

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ON H. F. No. 2563

A bill for an act

relating to legacy; appropriating money from outdoor heritage, clean water, parks and trails, and arts and cultural heritage funds; extending prior appropriations; providing for leveraging federal grant money; modifying reporting requirements; modifying accountability provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 97A.056, by adding a subdivision; 114D.30, subdivision 7; 129D.17, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; Laws 2023, chapter 40, article 4, section 2, subdivision 6.

May 18, 2025

The Honorable Lisa M. Demuth
Speaker of the House of Representatives

The Honorable Bobby Joe Champion
President of the Senate

We, the undersigned conferees for H. F. No. 2563 report that we have agreed upon the items in dispute and recommend as follows:

That the Senate recede from its amendments and that H. F. No. 2563 be further amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"ARTICLE 1
OUTDOOR HERITAGE FUND

Section 1. APPROPRIATIONS.

The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the outdoor heritage fund for the fiscal year indicated for each purpose. The figures "2026" and "2027" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed under them are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, or June 30, 2027, respectively. "The first year" is fiscal year 2026.

2.1 "The second year" is fiscal year 2027. "The biennium" is fiscal years 2026 and 2027. The
2.2 appropriations in this article are onetime appropriations.

2.3	<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	
2.4	<u>Available for the Year</u>	
2.5	<u>Ending June 30</u>	
2.6	2026	2027

2.7 Sec. 2. OUTDOOR HERITAGE FUND

2.8	<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	\$	162,111,000	\$	775,000
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2.9 This appropriation is from the outdoor heritage
2.10 fund. The amounts that may be spent for each
2.11 purpose are specified in the following
2.12 subdivisions.

2.13	Subd. 2. Prairies	33,432,000	-0-
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2.14 **(a) Martin County DNR WMA Acquisition,**
2.15 **Phase 9**

2.16 \$1,332,000 the first year is to the
2.17 commissioner of natural resources for
2.18 agreements to acquire land in fee and restore
2.19 and enhance strategic prairie grassland,
2.20 wetland, and other wildlife habitat in Martin
2.21 County for wildlife management area purposes
2.22 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
2.23 subdivision 8, as follows: \$970,000 to Fox
2.24 Lake Conservation League, Inc., \$327,000 to
2.25 Ducks Unlimited, and \$35,000 to the
2.26 Conservation Fund.

2.27 **(b) Prairie Chicken Habitat Partnership of the**
2.28 **Southern Red River Valley, Phase 11**

2.29 \$3,607,000 the first year is to the
2.30 commissioner of natural resources for an
2.31 agreement with Pheasants Forever, in
2.32 cooperation with the Minnesota Prairie
2.33 Chicken Society, to acquire land in fee and
2.34 restore and enhance lands in the southern Red
2.35 River Valley for wildlife management

3.1 purposes under Minnesota Statutes, section
 3.2 86A.05, subdivision 8, or to be designated and
 3.3 managed as waterfowl production areas in
 3.4 Minnesota, in cooperation with the United
 3.5 States Fish and Wildlife Service. Subject to
 3.6 evaluation criteria in Minnesota Rules, part
 3.7 6136.0900, priority must be given to
 3.8 acquisitions of lands that are eligible for the
 3.9 native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes,
 3.10 section 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected
 3.11 native prairie.

3.12 **(c) RIM Grasslands Reserve, Phase 6**
 3.13 \$3,375,000 the first year is to the Board of
 3.14 Water and Soil Resources to acquire
 3.15 permanent conservation easements and to
 3.16 restore and enhance grassland habitat under
 3.17 Minnesota Statutes, sections 103F.501 to
 3.18 103F.531. Of this amount, up to \$70,000 is to
 3.19 establish a monitoring and enforcement fund
 3.20 as approved in the accomplishment plan and
 3.21 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
 3.22 97A.056, subdivision 17. Subdivision 8,
 3.23 paragraph (b), does not apply to this project.
 3.24 A list of permanent conservation easements
 3.25 must be provided as part of the final report.

3.26 **(d) RIM Buffers for Wildlife and Water, Phase**
 3.27 **11**

3.28 \$4,000,000 the first year is to the Board of
 3.29 Water and Soil Resources to acquire
 3.30 permanent conservation easements and restore
 3.31 habitat under Minnesota Statutes, section
 3.32 103F.515, to protect, restore, and enhance
 3.33 habitat by expanding the riparian buffer
 3.34 program under the clean water fund for
 3.35 additional wildlife benefits from buffers on

4.1 private land. Of this amount, up to \$60,000 is
 4.2 to establish a monitoring and enforcement
 4.3 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
 4.4 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
 4.5 97A.056, subdivision 17. Subdivision 8,
 4.6 paragraph (b), does not apply to this project.
 4.7 A list of permanent conservation easements
 4.8 must be provided as part of the final report.

4.9 **(e) Accelerating the Wildlife Management Area**
 4.10 **Program, Phase 17**

4.11 \$4,863,000 the first year is to the
 4.12 commissioner of natural resources for an
 4.13 agreement with Pheasants Forever to acquire
 4.14 in fee and restore and enhance lands for
 4.15 wildlife management area purposes under
 4.16 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
 4.17 subdivision 8. Subject to evaluation criteria
 4.18 in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority
 4.19 must be given to acquisition of lands that are
 4.20 eligible for the native prairie bank under
 4.21 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
 4.22 adjacent to protected native prairie.

4.23 **(f) Minnesota Prairie Recovery Program, Phase**
 4.24 **14**

4.25 \$2,433,000 the first year is to the
 4.26 commissioner of natural resources for an
 4.27 agreement with The Nature Conservancy to
 4.28 acquire land in fee and restore and enhance
 4.29 native prairie, grasslands, wetlands, and
 4.30 savanna. Subject to evaluation criteria in
 4.31 Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority
 4.32 must be given to acquiring lands that are
 4.33 eligible for the native prairie bank under
 4.34 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
 4.35 adjacent to protected native prairie. Annual
 4.36 income statements and balance sheets for

5.1 income and expenses from land acquired with
 5.2 this appropriation must be submitted to the
 5.3 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council no
 5.4 later than 180 days following the close of The
 5.5 Nature Conservancy's fiscal year. A list of
 5.6 proposed land acquisitions, restorations, and
 5.7 enhancements must be provided as part of the
 5.8 required accomplishment plan and must be
 5.9 consistent with the priorities identified in
 5.10 Minnesota Prairie Conservation Plan.

5.11 **(g) Northern Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife**
 5.12 **Refuge, Phase 15**

5.13 \$3,658,000 the first year is to the
 5.14 commissioner of natural resources for an
 5.15 agreement with The Nature Conservancy, in
 5.16 cooperation with the United States Fish and
 5.17 Wildlife Service, to acquire land in fee or
 5.18 permanent conservation easements and to
 5.19 restore and enhance lands in the Northern
 5.20 Tallgrass Prairie Habitat Preservation Area in
 5.21 western Minnesota for addition to the Northern
 5.22 Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife Refuge.
 5.23 Subject to evaluation criteria in Minnesota
 5.24 Rules, part 6136.0900, priority must be given
 5.25 to acquiring lands that are eligible for the
 5.26 native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes,
 5.27 section 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected
 5.28 native prairie.

5.29 **(h) DNR Wildlife Management Area and**
 5.30 **Scientific and Natural Area Acquisition, Phase**
 5.31 **17**

5.32 \$1,916,000 the first year is to the
 5.33 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
 5.34 in fee and restore and enhance lands for
 5.35 wildlife management purposes under
 5.36 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,

6.1 subdivision 8, and to acquire land in fee for
6.2 scientific and natural area purposes under
6.3 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
6.4 subdivision 5. Subject to evaluation criteria
6.5 in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority
6.6 must be given to acquisition of lands that are
6.7 eligible for the native prairie bank under
6.8 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
6.9 adjacent to protected native prairie.

6.10 **(i) Enhanced Public Land - Grasslands, Phase**
6.11 **8**

6.12 \$3,440,000 the first year is to the
6.13 commissioner of natural resources for an
6.14 agreement with Pheasants Forever to enhance
6.15 and restore grassland and wetland habitat on
6.16 public lands in the forest prairie transition,
6.17 metro urban, and prairie ecoregions of
6.18 Minnesota.

6.19 **(j) Accelerating the USFWS Habitat**
6.20 **Conservation Easement Program, Phase 5**

6.21 \$4,808,000 the first year is to the
6.22 commissioner of natural resources for
6.23 agreements to restore and enhance wetland
6.24 and prairie habitat on habitat easements of the
6.25 United States Fish and Wildlife Service as
6.26 follows: \$3,100,000 to Ducks Unlimited and
6.27 \$1,708,000 to Pheasants Forever.

6.28 **Subd. 3. Forests** 19,958,000 -0-

6.29 **(a) Minnesota Forest Recovery Project, Phase**
6.30 **3**

6.31 \$3,464,000 the first year is to the
6.32 commissioner of natural resources for an
6.33 agreement with The Nature Conservancy in
6.34 cooperation with the Department of Natural
6.35 Resources and Minnesota Land Trust to

7.1 acquire permanent conservation easements
 7.2 and to restore and enhance degraded forests
 7.3 in Beltrami, Cass, Cook, Itasca, Lake,
 7.4 Koochiching, and St. Louis Counties. Of this
 7.5 amount, up to \$84,000 is to the easement
 7.6 holder to establish a monitoring and
 7.7 enforcement fund as approved in the
 7.8 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
 7.9 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17.

7.10 **(b) Itasca County Memorial Forest Project**

7.11 \$2,720,000 the first year is to the
 7.12 commissioner of natural resources for an
 7.13 agreement with Itasca County to acquire
 7.14 priority forest habitat lands in fee as county
 7.15 forests.

7.16 **(c) Hardwood Hills Habitat Conservation**
 7.17 **Program, Phase 2**

7.18 \$1,803,000 the first year is to the
 7.19 commissioner of natural resources for
 7.20 agreements to acquire permanent conservation
 7.21 easements and to restore and enhance forest
 7.22 habitats in the hardwood hills ecological
 7.23 section of west-central Minnesota as follows:
 7.24 \$100,000 to St. John's University and
 7.25 \$1,703,000 to Minnesota Land Trust. Of the
 7.26 amount to Minnesota Land Trust, \$196,000 is
 7.27 to establish a monitoring and enforcement
 7.28 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
 7.29 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
 7.30 97A.056, subdivision 17.

7.31 **(d) Camp Ripley Sentinel Landscape Protection**
 7.32 **Program ACUB, Phase 13**

7.33 \$2,183,000 the first year is to the Board of
 7.34 Water and Soil Resources, in cooperation with
 7.35 the Morrison County Soil and Water

8.1 Conservation District, to acquire permanent
 8.2 conservation easements and to restore and
 8.3 enhance forest wildlife habitat within the
 8.4 boundaries of the Minnesota National Guard
 8.5 Camp Ripley Sentinel Landscape and Army
 8.6 Compatible Use Buffer. Of this amount, up to
 8.7 \$110,000 is to establish a monitoring and
 8.8 enforcement fund as approved in the
 8.9 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
 8.10 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17.
 8.11 Subdivision 8, paragraph (b), does not apply
 8.12 to this project. A list of permanent
 8.13 conservation easements must be provided as
 8.14 part of the final report.

8.15 **(e) Minnesota Forests for the Future, Phase 5**

8.16 \$5,241,000 the first year is to the
 8.17 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
 8.18 lands in conservation easements and to restore
 8.19 and enhance forests, wetlands, and shoreline
 8.20 habitat through working forest permanent
 8.21 conservation easements under the Minnesota
 8.22 forests for the future program according to
 8.23 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.66. A
 8.24 conservation easement acquired with money
 8.25 appropriated under this paragraph must
 8.26 comply with Minnesota Statutes, section
 8.27 97A.056, subdivision 13. The accomplishment
 8.28 plan must include an easement monitoring and
 8.29 enforcement plan. Of this amount, up to
 8.30 \$400,000 is to establish a monitoring and
 8.31 enforcement fund as approved in the
 8.32 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
 8.33 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17.

8.34 **(f) DNR Forest Habitat Enhancement, Phase 5**

9.1 \$2,543,000 the first year is to the
9.2 commissioner of natural resources to restore
9.3 and enhance forest wildlife habitats on public
9.4 lands throughout Minnesota.

9.5 **(g) Moose Habitat Collaborative - Northeast**
9.6 **Minnesota Forest Habitat Enhancement, Phase**
9.7 **5**

9.8 \$2,004,000 the first year is to the
9.9 commissioner of natural resources for an
9.10 agreement with the Ruffed Grouse Society to
9.11 restore and enhance public forest lands in the
9.12 northern forest region for moose habitat
9.13 purposes.

9.14 Subd. 4. **Wetlands** 29,032,000 -0-

9.15 **(a) Wetland Habitat Protection and Restoration**
9.16 **Program, Phase 10**

9.17 \$2,853,000 the first year is to the
9.18 commissioner of natural resources for an
9.19 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to
9.20 acquire permanent conservation easements
9.21 and to restore and enhance prairie, wetland,
9.22 and other habitats on permanently protected
9.23 conservation easements in high-priority
9.24 wetland habitat complexes in the prairie,
9.25 forest/prairie transition, and forest ecoregions.
9.26 Of this amount, up to \$168,000 is to establish
9.27 a monitoring and enforcement fund as
9.28 approved in the accomplishment plan and
9.29 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
9.30 97A.056, subdivision 17.

