is amended to read:

465.04 ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS.

Cities A city of the second, third, or fourth class, having at any time an estimated market value of not more than $41,000,000, as officially equalized by the commissioner of revenue, either operating under a home rule charter or under the laws of this state, in addition to all other powers possessed by them, hereby are authorized and empowered to may receive and accept gifts and donations for the use and benefit of such cities and the city and its inhabitants thereof upon terms and conditions to be approved by the governing
bodies of such cities, and such cities are authorized to comply with and perform such
the city. The terms and conditions, which may include payment to the donor or donors of
interest on the value of the gift at not exceeding five percent per annum payable annually or
semiannually, during the remainder of the natural life or lives of such the donor or donors.

Sec. 85. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.176, subdivision 1b, is amended to read:

Subd. 1b. Duration limits; terms. (a) No tax increment shall in any event be
paid to the authority:

(1) after 15 years after receipt by the authority of the first increment for a renewal
and renovation district;

(2) after 20 years after receipt by the authority of the first increment for a soils
condition district;

(3) after eight years after receipt by the authority of the first increment for an
economic development district;

(4) for a housing district, a compact development district, or a redevelopment
district, after 25 years from the date of receipt by the authority of the first increment.

(b) For purposes of determining a duration limit under this subdivision or subdivision
1c that is based on the receipt of an increment, any increments from taxes payable in the year
in which the district terminates shall be paid to the authority. This paragraph does not affect
a duration limit calculated from the date of approval of the tax increment financing plan or
based on the recovery of costs or to a duration limit under subdivision 1c. This paragraph
does not supersede the restrictions on payment of delinquent taxes in subdivision 1f.

(c) An action by the authority to waive or decline to accept an increment has no
effect for purposes of computing a duration limit based on the receipt of increment under
this subdivision or any other provision of law. The authority is deemed to have received an
increment for any year in which it waived or declined to accept an increment, regardless
of whether the increment was paid to the authority.

(d) Receipt by a hazardous substance subdistrict of an increment as a result of a
reduction in original net tax capacity under section 469.174, subdivision 7, paragraph
(b), does not constitute receipt of increment by the overlying district for the purpose of
calculating the duration limit under this section.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 86. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.176, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. Limitation on administrative expenses. (a) For districts for which
certification was requested before August 1, 1979, or after June 30, 1982 and before
August 1, 2001, no tax increment shall be used to pay any administrative expenses for
a project which exceed ten percent of the total estimated tax increment expenditures
authorized by the tax increment financing plan or the total tax increment expenditures
for the project, whichever is less.

(b) For districts for which certification was requested after July 31, 1979, and before
July 1, 1982, no tax increment shall be used to pay administrative expenses, as defined in
Minnesota Statutes 1980, section 273.73, for a district which exceeds five percent of the
total tax increment expenditures authorized by the tax increment financing plan or the total
estimated tax increment expenditures for the district, whichever is less.

(e) (b) For districts for which certification was requested after July 31, 2001, no tax
increment may be used to pay any administrative expenses for a project which exceed
ten percent of total estimated tax increment expenditures authorized by the tax increment
financing plan or the total tax increments, as defined in section 469.174, subdivision 25,
clause (1), from the district, whichever is less.

(d) (c) Increments used to pay the county's administrative expenses under
subdivision 4h are not subject to the percentage limits in this subdivision.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 87. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 469.1763, subdivision 2,
is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Expenditures outside district.** (a) For each tax increment financing
district, an amount equal to at least 75 percent of the total revenue derived from tax
increments paid by properties in the district must be expended on activities in the district
or to pay bonds, to the extent that the proceeds of the bonds were used to finance activities
in the district or to pay, or secure payment of, debt service on credit enhanced bonds.

For districts, other than redevelopment districts for which the request for certification
was made after June 30, 1995, the in-district percentage for purposes of the preceding
sentence is 80 percent. Not more than 25 percent of the total revenue derived from tax
increments paid by properties in the district may be expended, through a development fund
or otherwise, on activities outside of the district but within the defined geographic area of
the project except to pay, or secure payment of, debt service on credit enhanced bonds.

For districts, other than redevelopment districts for which the request for certification was
made after June 30, 1995, the pooling percentage for purposes of the preceding sentence is
20 percent. The revenue derived from tax increments for the district that are expended on
costs under section 469.176, subdivision 4h, paragraph (b), may be deducted first before
calculating the percentages that must be expended within and without the district.
(b) In the case of a housing district, a housing project, as defined in section 469.174, subdivision 11, is an activity in the district.

c) All administrative expenses are for activities outside of the district, except that if the only expenses for activities outside of the district under this subdivision are for the purposes described in paragraph (d), administrative expenses will be considered as expenditures for activities in the district.

d) The authority may elect, in the tax increment financing plan for the district, to increase by up to ten percentage points the permitted amount of expenditures for activities located outside the geographic area of the district under paragraph (a). As permitted by section 469.176, subdivision 4k, the expenditures, including the permitted expenditures under paragraph (a), need not be made within the geographic area of the project. Expenditures that meet the requirements of this paragraph are legally permitted expenditures of the district, notwithstanding section 469.176, subdivisions 4b, 4c, and 4j.

To qualify for the increase under this paragraph, the expenditures must:

1. be used exclusively to assist housing that meets the requirement for a qualified low-income building, as that term is used in section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code; and
2. not exceed the qualified basis of the housing, as defined under section 42(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, less the amount of any credit allowed under section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code; and
3. be used to:
   i. acquire and prepare the site of the housing;
   ii. acquire, construct, or rehabilitate the housing; or
   iii. make public improvements directly related to the housing; or
4. be used to develop housing:
   i. if the market value of the housing does not exceed the lesser of:
      A. 150 percent of the average market value of single-family homes in that municipality; or
      B. $200,000 for municipalities located in the metropolitan area, as defined in section 473.121, or $125,000 for all other municipalities; and
   ii. if the expenditures are used to pay the cost of site acquisition, relocation, demolition of existing structures, site preparation, and pollution abatement on one or more parcels, if the parcel contains a residence containing one to four family dwelling units that has been vacant for six or more months and is in foreclosure as defined in section 325N.10, subdivision 7, but without regard to whether the residence is the owner's principal residence, and only after the redemption period has expired.
(e) For a district created within a biotechnology and health sciences industry zone as defined in section 469.330, subdivision 6, or for an existing district located within such a zone, tax increment derived from such a district may be expended outside of the district but within the zone only for expenditures required for the construction of public infrastructure necessary to support the activities of the zone, land acquisition, and other redevelopment costs as defined in section 469.176, subdivision 4j. These expenditures are considered as expenditures for activities within the district. The authority provided by this paragraph expires for expenditures made after the later of (1) December 31, 2015, or (2) the end of the five-year period beginning on the date the district was certified, provided that date was before January 1, 2016.

(f) The authority under paragraph (d), clause (4), expires on December 31, 2016. Increments may continue to be expended under this authority after that date, if they are used to pay bonds or binding contracts that would qualify under subdivision 3, paragraph (a), if December 31, 2016, is considered to be the last date of the five-year period after certification under that provision.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and applies to all districts, regardless of when the request for certification was made.

Sec. 88. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 473.665, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

**Subd. 5. Tax levy; surplus; reduction.** The corporation, upon issuing any bonds under the provisions of this section, shall, before the issuance thereof, levy for each year, until the principal and interest are paid in full, a direct annual tax on all the taxable property of the cities in and for which the corporation has been created in an amount not less than five percent in excess of the sum required to pay the principal and interest thereof, when and as such principal and interest matures. After any of such bonds have been delivered to purchasers, such tax shall be irrepealable until all such indebtedness is paid, and after the issuance of such bonds no further action of the corporation shall be necessary to authorize the extensions, assessments, and collection of such tax. The secretary of the corporation shall forthwith furnish a certified copy of such levy to the county auditor or county auditors of the county or counties in which the cities in and for which the corporation has been created are located, together with full information regarding the bonds for which the tax is levied, and such county auditor or such county auditors, as the case may be, shall enter the same in the register provided for in section 475.62, or a similar register, and shall extend and assess the tax so levied. If both cities are located wholly within one county, the county auditor thereof shall annually extend and assess the amount of the tax so levied. If the cities are located in different counties, the county auditor of each such county shall
annually extend and assess such portion of the tax levied as the net tax capacity of the
taxable property, not including moneys and credits, located wholly within the city in such
county bears to the total net tax capacity of the taxable property, not including moneys and
credits, within both cities. Any surplus resulting from the excess levy herein provided
for shall be transferred to a sinking fund after the principal and interest for which the tax
was levied and collected has been paid; provided, that the corporation may, on or before
October 15 in any year, by appropriate action, cause its secretary to certify to the county
auditor, or auditors, the amount on hand and available in its treasury from earnings, or
otherwise, including the amount in the sinking fund, which it will use to pay principal or
interest or both on each specified issue of its bonds, and the county auditor or auditors
shall reduce the levy for that year, herein provided for by that amount. The amount of
funds so certified shall be set aside by the corporation, and be used for no other purpose
than for the payment of the principal and interest of the bonds. All taxes hereunder shall
be collected and remitted to the corporation by the county treasurer or county treasurers,
in accordance with the provisions of law governing the collection of other taxes, and shall
be used solely for the payment of the bonds where due.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 89. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 477A.0124, subdivision 5, is amended to
read:

Subd. 5. County transition aid. (a) For 2009 and each year thereafter, a county is
eligible to receive the transition aid it received in 2007.

(b) In 2009 only, a county with (1) a 2006 population less than 30,000, and (2)
an average Part I crimes per capita greater than 3.9 percent based on factors used in
determining county program aid payable in 2008, shall receive $100,000.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 90. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 477A.014, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. Calculations and payments. (a) The commissioner of revenue shall
make all necessary calculations and make payments pursuant to sections 477A.013 and
477A.03 directly to the affected taxing authorities annually. In addition, the commissioner
shall notify the authorities of their aid amounts, as well as the computational factors used
in making the calculations for their authority, and those statewide total figures that are
pertinent, before August 1 of the year preceding the aid distribution year.
(b) For the purposes of this subdivision, aid is determined for a city or town based on its city or town status as of June 30 of the year preceding the aid distribution year. If the effective date for a municipal incorporation, consolidation, annexation, detachment, dissolution, or township organization is on or before June 30 of the year preceding the aid distribution year, such change in boundaries or form of government shall be recognized for aid determinations for the aid distribution year. If the effective date for a municipal incorporation, consolidation, annexation, detachment, dissolution, or township organization is after June 30 of the year preceding the aid distribution year, such change in boundaries or form of government shall not be recognized for aid determinations until the following year.

(c) Changes in boundaries or form of government will only be recognized for the purposes of this subdivision, to the extent that: (1) changes in market values are included in market values reported by assessors to the commissioner, and changes in population; and household size; and the road accidents factor are included in their respective certifications to the commissioner as referenced in section 477A.011, or (2) an annexation information report as provided in paragraph (d) is received by the commissioner on or before July 15 of the aid calculation year. Revisions to estimates or data for use in recognizing changes in boundaries or form of government are not effective for purposes of this subdivision unless received by the commissioner on or before July 15 of the aid calculation year. Clerical errors in the certification or use of estimates and data established as of July 15 in the aid calculation year are subject to correction within the time periods allowed under subdivision 3.

(d) In the case of an annexation, an annexation information report may be completed by the annexing jurisdiction and submitted to the commissioner for purposes of this subdivision if the net tax capacity of annexed area for the assessment year preceding the effective date of the annexation exceeds five percent of the city's net tax capacity for the same year. The form and contents of the annexation information report shall be prescribed by the commissioner. The commissioner shall change the net tax capacity, the population, the population decline, the commercial industrial percentage, and the transformed population for the annexing jurisdiction only if the annexation information report provides data the commissioner determines to be reliable for all of these factors used to compute city revenue need for the annexing jurisdiction. The commissioner shall adjust the pre-1940 housing percentage, the road accidents factor, and household size only if the entire area of an existing city or town is annexed or consolidated and only if reliable data is available for all of these factors used to compute city revenue need for the annexing jurisdiction.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.
Sec. 91. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 611.27, subdivision 13, is amended to read:

Subd. 13. Public defense services; correctional facility inmates. All billings for services rendered and ordered under subdivision 7 shall require the approval of the chief district public defender before being forwarded on a monthly basis to the state public defender. In cases where adequate representation cannot be provided by the district public defender and where counsel has been appointed under a court order, the state public defender shall forward to the commissioner of management and budget all billings for services rendered under the court order. The commissioner shall pay for services from county program aid retained by the commissioner of revenue for that purpose under section 477A.0124, subdivision 1, clause (4), or 477A.03, subdivision 2b, paragraph (a).

The costs of appointed counsel and associated services in cases arising from new criminal charges brought against indigent inmates who are incarcerated in a Minnesota state correctional facility are the responsibility of the state Board of Public Defense. In such cases the state public defender may follow the procedures outlined in this section for obtaining court-ordered counsel.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 92. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 611.27, subdivision 15, is amended to read:

Subd. 15. Costs of transcripts. In appeal cases and postconviction cases where the appellate public defender's office does not have sufficient funds to pay for transcripts and other necessary expenses because it has spent or committed all of the transcript funds in its annual budget, the state public defender may forward to the commissioner of management and budget all billings for transcripts and other necessary expenses. The commissioner shall pay for these transcripts and other necessary expenses from county program aid retained by the commissioner of revenue for that purpose under section 477A.0124, subdivision 1, clause (4), or 477A.03, subdivision 2b, paragraph (a).

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 93. REVISOR'S INSTRUCTION.

The revisor of statutes shall make all necessary cross-reference changes in Minnesota Statutes and Minnesota Rules consistent with the amendments and repealers in this act. The revisor can make changes to sentence structure to preserve the meaning of the text. The revisor shall make other changes in chapter titles; section, subdivision, part, and subpart headnotes; and in other terminology necessary as a result of the enactment of this act. The Department of Revenue shall assist in making these corrections.
Sec. 94. REPEALER.

(a) Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 273.1398, subdivision 4b; 290.01, subdivision 19e; 290.0674, subdivision 3; 290.191, subdivision 4; and 290.33, and Minnesota Rules, part 8007.0200, are repealed.

(b) Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 16D.02, subdivisions 5 and 8; 16D.11, subdivision 2; 270C.131; 270C.53; 270C.991, subdivision 4; 272.02, subdivisions 1, 1a, 43, 48, 51, 53, 67, 72, and 82; 272.027, subdivision 2; 272.031; 273.015, subdivision 1; 273.03, subdivision 3; 273.075; 273.1383; 273.1386; 273.80; 275.77; 279.32; 281.173, subdivision 8; 281.174, subdivision 8; 281.328; 282.10; 282.23; 287.20, subdivision 4; 287.27, subdivision 2; 290.01, subdivisions 4b and 20c; 290C.02, subdivisions 5 and 9; 290C.06; 295.52, subdivision 7; 297A.666; 297A.71, subdivisions 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 17, 18, 20, 32, and 41; 297F.08, subdivision 11; 297H.10, subdivision 2; 469.174, subdivision 10; 469.175, subdivision 2b; 469.176, subdivision 1i; 469.177, subdivision 10; 477A.0124, subdivisions 1 and 6; and 505.173, Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 273.1103, Laws 1993, chapter 375, article 9, section 47, and Minnesota Rules, parts 8002.0200, subpart 8; 8100.0800; 8130.7500, subpart 7; 8130.8900, subpart 3; and 8130.9500, subparts 1, 1a, 2, 3, 4, and 5, are repealed.

(c) Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.1764, is repealed.

(d) Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 289A.56, subdivision 7; 297A.68, subdivision 38; 469.330; 469.331; 469.332; 469.333; 469.334; 469.335; 469.336; 469.337; 469.338; 469.339; 469.340, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, and 5; and 469.341, and Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 469.340, subdivision 4, are repealed.

(e) Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 290.06, subdivisions 30 and 31, are repealed.

EFFECTIVE DATE. Paragraph (a) is effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2013.

Paragraph (b) is effective the day following final enactment.

Paragraph (c) is effective the day following final enactment and any remaining unexpended tax increments from a district subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 469.1764, must be distributed as excess increments to the city, county, and school district under Minnesota Statutes, section 469.176, subdivision 2, paragraph (c), clause (4), on or before December 31, 2014.

Paragraph (d) is effective the day following final enactment.

