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04/23/2020	5820a	Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to Finance Joint rule 2.03, referred to Rules and Administration
	5837	Authors added Pratt; Housley; Isaacson
04/30/2020	5838	Comm report: Adopt previous comm report Jt. rule 2.03 suspended
	6010	Author added Tomassoni
05/11/2020	6449a	Comm report: To pass as amended
	6455	Second reading
05/12/2020		Special Order: Amended Third reading Passed

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to economic development and state finances; appropriating money for

1.3 emergency small business grants and loans; reimbursing the Minnesota 21st century

1.4 minerals fund; adjusting the budget reserve forecast calculation; changing the fund

1.5 receiving small business loan repayments; making technical changes; amending

1.6 Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 16A.152, subdivision 2; Laws 2020, chapter 71,

1.7 article 1, section 11.

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

1.9 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 16A.152, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.10 Subd. 2. **Additional revenues; priority.** (a) If on the basis of a forecast of general fund

1.11 revenues and expenditures, the commissioner of management and budget determines that

1.12 there will be a positive unrestricted budgetary general fund balance at the close of the

1.13 biennium, the commissioner of management and budget must allocate money to the following

1.14 accounts and purposes in priority order:

1.15 (1) the cash flow account established in subdivision 1 until that account reaches

1.16 \$350,000,000;

1.17 (2) the Minnesota 21st century fund established in section 116J.423 until \$20,000,000

1.18 has been transferred into the fund;

1.19 (3) the budget reserve account established in subdivision 1a until that account reaches

1.20 \$1,596,522,000 \$2,358,698,000;

1.21 (~~3~~) (4) the amount necessary to increase the aid payment schedule for school district

1.22 aids and credits payments in section 127A.45 to not more than 90 percent rounded to the

2.1 nearest tenth of a percent without exceeding the amount available and with any remaining  
 2.2 funds deposited in the budget reserve; and

2.3 ~~(4)~~ (5) the amount necessary to restore all or a portion of the net aid reductions under  
 2.4 section 127A.441 and to reduce the property tax revenue recognition shift under section  
 2.5 123B.75, subdivision 5, by the same amount; and.

2.6 ~~(5) the clean water fund established in section 114D.50 until \$22,000,000 has been~~  
 2.7 ~~transferred into the fund.~~

2.8 (b) The amounts necessary to meet the requirements of this section are appropriated  
 2.9 from the general fund within two weeks after the forecast is released or, in the case of  
 2.10 transfers under paragraph (a), clauses (3) and (4), as necessary to meet the appropriations  
 2.11 schedules otherwise established in statute.

2.12 (c) The commissioner of management and budget shall certify the total dollar amount  
 2.13 of the reductions under paragraph (a), clauses (3) and (4), to the commissioner of education.  
 2.14 The commissioner of education shall increase the aid payment percentage and reduce the  
 2.15 property tax shift percentage by these amounts and apply those reductions to the current  
 2.16 fiscal year and thereafter.

2.17 (d) Paragraph (a), clause (5), expires after the entire amount of the transfer has been  
 2.18 made.

2.19 Sec. 2. Laws 2020, chapter 71, article 1, section 11, is amended to read:

2.20 Sec. 11. **TRANSFERS; SMALL BUSINESS EMERGENCY LOAN PROGRAM.**

2.21 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 116J.423 and 116J.8731, in fiscal year  
 2.22 2020, the following amounts are transferred to the small business emergency loan account  
 2.23 in the special revenue fund under Minnesota Statutes, section 116M.18, subdivision 9:

2.24 (1) \$20,000,000 from the special revenue fund account of the Minnesota 21st century  
 2.25 fund under Minnesota Statutes, section 116J.423, subdivision 1; and

2.26 (2) \$10,000,000 from the Minnesota investment revolving loan account under Minnesota  
 2.27 Statutes, section 116J.8731, subdivision 5, in the special revenue fund.

2.28 Transferred amounts are appropriated to the commissioner of employment and economic  
 2.29 development to make loans as set forth in Governor's Executive Order 20-15, Providing  
 2.30 Immediate Relief to Small Businesses During the COVID-19 Peacetime Emergency. All  
 2.31 loan repayments are credited proportionately to the accounts from which the loan amounts

3.1 were originally transferred. Loan repayments credited to the special revenue fund account  
 3.2 of the Minnesota 21st century fund are transferred to the general fund. Any amounts  
 3.3 remaining in the small business emergency loan account that are unexpended and unobligated  
 3.4 at the close of the fiscal year cancel proportionately to the accounts from which the amounts  
 3.5 were originally transferred.

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

3.7 Sec. 3. **SMALL BUSINESS RELIEF GRANTS; APPROPRIATION.**

3.8 (a) \$60,000,000 in fiscal year 2020 is appropriated from the coronavirus relief fund to  
 3.9 the commissioner of employment and economic development for grants under paragraph  
 3.10 (b). Funds are available until December 30, 2020.

3.11 (b) Of the amount appropriated in paragraph (a):

3.12 (1) \$30,000,000 is for a grant to the Minnesota Initiative Foundations to serve businesses  
 3.13 in greater Minnesota; and

3.14 (2) \$30,000,000 is for grants to nonprofit corporations approved under the small business  
 3.15 emergency loan program pursuant to Laws 2020, chapter 71, section 11, to serve businesses  
 3.16 in the seven-county metropolitan area.

3.17 (c) No more than five percent of the amounts granted under paragraph (b) may be used  
 3.18 for administrative costs incurred from making grants under this section.

3.19 (d) Grant recipients under paragraph (b) shall use funds to make grants of up to \$10,000  
 3.20 to individual businesses that:

3.21 (1) are located in the state of Minnesota and owned by a permanent resident of Minnesota;

3.22 (2) are in good standing with the secretary of state and the Department of Revenue;

3.23 (3) employ the equivalent of 50 full-time workers or less; and

3.24 (4) can demonstrate financial hardship as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak.

3.25 Grant funds received by individual businesses shall be used for working capital to support  
 3.26 payroll expenses, rent, mortgage payments, utility bills, and other similar expenses that  
 3.27 occur in the regular course of business.

3.28 (e) Of the amount granted under paragraph (b):

3.29 (1) a minimum of \$18,000,000 must be awarded to businesses that employ the equivalent  
 3.30 of five full-time workers or less; and

4.1 (2) a minimum of \$9,000,000 must be awarded to minority business enterprises, as  
4.2 defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 116M.14, subdivision 5, businesses that are majority  
4.3 owned and operated by veterans as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 197.447, or  
4.4 businesses that are majority owned and operated by women.

4.5 (f) Grants under this section may not be made to a business that previously received a  
4.6 loan with funds appropriated in Laws 2020, chapter 71, article 1, section 11.

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