9.31 **(b) Shallow Lake and Wetland Protection and**
9.32 **Restoration Program, Phase 14**

9.33 \$5,673,000 the first year is to the
9.34 commissioner of natural resources for an
9.35 agreement with Ducks Unlimited to acquire

10.1 land in fee for wildlife management purposes
 10.2 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
 10.3 subdivision 8, or to be designated and
 10.4 managed as waterfowl production areas or
 10.5 national wildlife refuges in Minnesota, in
 10.6 cooperation with the United States Fish and
 10.7 Wildlife Service, and to restore and enhance
 10.8 prairie lands, wetlands, and land-buffering
 10.9 shallow lakes.

10.10 **(c) RIM Wetlands - Restoring the Most**
 10.11 **Productive Habitat in Minnesota, Phase 14**

10.12 \$4,291,000 the first year is to the Board of
 10.13 Water and Soil Resources to acquire
 10.14 permanent conservation easements and to
 10.15 restore wetlands and native grassland habitat
 10.16 under Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.515.
 10.17 Of this amount, up to \$70,000 is for
 10.18 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
 10.19 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
 10.20 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
 10.21 97A.056, subdivision 17. Subdivision 8,
 10.22 paragraph (b), does not apply to this project.
 10.23 A list of permanent conservation easements
 10.24 must be provided as part of the final report.

10.25 **(d) Accelerating the Waterfowl Production Area**
 10.26 **Acquisition Program, Phase 17**

10.27 \$5,121,000 the first year is to the
 10.28 commissioner of natural resources for an
 10.29 agreement with Pheasants Forever, in
 10.30 cooperation with the United States Fish and
 10.31 Wildlife Service, to acquire land in fee and to
 10.32 restore and enhance wetlands and grasslands
 10.33 to be designated and managed as waterfowl
 10.34 production areas in Minnesota.

10.35 **(e) Nelson Slough - East Park Wildlife**
 10.36 **Management Area, Phase 2**

11.1 \$1,543,000 the first year is to the
11.2 commissioner of natural resources for an
11.3 agreement with the Middle-Snake-Tamarac
11.4 Rivers Watershed District to restore and
11.5 enhance wetland and upland wildlife habitat
11.6 in Nelson Slough and the East Park Wildlife
11.7 Management Area in Marshall County.

11.8 **(f) Living Shallow Lakes and Wetlands**
11.9 **Enhancement and Restoration Initiative, Phase**
11.10 **11**

11.11 \$5,601,000 the first year is to the
11.12 commissioner of natural resources for an
11.13 agreement with Ducks Unlimited to restore
11.14 and enhance shallow lakes and wetlands on
11.15 public lands and wetlands under permanent
11.16 conservation easement for wildlife
11.17 management.

11.18 **(g) Big Swamp North**

11.19 \$1,442,000 the first year is to the
11.20 commissioner of natural resources for an
11.21 agreement with the Roseau River Watershed
11.22 District to restore and enhance wetland,
11.23 stream, and other related wildlife habitat on
11.24 public lands in the Big Swamp area in Roseau
11.25 County.

11.26 **(h) DNR Accelerated Shallow Lakes and**
11.27 **Wetland Enhancement, Phase 17**

11.28 \$2,508,000 the first year is to the
11.29 commissioner of natural resources to enhance
11.30 and restore shallow lakes and wetland habitat
11.31 statewide.

11.32 **Subd. 5. Habitats**

11.33 **(a) Cannon River Watershed Habitat**
11.34 **Restoration and Protection Program, Phase 14**

77,646,000 -0-

12.1 \$2,663,000 the first year is to the
12.2 commissioner of natural resources for
12.3 agreements to acquire land in fee and to
12.4 restore and enhance wildlife habitat in the
12.5 Cannon River Watershed as follows: \$62,000
12.6 to Clean River Partners; \$1,198,000 to Great
12.7 River Greening; and \$1,403,000 to the Trust
12.8 for Public Land.

12.9 **(b) Spring Road Conservation Project**

12.10 \$1,982,000 the first year is to the
12.11 commissioner of natural resources for an
12.12 agreement with the Riley Purgatory Bluff
12.13 Creek Watershed District to acquire priority
12.14 wildlife habitat lands in fee in Hennepin
12.15 County.

12.16 **(c) Anoka Sand Plain Habitat Conservation,**
12.17 **Phase 10**

12.18 \$3,518,000 the first year is to the
12.19 commissioner of natural resources for
12.20 agreements to acquire permanent conservation
12.21 easements and to restore and enhance wildlife
12.22 habitat on public lands and easements in the
12.23 Anoka Sand Plain ecoregion and intersecting
12.24 minor watersheds as follows: \$553,000 to
12.25 Anoka Conservation District; \$1,385,000 to
12.26 Great River Greening; \$300,000 to The Nature
12.27 Conservancy; and \$1,280,000 to Minnesota
12.28 Land Trust. Up to \$112,000 to Minnesota
12.29 Land Trust is to establish a monitoring and
12.30 enforcement fund as approved in the
12.31 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
12.32 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17.

12.33 **(d) Integrating Habitat and Clean Water, Phase**
12.34 **3**

13.1 \$2,691,000 the first year is to the Board of
 13.2 Water and Soil Resources to acquire
 13.3 permanent conservation easements and restore
 13.4 and enhance wildlife habitat identified in One
 13.5 Watershed, One Plan for stacked benefit to
 13.6 wildlife and clean water. Of this amount, up
 13.7 to \$80,000 is for establishing a monitoring and
 13.8 enforcement fund as approved in the
 13.9 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
 13.10 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17.
 13.11 Subdivision 8, paragraph (b), does not apply
 13.12 to this project. A list of permanent
 13.13 conservation easements must be provided as
 13.14 part of the final report.

13.15 **(e) St. Croix Watershed Habitat Protection and**
 13.16 **Restoration, Phase 6**

13.17 \$3,184,000 the first year is to the
 13.18 commissioner of natural resources for
 13.19 agreements to acquire land in fee and
 13.20 permanent conservation easements and to
 13.21 restore and enhance natural habitat systems in
 13.22 the St. Croix River Watershed as follows:
 13.23 \$1,199,000 to the Trust for Public Land;
 13.24 \$121,000 to Wild Rivers Conservancy; and
 13.25 \$1,864,000 to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to
 13.26 \$168,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is to
 13.27 establish a monitoring and enforcement fund
 13.28 as approved in the accomplishment plan and
 13.29 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
 13.30 97A.056, subdivision 17.

13.31 **(f) Mississippi Headwaters Habitat Corridor**
 13.32 **Project, Phase 9**

13.33 \$2,769,000 the first year is to acquire lands in
 13.34 fee and permanent conservation easements
 13.35 and to restore wildlife habitat in the
 13.36 Mississippi headwaters. Of this amount: (1)

14.1 \$1,769,000 is to the commissioner of natural
 14.2 resources for agreements as follows: \$60,000
 14.3 to the Mississippi Headwaters Board and
 14.4 \$1,709,000 to the Trust for Public Land; and
 14.5 (2) \$1,000,000 is to the Board of Water and
 14.6 Soil Resources, of which up to \$50,000 is to
 14.7 establish a monitoring and enforcement fund
 14.8 as approved in the accomplishment plan and
 14.9 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
 14.10 97A.056, subdivision 17.

14.11 **(g) Southeast Minnesota Protection and**
 14.12 **Restoration, Phase 13**

14.13 \$2,334,000 the first year is to the
 14.14 commissioner of natural resources for an
 14.15 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to
 14.16 acquire permanent conservation easements
 14.17 and to restore and enhance wildlife habitat on
 14.18 public lands and permanent conservation
 14.19 easements in southeast Minnesota. Of this
 14.20 amount, up to \$140,000 is to establish a
 14.21 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
 14.22 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
 14.23 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
 14.24 subdivision 17.

14.25 **(h) Protecting Coldwater Fisheries on**
 14.26 **Minnesota's North Shore, Phase 3**

14.27 \$2,187,000 the first year is to the
 14.28 commissioner of natural resources for an
 14.29 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to
 14.30 acquire permanent conservation easements
 14.31 and to restore and enhance wildlife habitat in
 14.32 priority coldwater tributaries to Lake Superior.
 14.33 Of this amount, up to \$196,000 is to establish
 14.34 a monitoring and enforcement fund as
 14.35 approved in the accomplishment plan and

- 15.1 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
- 15.2 97A.056, subdivision 17.
- 15.3 **(i) Metro Big Rivers, Phase 15**
- 15.4 \$6,793,000 the first year is to the
- 15.5 commissioner of natural resources for
- 15.6 agreements to acquire land in fee and
- 15.7 permanent conservation easements and to
- 15.8 restore and enhance natural habitat systems
- 15.9 associated with the Mississippi, Minnesota,
- 15.10 and St. Croix Rivers and their tributaries in
- 15.11 the metropolitan area as follows: \$1,000,000
- 15.12 to Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge
- 15.13 Trust, Inc.; \$488,000 to Friends of the
- 15.14 Mississippi River; \$975,000 to Great River
- 15.15 Greening; \$2,151,000 to the Trust for Public
- 15.16 Land; and \$2,179,000 to Minnesota Land
- 15.17 Trust. Up to \$168,000 to Minnesota Land
- 15.18 Trust is to establish a monitoring and
- 15.19 enforcement fund as approved in the
- 15.20 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
- 15.21 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17.
- 15.22 **(j) Minnesota River Watershed Habitat**
- 15.23 **Conservation Program**
- 15.24 \$3,078,000 the first year is to the
- 15.25 commissioner of natural resources for
- 15.26 agreements to acquire land in fee and
- 15.27 permanent conservation easements and to
- 15.28 restore and enhance priority habitat in the
- 15.29 Minnesota River watershed as follows:
- 15.30 \$1,364,000 to Great River Greening and
- 15.31 \$1,714,000 to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to
- 15.32 \$168,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is to
- 15.33 establish a monitoring and enforcement fund
- 15.34 as approved in the accomplishment plan and

16.1 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section

16.2 97A.056, subdivision 17.

16.3 **(k) Shell Rock River Watershed Habitat**

16.4 **Restoration Program, Phase 14**

16.5 \$2,141,000 the first year is to the

16.6 commissioner of natural resources for an

16.7 agreement with the Shell Rock River

16.8 Watershed District to acquire land in fee and

16.9 to restore and enhance habitat in the Shell

16.10 Rock River watershed.

16.11 **(l) Protecting Minnesota's Lakes of Outstanding**

16.12 **Biological Significance, Phase 4**

16.13 \$3,137,000 the first year is to the

16.14 commissioner of natural resources for

16.15 agreements to acquire land in fee and

16.16 permanent conservation easements and to

16.17 restore and enhance lakes of outstanding

16.18 biological significance in northeast and

16.19 north-central Minnesota. Of this amount,

16.20 \$1,494,000 is to the Northern Waters Land

16.21 Trust and \$1,643,000 is to Minnesota Land

16.22 Trust. Up to \$168,000 to Minnesota Land

16.23 Trust is for establishing a monitoring and

16.24 enforcement fund as approved in the

16.25 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota

16.26 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17.

16.27 **(m) Shakopee Creek: Headwaters Restored,**

16.28 **Species and Land Protected**

16.29 \$2,359,000 the first year is to the

16.30 commissioner of natural resources for an

16.31 agreement with the Kandiyohi Soil and Water

16.32 Conservation District to restore and enhance

16.33 wildlife habitat in the headwaters area of

16.34 Shakopee Creek in Kandiyohi County.

17.1 **(n) DNR Trout Stream Conservation Easements,**
 17.2 **Phase 4**

17.3 \$973,000 the first year is to the commissioner
 17.4 of natural resources to acquire land in
 17.5 permanent conservation easements to protect
 17.6 trout-stream aquatic habitat. Of this amount,
 17.7 up to \$120,000 is for establishing a monitoring
 17.8 and enforcement fund as approved in the
 17.9 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
 17.10 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17.

17.11 **(o) Fisheries Habitat Protection on Strategic**
 17.12 **North-Central Minnesota Lakes, Phase 11**

17.13 \$2,878,000 the first year is to the
 17.14 commissioner of natural resources for
 17.15 agreements to acquire land in fee and
 17.16 permanent conservation easements and to
 17.17 restore and enhance wildlife habitat to sustain
 17.18 healthy fish habitat on coldwater lakes in
 17.19 Aitkin, Cass, Crow Wing, and Hubbard
 17.20 Counties as follows: \$1,259,000 to Northern
 17.21 Waters Land Trust and \$1,619,000 to
 17.22 Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$168,000 to
 17.23 Minnesota Land Trust is to establish a
 17.24 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
 17.25 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
 17.26 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
 17.27 subdivision 17.

17.28 **(p) Minnesota Statewide Trout Habitat**
 17.29 **Enhancement, Phase 2**

17.30 \$2,124,000 the first year is to the
 17.31 commissioner of natural resources for an
 17.32 agreement with Minnesota Trout Unlimited
 17.33 to restore and enhance habitat for trout and
 17.34 other species in and along coldwater rivers,
 17.35 lakes, and streams throughout Minnesota.