Paragraph (e) is effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2013.
ARTICLE 9
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE - TECHNICAL AND POLICY
PROPERTY TAX PROVISIONS

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 270.87, is amended to read:

270.87 CERTIFICATION TO COUNTY ASSESSORS.

After making an annual determination of the equalized fair market value of the
operating property of each company in each of the respective counties, and in the taxing
districts therein, the commissioner shall certify the equalized fair market value to the
county assessor on or before June 30. The equalized fair market value of the operating
property of the railroad company in the county and the taxing districts therein is the value
on which taxes must be levied and collected in the same manner as on the commercial and
industrial property of such county and the taxing districts therein. If the commissioner
determines that the equalized fair market value certified on or before June 30 is in error,
the commissioner may issue a corrected certification on or before August 31. The
commissioner may correct errors that are merely clerical in nature until December 31.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 272.029, subdivision 4a, is amended to read:

Subd. 4a. Correction of errors. If the commissioner of revenue determines that
the amount of production tax has been erroneously calculated, the commissioner may
correct the error. The commissioner must notify the owner of the wind energy conversion
system of the correction and the amount of tax due to each county and must certify the
correction to the county auditor of each county in which the system is located on or before
April 1 of the current year. The commissioner may correct errors that are merely clerical
in nature until December 31.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.01, is amended to read:

273.01 LISTING AND ASSESSMENT, TIME.

All real property subject to taxation shall be listed and at least one-fifth of the parcels
listed shall be appraised each year with reference to their value on January 2 preceding the
assessment so that each parcel shall be reappraised at maximum intervals of five years. All
real property becoming taxable in any year shall be listed with reference to its value on
January 2 of that year. Except as provided in this section and section 274.01, subdivision
1, all real property assessments shall be completed two weeks prior to the date scheduled
for the local board of review or equalization. No changes in valuation or classification
which are intended to correct errors in judgment by the county assessor may be made by
the county assessor after the board of review or the county board of equalization has
adjourned; however, corrections of errors for real or personal property that are merely
clerical in nature or changes that extend homestead treatment to property are permitted
after adjournment until the tax extension date for that assessment year. Any changes made
by the assessor after adjournment must be fully documented and maintained in a file in the
assessor's office and shall be available for review by any person. A copy of any changes
made during this period shall be sent to the county board no later than December 31 of
the assessment year. In the event a valuation and classification is not placed on any real
property by the dates scheduled for the local board of review or equalization the valuation
and classification determined in the preceding assessment shall be continued in effect and
the provisions of section 273.13 shall, in such case, not be applicable, except with respect
to real estate which has been constructed since the previous assessment. Real property
containing iron ore, the fee to which is owned by the state of Minnesota, shall, if leased by
the state after January 2 in any year, be subject to assessment for that year on the value of
any iron ore removed under said lease prior to January 2 of the following year. Personal
property subject to taxation shall be listed and assessed annually with reference to its value
on January 2; and, if acquired on that day, shall be listed by or for the person acquiring it.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 273.1325, subdivision 1, is
amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Computation.** The Department of Revenue must annually conduct
an assessment/sales ratio study of the taxable property in each county, city, town, and
school district in accordance with the procedures in subdivisions 2 and 3. Based upon the
results of this assessment/sales ratio study, the Department of Revenue must determine
an equalized net tax capacity for the various classes of taxable property in each taxing
district, the aggregate of which is designated as the adjusted net tax capacity. The adjusted
net tax capacity must be reduced by the captured tax capacity of tax increment districts
under section 469.177, subdivision 2, fiscal disparities contribution tax capacities under
sections 276A.06 and 473F.08, and the tax capacity of transmission lines required to be
subtracted from the local tax base under section 273.425; and increased by fiscal disparities
distribution tax capacities under sections 276A.06 and 473F.08. The adjusted net tax
capacities shall be determined using the net tax capacity percentages in effect for the

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assessment year following the assessment year of the study. The Department of Revenue must make whatever estimates are necessary to account for changes in the classification system. The Department of Revenue may incur the expense necessary to make the determinations. The commissioner of revenue may reimburse any county or governmental official for requested services performed in ascertaining the adjusted net tax capacity. On or before March 15 annually, the Department of Revenue shall file with the chair of the Tax Committee of the house of representatives and the chair of the Committee on Taxes and Tax laws of the senate a report of adjusted net tax capacities for school districts. On or before June 45 30 annually, the Department of Revenue shall file its final report on the adjusted net tax capacities for school districts established by the previous year's assessments and the current year's net tax capacity percentages with the commissioner of education and each county auditor for those school districts for which the auditor has the responsibility for determination of local tax rates. A copy of the report so filed shall be mailed to the clerk of each school district involved and to the county assessor or supervisor of assessments of the county or counties in which each school district is located.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2014.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.33, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Listing and assessment by commissioner.** The personal property, consisting of the pipeline system of mains, pipes, and equipment attached thereto, of pipeline companies and others engaged in the operations or business of transporting natural gas, gasoline, crude oil, or other petroleum products by pipelines, shall be listed with and assessed by the commissioner of revenue and the values provided to the city or county assessor by order. This subdivision shall not apply to the assessment of the products transported through the pipelines nor to the lines of local commercial gas companies engaged primarily in the business of distributing gas to consumers at retail nor to pipelines used by the owner thereof to supply natural gas or other petroleum products exclusively for such owner's own consumption and not for resale to others. If more than 85 percent of the natural gas or other petroleum products actually transported over the pipeline is used for the owner's own consumption and not for resale to others, then this subdivision shall not apply; provided, however, that in that event, the pipeline shall be assessed in proportion to the percentage of gas actually transported over such pipeline that is not used for the owner's own consumption. On or before August 1, the commissioner shall certify to the auditor of each county, the amount of such personal property assessment against each company in each district in which such property is located. If the commissioner determines that the amount of personal property assessment certified on or before August

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154.1 1 is in error, the commissioner may issue a corrected certification on or before October 1.

154.2 The commissioner may correct errors that are merely clerical in nature until December 31.

154.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

154.4 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.37, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

154.5 Subd. 2. **Listing and assessment by commissioner.** Transmission lines of less

154.6 than 69 kv, transmission lines of 69 kv and above located in an unorganized township,

154.7 and distribution lines, and equipment attached thereto, having a fixed situs outside the

154.8 corporate limits of cities except distribution lines taxed as provided in sections 273.40

154.9 and 273.41, shall be listed with and assessed by the commissioner of revenue in the

154.10 county where situated and the values provided to the city or county assessor by order.

154.11 The commissioner shall assess such property at the percentage of market value fixed by

154.12 law; and, on or before August 1, shall certify to the auditor of each county in which

154.13 such property is located the amount of the assessment made against each company and

154.14 person owning such property. If the commissioner determines that the amount of the

154.15 assessment certified on or before August 1 is in error, the commissioner may issue a

154.16 corrected certification on or before October 1. The commissioner may correct errors that

154.17 are merely clerical in nature until December 31.

154.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

154.19 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.3711, is amended to read:

154.20 **273.3711 RECOMMENDED AND ORDERED VALUES.**

154.21 For purposes of sections 273.33, 273.35, 273.36, 273.37, 273.371, and 273.372,

154.22 all values not required to be listed and assessed by the commissioner of revenue are

154.23 recommended values. If the commissioner provides recommended values, the values must

154.24 be certified to the auditor of each county in which the property is located on or before

154.25 August 1. If the commissioner determines that the certified recommended value is in

154.26 error the commissioner may issue a corrected certification on or before October 1. The

154.27 commissioner may correct errors that are merely clerical in nature until December 31.

154.28 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

154.29 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 274.01, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

154.30 Subdivision 1. **Ordinary board; meetings, deadlines, grievances.** (a) The town

154.31 board of a town, or the council or other governing body of a city, is the board of appeal
and equalization except (1) in cities whose charters provide for a board of equalization or
(2) in any city or town that has transferred its local board of review power and duties to
the county board as provided in subdivision 3. The county assessor shall fix a day and
time when the board or the board of equalization shall meet in the assessment districts
of the county. Notwithstanding any law or city charter to the contrary, a city board of
equalization shall be referred to as a board of appeal and equalization. On or before
February 15 of each year the assessor shall give written notice of the time to the city or
town clerk. Notwithstanding the provisions of any charter to the contrary, the meetings
must be held between April 1 and May 31 each year. The clerk shall give published and
posted notice of the meeting at least ten days before the date of the meeting.

The board shall meet either at a central location within the county or at the office of
the clerk to review the assessment and classification of property in the town or city. No
changes in valuation or classification which are intended to correct errors in judgment by
the county assessor may be made by the county assessor after the board has adjourned
in those cities or towns that hold a local board of review; however, corrections of errors
that are merely clerical in nature or changes that extend homestead treatment to property
are permitted after adjournment until the tax extension date for that assessment year. The
changes must be fully documented and maintained in the assessor’s office and must be
available for review by any person. A copy of the changes made during this period in
those cities or towns that hold a local board of review must be sent to the county board no
later than December 31 of the assessment year.

(b) The board shall determine whether the taxable property in the town or city has
been properly placed on the list and properly valued by the assessor. If real or personal
property has been omitted, the board shall place it on the list with its market value, and
correct the assessment so that each tract or lot of real property, and each article, parcel,
or class of personal property, is entered on the assessment list at its market value. No
assessment of the property of any person may be raised unless the person has been
duly notified of the intent of the board to do so. On application of any person feeling
aggrieved, the board shall review the assessment or classification, or both, and correct
it as appears just. The board may not make an individual market value adjustment or
classification change that would benefit the property if the owner or other person having
control over the property has refused the assessor access to inspect the property and the
interior of any buildings or structures as provided in section 273.20. A board member
shall not participate in any actions of the board which result in market value adjustments
or classification changes to property owned by the board member, the spouse, parent,
stepparent, child, stepchild, grandparent, grandchild, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, nephew,
or niece of a board member, or property in which a board member has a financial interest.

The relationship may be by blood or marriage.

(c) A local board may reduce assessments upon petition of the taxpayer but the total reductions must not reduce the aggregate assessment made by the county assessor by more than one percent. If the total reductions would lower the aggregate assessments made by the county assessor by more than one percent, none of the adjustments may be made. The assessor shall correct any clerical errors or double assessments discovered by the board without regard to the one percent limitation.

(d) A local board does not have authority to grant an exemption or to order property removed from the tax rolls.

(e) A majority of the members may act at the meeting, and adjourn from day to day until they finish hearing the cases presented. The assessor shall attend, with the assessment books and papers, and take part in the proceedings, but must not vote. The county assessor, or an assistant delegated by the county assessor shall attend the meetings. The board shall list separately, on a form appended to the assessment book, all omitted property added to the list by the board and all items of property increased or decreased, with the market value of each item of property, added or changed by the board, placed opposite the item. The county assessor shall enter all changes made by the board in the assessment book.

(f) Except as provided in subdivision 3, if a person fails to appear in person, by counsel, or by written communication before the board after being duly notified of the board's intent to raise the assessment of the property, or if a person feeling aggrieved by an assessment or classification fails to apply for a review of the assessment or classification, the person may not appear before the county board of appeal and equalization for a review of the assessment or classification. This paragraph does not apply if an assessment was made after the local board meeting, as provided in section 273.01, or if the person can establish not having received notice of market value at least five days before the local board meeting.

(g) The local board must complete its work and adjourn within 20 days from the time of convening stated in the notice of the clerk, unless a longer period is approved by the commissioner of revenue. No action taken after that date is valid. All complaints about an assessment or classification made after the meeting of the board must be heard and determined by the county board of equalization. A nonresident may, at any time, before the meeting of the board file written objections to an assessment or classification with the county assessor. The objections must be presented to the board at its meeting by the county assessor for its consideration.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.
Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 274.014, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Proof of compliance; transfer of duties.** (a) Any city or town that conducts local boards of appeal and equalization meetings must provide proof to the county assessor by December 4, 2006 February 15, 2015, and each year thereafter, that it is in compliance with the requirements of subdivision 2. Beginning in 2006 2015, this notice must also verify that there was a quorum of voting members at each meeting of the board of appeal and equalization in the current year. A city or town that does not comply with these requirements is deemed to have transferred its board of appeal and equalization powers to the county beginning with the following year's assessment and continuing unless the powers are reinstated under paragraph (c).

(b) The county shall notify the taxpayers when the board of appeal and equalization for a city or town has been transferred to the county under this subdivision and, prior to the meeting time of the county board of equalization, the county shall make available to those taxpayers a procedure for a review of the assessments, including, but not limited to, open book meetings. This alternate review process shall take place in April and May.

(c) A local board whose powers are transferred to the county under this subdivision may be reinstated by resolution of the governing body of the city or town and upon proof of compliance with the requirements of subdivision 2. The resolution and proofs must be provided to the county assessor by December 4, February 15 in order to be effective for the following year's assessment.

(d) A local board whose powers are transferred to the county under this subdivision may continue to employ a local assessor and is not deemed to have transferred its powers to make assessments.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective beginning with local boards of appeal and equalization meetings held after December 31, 2014.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 290C.03, is amended to read:

**290C.03 ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.**

(a) Land may be enrolled in the sustainable forest incentive program under this chapter if all of the following conditions are met:

(1) the land consists of at least 20 contiguous acres and at least 50 percent of the land must meet the definition of forest land in section 88.01, subdivision 7, during the enrollment;

(2) a forest management plan for the land must be prepared by an approved plan writer and implemented during the period in which the land is enrolled;
timber harvesting and forest management guidelines must be used in conjunction
with any timber harvesting or forest management activities conducted on the land during
the period in which the land is enrolled;
(4) the land must be enrolled for a minimum of eight years;
(5) there are no delinquent property taxes on the land; and
(6) claimants enrolling more than 1,920 acres in the sustainable forest incentive
program must allow year-round, nonmotorized access to fish and wildlife resources and
motorized access on established and maintained roads and trails, unless the road or trail is
temporarily closed for safety, natural resource, or road damage reasons on enrolled land
except within one-fourth mile of a permanent dwelling or during periods of high fire
hazard as determined by the commissioner of natural resources; and
(7) the land is not classified as class 2c managed forest land.
(b) Claimants required to allow access under paragraph (a), clause (6), do not by
that action:
(1) extend any assurance that the land is safe for any purpose;
(2) confer upon the person the legal status of an invitee or licensee to whom a duty
of care is owed; or
(3) assume responsibility for or incur liability for any injury to the person or property
caused by an act or omission of the person.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for certifications and applications
due in 2014 and thereafter.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 423A.02, subdivision 3, is
amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Reallocation of amortization state aid.** (a) Seventy percent of the
difference between $5,720,000 and the current year amortization aid distributed under
subdivision 1 that is not distributed for any reason to a municipality must be distributed
by the commissioner of revenue according to this paragraph. The commissioner shall
distribute 50 percent of the amounts derived under this paragraph to the Teachers
Retirement Association, ten percent to the Duluth Teachers Retirement Fund Association,
and 40 percent to the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association to fund the unfunded
actuarial accrued liabilities of the respective funds. These payments must be made on July
15 each fiscal year. If the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association or the Duluth
Teachers Retirement Fund Association becomes fully funded, the association's eligibility
for its portion of this aid ceases. Amounts remaining in the undistributed balance account
at the end of the biennium if aid eligibility ceases cancel to the general fund.
(b) In order to receive amortization aid under paragraph (a), before June 30 annually
Independent School District No. 625, St. Paul, must make an additional contribution of
$800,000 each year to the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association.
(c) Thirty percent of the difference between $5,720,000 and the current year
amortization aid under subdivision 4 that is not distributed for any reason to a
municipality must be distributed under section 69.021, subdivision 7, paragraph (d), as
additional funding to support a minimum fire state aid amount for volunteer firefighter
relief associations.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively from June 1, 2013.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 477A.12, subdivision 1, is
amended to read:

**Subdivision 1. Types of land; payments.** The following amounts are annually
appropriated to the commissioner of natural resources from the general fund for transfer
to the commissioner of revenue. The commissioner of revenue shall pay the transferred
funds to counties as required by sections 477A.11 to 477A.14. The amounts, based on the
acreage as of July 1 of each year prior to the payment year, are:

1. $5.133 multiplied by the total number of acres of acquired natural resources land
or, at the county’s option three-fourths of one percent of the appraised value of all acquired
natural resources land in the county, whichever is greater;

2. $5.133, multiplied by the total number of acres of transportation wetland or, at the county’s option, three-fourths of one percent of the appraised value of all transportation
wetland in the county, whichever is greater;

3. $5.133, multiplied by the total number of acres of wildlife management land, or,
at the county’s option, three-fourths of one percent of the appraised value of all wildlife
management land in the county, whichever is greater;

4. 50 percent of the dollar amount as determined under clause (1), multiplied by the
number of acres of military refuge land in the county;

5. $1.50, multiplied by the number of acres of county-administered other natural
resources land in the county;

6. $5.133, multiplied by the total number of acres of land utilization project land
in the county;

7. $1.50, multiplied by the number of acres of commissioner-administered other
natural resources land in the county; and

8. without regard to acreage, $300,000 for local assessments under section 84A.55,
subdivision 9.
160.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2014.

