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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to transportation; appropriating money for certain reimbursements to
1.3 deputy registrars.

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

1.5 Section 1. DEPUTY REGISTRAR REIMBURSEMENTS.

1.6 Subdivision 1. Appropriation. (a) An amount, as specified in paragraph (b), is
1.7 appropriated in fiscal year 2019 from the environmental fund to the commissioner of
1.8 management and budget for reimbursement grants to deputy registrars as provided in this
1.9 section. The commissioner must provide the grants by June 30, 2019. This is a onetime
1.10 appropriation.

1.11 (b) The amount appropriated in paragraph (a) equals the amount of revenue collected
1.12 in fiscal year 2018 from the motor vehicle title fee under Minnesota Statutes, section
1.13 115A.908, subdivision 1.

1.14 (c) The commissioner must use existing resources to administer the reimbursements.

1.15 Subd. 2. Eligibility. A deputy registrar office operated by the state is not eligible to
1.16 receive funds under this section.

1.17 Subd. 3. Aid distribution. (a) The reimbursement grant to each deputy registrar, as
1.18 identified by the Driver and Vehicle Services-designated office location number, is calculated
1.19 as follows:

1.20 (1) ten percent of available funds allocated equally among all deputy registrars;

2.1 (2) 45 percent of available funds allocated proportionally based on (i) the number of  
2.2 transactions where a filing fee under Minnesota Statutes, section 168.33, subdivision 7, is  
2.3 retained by each deputy registrar from August 1, 2017, through December 31, 2018,  
2.4 compared to (ii) the total number of transactions where a filing fee is retained by all deputy  
2.5 registrars during that time period; and

2.6 (3) 45 percent of available funds allocated proportionally based on (i) the number of  
2.7 transactions where a filing fee is retained by each deputy registrar from July 1, 2014, through  
2.8 June 30, 2017, compared to (ii) the total number of transactions where a filing fee is retained  
2.9 by all deputy registrars during that time period.

2.10 (b) For a deputy registrar appointed after July 1, 2014, the commissioner of management  
2.11 and budget must identify whether a corresponding discontinued deputy registrar appointment  
2.12 exists. If a corresponding discontinued deputy registrar is identified, the commissioner must  
2.13 include the transactions of the discontinued deputy registrar in the calculations under  
2.14 paragraph (a) for the deputy registrar appointed after July 1, 2014.

2.15 (c) For a deputy registrar appointed after July 1, 2014, to which paragraph (b) does not  
2.16 apply, the commissioner of management and budget must calculate the deputy registrar's  
2.17 proportional share under paragraph (a), clause (3), based on the average number of  
2.18 transactions where a filing fee is retained among the deputy registrars, as calculated excluding  
2.19 any deputy registrars for which this paragraph applies.

2.20 (d) In the calculations under paragraph (a), the commissioner of management and budget  
2.21 must exclude transactions for (1) a deputy registrar office operated by the state, and (2) a  
2.22 discontinued deputy registrar for which paragraph (b) does not apply.

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