- 18.1 **(q) Restoring and Enhancing Minnesota's**
- 18.2 **Important Bird Areas, Phase 4**
- 18.3 \$2,003,000 the first year is to the
- 18.4 commissioner of natural resources for an
- 18.5 agreement with Audubon Minnesota to restore
- 18.6 and enhance wildlife habitat in important bird
- 18.7 areas or Minnesota Prairie Conservation Plan
- 18.8 Priority areas of northwestern Minnesota.
- 18.9 **(r) Fall River Restoration**
- 18.10 \$1,318,000 the first year is to the
- 18.11 commissioner of natural resources for an
- 18.12 agreement with Cook County to restore and
- 18.13 enhance coldwater stream habitat in the Fall
- 18.14 River in Cook County.
- 18.15 **(s) DNR Aquatic Habitat Restoration and**
- 18.16 **Enhancement, Phase 8**
- 18.17 \$3,800,000 the first year is to the
- 18.18 commissioner of natural resources to restore
- 18.19 and enhance aquatic habitat in degraded
- 18.20 streams and aquatic management areas and to
- 18.21 facilitate fish passage throughout Minnesota.
- 18.22 **(t) Rum River Corridor Fish and Wildlife**
- 18.23 **Habitat Enhancement, Phase 3**
- 18.24 \$1,356,000 the first year is to the
- 18.25 commissioner of natural resources for an
- 18.26 agreement with the Anoka County Soil and
- 18.27 Water Conservation District to restore and
- 18.28 enhance upland and riverine habitat in the
- 18.29 Rum River corridor.
- 18.30 **(u) DNR Roving Crew, Phase 3**
- 18.31 \$12,642,000 the first year is to the
- 18.32 commissioner of natural resources to restore
- 18.33 and enhance fish and wildlife habitat on
- 18.34 permanently protected lands throughout

19.1 Minnesota using the roving crew program of
 19.2 the Department of Natural Resources.

19.3 **(v) Conservation Partners Legacy Grant**
 19.4 **Program: Statewide and Metro Habitat, Phase**
 19.5 **17**

19.6 \$11,716,000 the first year is to the
 19.7 commissioner of natural resources for a
 19.8 program to provide competitive matching
 19.9 grants of up to \$500,000 to local, regional,
 19.10 state, and national organizations for enhancing,
 19.11 restoring, or protecting forests, wetlands,
 19.12 prairies, or habitat for fish, game, or wildlife
 19.13 in Minnesota. Of this amount, unless not
 19.14 enough eligible grant applications are
 19.15 received, at least \$3,000,000 is for grants in
 19.16 the seven-county metropolitan area and cities
 19.17 with a population of 50,000 or more and at
 19.18 least \$2,620,000 is for grants to applicants that
 19.19 have not previously applied for money from
 19.20 the outdoor heritage fund. Grants must not be
 19.21 made for activities required to fulfill the duties
 19.22 of owners of lands subject to conservation
 19.23 easements. Grants must not be made from the
 19.24 appropriation in this paragraph for projects
 19.25 that have a total project cost exceeding
 19.26 \$1,000,000. Of the total appropriation,
 19.27 \$600,000 may be spent for personnel costs,
 19.28 outreach, and support to first-time applicants
 19.29 and other direct and necessary administrative
 19.30 costs. Grantees may acquire land or interests
 19.31 in land. Easements must be permanent. Grants
 19.32 may not be used to establish easement
 19.33 stewardship accounts. The program must
 19.34 require a match of at least ten percent from
 19.35 nonstate sources for all grants. The match may
 19.36 be cash or in-kind. For grant applications of

20.1	<u>\$25,000 or less, the commissioner must</u>		
20.2	<u>provide a separate, simplified application</u>		
20.3	<u>process. Subject to Minnesota Statutes, the</u>		
20.4	<u>commissioner of natural resources must, when</u>		
20.5	<u>evaluating projects of equal value, give</u>		
20.6	<u>priority to organizations that have a history of</u>		
20.7	<u>receiving, or a charter to receive, private</u>		
20.8	<u>contributions for local conservation or habitat</u>		
20.9	<u>projects. All restoration or enhancement</u>		
20.10	<u>projects must be on land permanently</u>		
20.11	<u>protected by a permanent covenant ensuring</u>		
20.12	<u>perpetual maintenance and protection of</u>		
20.13	<u>restored and enhanced habitat, by a</u>		
20.14	<u>conservation easement, or by public ownership</u>		
20.15	<u>or in public waters as defined in Minnesota</u>		
20.16	<u>Statutes, section 103G.005, subdivision 15.</u>		
20.17	<u>Priority must be given to restoration and</u>		
20.18	<u>enhancement projects on public lands.</u>		
20.19	<u>Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,</u>		
20.20	<u>subdivision 13, applies to grants awarded</u>		
20.21	<u>under this paragraph. This appropriation is</u>		
20.22	<u>available until June 30, 2028. No less than five</u>		
20.23	<u>percent of the amount of each grant must be</u>		
20.24	<u>held back from reimbursement until the grant</u>		
20.25	<u>recipient completes a grant accomplishment</u>		
20.26	<u>report by the deadline and in the form</u>		
20.27	<u>prescribed by and satisfactory to the</u>		
20.28	<u>Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council. The</u>		
20.29	<u>commissioner must provide notice of the grant</u>		
20.30	<u>program in the summary of game and fish law</u>		
20.31	<u>prepared under Minnesota Statutes, section</u>		
20.32	<u>97A.051, subdivision 2.</u>		
20.33	<u>Subd. 6. Administration</u>	<u>2,043,000</u>	<u>775,000</u>
20.34	<u>(a) Contract Management</u>		

21.1 \$410,000 the first year is to the commissioner
 21.2 of natural resources for contract management
 21.3 duties assigned in this section. The
 21.4 commissioner must provide an
 21.5 accomplishment plan in the form specified by
 21.6 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council
 21.7 on expending this appropriation. The
 21.8 accomplishment plan must include a copy of
 21.9 the grant contract template and reimbursement
 21.10 manual. No money may be expended before
 21.11 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council
 21.12 approves the accomplishment plan. Money
 21.13 appropriated in this paragraph is available until
 21.14 June 30, 2027.

21.15 **(b) Legislative Coordinating Commission**
 21.16 \$732,000 the first year and \$772,000 the
 21.17 second year are to the Legislative
 21.18 Coordinating Commission for administrative
 21.19 expenses of the Lessard-Sams Outdoor
 21.20 Heritage Council and for compensating and
 21.21 reimbursing expenses of council members.
 21.22 This appropriation is available until June 30,
 21.23 2027. Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.281,
 21.24 applies to this appropriation.

21.25 **(c) Technical Evaluation Panel**
 21.26 \$157,000 the first year is to the commissioner
 21.27 of natural resources for a technical evaluation
 21.28 panel to conduct up to 20 restoration and
 21.29 enhancement evaluations under Minnesota
 21.30 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 10.
 21.31 Money appropriated in this paragraph is
 21.32 available until June 30, 2027.

21.33 **(d) Core Functions in Partner-Led OHF Land**
 21.34 **Acquisitions**

22.1 \$740,000 the first year is to the commissioner
 22.2 of natural resources for administering the
 22.3 initial development, restoration, and
 22.4 enhancement of land acquired in fee with
 22.5 money appropriated from the outdoor heritage
 22.6 fund. This appropriation may be used for land
 22.7 acquisition costs incurred by the department
 22.8 as part of conveyance of parcels to the
 22.9 Department of Natural Resources and initial
 22.10 development activities on fee title acquisitions.
 22.11 Money appropriated in this paragraph is
 22.12 available until June 30, 2033.

22.13 **(e) Legacy Website**

22.14 \$4,000 the first year and \$3,000 the second
 22.15 year are to the Legislative Coordinating
 22.16 Commission for the website required under
 22.17 Minnesota Statutes, section 3.303, subdivision
 22.18 10.

22.19 **Subd. 7. Availability of Appropriation**

22.20 (a) Money appropriated in this section may
 22.21 not be spent on activities unless they are
 22.22 directly related to and necessary for a specific
 22.23 appropriation and are specified in the
 22.24 accomplishment plan approved by the
 22.25 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council.
 22.26 Money appropriated in this section must not
 22.27 be spent on indirect costs or other institutional
 22.28 overhead charges that are not directly related
 22.29 to and necessary for a specific appropriation.
 22.30 Money appropriated for fee title acquisition
 22.31 of land may be used to restore, enhance, and
 22.32 provide for public use of the land acquired
 22.33 with the appropriation. Public-use facilities
 22.34 must have a minimal impact on habitat in
 22.35 acquired lands.

23.1 (b) Money appropriated in this section is
 23.2 available as follows:

23.3 (1) money appropriated for acquiring real
 23.4 property is available until June 30, 2029;

23.5 (2) money appropriated for restoring and
 23.6 enhancing land acquired with an appropriation
 23.7 in this article is available for four years after
 23.8 the acquisition date with a maximum end date
 23.9 of June 30, 2033;

23.10 (3) money appropriated for restoring and
 23.11 enhancing other land is available until June
 23.12 30, 2030;

23.13 (4) notwithstanding clauses (1) to (3), money
 23.14 appropriated for a project that receives at least
 23.15 15 percent of its funding from federal funds
 23.16 is available until a date sufficient to match the
 23.17 availability of federal funding to a maximum
 23.18 of six years if the federal funding was
 23.19 confirmed and included in the original
 23.20 approved draft accomplishment plan; and

23.21 (5) money appropriated for other projects is
 23.22 available until the end of the fiscal year in
 23.23 which it is appropriated.

23.24 **Subd. 8. Payment Conditions and Capital**
 23.25 **Equipment Expenditures**

23.26 (a) All agreements referred to in this section
 23.27 must be administered on a reimbursement
 23.28 basis unless otherwise provided in this section.

23.29 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
 23.30 16A.41, expenditures directly related to each
 23.31 appropriation's purpose made on or after July
 23.32 1, 2025, or the date of accomplishment plan
 23.33 approval, whichever is later, are eligible for
 23.34 reimbursement unless otherwise provided in

24.1 this section. For the purposes of administering
 24.2 appropriations and legislatively authorized
 24.3 agreements paid out of the outdoor heritage
 24.4 fund, an expense must be considered
 24.5 reimbursable by the administering agency
 24.6 when the recipient presents the agency with
 24.7 an invoice or binding agreement with the
 24.8 landowner and the recipient attests that the
 24.9 goods have been received or the landowner
 24.10 agreement is binding. Periodic reimbursement
 24.11 must be made upon receiving documentation
 24.12 that the items articulated in the
 24.13 accomplishment plan approved by the
 24.14 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council have
 24.15 been achieved, including partial achievements
 24.16 as evidenced by progress reports approved by
 24.17 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council.
 24.18 Reasonable amounts may be advanced to
 24.19 projects to accommodate cash flow needs,
 24.20 support future management of acquired lands,
 24.21 or match a federal share. The advances must
 24.22 be approved as part of the accomplishment
 24.23 plan. Capital equipment expenditures for
 24.24 specific items in excess of \$10,000 must be
 24.25 itemized in and approved as part of the
 24.26 accomplishment plan.
 24.27 (b) Unless otherwise provided, no money
 24.28 appropriated from the outdoor heritage fund
 24.29 in this article may be used to acquire, restore,
 24.30 or enhance any real property unless the
 24.31 specific acquisition, restoration, or
 24.32 enhancement is approved as part of the
 24.33 accomplishment plan on the parcel list.

25.1 Subd. 9. **Mapping**

25.2 Each direct recipient of money appropriated
 25.3 in this section, as well as each recipient of a
 25.4 grant awarded under this section, must provide
 25.5 geographic information to the Lessard-Sams
 25.6 Outdoor Heritage Council for mapping of any
 25.7 lands acquired in fee with funds appropriated
 25.8 in this section and open to the public taking
 25.9 of fish and game. The commissioner of natural
 25.10 resources must include the lands acquired in
 25.11 fee with money appropriated in this section
 25.12 on maps showing public recreation
 25.13 opportunities. Maps must include information
 25.14 on and acknowledgment of the outdoor
 25.15 heritage fund, including a notation of any
 25.16 restrictions.

25.17 Subd. 10. **Carryforward**

25.18 (a) The availability of the appropriation for
 25.19 Laws 2020, chapter 104, article 1, section 2,
 25.20 subdivision 5, paragraph (b), Metro Big Rivers
 25.21 - Phase X, is extended to June 30, 2026.

25.22 (b) The availability of the appropriation for
 25.23 Laws 2020, chapter 104, article 1, section 2,
 25.24 subdivision 5, paragraph (k), St. Louis River
 25.25 Restoration Initiative - Phase VII, is extended
 25.26 to June 30, 2026.

25.27 (c) The availability of the appropriation for
 25.28 Laws 2023, chapter 40, article 1, section 2,
 25.29 subdivision 6, paragraph (d), Core Functions
 25.30 in Partner-Led OHF Land Acquisitions, is
 25.31 extended to June 30, 2031.

25.32 Subd. 11. **Cancellation**

25.33 \$120,000 of the outdoor heritage fund
 25.34 appropriation in Laws 2020, chapter 104,

article 1, section 2, subdivision 2, paragraph
(i), is canceled no later than June 29, 2025.