160.2 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 477A.14, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

160.4 **Subdivision 1. General distribution.** Except as provided in subdivisions 2 and 3,

160.5 40 percent of the total payment to the county shall be deposited in the county general

160.6 revenue fund to be used to provide property tax levy reduction. The remainder shall be

160.7 distributed by the county in the following priority:

160.8 (a) (1) 64.2 cents, for each acre of county-administered other natural resources land

160.9 shall be deposited in a resource development fund to be created within the county treasury

160.10 for use in resource development, forest management, game and fish habitat improvement,

160.11 and recreational development and maintenance of county-administered other natural

160.12 resources land. Any county receiving less than $5,000 annually for the resource

160.13 development fund may elect to deposit that amount in the county general revenue fund;

160.14 (b) from the funds remaining, (2) within 30 days of receipt of the payment to

160.15 the county, the county treasurer shall pay each organized township ten percent of the

160.16 amount received a township with land that qualifies for payment under section 477A.12,

160.17 subdivision 1, clauses (1), (2), and (5) to (7), ten percent of the payment the county

160.18 received for such land within that township. Payments for natural resources lands not

160.19 located in an organized township shall be deposited in the county general revenue fund.

160.20 Payments to counties and townships pursuant to this paragraph shall be used to provide

160.21 property tax levy reduction, except that of the payments for natural resources lands not

160.22 located in an organized township, the county may allocate the amount determined to be

160.23 necessary for maintenance of roads in unorganized townships. Provided that, if the total

160.24 payment to the county pursuant to section 477A.12 is not sufficient to fully fund the

160.25 distribution provided for in this clause, the amount available shall be distributed to each

160.26 township and the county general revenue fund on a pro rata basis; and

160.27 (e) (3) any remaining funds shall be deposited in the county general revenue fund.

160.28 Provided that, if the distribution to the county general revenue fund exceeds $35,000, the

160.29 excess shall be used to provide property tax levy reduction.

160.30 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2014.

160.31 Sec. 14. **REVISOR'S INSTRUCTION.**

160.32 The revisor of statutes shall change the terms "class rate" or "class rates" to

160.33 "classification rate" or "classification rates" or similar terms wherever they appear in

160.34 Minnesota Statutes when the terms are being used to refer to the calculation of net tax
161.1 capacity in the property tax system. The revisor can make changes to sentence structure
to preserve the meaning of the text. The revisor shall make other changes in section and
subdivision headnotes and in other terminology as necessary as a result of the enactment
of this section. The Department of Revenue shall assist in making these corrections.

161.5 Sec. 15. REPEALER.
161.6 Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 273.13, subdivision 21a; 290C.02, subdivisions 5
and 9; and 290C.06, are repealed.

161.8 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment,
except that section 273.13, subdivision 21a, is repealed effective beginning with
assessment year 2014.

161.11 ARTICLE 10
161.12 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE - TECHNICAL AND POLICY INCOME AND
FRANCHISE, SALES AND USE, AND MISCELLANEOUS TAX PROVISIONS

161.14 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 270C.34, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Procedure. (a) A request for abatement of penalty under subdivision 1 or
section 289A.60, subdivision 4, or a request for abatement of interest or additional tax
charge, must be filed with the commissioner within 60 days of the date the notice was
mailed to the taxpayer's last known address, stating that a penalty has been imposed.

(b) If the commissioner issues an order denying a request for abatement of penalty,
interest, or additional tax charge, the taxpayer may file an administrative appeal as
provided in section 270C.35 or appeal to Tax Court as provided in section 271.06.

(c) If the commissioner does not issue an order on the abatement request within
60 days from the date the request is received, the taxpayer may appeal to Tax Court as
provided in section 271.06.

161.25 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

161.26 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 270C.56, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. Procedure for assessment; claims for refunds. (a) The commissioner
may assess liability for the taxes described in subdivision 1 against a person liable
under this section. The assessment may be based upon information available to the
commissioner. It must be made within the prescribed period of limitations for assessing
the underlying tax, or within one year after the date of an order assessing underlying
tax, or within one year after the date of a final administrative or judicial determination,
whichever period expires later. An order assessing personal liability under this section is
reviewable under section 270C.35 and is appealable to Tax Court.

(b) If the time for appealing the order has expired and a payment is made by or
collected from the person assessed on the order in excess of the amount lawfully due
from that person of any portion of the liability shown on the order, a claim for refund
may be made by that person within 120 days after any payment of the liability if the
payment is within 3-1/2 years after the date the order was issued. Claims for refund under
this paragraph are limited to the amount paid during the 120-day period. Any amounts
collected under paragraph (c) after a claim for refund is filed in order to satisfy the unpaid
balance of the assessment that is the subject of the claim shall be returned if the claim is
allowed. There is no claim for refund available under this paragraph if the assessment has
previously been the subject of an administrative or Tax Court appeal, or a denied claim
for refund. The taxpayer may contest denial of the refund as provided in the procedures
governing claims for refunds under section 289A.50, subdivision 7.

(c) If a person has been assessed under this section for an amount for a given period
and the time for appeal has expired, regardless of whether an action contesting denial of a
claim for refund has been filed under paragraph (b), or there has been a final determination
that the person is liable, collection action is not stayed pursuant to section 270C.33,
subdivision 5, for that assessment or for subsequent assessments of additional amounts for
the same person for the same period and tax type.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 289A.18, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Withholding returns, entertainer withholding returns, returns for**
**withholding from payments to out-of-state contractors, and withholding returns**
**from partnerships and S corporations.** (a) Withholding returns for the first, second,
and third quarters are due on or before the last day of the month following the close of
the quarterly period. However, if the return shows timely deposits in full payment of
the taxes due for that period, the returns for the first, second, and third quarters may be
filed on or before the tenth day of the second calendar month following the period. The
return for the fourth quarter must be filed on or before the 28th day of the second calendar
month following the period. An employer, in preparing a quarterly return, may take credit
for deposits previously made for that quarter. Entertainer withholding tax returns are
due within 30 days after each performance. Returns for withholding from payments to
out-of-state contractors are due within 30 days after the payment to the contractor. Returns
for withholding by partnerships are due on or before the due date specified for filing
partnership returns. Returns for withholding by S corporations are due on or before the
due date specified for filing corporate franchise tax returns.

(b) A seasonal employer who provides notice in the form and manner prescribed
by the commissioner before the end of the calendar quarter is not required to file a
withholding tax return for periods of anticipated inactivity unless the employer pays wages
during the period from which tax is withheld. For purposes of this paragraph, a seasonal
employer is an employer that regularly, in the same one or more quarterly periods of each
calendar year, pays no wages to employees.

EFFECTIVE DATE. (a) The amendments in paragraph (a) are effective for returns
due after January 1, 2016.

(b) The amendment adding paragraph (b) is effective for wages paid after December
31, 2015.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 290.191, subdivision 5, is
amended to read:

Subd. 5. Determination of sales factor. For purposes of this section, the following
rules apply in determining the sales factor.

(a) The sales factor includes all sales, gross earnings, or receipts received in the
ordinary course of the business, except that the following types of income are not included
in the sales factor:

(1) interest;
(2) dividends;
(3) sales of capital assets as defined in section 1221 of the Internal Revenue Code;
(4) sales of property used in the trade or business, except sales of leased property of
a type which is regularly sold as well as leased; and
(5) sales of debt instruments as defined in section 1275(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue
Code or sales of stock.

(b) Sales of tangible personal property are made within this state if the property is
received by a purchaser at a point within this state, and the taxpayer is taxable in this state,
regardless of the f.o.b. point, other conditions of the sale, or the ultimate destination
of the property.

(c) Tangible personal property delivered to a common or contract carrier or foreign
vessel for delivery to a purchaser in another state or nation is a sale in that state or nation,
regardless of f.o.b. point or other conditions of the sale.

(d) Notwithstanding paragraphs (b) and (c), when intoxicating liquor, wine,
fermented malt beverages, cigarettes, or tobacco products are sold to a purchaser who is
licensed by a state or political subdivision to resell this property only within the state of 
ultimate destination, the sale is made in that state.

(e) Sales made by or through a corporation that is qualified as a domestic 
international sales corporation under section 992 of the Internal Revenue Code are not 
considered to have been made within this state.

(f) Sales, rents, royalties, and other income in connection with real property is 
attributed to the state in which the property is located.

(g) Receipts from the lease or rental of tangible personal property, including finance 
leases and true leases, must be attributed to this state if the property is located in this 
state and to other states if the property is not located in this state. Receipts from the 
lease or rental of moving property including, but not limited to, motor vehicles, rolling 
stock, aircraft, vessels, or mobile equipment are included in the numerator of the receipts 
factor to the extent that the property is used in this state. The extent of the use of moving 
property is determined as follows:

(1) A motor vehicle is used wholly in the state in which it is registered.

(2) The extent that rolling stock is used in this state is determined by multiplying 
the receipts from the lease or rental of the rolling stock by a fraction, the numerator of 
which is the miles traveled within this state by the leased or rented rolling stock and the 
denominator of which is the total miles traveled by the leased or rented rolling stock.

(3) The extent that an aircraft is used in this state is determined by multiplying the 
receipts from the lease or rental of the aircraft by a fraction, the numerator of which is 
the number of landings of the aircraft in this state and the denominator of which is the 
total number of landings of the aircraft.

(4) The extent that a vessel, mobile equipment, or other mobile property is used in 
the state is determined by multiplying the receipts from the lease or rental of the property 
by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days during the taxable year the 
property was in this state and the denominator of which is the total days in the taxable year.

(h) Royalties and other income received for the use of or for the privilege of using 
intangible property, including patents, know-how, formulas, designs, processes, patterns, 
copyrights, trade names, service names, franchises, licenses, contracts, customer lists, or 
similar items, must be attributed to the state in which the property is used by the purchaser.

If the property is used in more than one state, the royalties or other income must be 
apportioned to this state pro rata according to the portion of use in this state. If the portion 
of use in this state cannot be determined, the royalties or other income must be excluded 
from both the numerator and the denominator. Intangible property is used in this state if
the purchaser uses the intangible property or the rights therein in the regular course of its business operations in this state, regardless of the location of the purchaser's customers.

(i) Sales of intangible property are made within the state in which the property is used by the purchaser. If the property is used in more than one state, the sales must be apportioned to this state pro rata according to the portion of use in this state. If the portion of use in this state cannot be determined, the sale must be excluded from both the numerator and the denominator of the sales factor. Intangible property is used in this state if the purchaser used the intangible property in the regular course of its business operations in this state.

(j) Receipts from the performance of services must be attributed to the state where the services are received. For the purposes of this section, receipts from the performance of services provided to a corporation, partnership, or trust may only be attributed to a state where it has a fixed place of doing business. If the state where the services are received is not readily determinable or is a state where the corporation, partnership, or trust receiving the service does not have a fixed place of doing business, the services shall be deemed to be received at the location of the office of the customer from which the services were ordered in the regular course of the customer's trade or business. If the ordering office cannot be determined, the services shall be deemed to be received at the office of the customer to which the services are billed.

(k) For the purposes of this subdivision and subdivision 6, paragraph (l), receipts from management, distribution, or administrative services performed by a corporation or trust for a fund of a corporation or trust regulated under United States Code, title 15, sections 80a-1 through 80a-64, must be attributed to the state where the shareholder of the fund resides. Under this paragraph, receipts for services attributed to shareholders are determined on the basis of the ratio of: (1) the average of the outstanding shares in the fund owned by shareholders residing within Minnesota at the beginning and end of each year; and (2) the average of the total number of outstanding shares in the fund at the beginning and end of each year. Residence of the shareholder, in the case of an individual, is determined by the mailing address furnished by the shareholder to the fund. Residence of the shareholder, when the shares are held by an insurance company as a depositor for the insurance company policyholders, is the mailing address of the policyholders. In the case of an insurance company holding the shares as a depositor for the insurance company policyholders, if the mailing address of the policyholders cannot be determined by the taxpayer, the receipts must be excluded from both the numerator and denominator. Residence of other shareholders is the mailing address of the shareholder.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.
Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 296A.01, subdivision 16, is amended to read:

Subd. 16. **Dyed fuel.** "Dyed fuel" means diesel motor fuel to which indelible dye has been added, either before or upon withdrawal at a terminal or refinery rack, and which may be sold for exempt purposes. The dye may be either dye required to be added per the EPA or dye that meets other specifications required by the Internal Revenue Service or the commissioner.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 403.162, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Fees deposited.** (a) The commissioner of revenue shall, based on the relative proportion of the prepaid wireless E911 fee and the prepaid wireless telecommunications access Minnesota fee imposed per retail transaction, divide the fees collected in corresponding proportions. Within 30 days of receipt of the collected fees, the commissioner shall:

(1) deposit the proportion of the collected fees attributable to the prepaid wireless E911 fee in the 911 emergency telecommunications service account in the special revenue fund; and

(2) deposit the proportion of collected fees attributable to the prepaid wireless telecommunications access Minnesota fee in the telecommunications access fund established in section 237.52, subdivision 1.

(b) The department commissioner of revenue may deduct and retain deposit in a special revenue account an amount, not to exceed two percent of collected fees; Money in the account is annually appropriated to the commissioner of revenue to reimburse its direct costs of administering the collection and remittance of prepaid wireless E911 fees and prepaid wireless telecommunications access Minnesota fees.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively from January 1, 2014.

Sec. 7. Laws 2013, chapter 143, article 8, section 3, the effective date, is amended to read:

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for sales and purchases made after June 30, 2013, except for paragraph (p), which is effective the day following final enactment.
167.1  **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively from the day following final enactment of Laws 2013, chapter 143, article 8, section 3.

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167.3  Sec. 8. **REPEALER.**

167.4  Minnesota Rules, parts 8130.8900, subpart 3; and 8130.9500, subparts 1, 1a, 2, 3, 4, and 5, are repealed.

167.6  **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.
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16D.02 DEFINITIONS.
Subd. 5. Debt qualification plan. "Debt qualification plan" means an agreement entered into between a referring agency and the commissioner that defines the terms and conditions by which the commissioner will provide collection services to the referring agency.

Subd. 8. Enterprise. "Enterprise" means the Minnesota collection enterprise, a separate unit established by the commissioner to carry out the provisions of this chapter.

16D.11 COLLECTION COSTS.
Subd. 2. Computation. At the time a debt is referred, the amount of collection costs is equal to 17 percent of the debt. If, after referral of a debt to a private collection agency, the debtor requests cancellation of collection costs under subdivision 3, the debt must be returned to the commissioner for resolution of the request.

270C.131 EXPLORE MINNESOTA TOURISM TAX REPORT.
Within 30 days of the end of each quarter, the Department of Revenue shall provide Explore Minnesota Tourism with a quarterly report of comparisons of quarterly sales taxes collected under the Standard Industrial Classification System, or equivalent codes in the North America Industry Classification System, in the following areas:

1) SIC 70, lodging;
2) SIC 79, amusement and recreation; and
3) SIC 58, eating and drinking.

270C.53 COLLECTION: TAXPAYER INABILITY TO PAY.
Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the commissioner may, based upon the inability of a taxpayer to pay a delinquent tax liability, abate the liability if the taxpayer agrees to perform uncompensated public service work for a state agency, a political subdivision or public corporation of this state, or a nonprofit educational, medical, or social service agency. The Department of Corrections shall administer the work program. No benefits under chapter 176 or 268 shall be available, but a claim authorized under section 3.739 may be made by the taxpayer. The state may not enter into any agreement that has the purpose of or results in the displacement of public employees by a delinquent taxpayer under this section. The state must certify to the appropriate bargaining agent or employees, as applicable, that the work performed by a delinquent taxpayer will not result in the displacement of currently employed workers or layoff from a substantially equivalent position, including partial displacement such as reduction in hours of nonovertime work, wages, or other employment benefits.

270C.991 PROPERTY TAX SYSTEM BENCHMARKS AND CRITICAL INDICATORS.
Subd. 4. Property tax working group. (a) A property tax working group is established as provided in this subdivision. The goals of the working group are:

1) to investigate ways to simplify the property tax system and make advisory recommendations on ways to make the system more understandable;

2) to reexamine the property tax calendar to determine what changes could be made to shorten the two-year cycle from assessment through property tax collection; and

3) to determine the cost versus the benefits of the various property tax components, including property classifications, credits, aids, exclusions, exemptions, and abatements, and to suggest ways to achieve some of the goals in simpler and more cost-efficient ways.

(b) The 12-member working group shall consist of the following members:

1) two state representatives, both appointed by the chair of the house of representatives Taxes Committee, one from the majority party and one from the largest minority party;

2) two senators appointed by the Subcommittee on Committees of the Senate Rules and Administration Committee, one from the majority party and one from the largest minority party;

3) one person appointed by the Association of Minnesota Counties;

4) one person appointed by the League of Minnesota Cities;

5) one person appointed by the Minnesota Association of Townships;

6) one person appointed by the Minnesota Chamber of Commerce;

7) one person appointed by the Minnesota Association of Assessing Officers;
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(8) two homeowners, one who is under 65 years of age, and one who is 65 years of age or older, both appointed by the commissioner of revenue; and

(9) one person jointly appointed by the Minnesota Farm Bureau and the Minnesota Farmers Union.

The commissioner of revenue shall chair the initial meeting, and the working group shall elect a chair at that initial meeting. The working group will meet at the call of the chair. Members of the working group shall serve without compensation. The commissioner of revenue must provide administrative support to the working group. Chapter 13D does not apply to meetings of the working group. Meetings of the working group must be open to the public and the working group must provide notice of a meeting to potentially interested persons at least seven days before the meeting. A meeting of the working group occurs when a quorum is present.

(c) The working group shall make its advisory recommendations to the chairs of the house of representatives and senate Taxes Committees on or before February 1, 2013, at which time the working group shall be finished and this subdivision expires. The advisory recommendations should be reviewed by the Taxes Committees under subdivision 5.

272.02 EXEMPT PROPERTY.
Subdivision 1. Exempt property described. All property described in this section to the extent limited in this section shall be exempt from taxation.

Subd. 1a. Limitations on exemptions. The exemptions granted by subdivision 1 are subject to the limits contained in the other subdivisions of this section, section 272.025, and all other provisions of applicable law.

Subd. 43. Personal property; biomass facility. (a) Notwithstanding subdivision 9, clause (a), attached machinery and other personal property, excluding transmission and distribution lines, that is part of a system that generates biomass electric energy that satisfies the mandate, in whole or in part, established in section 216B.2424, or a system that generates electric energy using waste wood, is exempt if it meets the requirements of this subdivision.

(b) The governing bodies of the county, city or town, and school district must each approve, by resolution, the exemption of the personal property under this subdivision. Each of the governing bodies shall file a copy of the resolution with the county auditor. The county auditor shall publish the resolutions in newspapers of general circulation within the county. The voters of the county may request a referendum on the proposed exemption by filing a petition within 30 days after the resolutions are published. The petition must be signed by voters who reside in the county. The number of signatures must equal at least ten percent of the number of persons voting in the county in the last general election. If such a petition is timely filed, the resolutions are not effective until they have been submitted to the voters residing in the county at a general or special election and a majority of votes cast on the question of approving the resolution are in the affirmative. The commissioner of revenue shall prepare a suggested form of question to be presented at the referendum.

(c) The exemption under this subdivision is limited to a maximum of five years, beginning with the assessment year immediately following the year during which the personal property is put in operation.

Subd. 48. Waste tire cogeneration facility; personal property. Notwithstanding subdivision 9, clause (a), attached machinery and other personal property which is part of an electric generating facility that meets the requirements of this subdivision is exempt. At the time of construction, the facility must:

1. be designed to utilize waste tires as a primary fuel source; and
2. be a cogeneration electric generating facility of 15 to 25 megawatts of installed capacity.

Construction of the facility must be commenced after January 1, 2000, and before January 1, 2004. Property eligible for this exemption does not include electric transmission lines and interconnections or gas pipelines and interconnections appurtenant to the property or the facility.

Subd. 51. Electric generation facility; personal property. Notwithstanding subdivision 9, clause (a), attached machinery and other personal property which is part of a combined cycle natural gas turbine electric generation facility of between 43 and 46 megawatts of installed capacity and that meets the requirements of this subdivision is exempt. At the time of construction, the facility must:

1. utilize a combined cycle gas turbine generator fueled by natural gas;
2. be connected to an existing 115-kilovolt high-voltage electric transmission line that is within one mile of the facility;
3. be located on an underground natural gas storage aquifer;
(4) be designed as an intermediate load facility; and
(5) have received, by resolution, the approval from the governing body of the county for the exemption of personal property under this subdivision.

Construction of the facility must be commenced after January 1, 2002, and before January 1, 2004. Property eligible for this exemption does not include electric transmission lines and interconnections or gas pipelines and interconnections appurtenant to the property or the facility.

Subd. 53. Electric generation facility; personal property. Notwithstanding subdivision 9, clause (a), attached machinery and other personal property which is part of a 3.2 megawatt run-of-the-river hydropower generation facility and that meets the requirements of this subdivision is exempt. At the time of construction, the facility must:
(1) utilize two turbine generators at a dam site existing on March 31, 1994;
(2) be located on land within 1,500 feet of a 13.8 kilovolt distribution substation; and
(3) be eligible to receive a renewable energy production incentive payment under section 216C.41.

Construction of the facility must be commenced before January 1, 2009. Property eligible for this exemption does not include electric transmission lines and interconnections or gas pipelines and interconnections appurtenant to the property or the facility.

Subd. 67. Electric generation facility; personal property. (a) Notwithstanding subdivision 9, clause (a), attached machinery and other personal property which is part of a combined-cycle combustion-turbine electric generation facility that exceeds 150 megawatts of installed capacity and that meets the requirements of this subdivision is exempt. At the time of construction, the facility must:
(1) utilize natural gas as a primary fuel;
(2) be owned by an electric generation and transmission cooperative;
(3) be located within ten miles of parallel existing 24-inch and 30-inch natural gas pipelines and a 345-kilovolt high-voltage electric transmission line;
(4) be designed to provide intermediate energy and ancillary services, and have received a certificate of need under section 216B.243, demonstrating demand for its capacity; and
(5) have received by resolution, the approval from the governing body of the county and city in which the proposed facility is to be located for the exemption of personal property under this subdivision.

(b) Construction of the facility must be commenced after January 1, 2004, and before January 1, 2009. Property eligible for this exemption does not include electric transmission lines and interconnections or gas pipelines and interconnections appurtenant to the property or the facility.

(c) The exemption under this section will take effect only if the owner of the facility enters into agreements with the governing bodies of the county and the city in which the facility is located. The agreements may include a requirement that the facility must pay a host fee to compensate the county and city for hosting the facility.

Subd. 72. Electric generation facility personal property. (a) Notwithstanding subdivision 9, clause (a), attached machinery and other personal property which is part of either a simple-cycle, combustion-turbine electric generation facility, or a combined-cycle, combustion-turbine electric generation facility that does not exceed 325 megawatts of installed capacity and that meets the requirements of this subdivision is exempt. At the time of construction, the facility must:
(1) utilize either a simple-cycle or a combined-cycle combustion-turbine generator fueled by natural gas;
(2) be connected to an existing 115-kilovolt high-voltage electric transmission line that is within two miles of the facility;
(3) be located on an underground natural gas storage aquifer;
(4) be designed as either a peaking or intermediate load facility; and
(5) have received, by resolution, the approval from the governing body of the county for the exemption of personal property under this subdivision.

(b) Construction of the facility must be commenced after January 1, 2006, and before January 1, 2008. Property eligible for this exemption does not include electric transmission lines and interconnections or gas pipelines and interconnections appurtenant to the property or the facility.

Subd. 82. Biomass electric generation facility; personal property. (a) Notwithstanding subdivision 9, clause (a), attached machinery and other personal property which is a part of an electric generation facility, including remote boilers that comprise part of the district heating system, generating up to 30 megawatts of installed capacity and that meets the requirements of this subdivision is exempt. At the time of construction, the facility must:
(1) be designed to utilize a minimum 90 percent waste biomass as a fuel;
(2) not be owned by a public utility as defined in section 216B.02, subdivision 4;
(3) be located within a city of the first class and have its primary location at a former
garbage transfer station; and
(4) be designed to have capability to provide base-load energy and district heating.
(b) Construction of the facility must be commenced after January 1, 2004, and before
January 1, 2008. Property eligible for this exemption does not include electric transmission
lines and interconnections or gas pipelines and interconnections appurtenant to the property
or the facility.

272.027 PERSONAL PROPERTY USED TO GENERATE ELECTRICITY FOR
PRODUCTION AND RESALE.
Subd. 2. Exemption for customer owned property transferred to a utility. (a) Tools,
implements, and machinery of an electric generating facility are exempt if all the following
requirements are met:
(1) the electric generating facilities were operational and met the requirements for
exemption of personal property under subdivision 1 on January 2, 1999; and
(2) the generating facility is sold to a Minnesota electric utility.
(b) Any tools, implements, and machinery installed to increase generation capacity are
also exempt under this section provided that the existing tools, implements, and machinery are
exempt under paragraph (a).

272.031 ABBREVIATIONS.
In all proceedings under chapters 270 to 284, ranges, townships, sections, or parts of a
section, blocks, lots, or parcels of lots, and dollars and cents may be designated by initial letters,
abbreviations, and figures; but "ditto marks" or the abbreviation "do" may be used only as to the
name of the owner, addition, or subdivision.

273.015 TAX COMPUTED TO NEAREST EVEN-NUMBERED CENT.
Subdivision 1. Tax computed to nearest even-numbered cent. All tax page items
computed by the county auditor for collection by the county treasurer, shall be adjusted
individually and in their aggregate to the nearest even-numbered cent. Further, all items which are
certified to the county auditor for collection by the county treasurer shall be first adjusted to the
nearest even-numbered cent by the governmental subdivision which submits such certifications.
For the purposes of this section whole odd-numbered cents shall be adjusted to the next higher
even-numbered cent.

273.03 REAL ESTATE; ASSESSMENT; METHOD.
Subd. 3. Applicability of other laws. All laws or parts of laws, now or hereafter effective,
not inconsistent with this section and sections 273.17, 275.28, and 276.01, as amended, shall
continue in full force and effect.

273.075 INSTRUCTIONAL COURSES FOR ASSESSORS AND DEPUTIES.
Personnel employed as assessors or deputies of said assessor may be enrolled in courses
approved by the commissioner of revenue and have the tuition for such course paid for from
moneys appropriated by Laws 1971, chapter 931. Such payment shall be made to the University
of Minnesota or any other college or institution conducting such an accredited course, provided
that such payment may only be made if the application is made by or approved by the taxing
district or districts for which the assessor or deputy is employed and the commissioner of revenue.
Two or more taxing districts may join together in enrolling assessors in such approved
courses.

273.1103 NET DEBT, TERMINOLOGY OF LAWS OR CHARTERS.
Net debt incurred by any political subdivision or other public corporation for which any
law or any charter provision provides a limit expressed as a percentage of the assessed value or
the full and true value of taxable property (except any adjusted assessed value determined by the
commissioner under section 273.1325) shall not exceed 33-1/3 percent of such limit until and unless such law or charter is amended to provide a different limit.

273.13 CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY.
Subd. 21a. Class rate. In this section, wherever the "class rate" of a class of property is specified without qualification as to whether it is the property's "net class rate" or its "gross class rate," the "net class rate" and "gross class rate" of that property are the same as its "class rate."

273.1383 1997 FLOOD LOSS REPLACEMENT AID.
Subdivision 1. Flood net tax capacity loss. In assessment years 1998, 1999, and 2000, the county assessor of each county listed in section 273.124, subdivision 14, paragraph (d), clause (2), shall compute a hypothetical county net tax capacity based upon market values for the current assessment year and the class rates that were in effect for assessment year 1997. The amount, if any, by which the assessment year 1997 total taxable net tax capacity exceeds the hypothetical taxable net tax capacity shall be known as the county's "flood net tax capacity loss" for the current assessment year. The county assessor of each county whose flood net tax capacity loss for the current year exceeds five percent of its assessment year 1997 total taxable net tax capacity shall certify its flood net tax capacity loss to the commissioner of revenue by August 1 of the assessment year.

Subd. 2. Flood loss aid. Each year, each county with a flood net tax capacity loss equal to or greater than five percent of its assessment year 1997 total taxable net tax capacity shall be entitled to flood loss aid equal to the flood net tax capacity loss times the county government's average local tax rate for taxes payable in 1998.

Subd. 3. Duties of commissioner. The commissioner of revenue shall determine each qualifying county's aid amount. If the sum of the aid amounts for all qualifying counties exceeds the appropriation limit, the commissioner shall proportionately reduce each county's aid amount so that the sum of county aid amounts is equal to the appropriation limit. The commissioner shall notify each county of its flood loss aid amount by August 15 of the assessment year. The commissioner shall make payments to each county on or before July 20 of the taxes payable year corresponding to the assessment year.

Subd. 4. Appropriation. An amount necessary to fund the aid amounts under this section is annually appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of revenue in fiscal years 2000, 2001, and 2002, for calendar years 1999, 2000, and 2001. The maximum amount of the appropriation is limited to $1,700,000 for fiscal year 2000 and $1,500,000 per year for fiscal years 2001 and 2002. In addition, the amount of the appropriation under Laws 1997, Second Special Session chapter 2, section 9, that the commissioner determines will not be spent for the programs under that section is available to pay the aid amounts under this section.

273.1386 2002 FLOOD LOSS; CITY REPLACEMENT AID.
Subdivision 1. Flood net tax capacity loss. The county assessor of each qualified county shall compute a hypothetical city taxable net tax capacity for each city in the county based upon market values for assessment year 2003 and the class rates that were in effect for assessment year 2002. The amount, if any, by which the assessment year 2002 total taxable net tax capacity of the city exceeds the hypothetical taxable net tax capacity of the city is the city's "flood net tax capacity loss." A county assessor of a qualified county that contains a city that has a flood net tax capacity loss that exceeds five percent of its assessment year 2002 total taxable net tax capacity shall certify the city's flood net tax capacity loss to the commissioner of revenue by August 1, 2003.

As used in this section, a "qualified county" is a county located within the area included in DR-1419.

Subd. 2. Flood loss aid. In 2004, each city with a flood net tax capacity loss equal to or greater than five percent of its assessment year 2002 total taxable net tax capacity shall be entitled to flood loss aid equal to the flood net tax capacity loss times the city's average local tax rate for taxes payable in 2003.

Subd. 3. Duties of commissioner. The commissioner of revenue shall determine each city's aid amount under this section. The commissioner shall notify each eligible city of its flood loss aid amount by August 15, 2003. The commissioner shall make payments to each city after July 1, and before July 20, 2004.

Subd. 4. Optional city expenditure. A city that receives aid under this section may choose to expend a portion of the aid received for repair of county roads located within the city.
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Subd. 5. Appropriation. The amount necessary to pay the aid amounts under this section in fiscal year 2005, for calendar year 2004, is appropriated to the commissioner of revenue from the general fund.

Subd. 6. Local government aid appropriation reduction. The appropriation under section 477A.03, subdivision 2, paragraph (d), for fiscal year 2005 is reduced by the amount appropriated under subdivision 5. The appropriation under section 477A.03, subdivision 3, paragraph (d), for fiscal year 2006 must be based on the appropriation under that paragraph in the previous year before the reduction under this subdivision.

273.1398 DISPARITY REDUCTION AID AND CREDIT.
Subd. 4b. Court expenditures; maintenance of effort. (a) Until the costs of court administration as defined under section 480.183, subdivision 3, in a county have been transferred to the state, each county in a judicial district transferring court administration costs to state funding after July 1, 2001, shall budget for the funding of these costs an amount at least equal to the certified budget amount for calendar year 2001, increased by six percent for each year from 2001 to 2003 and by eight percent from 2004 to the year of the transfer. The county shall budget, fund, and authorize expenditures not less than the amount calculated under this paragraph.

(b) By July 15, 2001, the court shall certify to each county in the judicial district its cost of court administration as defined under section 480.183, subdivision 3, based on 2001 budgets. In making that determination, the court shall exclude the budget costs of the county for the following categories:

(1) rent;
(2) examiner of titles;
(3) civil court appointed attorneys for civil matters;
(4) hospitalization costs; and
(5) cost of maintaining vital statistics.

The amount of funding provided by a county for courts that is increased by the maintenance of effort requirement may not be used by a county to pay the costs described in clauses (1) to (5).