EFFECTIVE DATE. Subdivisions 10 and 11 are effective the day following final
enactment.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 97A.056, is amended by adding a subdivision to
read:

Subd. 25. Federal grant fund requirements. An interest in real property acquired with
money appropriated from the outdoor heritage fund may be used to leverage federal grant
funds for related conservation programs, such as Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration,
United States Code, title 16, section 669 et seq.; Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration,
United States Code, title 16, section 777 et seq.; and the North American Wetlands
Conservation Act, United States Code, title 16, section 4401. These grant programs may
place conditions on land use that require the continued use of the land for conservation
purposes. Placement of conditions on land use under these programs does not require prior
review and approval of the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council or its successor under
subdivision 15, paragraph (b).

ARTICLE 2
CLEAN WATER FUND

Section 1. **CLEAN WATER FUND APPROPRIATIONS.**

The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies
and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the clean water
fund and are available for the fiscal years indicated for allowable activities under the
Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 15. The figures "2026" and "2027" used in this
article mean that the appropriations listed under the figure are available for the fiscal year
ending June 30, 2026, or June 30, 2027, respectively. "The first year" is fiscal year 2026.
"The second year" is fiscal year 2027. "The biennium" is fiscal years 2026 and 2027. These
are onetime appropriations.

<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	
<u>Available for the Year</u>	
<u>Ending June 30</u>	
<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>

Sec. 2. **CLEAN WATER FUND**

<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>144,625,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>159,301,000</u>
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27.1 This appropriation is from the clean water
 27.2 fund. The amounts that may be spent for each
 27.3 purpose are specified in the following sections.

27.4 **Subd. 2. Availability of Appropriation**

27.5 Money appropriated in this article may not be
 27.6 spent on activities unless they are directly
 27.7 related to and necessary for a specific
 27.8 appropriation. Money appropriated in this
 27.9 article must be spent in accordance with
 27.10 Minnesota Management and Budget MMB
 27.11 Guidance to Agencies on Legacy Fund
 27.12 Expenditure. Notwithstanding Minnesota
 27.13 Statutes, section 16A.28, and unless otherwise
 27.14 specified in this article, fiscal year 2026
 27.15 appropriations are available until June 30,
 27.16 2027, and fiscal year 2027 appropriations are
 27.17 available until June 30, 2028. If a project
 27.18 receives federal funds, the period of the
 27.19 appropriation is extended to equal the
 27.20 availability of federal funding.

27.21 **Subd. 3. Disability Access**

27.22 Where appropriate, grant recipients of clean
 27.23 water funds, in consultation with the Council
 27.24 on Disability and other appropriate
 27.25 governor-appointed disability councils, boards,
 27.26 committees, and commissions, should make
 27.27 progress toward providing people with
 27.28 disabilities greater access to programs, print
 27.29 publications, and digital media related to the
 27.30 programs the recipient funds using
 27.31 appropriations made in this article.

27.32 **Subd. 4. Increasing Diversity in Environmental**
 27.33 **Careers**

27.34 Agencies should work to provide opportunities
 27.35 that encourage a diversity of students to pursue

28.1 careers in environment and natural resources
28.2 when implementing appropriations in this
28.3 article.

28.4 Sec. 3. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE \$ 16,075,000 \$ 17,275,000

28.5 (a) \$370,000 the first year and \$370,000 the
28.6 second year are to increase monitoring for
28.7 pesticides and pesticide degradates in surface
28.8 water and groundwater and to use data
28.9 collected to assess pesticide use practices.

28.10 (b) \$3,100,000 the first year and \$3,100,000
28.11 the second year are for monitoring and
28.12 evaluating trends in the concentration of
28.13 nitrate in groundwater; promoting, developing,
28.14 and evaluating regional and crop-specific
28.15 nutrient best management practices, cover
28.16 crops, and other vegetative cover; assessing
28.17 adoption of best management practices and
28.18 other recommended practices; education and
28.19 technical support from University of
28.20 Minnesota Extension; grants to support
28.21 agricultural demonstration and implementation
28.22 activities, including research activities at the
28.23 Rosholt Research Farm; and other actions to
28.24 protect groundwater from degradation from
28.25 nitrate.

28.26 (c) \$2,000,000 the first year and \$2,000,000
28.27 the second year are for the agriculture best
28.28 management practices loan program. Any
28.29 unencumbered balance at the end of the second
28.30 year must be added to the corpus of the loan
28.31 fund.

28.32 (d) \$1,600,000 the first year and \$1,600,000
28.33 the second year are for technical assistance;
28.34 research, demonstration, and promotion

- 29.1 projects on properly implementing best
 29.2 management practices and vegetative cover;
 29.3 and more-precise information on nonpoint
 29.4 contributions to impaired waters and for grants
 29.5 to support on-farm demonstration of
 29.6 agricultural practices.
- 29.7 (e) \$50,000 the first year and \$50,000 the
 29.8 second year are for maintenance of the
 29.9 Minnesota Water Research Digital Library.
 29.10 Costs for information technology development
 29.11 or support for the digital library may be paid
 29.12 to Minnesota IT Services.
- 29.13 (f) \$3,500,000 the first year and \$3,500,000
 29.14 the second year are to implement the
 29.15 Minnesota agricultural water quality
 29.16 certification program statewide.
- 29.17 (g) \$155,000 the first year and \$155,000 the
 29.18 second year are for a regional irrigation water
 29.19 quality specialist through University of
 29.20 Minnesota Extension.
- 29.21 (h) \$2,000,000 the first year and \$3,000,000
 29.22 the second year are for grants to the Board of
 29.23 Regents of the University of Minnesota to
 29.24 fund the Forever Green initiative and to protect
 29.25 the state's natural resources while increasing
 29.26 the efficiency, profitability, and productivity
 29.27 of Minnesota farmers by incorporating
 29.28 perennial and winter-annual crops into existing
 29.29 agricultural practices.
- 29.30 (i) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the
 29.31 second year are for testing drinking-water
 29.32 wells for pesticides.
- 29.33 (j) \$1,750,000 the first year and \$1,750,000
 29.34 the second year are for conservation

30.1 equipment assistance grants to purchase
 30.2 equipment or items to retrofit existing
 30.3 equipment that has climate and water quality
 30.4 benefits.

30.5 (k) \$1,050,000 the first year and \$1,250,000
 30.6 the second year are for expanding the existing
 30.7 state weather station and soil temperature
 30.8 network to provide accurate and timely
 30.9 weather data to optimize the timing of
 30.10 irrigation, fertilizer, pesticide, and manure
 30.11 applications and support land management
 30.12 decisions.

30.13 (l) Unless otherwise specified, the
 30.14 appropriations in this section are available
 30.15 until June 30, 2030.

30.16 Sec. 4. **POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY** \$ **24,501,000** \$ **24,702,000**

30.17 (a) \$9,450,000 the first year and \$9,450,000
 30.18 the second year are for completing needed
 30.19 statewide assessments of surface water quality
 30.20 and trends according to Minnesota Statutes,
 30.21 chapter 114D.

30.22 (b) \$7,250,000 the first year and \$7,250,000
 30.23 the second year are to support public
 30.24 participation in the watershed approach and
 30.25 to update watershed restoration and protection
 30.26 strategies, which include total maximum daily
 30.27 load (TMDL) and other supporting studies
 30.28 according to Minnesota Statutes, chapter
 30.29 114D, for waters on the impaired waters list
 30.30 approved by the United States Environmental
 30.31 Protection Agency.

30.32 (c) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000
 30.33 the second year are for groundwater
 30.34 assessment, including enhancing the ambient

31.1 monitoring network, modeling, and evaluating
 31.2 trends.

31.3 (d) \$1,600,000 the first year and \$1,600,000
 31.4 the second year are for national pollutant
 31.5 discharge elimination system wastewater and
 31.6 stormwater TMDL implementation efforts.

31.7 (e) \$3,340,000 the first year and \$3,541,000
 31.8 the second year are for enhancing the
 31.9 county-level delivery systems for subsurface
 31.10 sewage treatment system (SSTS) activities
 31.11 necessary to implement Minnesota Statutes,
 31.12 sections 115.55 and 115.56, for protecting
 31.13 groundwater. This appropriation includes base
 31.14 grants for all counties with SSTS programs.
 31.15 Counties that receive base grants must report
 31.16 the number of properties with noncompliant
 31.17 systems upgraded through an SSTS
 31.18 replacement, connection to a centralized sewer
 31.19 system, or other means, including property
 31.20 abandonment or buyout. Counties also must
 31.21 report the number of existing SSTS
 31.22 compliance inspections conducted in areas
 31.23 under county jurisdiction. The required reports
 31.24 must be part of the established annual
 31.25 reporting for SSTS programs. Of this amount,
 31.26 at least \$900,000 each year is available to
 31.27 counties for grants to low-income landowners
 31.28 to address systems that pose an imminent
 31.29 threat to public health or safety or fail to
 31.30 protect groundwater. A county receiving a
 31.31 grant under this paragraph must submit a
 31.32 report to the agency listing the projects funded,
 31.33 including an account of the expenditures.

32.1 (f) \$650,000 the first year and \$650,000 the
32.2 second year are for activities and grants that
32.3 reduce chloride pollution.

32.4 (g) \$461,000 the first year and \$461,000 the
32.5 second year are to support activities of the
32.6 Clean Water Council according to Minnesota
32.7 Statutes, section 114D.30, subdivision 1.

32.8 (h) \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000 the
32.9 second year are for a grant program for
32.10 sanitary sewer projects that are included in the
32.11 draft or any updated Voyageurs National Park
32.12 Clean Water Project Comprehensive Plan to
32.13 restore the water quality of waters in
32.14 Voyageurs National Park. Grants must be
32.15 awarded to local government units for projects
32.16 approved by the Voyageurs National Park
32.17 Clean Water Joint Powers Board and must be
32.18 matched by at least 25 percent from sources
32.19 other than the clean water fund.

32.20 (i) Any unencumbered grant balances in the
32.21 first year do not cancel but are available for
32.22 grants in the second year. Notwithstanding
32.23 Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, the
32.24 appropriations in this section are available
32.25 until June 30, 2030.

32.26	Sec. 5. <u>DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL</u>			
32.27	<u>RESOURCES</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>14,150,000</u>	<u>\$</u> <u>14,650,000</u>

32.28 (a) \$2,825,000 the first year and \$2,825,000
32.29 the second year are for stream flow
32.30 monitoring.

32.31 (b) \$1,525,000 the first year and \$1,525,000
32.32 the second year are for lake Index of
32.33 Biological Integrity (IBI) assessments.

- 33.1 (c) \$550,000 the first year and \$550,000 the
 33.2 second year are for assessing mercury and
 33.3 other fish contaminants, including PFAS
 33.4 compounds, and monitoring to track the status
 33.5 of impaired waters over time.
- 33.6 (d) \$2,250,000 the first year and \$2,500,000
 33.7 the second year are for developing targeted,
 33.8 science-based watershed restoration and
 33.9 protection strategies and for technical
 33.10 assistance for local governments.
- 33.11 (e) \$2,350,000 the first year and \$2,350,000
 33.12 the second year are for water-supply planning,
 33.13 aquifer protection, and monitoring activities
 33.14 and analysis.
- 33.15 (f) \$2,100,000 the first year and \$2,250,000
 33.16 the second year are for technical assistance to
 33.17 support local implementation of nonpoint
 33.18 source restoration and protection activities and
 33.19 targeted forest stewardship for water quality.
- 33.20 (g) \$700,000 the first year and \$700,000 the
 33.21 second year are for tool development and
 33.22 evaluation, including maintaining and updating
 33.23 spatial data for watershed boundaries, streams,
 33.24 and water bodies and integrating
 33.25 high-resolution digital elevation data and for
 33.26 assessing the effectiveness of forestry best
 33.27 management practices for water quality.
- 33.28 (h) \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the
 33.29 second year are for accelerating completion
 33.30 of or updates to county geologic atlases and
 33.31 supplementing water chemistry or chemical
 33.32 movement studies.
- 33.33 (i) \$350,000 the first year and \$350,000 the
 33.34 second year are for increasing native

34.1 freshwater mussel production capacity and
34.2 restoring and monitoring freshwater mussel
34.3 restoration efforts.

(j) \$1,400,000 the first year and \$1,500,000 the second year are for providing technical and financial assistance for county and local governments to replace failing or ineffective culverts using modern designs that restore floodplain connectivity, biological connectivity, and channel stability. This appropriation is available for up to two additional years.

34.13 **Sec. 6. BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL**
34.14 **RESOURCES**

\$ 64,332,000 \$ 75,004,000

(a) \$39,962,000 the first year and \$48,138,000 the second year are for agreements to implement state-approved watershed-based plans. The agreements may be used to implement projects or programs that protect, enhance, and restore surface water quality in lakes, rivers, and streams; protect groundwater from degradation; and protect drinking water sources. Activities must be identified in a comprehensive watershed plan developed under the One Watershed, One Plan program and seven-county metropolitan groundwater or surface water management frameworks as provided for in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 103B, 103C, 103D, and 114D. Other legacy funds may be used to supplement projects funded under this paragraph. This appropriation may be used for:

34.33 (1) implementing state-approved plans,
34.34 including within the following watershed
34.35 planning areas: Big Fork River, Blue Earth

- 35.1 River, Bois de Sioux - Mustinka, Buffalo-Red
- 35.2 River, Cannon River, Cedar - Wapsipinicon,
- 35.3 Chippewa River, Clearwater River,
- 35.4 Cottonwood-Middle Minnesota, Crow Wing
- 35.5 River, Des Moines River, Greater Zumbro
- 35.6 River, Hawk Creek - Middle Minnesota, Kettle
- 35.7 and Upper St. Croix, Lac qui Parle-Yellow
- 35.8 Bank, Lake of the Woods, Lake Superior
- 35.9 North, Le Sueur River, Leech Lake River,
- 35.10 Little Fork River, Long Prairie River, Lower
- 35.11 Minnesota River East, Lower Minnesota River
- 35.12 West, Lower St. Croix River,
- 35.13 Middle-Snake-Tamarac Rivers, Minnesota
- 35.14 River-Mankato, Mississippi River Brainerd,
- 35.15 Mississippi River Headwaters, Mississippi
- 35.16 River St. Cloud, Mississippi River-Sartell,
- 35.17 Mississippi River Winona/La Crescent,
- 35.18 Missouri River Basin, Nemadji River, North
- 35.19 Fork Crow River, Otter Tail, Pine River,
- 35.20 Pomme de Terre River, Rainy-Rapid River,
- 35.21 Rainy Headwaters - Vermilion, Rainy
- 35.22 River-Rainy Lake, Red Lake River, Redeye
- 35.23 River, Redwood River, Root River, Roseau
- 35.24 River, Rum River, Sand Hill River, Sauk
- 35.25 River, Shell Rock and Winnebago River,
- 35.26 Snake River, South Fork of the Crow River,
- 35.27 St. Louis River, Thief River, Two Rivers Plus,
- 35.28 Upper and Lower Red Lake, Upper Minnesota
- 35.29 River, Upper Mississippi - Grand Rapids,
- 35.30 Watonwan River, Wild Rice - Marsh, and
- 35.31 Yellow Medicine River;
- 35.32 (2) implementing seven-county metropolitan
- 35.33 groundwater or surface water management
- 35.34 frameworks; and

36.1 (3) implementing other comprehensive
 36.2 watershed management plan planning areas
 36.3 that have a board-approved and
 36.4 local-government-adopted plan as authorized
 36.5 in Minnesota Statutes, section 103B.801.

36.6 The board must establish eligibility criteria
 36.7 and determine whether a planning area is ready
 36.8 to proceed.

36.9 (b) \$2,935,000 the first year and \$3,065,000
 36.10 the second year are for agreements with local
 36.11 government units to protect and restore surface
 36.12 water and drinking water; to keep water on
 36.13 the land; to protect, enhance, and restore water
 36.14 quality in lakes, rivers, and streams; and to
 36.15 protect groundwater and drinking water,
 36.16 including feedlot water quality and subsurface
 36.17 sewage treatment system projects and stream
 36.18 bank, stream channel, shoreline restoration,
 36.19 and ravine stabilization projects. The projects
 36.20 must use practices demonstrated to be
 36.21 effective, be of long-lasting public benefit,
 36.22 include a match, and be consistent with total
 36.23 maximum daily load (TMDL) implementation
 36.24 plans, watershed restoration and protection
 36.25 strategies (WRAPS), groundwater restoration
 36.26 and protection strategies (GRAPS), or local
 36.27 water management plans or their equivalents.
 36.28 Up to 50 percent of this appropriation is
 36.29 available for land-treatment projects and
 36.30 practices that benefit drinking water.

36.31 (c) \$4,350,000 the first year and \$4,350,000
 36.32 the second year are for accelerated
 36.33 implementation, local resource protection,
 36.34 statewide analytical targeting or technology
 36.35 tools that fill an identified gap, program

37.1 enhancements for technical assistance, citizen
 37.2 and community outreach, compliance, and
 37.3 training and certification.

37.4 (d) \$1,250,000 the first year and \$1,250,000
 37.5 the second year are:

37.6 (1) to provide state oversight and
 37.7 accountability, evaluate and communicate
 37.8 results, provide implementation tools, and
 37.9 measure the value of conservation program
 37.10 implementation by local governments; and

37.11 (2) to submit to the legislature by December
 37.12 15 each even-numbered year a biennial report
 37.13 detailing the recipients and projects funded
 37.14 and the results accomplished under this
 37.15 section.

37.16 (e) \$2,000,000 the first year and \$2,000,000
 37.17 the second year are to provide assistance,
 37.18 oversight, and support for local governments
 37.19 in implementing and complying with riparian
 37.20 protection and excessive soil loss
 37.21 requirements.

37.22 (f) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000
 37.23 the second year are for a working lands
 37.24 floodplain program and to purchase, restore,
 37.25 or preserve riparian land and floodplains
 37.26 adjacent to lakes, wetlands, rivers, streams,
 37.27 and tributaries, by conservation easements or
 37.28 other agreements to keep water on the land,
 37.29 to decrease sediment, pollutant, and nutrient
 37.30 transport; reduce hydrologic impacts to surface
 37.31 waters; and increase protection and recharge
 37.32 for groundwater. Up to \$60,000 is for deposit
 37.33 in a conservation easement stewardship

38.1 account established according to Minnesota
38.2 Statutes, section 103B.103.

38.3 (g) \$2,500,000 the first year and \$2,500,000
38.4 the second year are for conservation easements
38.5 under Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.501
38.6 to 103F.535, or for agreements with local units
38.7 of government or Tribal governments for
38.8 long-term protection of groundwater supply
38.9 sources. Priority must be placed on drinking
38.10 water supply management areas where the
38.11 vulnerability of the drinking water supply is
38.12 designated as high or very high by the
38.13 commissioner of health, that are mitigation
38.14 level 1 or 2 under the groundwater protection
38.15 rule, where drinking water protection plans
38.16 developed by Tribal governments have
38.17 identified high vulnerability, or where drinking
38.18 water protection plans have identified specific
38.19 activities that will achieve long-term
38.20 protection. Up to \$200,000 is for deposit in a
38.21 conservation easement stewardship account
38.22 established according to Minnesota Statutes,
38.23 section 103B.103.

38.24 (h) \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the
38.25 second year are for a technical evaluation
38.26 panel to conduct restoration evaluations under
38.27 Minnesota Statutes, section 114D.50,
38.28 subdivision 6.

38.29 (i) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the
38.30 second year are for assistance to, oversight of,
38.31 and agreements with local governments to
38.32 enhance and update comprehensive watershed
38.33 management plans developed under Minnesota
38.34 Statutes, section 103B.801.

39.1 (j) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000
 39.2 the second year are for technical and financial
 39.3 assistance for the conservation drainage
 39.4 program, in consultation with the Drainage
 39.5 Work Group, coordinated under Minnesota
 39.6 Statutes, section 103B.101, subdivision 13,
 39.7 and including projects to improve
 39.8 multipurpose water management under
 39.9 Minnesota Statutes, section 103E.015.

39.10 (k) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the
 39.11 second year are to purchase permanent
 39.12 conservation easements to protect lands
 39.13 adjacent to public waters that have good water
 39.14 quality but that are threatened with
 39.15 degradation. Up to \$60,000 is for deposit in a
 39.16 conservation easement stewardship account
 39.17 established according to Minnesota Statutes,
 39.18 section 103B.103.

39.19 (l) \$425,000 the first year and \$425,000 the
 39.20 second year are to systematically collect data
 39.21 and produce county, watershed, and statewide
 39.22 estimates of soil erosion caused by water and
 39.23 wind, and track adoption of conservation
 39.24 measures, including cover crops, to address
 39.25 erosion. This appropriation may be used for
 39.26 agreements with the University of Minnesota
 39.27 to complete this work.

39.28 (m) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the
 39.29 second year are for implementing a water
 39.30 legacy program to expand partnerships for
 39.31 clean water.

39.32 (n) \$2,500,000 the first year and \$2,500,000
 39.33 the second year are for permanent
 39.34 conservation easements to protect and restore
 39.35 wetlands and associated uplands. Up to

40.1 \$100,000 is for deposit in a conservation
 40.2 easement stewardship account established
 40.3 according to Minnesota Statutes, section
 40.4 103B.103.

40.5 (o) \$3,560,000 the first year and \$5,926,000
 40.6 the second year are for financial and technical
 40.7 assistance to enhance adoption of cover crops
 40.8 and other soil health practices to achieve water
 40.9 quality or drinking water benefits. The board
 40.10 may use agreements with local governments,
 40.11 the United States Department of Agriculture,
 40.12 AgCentric at Minnesota State Center for
 40.13 Excellence, and other practitioners and
 40.14 partners to accomplish this work. Up to
 40.15 \$450,000 is for an agreement with the
 40.16 University of Minnesota Office for Soil Health
 40.17 for applied research and education on
 40.18 Minnesota's agroecosystems and soil health
 40.19 management systems. This appropriation may
 40.20 be extended to leverage available federal
 40.21 funds.

40.22 (p) \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000 the
 40.23 second year are to contract for delivery of
 40.24 services with Conservation Corps Minnesota
 40.25 and Iowa for restoration, maintenance,
 40.26 training, and other activities consistent with
 40.27 this section.

40.28 (q) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the
 40.29 second year are to provide support to soil and
 40.30 water conservation districts and other local
 40.31 governments and partner organizations in the
 40.32 Lake Superior basin to leverage Great Lakes
 40.33 Restoration Initiative or other federal funding
 40.34 to implement prioritized activities.

41.1 (r) The board may shift funds in this section
41.2 and may adjust the technical and
41.3 administrative assistance portion of the funds
41.4 to leverage federal or other nonstate funds, to
41.5 facilitate oversight responsibilities, or to
41.6 address high-priority activities identified by
41.7 the board consistent with local water
41.8 management plans.

41.9 (s) The board must require grantees to specify
41.10 the outcomes that will be achieved by the
41.11 grants.

41.12 (t) The appropriations in this section are
41.13 available until June 30, 2030, except grant or
41.14 easement funds are available for five years
41.15 after the date a grant or other agreement is
41.16 executed. Returned funds must be repurposed
41.17 consistent with the purposes of this section.

41.18 Sec. 7. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH \$ 14,295,000 \$ 15,845,000

41.19 (a) \$5,925,000 the first year and \$5,925,000
41.20 the second year are to develop health risk
41.21 limits and other health-based guidance and
41.22 conduct outreach activities for contaminants
41.23 found or anticipated to be found in Minnesota
41.24 drinking water; to accredit private laboratories
41.25 to conduct analyses for these contaminants;
41.26 and to increase the capacity of the
41.27 department's laboratory to analyze for these
41.28 contaminants.

41.29 (b) \$2,300,000 the first year and \$3,700,000
41.30 the second year are for ensuring safe drinking
41.31 water for private well users in southeast
41.32 Minnesota and statewide by designing and
41.33 implementing voluntary interventions to
41.34 reduce health risks to private well users,

- 42.1 including identifying private well locations,
- 42.2 studying the occurrence and magnitude of
- 42.3 contaminants in private wells, developing
- 42.4 guidance and conducting outreach and
- 42.5 education about well testing and mitigation,
- 42.6 awarding grants to local governments, and
- 42.7 offering well testing.
- 42.8 (c) \$3,770,000 the first year and \$3,920,000
- 42.9 the second year are for protecting sources of
- 42.10 drinking water, including planning,
- 42.11 implementation, and monitoring activities and
- 42.12 grants to local governments and public water
- 42.13 systems.
- 42.14 (d) \$1,750,000 the first year and \$1,750,000
- 42.15 the second year are to develop and deliver
- 42.16 groundwater restoration and protection
- 42.17 strategies on a watershed scale for use in local
- 42.18 comprehensive water planning efforts, to
- 42.19 provide resources to local governments for
- 42.20 activities that sustain groundwater and protect
- 42.21 sources of drinking water, and to enhance
- 42.22 approaches that improve the capacity of local
- 42.23 governmental units to protect and restore
- 42.24 groundwater resources.
- 42.25 (e) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the
- 42.26 second year are to develop public health
- 42.27 policies and approaches to address threats to
- 42.28 safe drinking water, including implementation
- 42.29 of a statewide action plan for protecting
- 42.30 drinking water.
- 42.31 (f) \$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the
- 42.32 second year are for optimizing the statewide
- 42.33 recreational water portal that includes an
- 42.34 inventory of public beaches and information
- 42.35 about local monitoring results and closures

43.1 and that provides information about preventing
43.2 illness and recreational water stewardship.

43.3 (g) Unless otherwise specified, the
43.4 appropriations in this section are available
43.5 until June 30, 2029.