273.80 DISTRESSED HOMESTEAD REINVESTMENT EXEMPTION.
Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms shall have the meanings given.

(b) "Substantially condition deficient" means that repairs estimated to cost at least $20,000 are necessary to restore a house to sound operating condition, according to prevailing costs of home improvements for the area.

(c) "Sound operating condition" means that a home meets minimal health and safety standards for residential occupancy under applicable housing or building codes.

(d) "Residential rehabilitation consultant" means a person who is employed by a housing services organization recognized by resolution of the city council of the city in which the property is located, and who has been trained in residential housing rehabilitation.

(e) "Census tract" means a tract defined for the 1990 federal census.

Subd. 2. Eligibility. An owner-occupied, detached, single-family dwelling is eligible for treatment under this section if it:

(1) is located in a city of the first class;
(2) is located in a census tract where the median value of owner-occupied homes is less than 80 percent of the median value of owner-occupied homes for the entire city, according to the 1998 assessment;
(3) has an estimated market value less than 60 percent of the median value of owner-occupied homes for the entire city, according to the 1998 assessment; and
(4) has been declared to be substantially condition deficient, by a residential rehabilitation consultant.

Subd. 3. Qualification. A home which meets the eligibility requirements of subdivision 2 before May 1, 2003, qualifies for the property tax exemption under subdivision 4 after a residential rehabilitation consultant certifies that the home is in sound operating condition, and that all permits necessary to make the repairs were obtained. An owner need not occupy the dwelling while the necessary repairs are being done, provided that the property is occupied prior to granting the exemption under subdivision 4. All or a part of the repairs necessary to restore the house to sound operating conditions may be done prior to the owner purchasing the property, if those repairs are done by or for a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.
Subd. 4. **Property tax exemption.** A home qualifying under subdivision 3 is exempt from all property taxes on the land and buildings for taxes payable for five consecutive years following its certification under subdivision 3, if the property is owned and occupied by the same person who owned it when the home was certified as substantially condition deficient or by the first purchaser from the 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that repaired the property. To be effective beginning with taxes payable in the following year, the certification must be made by September 1.

Subd. 5. **Assessment; record.** The assessor may require whatever information is necessary to determine eligibility for the tax exemption under this section. During the time that the property is exempt, the assessor shall continue to value the property and record its current value on the tax rolls.

### 275.77 TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF NEW OR INCREASED MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT AND MATCHING FUND REQUIREMENTS.

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** For purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given them:

1. "maintenance of effort" means a requirement imposed on a political subdivision by state law to continue providing funding of a service or program at a given or increasing level based on its funding of the service and program in prior years;
2. "matching fund requirement" means a requirement imposed on a political subdivision by state law to fund a portion of a program or service but does not mean required nonstate contributions to state capital funded projects or other nonstate contributions required in order to receive a grant or loan the political subdivision has requested or applied for; and
3. "political subdivision" means a county, town, or statutory or home rule charter city.

Subd. 2. **Temporary suspension.**

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any new maintenance of effort or matching fund requirement enacted after January 1, 2009, that will require spending by a political subdivision shall not be effective until July 1, 2011.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any changes to existing maintenance of effort or matching fund requirement enacted after January 1, 2009, that will require new spending by a political subdivision shall not be effective until July 1, 2011.

(c) The suspension of changes to existing maintenance of effort and matching fund requirements under paragraph (b) does not apply if the spending is required by federal law and there would be a cost to the state budget without the change.

### 279.32 DELINQUENT TAXES; ENTRY OF JUDGMENT IN CERTAIN CASES.

Where lands bid in for the state for delinquent taxes between the passage of Laws 1933, chapter 366, and the passage of Laws 1935, chapter 278, have not been assigned to actual purchasers, the county board of the county in which such lands are located may, at any time prior to February 1, 1945, adopt a resolution instructing the county auditor to list such lands as delinquent for taxes for 1942 and to file and docket such list with the court administrator of the district court as though said taxes for 1942 were the first delinquent taxes against said lands and judgment shall be entered and proceedings taken with reference to such lands as though the delinquent taxes for the year 1942 constituted the first instance of real estate tax delinquency with respect thereto; provided, that nothing herein contained shall impair the right of the state to enforce any lien in its favor which has accrued by reason of the delinquency or nonpayment of taxes for any year prior to the year 1942.

### 281.173 FIVE-WEEK REDEMPTION PERIOD FOR CERTAIN ABANDONED PROPERTIES.

Subd. 8. **Effective date.** This section shall apply only to tax judgment sales occurring on and after April 13, 1996.

### 281.174 FIVE-WEEK REDEMPTION PERIOD FOR CERTAIN VACANT PROPERTIES.

Subd. 8. **Effective date.** This section shall apply only to tax judgment sales occurring on and after April 13, 1996.

### 281.328 STATE ASSIGNMENT CERTIFICATES; VALIDATING.
Subdivision 1. Validation of certificates. Any state assignment certificate duly issued prior to January 1, 1972, for which the time for redemption expired as certified by the county auditor of the county issuing the certificate, and the person to whom the certificate was issued, or the person's heirs and assigns, paid the taxes on the real property described in the certificate since the date thereof, is hereby validated and legalized as against the objection that such certificate was not recorded in the office of the county recorder or registrar of titles within seven years from the date of the certificate, as provided by this chapter. Any such state assignment certificate may, after April 6, 1979, be recorded in the office of the proper county recorder or registrar of titles.

Subd. 2. Applicability. Nothing herein contained shall affect any action now pending to determine the validity of any instrument validated by this section.

282.10 REIMBURSEMENT OF PURCHASE PRICE IN CERTAIN CASES.

When, prior to the passage of Laws 1939, chapter 328, the forfeiture to the state for taxes of any parcel of land heretofore sold pursuant to Laws 1935, chapter 386, has been invalidated in a proceeding in court, the purchaser from the state, or the purchaser's assigns, shall be reimbursed out of any money in the forfeited tax sale fund for the amount of the purchase price or the portion thereof actually paid, with interest at four percent. Application for such reimbursement shall be made to the county auditor of the county where such parcel is located and shall be accompanied by a certified copy of the judgment or decree invalidating such forfeiture and a quitclaim deed from the purchaser, or the purchaser's assignee, running to the state in trust for its interested taxing districts as grantee. The county auditor shall present the instruments herein referred to, to the county attorney and, after receiving an opinion, in writing, from the county attorney that the applicant is entitled to reimbursements under this section, shall draw an order upon the county treasurer in favor of the applicant for the sum to which the applicant is entitled, which shall be paid by the treasurer out of the moneys in the forfeited tax sale fund. If there are not sufficient moneys in the fund to pay the order, money to care for the deficiency shall be temporarily transferred from the general revenue fund of the county. After such refundment is made any taxes or assessments heretofore canceled shall be reinstated and the amount of taxes and assessments that would have been levied subsequent to the date of the supposed forfeiture shall be assessed and levied against the land as omitted taxes, and the lien of the state for any such taxes or assessments may be enforced as in other cases where taxes are delinquent.

282.23 SALE OF CERTAIN LANDS FORFEITED FOR TAXES IN 1926 AND 1927.

In every case where the owner of a tract of land forfeited to the state for taxes for 1926 or 1927 has transferred, or shall hereafter transfer, to the state or to any municipal subdivision thereof all right, title, and interest in such tract of land, the same shall be subject to sale in the usual manner provided by law for the sale of land acquired by the state for taxes.

287.20 DEFINITIONS; DEED TAX.

Subd. 4. Documentary stamps. "Documentary stamps" means all stamps issued by the county for use in payment of the taxes imposed by sections 287.21 to 287.37.

287.27 PRINTING AND SALE-METERS.

Subd. 2. Tax meter machines. The county board may authorize any person to utilize a tax meter machine upon the filing of a corporate surety bond, in a suitable amount to guarantee the payment of the tax, such amount to be determined by the county board.

The county board may provide rules for the use of such a machine, supervise its operation and provide for the payment of the tax on any deed or document so stamped.

289A.56 INTEREST ON OVERPAYMENTS.

Subd. 7. Biotechnology and health sciences industry zone refunds. Notwithstanding subdivision 3, for refunds payable under section 297A.68, subdivision 38, interest is computed from 90 days after the refund claim is filed with the commissioner.

290.01 DEFINITIONS.

Subd. 4h. Mutual property and casualty insurance company. "Mutual property and casualty insurance company" includes a property and casualty insurance company that was
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converted to a stock company after December 31, 1987, and before January 1, 1994, if the company was controlled on the date of conversion by a mutual life insurance company and so long as the company continues to be controlled by a mutual life insurance company.

Subd. 19e. Depreciation modifications for corporations. In the case of corporations, a modification shall be made for the accelerated cost recovery system. The allowable deduction for the accelerated cost recovery system is the same amount as provided in section 168 of the Internal Revenue Code with the following modifications. The modifications apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1986, and to property for which deductions under the Tax Reform Act of 1986, Public Law 99-514, are elected or apply. The modifications in paragraphs (a) and (c) do not apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2000.

(a) For property placed in service after December 31, 1980, and before January 1, 1987, 40 percent of the allowance pursuant to section 168 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended through December 31, 1985, for 15-, 18-, or 19-year real property shall not be allowed and for all other property 20 percent shall not be allowed.

(b) For property placed in service after December 31, 1987, no modification shall be made.

(c) For property placed in service after July 31, 1986, and before January 1, 1987, for which the taxpayer elects the deduction pursuant to section 203 of the Tax Reform Act of 1986, Public Law 99-514, and for property placed in service after December 31, 1986, and before January 1, 1988, 15 percent of the allowance pursuant to section 168 of the Internal Revenue Code shall not be allowed.

(d) For property placed in service after December 31, 1980, and before January 1, 1987, for which the taxpayer elects to use the straight line method provided in section 168(b)(3), (f)(12), or (j)(1) or a method provided in section 168(o)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended through December 31, 1986, but excluding property for which the taxpayer elects the deduction pursuant to section 203 of the Tax Reform Act of 1986, Public Law 99-514, the modifications provided in paragraph (a) do not apply.

(e) For taxable years beginning before January 1, 2001, for property subject to the modifications contained in paragraphs (a) and (c) and Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 290.09, subdivision 7, clause (c), the following modification shall be made after the entire amount of the allowable deduction has been allowed for federal tax purposes for that property under the provisions of section 168 of the Internal Revenue Code. The remaining depreciable basis in those assets for Minnesota purposes, including the amount of any basis reduction to reflect the investment tax credit for federal purposes under sections 48(q) and 49(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, shall be a depreciation allowance computed using the straight line method over the following number of years:

(1) three-year property, one year;
(2) five-year and seven-year property, two years;
(3) ten-year property, five years; and
(4) all other property, seven years.

(f) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2000, the amount of any remaining modification made under paragraph (a) or (c) or Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 290.09, subdivision 7, clause (c), not previously deducted under paragraph (e), including the amount of any basis reduction to reflect the federal investment tax credit for federal purposes under sections 48(q) and 49(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, is a depreciation allowance in the first taxable year after December 31, 2000.

(g) For taxable years beginning before January 1, 2001, and for property placed in service after December 31, 1987, the remaining depreciable basis for Minnesota purposes that is attributable to the basis reduction for federal purposes to reflect the investment tax credit under sections 48(q) and 49(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, shall be allowed as a deduction in the first taxable year after the entire amount of the allowable deduction for that property under the provisions of section 168 of the Internal Revenue Code, has been allowed, except that where the straight line method provided in section 168(b)(3) is used, the deduction provided in this clause shall be allowed in the last taxable year in which an allowance for depreciation is allowed for that property.

(h) For qualified timber property for which the taxpayer made an election under section 194 of the Internal Revenue Code, the remaining depreciable basis for Minnesota purposes is allowed as a deduction in the first taxable year after the entire allowable deduction has been allowed for federal tax purposes.

(i) The basis of property to which section 168 of the Internal Revenue Code applies is its basis as provided in this chapter including the modifications provided in this subdivision and in Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 290.09, subdivision 7, paragraph (c). The recapture tax
provisions provided in sections 1245 and 1250 of the Internal Revenue Code apply but must be calculated using the basis provided in the preceding sentence.

(j) The basis of an asset acquired in an exchange of assets, including an involuntary conversion, is the same as its federal basis under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, except that the difference in basis due to the modifications in this subdivision and in Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 290.09, subdivision 7, paragraph (c), is a deduction as provided in paragraph (e).

Subd. 20e. **Modification in computing taxable income of the estate of a decedent.** Amounts allowable under section 2053 or 2054 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 in computing federal estate tax liability shall not be allowed as a deduction (or as an offset against the sales price of property in determining gain or loss) in computing the taxable income of the estate or any person unless an election is made for federal income tax purposes under section 642(g) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954. The election made for federal tax purposes under section 642(g) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 is binding for Minnesota tax purposes.

**290.06 RATES OF TAX; CREDITS.**

Subd. 30. **Biotechnology and health science industry zone job credit.** A taxpayer that is a qualified business, as defined in section 469.330, subdivision 11, is allowed a credit as determined under section 469.338 against the franchise tax imposed under section 290.06, subdivision 1, or the alternative minimum tax imposed under section 290.0921.

Subd. 31. **Biotechnology and health science industry zone research and development credit.** A taxpayer that is a qualified business, as defined in section 469.330, subdivision 11, is allowed a credit as determined under section 469.339 against the franchise tax imposed under section 290.06, subdivision 1, or the alternative minimum tax imposed under section 290.0921.

**290.0674 MINNESOTA EDUCATION CREDIT.**

Subd. 3. **Reduction by alternative minimum tax liability.** The amount of the credit allowed must be reduced by the amount of the taxpayer's liability under section 290.091, determined before the credit allowed by this section is subtracted from regular tax liability.

**290.191 APPORTIONMENT OF NET INCOME.**

Subd. 4. **Appportionment formula for certain mail order businesses.** If the business of a corporation, partnership, or proprietorship consists exclusively of the selling of tangible personal property and services at retail, as defined in section 297A.61, subdivision 4, paragraph (a), in response to orders received by United States mail, telephone, facsimile, or other electronic media, and 99 percent of the taxpayer's property and payroll is within Minnesota, then the taxpayer may apportion net income to Minnesota based solely upon the percentage that the sales made within this state in connection with its trade or business during the tax period are of the total sales wherever made in connection with the trade or business during the tax period. Property and payroll factors are disregarded. In determining eligibility for this subdivision:

1. the sale not in the ordinary course of business of tangible or intangible assets used in conducting business activities must be disregarded; and
2. property and payroll at a distribution center outside of Minnesota are disregarded if the sole activity at the distribution center is the filling of orders, and no solicitation of orders occurs at the distribution center.

**290.33 TAXABLE YEAR EXTENDING INTO CALENDAR YEARS AFFECTED BY DIFFERENT LAWS.**

The tax imposed on a taxpayer for a period beginning in one calendar year, hereinafter called "first calendar year," and ending in the following calendar year, hereinafter called "second calendar year," when the law applicable to the first calendar year is different from the law applicable to the second calendar year, shall be the sum of (1) that proportion of a tax for the entire period, computed under the law applicable to the first calendar year, which the portion of such period falling within the first calendar year is of the entire period, and (2) that proportion of a tax for the entire period, computed under the law applicable to the second calendar year, which the portion of such period falling within the second calendar year is of the entire period.

**290C.02 DEFINITIONS.**
Subd. 5. **Current use value.** "Current use value" means the statewide average annual income per acre, multiplied by 90 percent and divided by the capitalization rate determined under subdivision 9. The statewide net annual income shall be a weighted average based on the most recent data as of July 1 of the computation year on stumpage prices and annual tree growth rates and acreage by cover type provided by the Department of Natural Resources and the United States Department of Agriculture Forest Service North Central Research Station.

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Subd. 9. **Capitalization rate.** By July 1 of each year, the commissioner shall determine a statewide capitalization rate for use under this chapter. The rate shall be the average annual effective interest rate for St. Paul on new loans under the Farm Credit Bank system calculated under section 2032A(e)(7)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Subd. 9. **Capitalization rate.** By July 1 of each year, the commissioner shall determine a statewide capitalization rate for use under this chapter. The rate shall be the average annual effective interest rate for St. Paul on new loans under the Farm Credit Bank system calculated under section 2032A(e)(7)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code.

**290C.06 CALCULATION OF AVERAGE ESTIMATED MARKET VALUE; MANAGED FOREST LAND.**

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**295.52 TAXES IMPOSED.**

Subd. 7. **Tax reduction.** Notwithstanding subdivisions 1, 1a, 2, 3, and 4, the tax imposed under this section equals for calendar years 1998 to 2003, 1.5 percent of the gross revenues received on or after January 1, 1998, and before January 1, 2004.