43.6 Sec. 8. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL \$ 2,025,000 \$ 2,125,000

43.7 (a) \$1,375,000 the first year and \$1,375,000
43.8 the second year are to support communities
43.9 implementing projects that address emerging
43.10 drinking water supply threats and overall water
43.11 sustainability, provide cost-effective regional
43.12 solutions, leverage interjurisdictional
43.13 coordination, support local implementation of
43.14 wellhead protection plans, and prevent
43.15 degradation of groundwater and surface water
43.16 resources. These activities will provide
43.17 communities with:

43.18 (1) potential solutions to better connect land
43.19 use impacts on water supply and overall water
43.20 sustainability;

43.21 (2) ways to balance regional water use by
43.22 using surface water, stormwater, wastewater,
43.23 and groundwater;

43.24 (3) an analysis of infrastructure requirements
43.25 needed to maintain and strengthen the
43.26 reliability of water systems;

43.27 (4) development of planning-level cost
43.28 estimates, including capital costs and operating
43.29 costs;

43.30 (5) funding mechanisms and an equitable
43.31 cost-sharing structure for regionally beneficial
43.32 water supply development projects;

44.1	<u>(6) information and tools to use to address</u>			
44.2	<u>climate change impacts on overall water</u>			
44.3	<u>supply systems and overall water</u>			
44.4	<u>sustainability; and</u>			
44.5	<u>(7) ways to reduce impacts on the groundwater</u>			
44.6	<u>system through stormwater reuse grants to</u>			
44.7	<u>assist communities in reducing water use.</u>			
44.8	<u>(b) \$650,000 the first year and \$750,000 the</u>			
44.9	<u>second year are for grants that implement</u>			
44.10	<u>water demand reduction measures. The grants</u>			
44.11	<u>are to assist municipalities in the metropolitan</u>			
44.12	<u>area with implementing water demand</u>			
44.13	<u>reduction measures to ensure the reliability</u>			
44.14	<u>and protection of drinking water supplies.</u>			
44.15	Sec. 9. <u>UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA</u>	\$	<u>1,000,000</u>	\$ <u>1,400,000</u>
44.16	<u>(a) \$400,000 the first year and \$400,000 the</u>			
44.17	<u>second year are for developing Part A of</u>			
44.18	<u>county geologic atlases. This appropriation is</u>			
44.19	<u>available until June 30, 2030.</u>			
44.20	<u>(b) \$600,000 the first year and \$1,000,000 the</u>			
44.21	<u>second year are for a program to evaluate</u>			
44.22	<u>performance and technology transfer for</u>			
44.23	<u>stormwater best management practices, to</u>			
44.24	<u>evaluate best management performance and</u>			
44.25	<u>effectiveness to support meeting total</u>			
44.26	<u>maximum daily loads, to develop standards</u>			
44.27	<u>and incorporate state-of-the-art guidance using</u>			
44.28	<u>minimal impact design standards as the model,</u>			
44.29	<u>and to implement a system to transfer</u>			
44.30	<u>knowledge and technology across the local</u>			
44.31	<u>government, industry, and regulatory sectors.</u>			
44.32	<u>This appropriation is available until June 30,</u>			
44.33	<u>2032.</u>			
44.34	Sec. 10. <u>PUBLIC FACILITIES AUTHORITY</u>	\$	<u>8,240,000</u>	\$ <u>8,300,000</u>

45.1 (a) \$8,190,000 the first year and \$8,250,000
45.2 the second year are for the point source
45.3 implementation grants program under
45.4 Minnesota Statutes, section 446A.073. This
45.5 appropriation is available until June 30, 2032.

45.6 (b) \$50,000 the first year and \$50,000 the
45.7 second year are for small community
45.8 wastewater treatment grants and loans under
45.9 Minnesota Statutes, section 446A.075. This
45.10 appropriation is available until June 30, 2032.

45.11 (c) If there is any uncommitted money at the
45.12 end of each fiscal year under paragraph (a) or
45.13 (b), the Public Facilities Authority may
45.14 transfer the remaining funds to eligible
45.15 projects under any of the programs listed in
45.16 this section according to a project's priority
45.17 rank on the Pollution Control Agency's project
45.18 priority list.

45.19	Sec. 11. <u>LEGISLATURE</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>7,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-0-</u>
45.20	<u>\$7,000 the first year is for the Legislative</u>				
45.21	<u>Coordinating Commission for the website</u>				
45.22	<u>required under Minnesota Statutes, section</u>				
45.23	<u>3.303, subdivision 10.</u>				

45.24 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 114D.30, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

45.25 Subd. 7. **Reports to legislature.** By January 15 each odd-numbered year, the council
45.26 must submit a report to the legislature that includes:

45.27 (1) a summary of the activities for which money has been or will be spent in the current
45.28 biennium;

45.29 (2) the recommendations required under subdivision 6 for how money in the clean water
45.30 fund should be spent in the next biennium, broken out by fiscal year and including
45.31 recommended legislative bill language; and

45.32 (3) the impact on economic development of the implementation of efforts to protect and
45.33 restore groundwater and the impaired waters program.

Sec. 13. ASH RIVER SANITARY SEWER COLLECTION AND TREATMENT SYSTEM APPROPRIATION EXTENSION.

The portion of the appropriation in Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 2, article 2, section 5, paragraph (h), as amended by Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 1, article 2, section 18, for the Ash River Sanitary Sewer Collection and Treatment System is available until June 30, 2026.

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

ARTICLE 3
PARKS AND TRAILS FUND

Section 1. **PARKS AND TRAILS FUND APPROPRIATIONS.**

The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the parks and trails fund and are available for the fiscal years indicated for each purpose. The figures "2026" and "2027" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed under the figure are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, or June 30, 2027, respectively. "The first year" is fiscal year 2026. "The second year" is fiscal year 2027. "The biennium" is fiscal years 2026 and 2027. These are onetime appropriations.

<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	
<u>Available for the Year</u>	
<u>Ending June 30</u>	
<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>

Sec. 2. **PARKS AND TRAILS FUND**

Subdivision 1. <u>Total Appropriation</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>61,434,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>68,733,000</u>
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The amounts that may be spent for each purpose are specified in the following sections.

Subd. 2. **Availability of Appropriation**

Money appropriated in this article may not be spent on activities unless they are directly related to and necessary for a specific appropriation. Money appropriated in this article must be spent in accordance with Minnesota Management and Budget MMB Guidance to Agencies on Legacy Fund

47.1 Expenditure. Notwithstanding Minnesota
47.2 Statutes, section 16A.28, and unless otherwise
47.3 specified in this article, fiscal year 2026
47.4 appropriations are available until June 30,
47.5 2028, and fiscal year 2027 appropriations are
47.6 available until June 30, 2029. If a project
47.7 receives federal funds, the period of the
47.8 appropriation is extended to equal the
47.9 availability of federal funding.

47.10 Subd. 3. **Disability Access**

47.11 Where appropriate, grant recipients of parks
47.12 and trails funds, in consultation with the
47.13 Council on Disability and other appropriate
47.14 governor-appointed disability councils, boards,
47.15 committees, and commissions, should make
47.16 progress toward providing people with
47.17 disabilities greater access to programs, print
47.18 publications, and digital media related to the
47.19 programs the recipient funds using
47.20 appropriations made in this article.

47.21 Subd. 4. **Energy and Water Conservation**

47.22 Grant recipients of parks and trails funds
47.23 should prioritize water and energy
47.24 conservation technology and the use of
47.25 renewable energy for construction and
47.26 building projects funded with an appropriation
47.27 made in this article.

47.28	<u>Sec. 3. DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL</u>			
47.29	<u>RESOURCES</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>37,120,000</u>	<u>\$ 41,511,000</u>

47.30 (a) \$24,310,000 the first year and \$27,222,000
47.31 the second year are for state parks, recreation
47.32 areas, and trails to:

47.33 (1) connect people to the outdoors;

47.34 (2) acquire land and create opportunities;

48.1 (3) maintain existing holdings; and

48.2 (4) improve cooperation by coordinating with

48.3 partners to implement the 25-year long-range

48.4 parks and trails legacy plan.

48.5 (b) The commissioner may spend money

48.6 appropriated under paragraph (a) on I Can!

48.7 programs, including but not limited to

48.8 programs designed to provide underserved

48.9 youth the opportunity to experience the

48.10 outdoors with similar peers.

48.11 (c) \$12,196,000 the first year and \$13,611,000

48.12 the second year are for grants for parks and

48.13 trails of regional significance outside the

48.14 seven-county metropolitan area under

48.15 Minnesota Statutes, section 85.535. The grants

48.16 awarded under this paragraph must be based

48.17 on the lists of recommended projects

48.18 submitted to the legislative committees under

48.19 Minnesota Statutes, section 85.536,

48.20 subdivision 10, from the Greater Minnesota

48.21 Regional Parks and Trails Commission

48.22 established under Minnesota Statutes, section

48.23 85.536. Grants funded under this paragraph

48.24 must support parks and trails of regional or

48.25 statewide significance that meet the applicable

48.26 definitions and criteria for regional parks and

48.27 trails contained in the Greater Minnesota

48.28 Regional Parks and Trails Strategic Plan

48.29 adopted by the Greater Minnesota Regional

48.30 Parks and Trails Commission on April 22,

48.31 2015. Grant recipients identified under this

48.32 paragraph must submit a grant application to

48.33 the commissioner of natural resources.

48.34 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section

48.35 16B.98, subdivision 14, up to 2.5 percent of

49.1 the appropriation may be used by the
 49.2 commissioner for the actual cost of issuing
 49.3 and monitoring the grants for the commission.
 49.4 Of the amount appropriated, \$500,000 the first
 49.5 year and \$500,000 the second year are for the
 49.6 Greater Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails
 49.7 Commission to carry out its duties under
 49.8 Minnesota Statutes, section 85.536, including
 49.9 the continued development of a statewide
 49.10 system plan for regional parks and trails
 49.11 outside the seven-county metropolitan area.

49.12 (d) By January 15, 2026, the Greater
 49.13 Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails
 49.14 Commission must submit a list of projects that
 49.15 contains the commission's recommendations
 49.16 for funding from the parks and trails fund for
 49.17 fiscal year 2027 to the chairs and ranking
 49.18 minority members of the legislative
 49.19 committees and divisions with jurisdiction
 49.20 over environment and natural resources and
 49.21 the parks and trails fund.

49.22 (e) By January 15, 2026, the Greater
 49.23 Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails
 49.24 Commission must submit a report that contains
 49.25 the commission's criteria for funding from the
 49.26 parks and trails fund, including the criteria
 49.27 used to determine if a park or trail is of
 49.28 regional significance, to the chairs and ranking
 49.29 minority members of the legislative
 49.30 committees and divisions with jurisdiction
 49.31 over environment and natural resources and
 49.32 the parks and trails fund.

49.33 (f) \$614,000 the first year and \$678,000 the
 49.34 second year are for coordination and projects
 49.35 between the department, the Metropolitan

50.1 Council, and the Greater Minnesota Regional
50.2 Parks and Trails Commission; enhanced
50.3 web-based information for park and trail users;
50.4 and support of activities of the Parks and
50.5 Trails Legacy Advisory Committee.

50.6 (g) The commissioner must contract for
50.7 services with Conservation Corps Minnesota
50.8 and Iowa for restoration, maintenance, and
50.9 other activities under this section for at least
50.10 \$850,000 the first year and \$850,000 the
50.11 second year.

50.12 (h) Grant recipients of an appropriation under
50.13 this section must give consideration to
50.14 contracting with Conservation Corps
50.15 Minnesota and Iowa for restoration,
50.16 maintenance, and other activities.

50.17 (i) In addition to the requirements under
50.18 paragraph (g), the commissioner should work
50.19 to provide other opportunities that encourage
50.20 a diversity of students to pursue careers in
50.21 environment and natural resources when
50.22 implementing appropriations in this section.

50.23 Sec. 4. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL \$ 24,310,000 \$ 27,222,000

50.24 (a) \$24,310,000 the first year and \$27,222,000
50.25 the second year are for distribution according
50.26 to Minnesota Statutes, section 85.53,
50.27 subdivision 3.

50.28 (b) Money appropriated under this section and
50.29 distributed to implementing agencies must be
50.30 used only to fund the list of projects approved
50.31 by the elected representatives of each of the
50.32 metropolitan parks implementing agencies.
50.33 Projects funded by the money appropriated
50.34 under this section must be substantially

51.1 consistent with the project descriptions and
51.2 dollar amounts approved by each elected body.
51.3 Any money remaining after completing the
51.4 listed projects may be spent by the
51.5 implementing agencies on projects to support
51.6 parks and trails.

51.7 (c) Grant agreements entered into by the
51.8 Metropolitan Council and recipients of money
51.9 appropriated under this section must ensure
51.10 that the money is used to supplement and not
51.11 substitute for traditional sources of funding.

51.12 (d) The implementing agencies receiving
51.13 appropriations under this section must give
51.14 consideration to contracting with Conservation
51.15 Corps Minnesota and Iowa for restoration,
51.16 maintenance, and other activities.

51.17 Sec. 5. **LEGISLATURE** \$ 4,000 \$ -0-
51.18 \$4,000 the first year is for the Legislative
51.19 Coordinating Commission for the website
51.20 required under Minnesota Statutes, section
51.21 3.303, subdivision 10.