**297A.666 AMNESTY FOR REGISTRATION.**

Subdivision 1. **Amnesty provisions.** Subject to the limitations of subdivision 2:

1. this state shall provide amnesty for uncollected or unpaid sales or use tax to a seller who registers to pay or to collect and remit applicable sales or use tax on sales made to purchasers in this state in accordance with the terms of the streamlined sales and use tax agreement, provided that the seller was not so registered in this state in the 12-month period preceding the effective date of the state's participation in the agreement; and

2. the amnesty shall preclude assessment for uncollected or unpaid sales or use tax together with penalty or interest for sales made during the period the seller was not registered in this state, provided registration occurs within 12 months of the effective date of the state's participation in the agreement.

Subd. 2. **Limitations.** (a) The amnesty is not available to a seller with respect to any matter or matters for which the seller received notice of the commencement of an audit and the audit is not yet finally resolved, including any related administrative and judicial processes.

(b) The amnesty is not available for sales or use taxes already paid or remitted to this state or to taxes collected by the seller.

(c) The amnesty is fully effective, absent the seller's fraud or intentional misrepresentation of a material fact, as long as the seller continues registration and continues payment or collection and remittance of applicable sales or use taxes for a period of at least 36 months. The statute of
limitations provisions of chapter 289A applicable to asserting a sales or use tax liability must be
tolled during this 36-month period.

(d) The amnesty is applicable only to sales or use taxes due from a seller in its capacity as
a seller and not to sales or use taxes due from a seller in its capacity as a buyer.

297A.68 BUSINESS EXEMPTIONS.

Subd. 38. Biotechnology and health sciences industry zone. (a) Purchases of tangible
personal property or taxable services by a qualified business, as defined in section 469.330, are
exempt if the property or services are primarily used or consumed in a biotechnology and health
sciences industry zone designated under section 469.334.

(b) Purchase and use of construction materials and supplies used or consumed in, and
equipment incorporated into, the construction of improvements to real property in a biotechnology
and health sciences industry zone are exempt if the improvements after completion of construction
are to be used in the conduct of a qualified business, as defined in section 469.330. This exemption
applies regardless of whether the purchases are made by the business or a contractor.

(c) The exemptions under this subdivision apply to a local sales and use tax regardless of
whether the local sales tax is imposed on the sales taxable as defined under this chapter.

(d)(1) The tax on sales of goods or services exempted under this subdivision are imposed
and collected as if the applicable rate under section 297A.62 applied. Upon application by the
purchaser, on forms prescribed by the commissioner, a refund equal to the tax paid must be paid to
the purchaser. The application must include sufficient information to permit the commissioner
to verify the sales tax paid and the eligibility of the claimant to receive the credit. No more than
two applications for refunds may be filed under this subdivision in a calendar year. The provisions
of section 289A.40 apply to the refunds payable under this subdivision.

(2) The amount required to make the refunds is annually appropriated to the commissioner
of revenue.

(3) The aggregate amount refunded to a qualified business must not exceed the amount
allocated to the qualified business under section 469.335.

(e) This subdivision applies only to sales made during the duration of the designation of
the zone.

297A.71 CONSTRUCTION EXEMPTIONS.

Subd. 4. Lake Superior Center. Building materials and supplies for construction of the
Lake Superior Center are exempt.

Subd. 5. Science Museum. Building materials and supplies for construction of the Science
Museum of Minnesota are exempt.

Subd. 7. Alfalfa processing facility. Building materials and supplies for constructing a
facility that either develops market-value agricultural products made from alfalfa leaf material, or
produces biomass energy fuel or electricity from alfalfa stems in accordance with the biomass
mandate imposed under section 216B.2424 are exempt if the total capital investment made in the
value-added agricultural products and biomass electric generation facilities is at least $50,000,000.

Subd. 9. Direct satellite broadcasting facility. Building materials and supplies for
constructing a new facility in Minnesota for providing Federal Communications Commission
licensed direct satellite broadcasting services using direct broadcast satellites operating in the
12-GHz. band or fixed satellite regional or national program services, as defined in section 272.02,
subdivision 16, are exempt if construction of the facility was commenced after June 30, 1993. All
machinery, equipment, tools, accessories, appliances, contrivances, furniture, fixtures, and all
technical equipment or tangible personal property of any other nature or description necessary to
the construction and equipping of that facility in order to provide those services are also exempt.

Subd. 10. Aircraft heavy maintenance facility. Materials, equipment, and supplies used
or consumed in constructing a heavy maintenance facility for aircraft that is to be owned by
the state of Minnesota or one of its political subdivisions and leased by an airline company
is exempt. Except for equipment owned or leased by a contractor, all machinery, equipment,
and tools necessary to the construction and equipping of that facility in order to provide those
services are also exempt.

Subd. 17. Environmental learning center. Construction materials and supplies are exempt
if they are used or consumed in constructing or improving the Long Lake Conservation Center
pursuant to the funding provided under Laws 1994, chapter 643, section 23, subdivision 28,
as amended by Laws 1995, First Special Session chapter 2, article 1, section 48; Laws 1996,
chapter 463, section 7, subdivision 26; and Laws 1997, chapter 246, section 24. The tax must be
calculated and paid as if the rate in section 297A.62, subdivision 1, was in effect and a refund applied for in the manner prescribed in section 297A.75.

Subd. 18. Soybean oileseed processing and refining facility. Construction materials and supplies are exempt if:
   (1) the materials and supplies are used or consumed in constructing a facility for soybean oileseed processing and refining;
   (2) the total capital investment made in the facility is at least $60,000,000; and
   (3) the facility is constructed by a Minnesota-based cooperative organized under chapter 308A.

Subd. 20. Construction materials and supplies; beef processing facility. Materials and supplies used or consumed in, and equipment incorporated into, the expansion, remodeling, or improvement of a facility used for cattle slaughtering are exempt if:
   (1) the cost of the project is expected to exceed $15,000,000;
   (2) the expansion, remodeling, or improvement of the facility will be used to fabricate beef;
   (3) the number of jobs at the facility is expected to increase by at least 150 when the project is completed; and
   (4) the project is expected to be completed by December 31, 2001.

Subd. 32. Walker Art Center. Materials, equipment, and supplies used or consumed in construction of the Walker Art Center are exempt if more than $70,000,000 is raised from private sources to pay for a portion of the costs of the project.

Subd. 41. Construction materials; meat processing facility. Materials and supplies used or consumed in, and equipment incorporated into, the construction or improvement of a meat processing facility are exempt. This facility must be constructed to replace a meat processing facility destroyed in a fire in April 2009, that employed more than 200 employees at the time of the destruction. The tax must be imposed and collected as if the rate under section 297A.62, subdivision 1, applied and then refunded after June 30, 2011, in the manner provided in section 297A.75.

297F.08 CIGARETTE STAMPS.

Subd. 11. Railroad or sleeping car company as a distributor. The commissioner may authorize a railroad or sleeping car company licensed as a distributor to sell cigarettes on its cars without affixing stamps to the packages, provided that monthly reports and payments of the tax due subject to the discount in subdivision 7 must be made directly to the commissioner in the manner and under the terms provided for by the commissioner. Only one distributor's license need be obtained by each railroad or sleeping car company to permit it to sell cigarettes on any or all of its cars within the state.

297H.10 ADMINISTRATION; ENFORCEMENT; PENALTY.

Subd. 2. Penalty. If the form prescribed by the commissioner of revenue for remitting the tax is the sales tax return, a penalty is imposed on a person or political subdivision who fails to separately report the amount of tax due under this chapter. The specified penalties are ten percent for the first violation and 20 percent for the second and subsequent violations. The penalty applies only to that portion of the tax that should have been reported on the separate lines for the tax due under this chapter and that was included on other lines of the sales tax return.

469.174 DEFINITIONS.

Subd. 10c. Compact development district. "Compact development district" means a type of tax increment financing district consisting of a project, or portions of a project, within which the authority finds by resolution that the following conditions are satisfied:
   (1) parcels consisting of 70 percent of the area of the district are occupied by buildings or similar structures that are classified as class 3a property under section 273.13, subdivision 24; and
   (2) the planned redevelopment or development of the district, when completed, will increase the total square footage of buildings, classified as class 3a under section 273.13, subdivision 24, occupying the district by three times or more relative to the square footage of similar buildings occupying the district when the resolution was approved.

469.175 ESTABLISHING, CHANGING PLAN, ANNUAL ACCOUNTS.
Subd. 2b. **Compact development districts; sunset.** The authority to establish or approve the tax increment financing plan for a new compact development district expires on June 30, 2012.

**469.176 LIMITATIONS.**

Subd. 1i. **Compact development districts.** Tax increments derived from a compact development district may be used only to pay:

1. administrative expenses up to the amount permitted under subdivision 3;
2. the cost of acquiring land located in the district or abutting the boundary of the district;
3. demolition and removal of buildings or other improvements and other site preparation costs for lands located in the district or abutting the boundary of the district; and
4. installation of public infrastructure or public improvements serving the district, but excluding the costs of streets, roads, highways, parking, or other public improvements primarily designed to serve private passenger motor vehicles.

**469.1764 PRE-1982 DISTRICTS; POOLING RULES.**

Subdivision 1. **Scope; application.** (a) This section applies to a tax increment financing district or area added to a district, if the request for certification of the district or the area added to the district was made after July 31, 1979, and before July 1, 1982.

(b) This section, section 469.1763, subdivision 6, and any special law applying to the district are the exclusive authority to spend tax increments on activities located outside of the geographic area of a tax increment financing district that is subject to this section.

(c) This section does not apply to increments from a district that is subject to the provisions of this section, if:

1. the district was decertified before the enactment of this section and all increments spent on activities located outside of the geographic area of the district were repaid and distributed as excess increments under section 469.176, subdivision 2; or
2. the use of increments on activities located outside of the geographic area of the district consists solely of payment of debt service on bonds under section 469.129, subdivision 2, before its repeal, and any bonds issued to refund bonds issued under that subdivision.

Subd. 2. **State auditor notification.** By August 1, 1999, the state auditor shall notify in writing each authority for which the auditor has records that the authority has a district subject to this section.

Subd. 3. **Ratification of past spending.** The following expenditures of increments on activities located outside of the geographic area of a district subject to this section are permitted:

1. expenditures made before the earlier of (i) notification by the state auditor or (ii) December 31, 1999; and
2. expenditures to pay preexisting outside district obligations.

Subd. 4. **Decertification required.** (a) The provisions of this subdivision apply to any tax increment financing district subject to this section, if increments from the district were used on activities located outside of the geographic area of the district.

(b) After December 31, 1999, any tax increments received by the authority from a district subject to this subdivision may be expended only to pay:

1. preexisting in-district obligations;
2. preexisting outside district obligations; and
3. administrative expenses.

After all preexisting obligations have been paid or defeased, the district must be decertified and any remaining increments distributed as excess increments under section 469.176, subdivision 2.

Subd. 5. **Definitions.** (a) "Notification by the state auditor" means the receipt by the authority or the municipality of the final written notification from the state auditor that its expenditures of increments from the district on activities located outside of the geographic area of the district were not in compliance with state law.

(b) "Preexisting outside district obligations" means:

1. bonds secured by increments from a district subject to this section and used to finance activities outside the geographic area of the district, if the bonds were issued and the pledge of increment was made before the earlier of (i) notification by the state auditor, or (ii) April 1, 1999;
2. bonds issued to refund bonds qualifying under clause (1), if the refunding bonds do not increase the total amount of tax increments required to pay the refunded bonds; and

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(3) binding written agreements secured by the increments from the district subject to this section and used to finance activities outside the geographic area of the district, if the agreement was entered before the earlier of (i) notification by the state auditor or (ii) May 1, 1999.

(c) "Preexisting in-district obligations" means:

(1) bonds secured by increments from a district subject to this section and not used to finance activities outside of the geographic area of the district, if the bonds were issued and the pledge of increments was made before April 1, 1999;

(2) bonds issued to refund bonds qualifying under clause (1), if the refunding bonds do not increase the total amount of tax increments required to pay the refunded bonds; and

(3) binding written agreements secured by increments from a district subject to this section and not used to finance activities outside of the geographic area of the district, if the agreements were entered into and the pledge of increments was made before June 30, 1999.

469.177 COMPUTATION OF TAX INCREMENT.

Subd. 10. Payment to school for referendum levy. (a) The provisions of this subdivision apply to tax increment financing districts and projects for which certification was requested before May 1, 1988, that are located in a school district in which the voters have approved new local tax rates or an increase in local tax rates after the tax increment financing district was certified.

(b)(1) If there are no outstanding bonds on May 1, 1988, to which increment from the district is pledged, or if the referendum is approved after May 1, 1988, and there are no bonds outstanding at the time the referendum is approved, that were issued before May 1, 1988, the authority must annually pay to the school district an amount of increment equal to the increment that is attributable to the increase in the local tax rate under the referendum.

(2) If clause (1) does not apply, upon approval by a majority vote of the governing body of the municipality and the school board, the authority must pay to the school district an amount of increment equal to the increment that is attributable to the increase in the local tax rate under the referendum.

(c) The amounts of these increments may be expended and must be treated by the school district in the same manner as provided for the revenues derived from the referendum levy approved by the voters. The provisions of this subdivision apply to projects for which certification was requested before, on, and after August 1, 1979.

469.330 DEFINITIONS.

Subdivision 1. Scope. For purposes of sections 469.330 to 469.341, the following terms have the meanings given.

Subd. 2. Applicant. "Applicant" means a local government unit or units applying for designation of an area as a biotechnology and health sciences industry zone or a joint powers board, established under section 471.59, acting on behalf of two or more local government units.

Subd. 3. Biotechnology and health sciences industry facility. "Biotechnology and health sciences industry facility" means one or more facilities or operations involved in:

(1) researching, developing, and/or manufacturing a biotechnology product or service or a biotechnology-related health sciences product or service;

(2) researching, developing, and/or manufacturing a biotechnology medical device product or service or a biotechnology-related medical device product or service; or

(3) promoting, supplying, or servicing a facility or operation involved in clause (1) or (2), if the business derives more than 50 percent of its gross receipts from those activities.

Subd. 4. Commissioner. "Commissioner" means the commissioner of employment and economic development.

Subd. 5. Development plan. "Development plan" means a plan meeting the requirements of section 469.331.

Subd. 6. Biotechnology and health sciences industry zone or zone. "Biotechnology and health sciences industry zone" or "zone" means a zone designated by the commissioner under section 469.334.

Subd. 7. Biotechnology and health sciences industry zone percentage or zone percentage. "Biotechnology and health sciences industry zone percentage" or "zone percentage" means the following fraction reduced to a percentage:

(1) the numerator of the fraction is:

(i) the ratio of the taxpayer's property factor under section 290.191 located in the zone for the taxable year over the property factor numerator determined under section 290.191, plus
(ii) the ratio of the taxpayer's biotechnology and health sciences industry zone payroll factor under subdivision 8 over the payroll factor numerator determined under section 290.191; and

(2) the denominator of the fraction is two.

When calculating the zone percentage for a business that is part of a unitary business as defined under section 290.17, subdivision 4, the denominator of the payroll and property factors is the Minnesota payroll and property of the unitary business as reported on the combined report under section 290.17, subdivision 4, paragraph (j).

**Subd. 8. Biotechnology and health sciences industry zone payroll factor.** "Biotechnology and health sciences industry zone payroll factor" or "biotechnology and health sciences industry zone payroll" is that portion of the payroll factor under section 290.191 that represents:

(1) wages or salaries paid to an individual for services performed for a qualified business in a biotechnology and health sciences industry zone; or

(2) wages or salaries paid to individuals working from offices of a qualified business within a biotechnology and health sciences industry zone if their employment requires them to work outside the zone and the work is incidental to the work performed by the individual within the zone.

**Subd. 9. Local government unit.** "Local government unit" means a statutory or home rule charter city, county, town, or school district.

**Subd. 10. Person.** "Person" includes an individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, association, or any other entity.

**Subd. 11. Qualified business.** (a) "Qualified business" means a person carrying on a trade or business at a biotechnology and health sciences industry facility located within a biotechnology and health sciences industry zone. A person is a qualified business only on those parcels of land for which it has entered into a business subsidy agreement, as required under section 469.333, with the appropriate local government unit in which the parcels are located.

(b) A person that relocates a biotechnology and health sciences industry facility from outside a biotechnology and health sciences industry zone into a zone is not a qualified business, unless the business:

(1) increases full-time employment in the first full year of operation within the biotechnology and health sciences industry zone by at least 20 percent measured relative to the operations that were relocated and maintains the required level of employment for each year the zone designation applies; or

(2) makes a capital investment in the property located within a zone equivalent to ten percent of the gross revenues of operation that were relocated in the immediately preceding taxable year; and

(2) enters a binding written agreement with the commissioner that:

(i) pledges the business will meet the requirements of clause (1);

(ii) provides for repayment of all tax benefits enumerated under section 469.336 to the business under the procedures in section 469.340, if the requirements of clause (1) are not met; and

(iii) contains any other terms the commissioner determines appropriate.

**Subd. 12. Relocates.** (a) "Relocates" means that the trade or business:

(1) ceases one or more operations or functions at another location in Minnesota and begins performing substantially the same operations or functions at a location in a biotechnology and health sciences industry zone; or

(2) reduces employment at another location in Minnesota during a period starting one year before and ending one year after it begins operations in a biotechnology and health sciences industry zone and its employees in the biotechnology and health sciences industry zone are engaged in the same line of business as the employees at the location where it reduced employment.

(b) "Relocate" does not include an expansion by a business that establishes a new facility that does not replace or supplant an existing operation or employment, in whole or in part.

**469.331 DEVELOPMENT PLAN.**

(a) An applicant for designation of a biotechnology and health sciences industry zone must adopt a written development plan for the zone before submitting the application to the commissioner.

(b) The development plan must contain, at least, the following:

(1) a map of the proposed zone that indicates the geographic boundaries of the zone, the total area, and present use and conditions generally of the land and structures within those boundaries;
(2) evidence of community support and commitment from local government, local workforce investment boards, school districts, and other education institutions, business groups, and the public;

(3) a description of the methods proposed to increase economic opportunity and expansion, facilitate infrastructure improvement, reduce the local regulatory burden, and identify job-training opportunities;

(4) current social, economic, and demographic characteristics of the proposed zone and anticipated improvements in education, health, human services, and employment if the zone is created;

(5) a description of anticipated activity in the zone and each subzone, including, but not limited to, industrial use and industrial site reuse;

(6) a description of the tax exemptions under section 469.336 to be provided to each qualifying business based on a development agreement between the applicant and each qualified business. The development agreement must also state any obligations the qualified business must fulfill in order to be eligible for tax benefits; and

(7) any other information required by the commissioner.

469.332 ZONE LIMITS.

Subdivision 1. Maximum size. A biotechnology and health sciences industry zone may not exceed 5,000 acres.

Subd. 2. Subzones. The area of a biotechnology and health sciences industry zone may consist of one or more noncontiguous areas or subzones.

Subd. 3. Duration limit. The maximum duration of a zone is 12 years. The applicant may request a shorter duration. The commissioner may specify a shorter duration, regardless of the requested duration.

469.333 APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION.

Subdivision 1. Who may apply. One or more local government units, or a joint powers board under section 471.59, acting on behalf of two or more units, may apply for designation of an area as a biotechnology and health sciences industry zone. All or part of the area proposed for designation as a zone must be located within the boundaries of each of the governmental units. A local government unit may not submit or have submitted on its behalf more than one application for designation of a biotechnology and health sciences industry zone.

Subd. 2. Application content. The application must include:

(1) a development plan meeting the requirements of section 469.331;

(2) the proposed duration of the zone, not to exceed 12 years;

(3) a resolution or ordinance adopted by each of the cities or towns and the counties in which the zone is located, agreeing to provide all of the local sales and use tax exemptions provided under section 469.336;

(4) an agreement by the applicant to treat incentives provided under the zone designation as business subsidies under sections 116J.993 to 116J.995 and to comply with the requirements of that law; and

(5) supporting evidence to allow the commissioner to evaluate the application under the criteria in section 469.334.

469.334 DESIGNATION OF ZONE.

Subdivision 1. Commissioner to designate. (a) The commissioner, in consultation with the commissioner of revenue and the director of the Office of Strategic and Long-Range Planning, may designate biotechnology and health sciences industry zones. Priority must be given to applicants with a development plan that links a higher education/research institution with a biotechnology and health sciences industry facility.

(b) The commissioner may consult with the applicant prior to the designation of the zone. The commissioner may modify the development plan, including the boundaries of the zone or subzones, if in the commissioner's opinion a modified plan would better meet the objectives of the biotechnology and health sciences industry zone program. The commissioner shall notify the applicant of the modifications and provide a statement of the reasons for the modifications.

Subd. 2. Need indicators. (a) In evaluating applications to determine the need for designation of a biotechnology and health sciences industry zone, the commissioner shall consider the following factors as indicators of need:
(1) the extent to which land in proximity to a significant scientific research institution could be developed as a higher and better use for biotechnology and health sciences industry facilities;

(2) the amount of property in or near the zone that is deteriorated or underutilized; and

(3) the extent to which property in the area would remain underdeveloped or nonperforming due to physical characteristics.

(b) The commissioner may require applicants to provide data to demonstrate how the area meets one or more of the indicators of need.

Subd. 3. **Success indicators.** In determining the likelihood of success of a proposed zone, the commissioner shall consider:

(1) applicants that show a viable link between a higher education/research institution, the biotechnology and/or medical devices business sectors, and one or more units of local government with a development plan;

(2) the extent to which the area has substantial real property with adequate infrastructure and energy to support new or expanded development;

(3) the strength and viability of the proposed development goals, objectives, and strategies in the development plan;

(4) whether the development plan is creative and innovative in comparison to other applications;

(5) local public and private commitment to development of a biotechnology and health sciences industry facility or facilities in the proposed zone and the potential cooperation of surrounding communities;

(6) existing resources available to the proposed zone;

(7) how the designation of the zone would relate to other economic and community development projects and to regional initiatives or programs;

(8) how the regulatory burden will be eased for biotechnology and health sciences industry facilities located in the proposed zone;

(9) proposals to establish and link job creation and job training in the biotechnology and health sciences industry with research/educational institutions; and

(10) the extent to which the development is directed at encouraging, and that designation of the zone is likely to result in, the creation of high-paying jobs.

Subd. 4. **Designation schedule.** (a) The schedule in paragraphs (b) to (e) applies to the designation of the first biotechnology and health sciences industry zone.

(b) The commissioner shall publish the form for applications and any procedural, form, or content requirements for applications by no later than August 1, 2003. The commissioner may publish these requirements on the Internet, in the State Register, or by any other means the commissioner determines appropriate to disseminate the information to potential applicants for designation.

(c) Applications must be submitted by October 15, 2003.

(d) The commissioner shall designate the zones by no later than December 31, 2003.

(e) The designation of the zones takes effect January 1, 2004.

(f) Additional zones may be designated in later years, only after the commissioner of employment and economic development has established criteria for expanding the number of zones. The criteria must limit designating a new zone to a community that has adequate resources and infrastructure to support bioindustry, including postsecondary institutions, strong health care systems, and existing bioscience companies. It must also require that a new zone be located on a transportation corridor.

**469.335 APPLICATION FOR TAX BENEFITS.**

(a) To claim a tax credit or exemption against a state tax under section 469.336, a business must apply to the commissioner for a tax credit certificate. As a condition of its application, the business must agree to furnish information to the commissioner that is sufficient to verify the eligibility for any credits or exemptions claimed. The total amount of the state tax credits and exemptions allowed for the specified period may not exceed the amount of the tax credit certificates provided by the commissioner to the business. The commissioner must verify to the commissioner of revenue the amount of tax exemptions or credits for which each business is eligible.

(b) A tax credit certificate issued under this section may specify the particular tax exemptions or credits against a state tax that the qualified business is eligible to claim under section 469.336, and the amount of each exemption or credit allowed.
(c) The commissioner may issue $1,000,000 of tax credits or exemptions in fiscal year 2004. Any tax credits or exemptions not awarded in fiscal year 2004 may be awarded in fiscal year 2005.

(d) A qualified business must use the tax credits or tax exemptions granted under this section by the later of the end of the state fiscal year or the taxpayer's tax year in which the credits or exemptions are granted.

469.336 TAX INCENTIVES AVAILABLE IN ZONES.
Qualified businesses that operate in a biotechnology and health sciences industry zone, individuals who invest in a qualified business that operates in a biotechnology and health sciences industry zone, and property of a qualified business located in a biotechnology and health sciences industry zone qualify for:

1. exemption from corporate franchise taxes as provided under section 469.337;
2. exemption from the state sales and use tax and any local sales and use taxes on qualifying purchases as provided in sections 297A.68, subdivision 38;
3. research and development credits as provided under section 469.339;
4. jobs credits as provided under section 469.338.

469.337 CORPORATE FRANCHISE TAX EXEMPTION.
(a) A qualified business is exempt from taxation under section 290.02, the alternative minimum tax under section 290.0921, and the minimum fee under section 290.0922, on the portion of its income attributable to operations of a qualified business within the biotechnology and health sciences industry zone. This exemption is determined as follows:

1. for purposes of the tax imposed under section 290.02, by multiplying its taxable net income by its zone percentage and subtracting the result in determining taxable income;
2. for purposes of the alternative minimum tax under section 290.0921, by multiplying its alternative minimum taxable income by its zone percentage and reducing alternative minimum taxable income by this amount; and
3. for purposes of the minimum fee under section 290.0922, by excluding zone property and payroll from the computations of the fee. The qualified business is exempt from the minimum fee if all of its property is located in the zone and all of its payroll is zone payroll.
(b) No subtraction is allowed under this section in excess of 20 percent of the sum of the corporation's biotechnology and health sciences industry zone payroll and the adjusted basis of the property at the time that the property is first used in the biotechnology and health sciences industry zone by the corporation.
(c) No reduction in tax is allowed in excess of the amount allocated under section 469.335.

469.338 JOBS CREDIT.
Subdivision 1. Credit allowed. A qualified business is allowed a credit against the taxes imposed under chapter 290.

The credit equals seven percent of the:
1. lesser of:
   (i) zone payroll for the taxable year, less the zone payroll for the base year; or
   (ii) total Minnesota payroll for the taxable year, less total Minnesota payroll for the base year; minus
2. $30,000 multiplied by the number of full-time equivalent employee positions that the qualified business employs in the biotechnology and health sciences industry zone for the taxable year, minus the number of full-time equivalent employees the business employed in the zone in the base year, but not less than zero.

Subd. 2. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the meaning given.

(b) "Base year" means the taxable year beginning during the calendar year in which the commissioner designated the zone.

(c) "Full-time equivalent employee position" means the equivalent of annualized expected hours of work equal to 2,080 hours.

(d) "Minnesota payroll" means the wages or salaries attributed to Minnesota under section 290.191, subdivision 12, for the qualified business or the unitary business of which the qualified business is a part, whichever is greater.

(e) "Zone payroll" means wages or salaries used to determine the zone payroll factor for the qualified business.
Subd. 3. Inflation adjustment. For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2004, the dollar amount in subdivision 1, clause (2), is annually adjusted for inflation. The commissioner of revenue shall adjust the amount by the percentage determined under section 290.06, subdivision 2d, for the taxable year.

Subd. 4. Refundable. If the amount of the credit calculated under this section and allocated to the qualified business under section 469.335 exceeds the liability for tax under chapter 290, the commissioner of revenue shall refund the excess to the qualified business.

469.339 CREDIT FOR MORE RESEARCH IN ZONE.

Subdivision 1. Credit allowed. A corporation, other than a corporation treated as an "S" corporation under section 290.9725, is allowed a credit against the portion of the franchise tax computed under section 290.06, subdivision 1, for the taxable year equal to:

1) five percent of the first $2,000,000 of the excess (if any) of (i) the qualified research expenses for the taxable year, over (ii) the base amount; and

2) 2.5 percent of all such excess expenses over $2,000,000.

Subd. 2. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given.

(b) "Qualified research expenses" means qualified research expenses and basic research payments as defined in section 41(b) and (e) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(c) "Qualified research" means activities in the fields of biotechnology or health sciences that are "qualified research" as defined in section 41(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, except that the term does not include qualified research conducted outside the biotechnology and health sciences industry zone.

(d) "Base amount" means base amount as defined in section 41(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, except that the average annual gross receipts must be calculated using Minnesota sales or receipts under section 290.191 and the definitions contained in paragraphs (b) and (c) apply.

(e) "Liability for tax" for purposes of this section means the tax imposed under this chapter for the taxable year reduced by the sum of the nonrefundable credits allowed under this chapter.

Subd. 3. Refundable credit. If the credit determined under this section and allocated to the taxpayer under section 469.335 for the taxable year exceeds the taxpayer's liability for tax for the year, the commissioner shall refund the difference to the taxpayer.

Subd. 4. Partnerships. For partnerships, the credit is allocated in the same manner provided by section 41(f)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Subd. 5. Adjustments; acquisitions and dispositions. If a taxpayer acquires or disposes of the major portion of a trade or business or the major portion of a separate unit of a trade or business in a transaction with another taxpayer, the taxpayer's qualified research expenses and base amount are adjusted in the same manner provided by section 41(f)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Subd. 6. Interaction; regular research credit. Any amount used to calculate a credit under this section may not be used to generate a credit under section 290.068.

469.340 REPAYMENT OF TAX BENEFITS.

Subdivision 1. Repayment obligation. A business must repay the amount of the tax reduction listed in section 469.336 and any refunds under sections 469.338 and 469.339 in excess of tax liability, received during the two years immediately before it ceased to operate in the zone, if the business:

1) received tax reductions authorized by section 469.336; and

2)(i) did not meet the goals specified in an agreement entered into with the applicant that states any obligation the qualified business must fulfill in order to be eligible for tax benefits. The commissioner of employment and economic development may extend for up to one year the period for meeting any goals provided in an agreement. The applicant may extend the period for meeting other goals by documenting in writing the reason for the extension and attaching a copy of the document to its next annual report to the commissioner of employment and economic development; or

(ii) ceased to operate its facility within the biotechnology and health sciences industry zone or otherwise ceases to be or is not a qualified business.

Subd. 2. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given.

(b) "Business" means any person who received tax benefits enumerated in section 469.336.

(c) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of revenue.
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Subd. 3. Disposition or repayment. The repayment must be paid to the state to the extent it represents a state tax reduction and to the county to the extent it represents a property tax reduction. Any amount repaid to the state must be deposited in the general fund. Any amount repaid to the county for the property tax exemption must be distributed to the local governments with authority to levy taxes in the zone in the same manner provided for distribution of payment of delinquent property taxes. Any repayment of local sales taxes must be repaid to the city or county imposing the local sales tax.

Subd. 4. Repayment procedures. (a) For the repayment of taxes imposed under chapter 290 or 297A or local taxes collected pursuant to section 297A.99, a business must file an amended return with the commissioner of revenue and pay any taxes required to be repaid within 30 days after ceasing to do business in the zone. The amount required to be repaid is determined by calculating the tax for the period or periods for which repayment is required without regard to the exemptions and credits allowed under section 469.336.

(b) For the repayment of property taxes, the county auditor shall prepare a tax statement for the business, applying the applicable tax extension rates for each payable year and provide a copy to the business. The business must pay the taxes to the county treasurer within 30 days after receipt of the tax statement. The taxpayer may appeal the valuation and determination of the property tax to the Tax Court within 30 days after receipt of the tax statement.

(c) The provisions of chapters 270C and 289A relating to the commissioner’s authority to audit, assess, and collect the tax and to hear appeals are applicable to the repayment required under paragraph (a). The commissioner may impose civil penalties as provided in chapter 289A, and the additional tax and penalties are subject to interest at the rate provided in section 270C.40. The additional tax shall bear interest from 30 days after ceasing to do business in the biotechnology and health sciences industry zone until the date the tax is paid. Any penalty imposed pursuant to this section shall bear interest from the date provided in section 270C.40, subdivision 3, to the date of payment of the penalty.

(d) If a property tax is not repaid under paragraph (b), the county treasurer shall add the amount required to be repaid to the property taxes assessed against the property for payment in the year following the year in which the treasurer discovers that the business ceased to operate in the biotechnology and health sciences industry zone.

(e) For determining the tax required to be repaid, a tax reduction is deemed to have been received on the date that the tax would have been due if the taxpayer had not been entitled to the exemption, or on the date a refund was issued for a refundable credit.

(f) The commissioner may assess the repayment of taxes under paragraph (c) any time within two years after the business ceases to operate in the biotechnology and health sciences industry zone, or within any period of limitations for the assessment of tax under section 289A.38, whichever period is later.