51.22 Sec. 6. **PARKS AND TRAILS FUND**
51.23 **APPROPRIATION EXTENSIONS**
51.24 The availability of the grant to Goodhue
51.25 County for the Cannon Valley Trail project
51.26 from the parks and trails fund fiscal year 2023
51.27 appropriation under Laws 2021, First Special
51.28 Session chapter 1, article 3, section 3,
51.29 paragraph (b), is extended to June 30, 2027.
51.30 The availability of the grant to Stearns County
51.31 for the Beaver Island Trail project from the
51.32 parks and trails fund fiscal year 2023
51.33 appropriation under Laws 2021, First Special

- 52.1 Session chapter 1, article 3, section 3,
 52.2 paragraph (b), is extended to June 30, 2027.
- 52.3 The availability of the grant to the city of
 52.4 Winona for the Bluffs Traverse Trail project
 52.5 from the parks and trails fund fiscal year 2023
 52.6 appropriation under Laws 2021, First Special
 52.7 Session chapter 1, article 3, section 3,
 52.8 paragraph (b), is extended to June 30, 2027.
- 52.9 The availability of the grant to the city of
 52.10 Austin for the Jay C. Hormel Nature Center
 52.11 project from the parks and trails fund fiscal
 52.12 year 2024 appropriation under Laws 2023,
 52.13 chapter 40, article 3, section 3, paragraph (c),
 52.14 is extended to June 30, 2027.
- 52.15 The availability of the grant to the city of
 52.16 Duluth for the Spirit Mountain Recreation
 52.17 Area project from the parks and trails fund
 52.18 fiscal year 2023 appropriation under Laws
 52.19 2021, First Special Session chapter 1, article
 52.20 3, section 3, paragraph (b), is extended to June
 52.21 30, 2027.
- 52.22 The availability of the grant to the city of
 52.23 Duluth for the Waabizheshikana/Marten Trail
 52.24 project from the parks and trails fund fiscal
 52.25 year 2024 appropriation under Laws 2023,
 52.26 chapter 40, article 3, section 3, paragraph (c),
 52.27 is extended to June 30, 2027.
- 52.28 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.
- 52.29 Sec. 7. **CANCELLATIONS**
- 52.30 (a) The unobligated balance from the parks
 52.31 and trails fund appropriation under Laws 2019,
 52.32 First Special Session, chapter 2, article 3,
 52.33 section 3, paragraph (b), for grants estimated

53.1 to be \$10,000 is canceled to the parks and
53.2 trails fund no later than June 30, 2025.

53.3 (b) The unobligated balance from the parks
53.4 and trails fund appropriation under Laws 2021,
53.5 First Special Session, chapter 1, article 3,
53.6 section 3, paragraph (b), for grants estimated
53.7 to be \$31,000 is canceled to the parks and
53.8 trails fund no later than June 30, 2025.

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

53.10 **ARTICLE 4**

53.11 **ARTS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE FUND**

53.12 Section 1. **ARTS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE FUND APPROPRIATIONS.**

53.13 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the entities
53.14 and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the arts and cultural
53.15 heritage fund and are available for the fiscal years indicated for allowable activities under
53.16 the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 15, except that any unencumbered balance
53.17 remaining under this article from the first year does not cancel but is available in the second
53.18 year. The figures "2026" and "2027" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed
53.19 under the figure are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, and June 30, 2027,
53.20 respectively. "The first year" is fiscal year 2026. "The second year" is fiscal year 2027. "The
53.21 biennium" is fiscal years 2026 and 2027. All appropriations in this article are onetime.

53.22	<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>			
53.23	<u>Available for the Year</u>			
53.24	<u>Ending June 30</u>			
53.25		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
53.26	Sec. 2. <u>ARTS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE</u>			
53.27	Subdivision 1. <u>Total Appropriation</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>85,293,000</u>	<u>\$</u> <u>94,618,000</u>
53.28	<u>The amounts that may be spent for each</u>			
53.29	<u>purpose are specified in the following</u>			
53.30	<u>subdivisions.</u>			
53.31	Subd. 2. <u>Availability of Appropriation</u>			
53.32	<u>Money appropriated in this article must not</u>			
53.33	<u>be spent on activities unless they are directly</u>			

54.1 related to and necessary for a specific
54.2 appropriation. Money appropriated in this
54.3 article must not be spent on institutional
54.4 overhead charges that are not directly related
54.5 to and necessary for a specific appropriation.
54.6 Money appropriated in this article must be
54.7 spent in accordance with Minnesota
54.8 Management and Budget MMB Guidance to
54.9 Agencies on Legacy Fund Expenditure.
54.10 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
54.11 16A.28, and unless otherwise specified in this
54.12 article, fiscal year 2026 appropriations are
54.13 available until June 30, 2027, and fiscal year
54.14 2027 appropriations are available until June
54.15 30, 2028. Water and energy conservation
54.16 technology and the use of renewable energy
54.17 should be priorities for construction and
54.18 building projects funded through this
54.19 appropriation. If a project receives federal
54.20 funds, the period of the appropriation is
54.21 extended to equal the availability of federal
54.22 funding.

54.23 **Sec. 3. MINNESOTA STATE ARTS BOARD**

54.24	<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>37,686,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>46,872,000</u>
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54.25 The amounts that may be spent for each
54.26 purpose are specified in the following
54.27 subdivisions.

54.28 **Subd. 2. Grant Agreements**

54.29 The amounts in this section are appropriated
54.30 to the Minnesota State Arts Board for arts, arts
54.31 education, arts preservation, and arts access.
54.32 Grant agreements entered into by the
54.33 Minnesota State Arts Board and other
54.34 recipients of appropriations in this section
54.35 must ensure that the money is used to

55.1	<u>supplement and not substitute for traditional</u>		
55.2	<u>sources of funding. Each grant program</u>		
55.3	<u>established in this appropriation must be</u>		
55.4	<u>separately administered from other state</u>		
55.5	<u>appropriations for program planning and</u>		
55.6	<u>outcome measurements, but may take into</u>		
55.7	<u>consideration other state resources awarded</u>		
55.8	<u>in the selection of applicants and grant award</u>		
55.9	<u>size.</u>		
55.10	<u>Subd. 3. Arts and Arts Access Initiatives</u>	<u>29,669,000</u>	<u>37,978,000</u>
55.11	<u>\$29,669,000 the first year and \$37,978,000</u>		
55.12	<u>the second year are to support Minnesota</u>		
55.13	<u>artists and arts organizations in creating,</u>		
55.14	<u>producing, and presenting high-quality arts</u>		
55.15	<u>activities; to preserve, maintain, and interpret</u>		
55.16	<u>art forms and works of art so that they are</u>		
55.17	<u>accessible to Minnesota audiences; to</u>		
55.18	<u>overcome barriers to accessing high-quality</u>		
55.19	<u>arts activities; and to instill the arts into the</u>		
55.20	<u>community and public life in this state. Grants</u>		
55.21	<u>provided under this subdivision must prioritize</u>		
55.22	<u>artists and arts organizations that plan to</u>		
55.23	<u>present art from communities that have been</u>		
55.24	<u>historically underrepresented in the arts or that</u>		
55.25	<u>improve access to the programs and projects</u>		
55.26	<u>for groups, including youth and historically</u>		
55.27	<u>underserved communities, that have struggled</u>		
55.28	<u>to access arts programming in the past.</u>		
55.29	<u>Subd. 4. Arts Education</u>	<u>6,013,000</u>	<u>6,670,000</u>
55.30	<u>\$6,013,000 the first year and \$6,670,000 the</u>		
55.31	<u>second year are for high-quality,</u>		
55.32	<u>age-appropriate arts education for Minnesotans</u>		
55.33	<u>of all ages to develop knowledge, skills, and</u>		
55.34	<u>understanding of the arts. Priority in the award</u>		
55.35	<u>of grants under this subdivision must be given</u>		

56.1 to providing educational opportunities to
56.2 underserved communities with grants for
56.3 organizations or entities providing
56.4 opportunities to K-12 students throughout the
56.5 state for arts education, including access to
56.6 arts instruction, arts programming, museums,
56.7 and arts presentations.

56.8 Subd. 5. Arts and Cultural Heritage 2,004,000 2,224,000

56.9 \$2,004,000 the first year and \$2,224,000 the
56.10 second year are for events and activities that
56.11 represent, preserve, and maintain the diverse
56.12 cultural arts traditions, including folk and
56.13 traditional artists and art organizations,
56.14 represented in this state.

56.15 Subd. 6. Administrative Costs

56.16 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
56.17 16B.98, subdivision 14, up to five percent of
56.18 the totals in subdivisions 3 to 5 each year is
56.19 for administering grant programs, delivering
56.20 technical services, providing fiscal oversight
56.21 for the statewide system, and ensuring
56.22 accountability in fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

56.23 Subd. 7. Regional Arts Councils

56.24 Thirty percent of the remaining total
56.25 appropriation to each of the categories listed
56.26 in subdivisions 3 to 5 is for grants to the
56.27 regional arts councils. Notwithstanding any
56.28 other provision of law, regional arts council
56.29 grants or other arts council grants for touring
56.30 programs, projects, or exhibits must ensure
56.31 the programs, projects, or exhibits are able to
56.32 tour in their own region as well as all other
56.33 regions of the state.

56.34 Sec. 4. MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

57.1	<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>17,618,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>18,768,000</u>
57.2	<u>The amounts that may be spent for each</u>				
57.3	<u>purpose are specified in the following</u>				
57.4	<u>subdivisions.</u>				
57.5	<u>Subd. 2. Grant Agreements</u>				
57.6	<u>(a) The amounts in this section are</u>				
57.7	<u>appropriated to the governing board of the</u>				
57.8	<u>Minnesota Historical Society to preserve and</u>				
57.9	<u>enhance access to Minnesota's history and its</u>				
57.10	<u>cultural and historical resources. Grant</u>				
57.11	<u>agreements entered into by the Minnesota</u>				
57.12	<u>Historical Society and other recipients of</u>				
57.13	<u>appropriations in this section must ensure that</u>				
57.14	<u>the money is used to supplement and not</u>				
57.15	<u>substitute for traditional sources of funding.</u>				
57.16	<u>Money directly appropriated to the Minnesota</u>				
57.17	<u>Historical Society must be used to supplement</u>				
57.18	<u>and not substitute for traditional sources of</u>				
57.19	<u>funding. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes,</u>				
57.20	<u>section 16A.28, for historic preservation</u>				
57.21	<u>projects that improve historic structures, the</u>				
57.22	<u>amounts are available until June 30, 2029. The</u>				
57.23	<u>Minnesota Historical Society or grant</u>				
57.24	<u>recipients of the Minnesota Historical Society</u>				
57.25	<u>using money from the arts and cultural</u>				
57.26	<u>heritage fund under this section must give</u>				
57.27	<u>consideration to Conservation Corps</u>				
57.28	<u>Minnesota and Iowa and Northern Bedrock</u>				
57.29	<u>Historic Preservation Corps, or an organization</u>				
57.30	<u>carrying out similar work, for projects with</u>				
57.31	<u>the potential to need historic preservation</u>				
57.32	<u>services.</u>				
57.33	<u>(b) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes,</u>				
57.34	<u>section 16B.98, subdivision 14, up to five</u>				
57.35	<u>percent of the totals in subdivisions 3 and 4</u>				

58.1	<u>each year is for administering grants and grant</u>		
58.2	<u>programs, delivering technical services,</u>		
58.3	<u>providing fiscal oversight, and ensuring</u>		
58.4	<u>accountability in fiscal years 2026 and 2027.</u>		
58.5	<u>Subd. 3. Historical Grants and Programs</u>	<u>16,493,000</u>	<u>17,643,000</u>
58.6	<u>(a) Statewide Historic and Cultural Grants</u>		
58.7	<u>\$6,093,000 the first year and \$6,858,000 the</u>		
58.8	<u>second year are for statewide historic and</u>		
58.9	<u>cultural grants to local, county, regional, or</u>		
58.10	<u>other historical or cultural organizations or for</u>		
58.11	<u>activities to preserve significant historic and</u>		
58.12	<u>cultural resources. Money must be distributed</u>		
58.13	<u>through a competitive grant process. The</u>		
58.14	<u>Minnesota Historical Society must administer</u>		
58.15	<u>the money using established grant mechanisms</u>		
58.16	<u>with assistance from the advisory committee</u>		
58.17	<u>created under Laws 2009, chapter 172, article</u>		
58.18	<u>4, section 2, subdivision 4, paragraph (b), item</u>		
58.19	<u>(ii).</u>		
58.20	<u>(b) Statewide History Programs</u>		
58.21	<u>\$6,775,000 the first year and \$7,160,000 the</u>		
58.22	<u>second year are for historic and cultural</u>		
58.23	<u>programs and purposes related to the heritage</u>		
58.24	<u>of the state.</u>		
58.25	<u>(c) History Partnerships</u>		
58.26	<u>\$2,875,000 the first year and \$2,875,000 the</u>		
58.27	<u>second year are for history partnerships</u>		
58.28	<u>involving multiple organizations, which may</u>		
58.29	<u>include the Minnesota Historical Society, to</u>		
58.30	<u>preserve and enhance access to Minnesota's</u>		
58.31	<u>history and cultural heritage in all regions of</u>		
58.32	<u>the state.</u>		
58.33	<u>(d) Statewide Survey of Historical and</u>		
58.34	<u>Archaeological Sites</u>		

59.1 \$375,000 the first year and \$375,000 the
59.2 second year are for one or more contracts to
59.3 be competitively awarded to conduct statewide
59.4 surveys or investigations of Minnesota's sites
59.5 of historical, archeological, and cultural
59.6 significance. Results of the surveys or
59.7 investigations must be published in a
59.8 searchable form and available to the public
59.9 cost-free. The Minnesota Historical Society,
59.10 the Office of the State Archeologist, the Indian
59.11 Affairs Council, and the State Historic
59.12 Preservation Office must each appoint a
59.13 representative to an oversight board to select
59.14 contractors and direct the conduct of the
59.15 surveys or investigations. The oversight board
59.16 must consult with the Departments of
59.17 Transportation and Natural Resources.

59.18 **(e) Digital Library**

59.19 \$375,000 the first year and \$375,000 the
59.20 second year are for a digital library project to
59.21 preserve, digitize, and share Minnesota
59.22 images, documents, and historical materials.
59.23 The Minnesota Historical Society must
59.24 cooperate with the Minitex interlibrary loan
59.25 system and must jointly share this
59.26 appropriation for these purposes.