Subd. 5. Waiver authority. The commissioner may waive all or part of a repayment, if the commissioner, in consultation with the commissioner of employment and economic development and appropriate officials from the local government units in which the business is located, determines that requiring repayment of the tax is not in the best interest of the state or the local government units and the business ceased operating as a result of circumstances beyond its control including, but not limited to:

1. a natural disaster;
2. unforeseen industry trends; or
3. loss of a major supplier or customer.

469.341 ZONE PERFORMANCE; REMEDIES.

Subdivision 1. Reporting requirement. An applicant receiving designation of a biotechnology and health sciences industry zone under section 469.334 must annually report to the commissioner on its progress in meeting the zone performance goals under the development plan for the zone and the applicant’s compliance with the business subsidy law under sections 116J.993 to 116J.995.

Subd. 2. Procedures. For reports required by subdivision 1, the commissioner may prescribe:

1. the required time or times by which the reports must be filed;
2. the form of the report; and
3. the information required to be included in the report.

Subd. 3. Remedies. If the commissioner determines, based on a report filed under subdivision 1 or other available information, that a zone or subzone is failing to meet its performance goals, the commissioner may take any actions the commissioner determines
appropriate, including modification of the boundaries of the zone or a subzone or termination of the zone or a subzone. Before taking any action, the commissioner shall consult with the applicant and the affected local government units, including notifying them of the proposed actions to be taken. The commissioner shall publish any order modifying a zone in the State Register and on the Internet. The applicant may appeal the commissioner's order under the contested case procedures of chapter 14.

Subd. 4. Existing businesses. (a) An action to remove area from a zone or to terminate a zone under this section does not apply to:

1. the property tax on improvements constructed before the first January 2 following publication of the commissioner's order;
2. sales tax on purchases made before the first day of the next calendar month beginning at least 30 days after publication of the commissioner's order; and
3. individual income tax or corporate franchise tax attributable to a facility that was in operation before the publication of the commissioner's order.

(b) The tax exemptions specified in paragraph (a) terminate on the date on which the zone expires under the original designation.

477A.0124 COUNTY PROGRAM AID. Subdivision 1. Calendar year 2004. In 2004, each county shall receive program aid in an amount equal to the sum of:

1. the amount of county attached machinery aid computed for the county for payment in 2003 under section 273.138 prior to any reduction under laws enacted in 2003; and
2. the amount of county homestead and agricultural credit aid computed for the county for payment in 2003 under section 273.1398, subdivision 2, prior to any reduction under laws enacted in 2003, minus the amount certified under section 273.1398, subdivision 4a, paragraph (b), for counties in Judicial Districts One, Three, Six, and Ten, and by 25 percent of the amount certified under section 273.1398, subdivision 4a, paragraph (b), for counties located in Judicial Districts Two and Four;
3. the amount of county manufactured home homestead and agricultural credit aid computed for the county for payment in 2003 under section 273.166 prior to any reduction under laws enacted in 2003; and
4. the amount of county criminal justice aid computed for the county for payment in 2003 under section 477A.0121 prior to any reduction under laws enacted in 2003; and
5. the amount of county family preservation aid computed for the county for payment in 2003 under section 477A.0122 prior to any reduction under laws enacted in 2003.

Subd. 6. Aid payments in 2011 and 2012. Notwithstanding total aids calculated or certified for 2011 under subdivisions 3, 4, and 5, for 2011 and 2012, each county shall receive an aid distribution under this section equal to the lesser of (1) the total amount of aid it received under this section in 2010 after the reductions under sections 477A.0133 and 477A.0134, or (2) the total amount the county is certified to receive in 2011 under subdivisions 3 to 5.

505.173 CORRECTION OF PLATS. Subdivision 1. Certain defects. In all cases where the plats, or what purports to be plats, of any portion of the lands contained within any additions to or subdivisions of any town or city, situated in any county having less than 15 full and fractional congressional townships, having less than 15,000 inhabitants according to the 1940 federal census, and having an assessed value of more than $7,500,000 and less than $8,500,000, exclusive of money and credits which have been executed and filed in an office of any county recorder previous to January 1, 1915, (1) fail to identify or correctly describe the land to be so platted or to show correctly upon their face the tract of land intended or purported to be platted thereby, or (2) are defective by reason of the plat and the description of the land purported to be so platted thereby being inconsistent or incorrect, or (3) there exists a defect in the execution of said plats on the part of the grantors thereof, the governing board or council of the municipality containing land so platted or purported to be so platted may authorize, within two years from April 21, 1951, referring by the record book and page of such plat or plats in the office of the county recorder to the plat or plats to be corrected, the making of one or more plats which shall correctly show on the face thereof and by description of the land intended to be platted, which plat or plats may vary from the original plats in description as to lots and blocks to suit the best purpose and secure the best results. Such plat or plats, in a declaration thereon, shall recite such resolution and shall identify each separate tract of land described therein with such tract of land in the purported plat or plats intended.
to be corrected thereby, and shall be certified by the proper officers of the municipality as to authorization and by an engineer or surveyor as to correctness, and the signatures of such persons shall be acknowledged in like manner as a deed.

Subd. 2. Corrected plat to be prima facie evidence. Such plat or plats when so certified and acknowledged may be filed in the office of the county recorder and the declaration therein may be recorded at length in a "Book of Plat Certificates"; and when so filed and recorded such plat or plats and declaration together with the record thereof shall be prima facie evidence in all matters shown or stated therein as to the lands covered thereby.

Subd. 3. Application to certain cities. This section shall not apply to a city whose charter provides for official supervision of plats by municipal officers, commission or board.
Laws 1993, chapter 375, article 9, section 47

Sec. 47. CITY OF GARRISON; SALES TAX.

Subdivision 1. Sales tax authorized. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 477A.016, or any other contrary provision of law, ordinance, or city charter, the city of Garrison may, by ordinance, impose an additional sales tax of up to one percent on sales transactions taxable pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, chapter 297A, that occur within the city.

Subd. 2. Use of revenues. Revenues received from taxes authorized under subdivision 1 must be dedicated by the city to pay the cost of collecting the tax and to pay all or part of the expenses of the construction of a sewer system in the city, including payment of principal and interest on loans received by the city to construct the sewer system.

Subd. 3. Enforcement; collection; and administration of taxes. (a) The city may provide for collection and enforcement of the tax by ordinance or the city may enter into an agreement with the commissioner of revenue, providing for collection of the tax.

(b) If the city enters an agreement with the commissioner of revenue for collection of the tax, the sales tax imposed under this section must be reported and paid to the commissioner of revenue with the state sales taxes, and be subject to the same penalties, interest, and enforcement provisions. The proceeds of the tax, less refunds and a proportionate share of the cost of collection, shall be remitted at least quarterly to the city. The commissioner shall deduct from the proceeds remitted an amount that equals the indirect statewide cost as well as the direct and indirect department costs necessary to administer, audit, and collect the tax.

Subd. 4. Expiration of taxing authority. The authority granted by this section to the city of Garrison to impose a sales tax expires when the principal and interest on any bonds or obligations issued to finance the construction of the sewer system have been paid, or at an earlier time as the city shall, by resolution, determine. Any funds remaining after completion of the improvements and retirement or redemption of the bonds may be placed in the general fund of the city.

Subd. 5. Referendum. The city may impose the tax under this section only after approval by the voters in a referendum held at a special or general election in the city.

Subd. 6. Local approval; effective date. This section is effective the day after final enactment, upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3, by the city of Garrison.
8002.0200 MINNESOTA GROSS INCOME FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE PART-YEAR RESIDENTS OR NONRESIDENTS OF MINNESOTA (FEDERAL ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME).

Subp. 8. Net operating loss carried back or forward. The amount of a net operating loss that may be carried back or carried forward shall be the same dollar amount allowed in the determination of federal adjusted gross income. Adjustments must be made in the net operating loss for income and losses which are not assignable to Minnesota and for any changes in the computation of federal adjusted gross income which have not been adopted by the Minnesota Legislature in a law updating the reference to the Internal Revenue Code. A taxpayer may make an adjustment to federal adjusted gross income for the modifications that affect shareholders of a small business corporation which has made an election for federal purposes but not for Minnesota purposes as provided in Minnesota Statutes, section 290.01, subdivision 20c.

The net operating loss carryback or carryover applied as a deduction in the taxable year to which the net operating loss is carried back or carried over shall be equal to the net operating loss carryback or carryover applied in the taxable year in arriving at federal adjusted gross income subject to the following modifications:

A. Increase the amount of carryback or carryover applied in the taxable year by the amount of losses and expenses not assignable to Minnesota incurred in the taxable year.

B. Decrease the amount of carryback or carryover applied in the taxable year by the amount of income not assignable to Minnesota earned in the taxable year and the amount of federal jobs credit or WIN credit earned in the taxable year.

C. A taxpayer who is not a resident of Minnesota during any part of the taxable year and who has no income assignable to Minnesota during the taxable year shall apply no net operating loss carryback or carryover in the taxable year.

The net operating loss carryback or carryover to the next consecutive taxable year shall be the net operating loss carryback or carryover as calculated in this subpart less the amount applied in the taxable year(s) as above. No additional net operating loss carryback or carryover shall be allowed if the entire amount has been used to offset Minnesota income in a year earlier than was possible on the federal return. A net operating loss carryback or carryover that was allowed to offset federal income in a year earlier than was possible on the Minnesota return shall still be allowed to offset Minnesota income.

8007.0200 CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING METHODS.

The taxpayer must secure permission from the commissioner to change the taxpayer's method of accounting or in reporting income and deductions. Such application must be filed within 90 days after the beginning of the taxable year to be covered by the return. A statement must be attached to the application setting forth in detail the variation in treatment of classes of items on the old and new basis. A change in the method of accounting or basis of reporting income and deductions means any change in the treatment of items of income and deductions such as change from cash receipts and disbursements basis to the accrual basis or vice versa; a change in the method of inventory valuations; or a change permitted by the commissioner involving any other specialized method of accounting for income and deductions.

8100.0800 PHASE-IN.

Subpart 1. Phase-in of valuation changes. Any change in valuation is phased in over three years. For assessment years 2007, 2008, and 2009, each utility property must be valued both under the valuation process of current Minnesota Rules, chapter 8100, ("current rules") and under the valuation process of Minnesota Rules 2005, chapter 8100, as amended through March 2, 2000, ("old rules"). The difference, either positive or negative, between the value derived under the current rules and the value derived under old rules is incrementally added to the value derived under the old rules as follows:

For assessment year 2007, 20 percent of the difference is added to the value derived under the old rules; this amount is the assessed value for 2007.

For assessment year 2008, 50 percent of the difference is added to the value derived under the old rules; this amount is the assessed value for 2008.

For assessment year 2009, and all subsequent assessment years, the full value derived under the current rules is the assessed value.
Subp. 2. **Examples of phase-in valuations.** The following example illustrates a valuation when the value derived using the old rules exceeds the value derived using the current rules:

1. **Value for Assessment Year 2007**
   - Value under current rules: $10,750,000
   - Value under old rules: $12,000,000
   - Difference between old and current value: $1,250,000
   - 20% of difference: $250,000
   - Assessed Value: $11,750,000

2. **Value for Assessment Year 2008**
   - Value under current rules: $10,900,000
   - Value under old rules: $12,750,000
   - Difference between old and current values: $1,850,000
   - 50% of difference: $925,000
   - Assessed Value: $11,825,000

3. **Value for Assessment Year 2009**
   - Value under current rules: $11,750,000
   - Assessed Value: $11,750,000

The following example illustrates a valuation when the value derived using the old rules is less than the value derived using the current rules:

1. **Value for Assessment Year 2007**
   - Value under current rules: $15,000,000
   - Value under old rules: $13,500,000
   - Difference between old and current values: $1,500,000
   - 20% of difference: $300,000
   - Assessed Value: $13,800,000

2. **Value for Assessment Year 2008**
   - Value under current rules: $15,250,000
   - Value under old rules: $14,250,000
   - Difference between old and current values: $1,000,000
   - 50% of difference: $500,000
   - Assessed Value: $14,750,000

3. **Value for Assessment Year 2009**
   - Value under current rules: $16,600,000
   - Assessed Value: $16,600,000

8130.7500 **RETURNS AND RECORDS.**

Subp. 7. **Records; microfilm.** Microfilm reproductions of general books of account, such as cash books, journals, voucher registers, ledgers, etc., are not acceptable in lieu of original records. However, microfilm reproductions of supporting records of details, such as sales invoices, purchase invoices, credit memoranda, etc., may be maintained providing the following conditions are met:

A. appropriate facilities are provided for preservation of the films for periods required;
B. microfilm rolls are indexed, cross-referenced, labeled to show beginning and ending numbers or beginning and ending alphabetical listing of documents included, and are systematically filed;
C. the taxpayer agrees to provide transcriptions of any information contained on microfilm which may be required for purposes of verification of tax liability; and
D. proper facilities are provided for the ready inspection and location of the particular records including modern projectors for viewing and copying the records.

A posting reference must be on each invoice. Credit memoranda must carry a reference to the documents evidencing the original transaction. Documents necessary to support claimed exemptions from tax liability, such as bills of lading and purchase orders, must be maintained in an order by which they readily can be related to the transactions for which exemption is sought.

8130.8900 FLORISTS AND NURSERIES.

Subp. 3. Telegraphic orders. When florists or nurseries conduct transactions through a florist telegraphic delivery association, or otherwise by telephone, telegraph, or other means of communication with other florists or nurseries, the following rules apply in the application of the tax:

A. Where an order for flowers, wreaths, or other tangible personal property is taken from a customer by a Minnesota florist or nursery and transmitted to another florist or nursery located within or outside of Minnesota for delivery, the florist or nursery which initially takes the order from the customer is required to collect the tax.

B. Minnesota florists or nurseries who receive orders from other florists or nurseries, whether located within or outside this state, for delivery of flowers, wreaths, or other tangible personal property to locations either within or outside of Minnesota, are not required to collect the tax.

C. The sales tax does not apply to telegraph or telephone charges if such charges are separately stated from the price of the flowers or other tangible personal property ordered by the customer.

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The necessary forms (form UT-1 and form ST-24) for reporting and paying the use tax or for claiming exemption are available upon request from the Minnesota Department of Revenue or the Minnesota Department of Transportation, Office of Aeronautics.

This statute does not affect the exemption provided by Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.25, subdivision 14, for purchases of airlift equipment by airline companies taxed under Minnesota Statutes, sections 270.071 to 270.079.

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Subp. 1a. Commercial use, defined. "Commercial use" means any operation of an aircraft for consideration or hire, any services performed incidental to the operation of any aircraft for which a fee is charged or consideration received, the servicing, maintaining, and repairing of aircraft, or the charter of aircraft, the operation of flight or ground schools, the operation of aircraft for the application or distribution of chemicals or other substances, aerial photography and surveys, air shows or expositions, and the operation of aircraft for fishing. Commercial use is any use by a dealer other than the sale or lease of an aircraft or personal use of an aircraft.

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A. Minnesota sales tax paid to dealer. When a purchaser pays the Minnesota sales tax for the purchase of an aircraft or an interest in an aircraft to a Minnesota aircraft dealer who holds a Minnesota sales and use tax permit, the dealer shall furnish the purchaser with a statement showing that the sales tax has been paid. The aircraft dealer must report and pay the sales tax to the Minnesota Department of Revenue. If a dealer licensed by the Office of Aeronautics states to the Office of Aeronautics that sales tax was collected, it is not necessary for the purchaser of the aircraft to obtain a certificate of tax payment or exemption, form ST-24, from the Minnesota Department of Revenue. The purchaser or the purchaser's agent, for example the licensed dealer, should present the statement, which the purchaser or purchaser's agent received from the aircraft dealer, directly to the Department of Transportation, Office of Aeronautics, in order to license or register the aircraft.
B. No Minnesota sales tax paid to seller. When the purchaser does not pay a Minnesota sales tax to the seller on the purchase of an aircraft or an interest in an aircraft, the purchaser must obtain a certificate of tax payment or exemption, form ST-24, from the Minnesota Department of Revenue. If a use tax is due, the purchaser must complete a consumer's use tax return, form UT-1, and file it along with the purchaser's tax payment when applying for the certificate form ST-24. If the purchaser claims exemption from the tax, the purchaser must furnish proof showing that the purchaser is entitled to the exemption when applying for the certificate. Illustrative exemptions include purchases by organizations that are organized and operated exclusively for charitable, religious, or educational purposes; purchases of aircraft outside Minnesota by a nonresident and later brought into Minnesota for use; and aircraft purchased for resale or lease.

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