59.27 <u>Subd. 4. Grants</u>	<u>1,125,000</u>	<u>1,125,000</u>
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59.28 (a) \$1,000,000 each year is for grants to
59.29 community-based organizations and local units
59.30 of government for statues and memorials
59.31 commemorating the historical significance
59.32 and cultural contributions of Minnesotans and
59.33 for buildings or structures that are considered
59.34 historically significant to their local
59.35 communities to improve access to the

60.1 buildings or structures, to preserve the

60.2 buildings or structures, or to enhance the use

60.3 of the buildings or structures, including

60.4 improving access to museums, music halls,

60.5 opera houses, libraries, and sites celebrating

60.6 diverse cultures and heritages throughout the

60.7 state. Grant money not encumbered in the first

60.8 year is available for statewide history

60.9 programs in the second year. The Minnesota

60.10 Historical Society must give priority

60.11 consideration for funding under this paragraph

60.12 to the city of St. Paul to design and construct

60.13 a mural and statue honoring Tou Ger Xiong

60.14 at Lake Phalen's Tou Ger Xiong Island in St.

60.15 Paul, the city of Marshall to replace the

60.16 historic bandshell at Liberty Park, the George

60.17 Stoppel Farmstead, the Serbian Home in South

60.18 St. Paul, the Forest Lake Veterans Memorial

60.19 Committee to construct a memorial to veterans

60.20 of the United States armed forces at Lakeside

60.21 Memorial Park in the city of Forest Lake, the

60.22 Fairmont Opera House for structural beam

60.23 repair, and the Litchfield Opera House for

60.24 expanding and installing balcony seating.

60.25 (b) \$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the

60.26 second year are for a grant to Special Guerrilla

60.27 Units Veterans and Families of USA, Inc. to

60.28 collect, document, archive, and preserve the

60.29 oral histories of Hmong veterans of the United

60.30 States-sponsored Secret War in Laos and to

60.31 create programming and educational resources

60.32 to teach the public and future generations

60.33 about the history, legacy, and cultural heritage

60.34 of the Hmong in Minnesota.

60.35

Sec. 5. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION \$ 2,700,000 \$ 2,700,000

61.1 \$2,700,000 the first year and \$2,700,000 the
 61.2 second year are appropriated to the
 61.3 commissioner of education for grants to the
 61.4 12 Minnesota regional library systems to
 61.5 provide educational opportunities in the arts,
 61.6 history, literary arts, and cultural heritage of
 61.7 Minnesota. When possible, funding under this
 61.8 section should be used to promote and share
 61.9 the work of Minnesota authors, including
 61.10 authors from diverse backgrounds. This money
 61.11 must be allocated using the formulas in
 61.12 Minnesota Statutes, section 134.355,
 61.13 subdivisions 3 to 5, with the remaining 25
 61.14 percent to be distributed to all qualifying
 61.15 systems in an amount proportionate to the
 61.16 number of qualifying system entities in each
 61.17 system. For purposes of this section,
 61.18 "qualifying system entity" means a public
 61.19 library, a regional library system, a regional
 61.20 library system headquarters, a county, or an
 61.21 outreach service program. This money may
 61.22 be used to sponsor programs provided by
 61.23 regional libraries or to provide grants to local
 61.24 arts and cultural heritage programs for
 61.25 programs in partnership with regional libraries.
 61.26 This money must be distributed in ten equal
 61.27 payments per year. Notwithstanding
 61.28 Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, the
 61.29 appropriations encumbered on or before June
 61.30 30, 2027, as grants or contracts in this section
 61.31 are available until June 30, 2029.
 61.32 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
 61.33 16B.98, subdivision 14, up to two percent of
 61.34 the amount in this section is for administering
 61.35 the grants in this section.

62.1	Sec. 6. <u>DEPARTMENT OF</u>			
62.2	<u>ADMINISTRATION</u>			
62.3	<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>9,105,000</u>	<u>\$ 10,505,000</u>
62.4	<u>The amounts that may be spent for each</u>			
62.5	<u>purpose are specified in the following</u>			
62.6	<u>subdivisions.</u>			
62.7	<u>Subd. 2. Grant Agreements</u>			
62.8	<u>(a) The amounts in this section are</u>			
62.9	<u>appropriated to the commissioner of</u>			
62.10	<u>administration for grants to the named</u>			
62.11	<u>organizations for the purposes specified in this</u>			
62.12	<u>section.</u>			
62.13	<u>(b) Grant agreements entered into by the</u>			
62.14	<u>commissioner and recipients of appropriations</u>			
62.15	<u>under this section must ensure that money</u>			
62.16	<u>appropriated in this section is used to</u>			
62.17	<u>supplement and not substitute for traditional</u>			
62.18	<u>sources of funding.</u>			
62.19	<u>(c) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes,</u>			
62.20	<u>section 16B.98, subdivision 14, up to five</u>			
62.21	<u>percent of the amounts in subdivision 3 are</u>			
62.22	<u>for administering the grants, providing fiscal</u>			
62.23	<u>oversight, and ensuring accountability in fiscal</u>			
62.24	<u>years 2026 and 2027.</u>			
62.25	<u>Subd. 3. Grants</u>		<u>9,105,000</u>	<u>10,505,000</u>
62.26	<u>(a) Minnesota Public Radio</u>			
62.27	<u>\$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000 the</u>			
62.28	<u>second year are for Minnesota Public Radio.</u>			
62.29	<u>This appropriation must be used only to create</u>			
62.30	<u>and share programming on Minnesota's arts</u>			
62.31	<u>and cultural heritage and history.</u>			
62.32	<u>(b) Association of Minnesota Public Educational</u>			
62.33	<u>Radio Stations</u>			

63.1 \$1,557,000 the first year and \$2,057,000 the
 63.2 second year are to the Association of
 63.3 Minnesota Public Educational Radio Stations
 63.4 for production and acquisition grants in
 63.5 accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section
 63.6 129D.19.

63.7 **(c) Public Television**

63.8 \$3,686,000 the first year and \$4,686,000 the
 63.9 second year are to the Minnesota Public
 63.10 Television Association for production and
 63.11 acquisition grants according to Minnesota
 63.12 Statutes, section 129D.18.

63.13 **(d) Como Park Zoo**

63.14 \$1,520,000 the first year and \$1,520,000 the
 63.15 second year are to the Como Park Zoo and
 63.16 Conservatory for program development that
 63.17 features educational programs and habitat
 63.18 enhancement, special exhibits, music
 63.19 appreciation programs, and historical garden
 63.20 access and preservation.

63.21 **(e) Great Lakes Aquarium**

63.22 \$200,000 the first year and \$200,000 the
 63.23 second year are to the Great Lakes Aquarium
 63.24 for a lake sturgeon project, including an
 63.25 exhibit and public education on lake sturgeon,
 63.26 in cooperation with the commissioner of
 63.27 natural resources, Fond du Lac Band of Lake
 63.28 Superior Chippewa, and United States Fish
 63.29 and Wildlife Services.

63.30 **(f) The Bakken Museum**

63.31 \$75,000 the first year and \$75,000 the second
 63.32 year are for a grant to The Bakken Museum
 63.33 for interactive exhibits and outreach programs
 63.34 on arts and cultural heritage.

64.1 **(g) Wilderness Inquiry**

64.2 \$485,000 the first year and \$485,000 the
64.3 second year are to Wilderness Inquiry to
64.4 preserve Minnesota's outdoor history, culture,
64.5 and heritage by connecting Minnesota youth
64.6 and families to natural resources.

64.7 **(h) Science Museum of Minnesota**

64.8 \$350,000 the first year and \$350,000 the
64.9 second year are to the Science Museum of
64.10 Minnesota for arts, arts education, and arts
64.11 access and to preserve Minnesota's history and
64.12 cultural heritage, including student and teacher
64.13 outreach, statewide educational initiatives, and
64.14 community-based exhibits that preserve
64.15 Minnesota's history and cultural heritage.

64.16 (i) Lake Superior Zoo

64.17 \$132,000 the first year and \$132,000 the
64.18 second year are to the Lake Superior Zoo to
64.19 develop educational exhibits and programs.

64.20 **(j) Minnesota African American Heritage**
64.21 **Museum and Gallery**

64.22 \$100,000 the first year is for a grant to the
64.23 Minnesota African American Heritage
64.24 Museum and Gallery for cultural
64.25 programming.

64.26	Sec. 7. MINNESOTA ZOO	\$	1,700,000	\$	1,700,000
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64.27 The amounts in this section are appropriated
64.28 to the Minnesota Zoological Board for
64.29 programs at and development of the Minnesota
64.30 Zoological Garden and to provide access and
64.31 education related to programs on the cultural
64.32 heritage of Minnesota.

64.33 Sec. 8. MINNESOTA HUMANITIES CENTER

65.1	<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>14,424,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>12,018,000</u>
65.2	<u>The amounts that may be spent for each</u>				
65.3	<u>purpose are specified in the following</u>				
65.4	<u>subdivisions.</u>				
65.5	<u>Subd. 2. Grant Agreements</u>				
65.6	<u>(a) The amounts in this section are</u>				
65.7	<u>appropriated to the Board of Directors of the</u>				
65.8	<u>Minnesota Humanities Center for the purposes</u>				
65.9	<u>specified in this section. Notwithstanding</u>				
65.10	<u>Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.98,</u>				
65.11	<u>subdivision 14, the Minnesota Humanities</u>				
65.12	<u>Center may use up to 5.5 percent of the</u>				
65.13	<u>appropriations for the administration of these</u>				
65.14	<u>funds and to cover the cost of administering,</u>				
65.15	<u>planning, evaluating, and reporting these</u>				
65.16	<u>grants. The Minnesota Humanities Center</u>				
65.17	<u>must develop a written plan to issue the grants</u>				
65.18	<u>under this section and must submit the plan</u>				
65.19	<u>for review and approval by the commissioner</u>				
65.20	<u>of administration. The written plan must</u>				
65.21	<u>require the Minnesota Humanities Center to</u>				
65.22	<u>create and adhere to grant policies that are</u>				
65.23	<u>similar to those established according to</u>				
65.24	<u>Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.97,</u>				
65.25	<u>subdivision 4, paragraph (a), clause (1).</u>				
65.26	<u>(b) No grants awarded under this section may</u>				
65.27	<u>be used for travel outside the state of</u>				
65.28	<u>Minnesota. The grant agreement must specify</u>				
65.29	<u>the repercussions for failing to comply with</u>				
65.30	<u>the grant agreement.</u>				
65.31	<u>Subd. 3. Programs</u>		<u>2,525,000</u>		<u>2,500,000</u>
65.32	<u>(a) \$2,500,000 the first year and \$2,500,000</u>				
65.33	<u>the second year are for statewide humanities</u>				
65.34	<u>programs and to support and expand outreach,</u>				

66.1 partnerships, and humanities programming
66.2 with organizations and individuals throughout
66.3 the state, including but not limited to
66.4 programming related to veterans and the
66.5 military experience, professional development
66.6 opportunities for educators, and programming
66.7 celebrating, representing, and reflecting upon
66.8 the heritage of diverse Minnesota communities
66.9 that have been historically underserved.

66.10 (b) \$25,000 the first year is for outreach and
66.11 education on the humanities center grant
66.12 program with a focus on reaching underserved
66.13 community organizations and providing
66.14 assistance with grant opportunities,
66.15 qualifications, and reporting requirements, and
66.16 specifically providing technical assistance and
66.17 a nontraditional application process to improve
66.18 access to grant funding.

66.19	<u>Subd. 4. Children's Museum Grants</u>	<u>1,250,000</u>	<u>1,250,000</u>
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66.20 (a) \$1,250,000 the first year and \$1,250,000
66.21 the second year are for arts and cultural
66.22 heritage grants to children's museums for arts
66.23 and cultural exhibits and related educational
66.24 outreach programs. The Minnesota Humanities
66.25 Center must administer this money using
66.26 established grant mechanisms.

66.27 (b) Of the amount in paragraph (a), \$500,000
66.28 each year is for the Minnesota Children's
66.29 Museum, St. Paul.

66.30 (c) Of the amount in paragraph (a), \$750,000
66.31 each year is for competitive grants. The
66.32 Minnesota Humanities Center must give
66.33 priority consideration for the grants to The
66.34 Works, Bloomington; WonderTrek Children's

67.1	<u>Museum, Brainerd-Baxter; Children's</u>		
67.2	<u>Discovery Center, Breckenridge; Duluth</u>		
67.3	<u>Children's Museum, Duluth; Otter Cove</u>		
67.4	<u>Children's Museum, Fergus Falls; Children's</u>		
67.5	<u>Discovery Museum, Grand Rapids; Wheel and</u>		
67.6	<u>Cog Children's Museum, Hutchinson;</u>		
67.7	<u>Children's Museum of Southern Minnesota,</u>		
67.8	<u>Mankato; Great River Children's Museum, St.</u>		
67.9	<u>Cloud; The Village Children's Museum,</u>		
67.10	<u>Willmar; Mini Sota Ag Museum, Benson; and</u>		
67.11	<u>SPARK Children's Museum, Rochester.</u>		
67.12	<u>Subd. 5. Community Identity and Heritage</u>		
67.13	<u>Competitive Grant Program</u>	<u>8,799,000</u>	<u>7,368,000</u>
67.14	<u>(a) \$8,799,000 the first year and \$7,368,000</u>		
67.15	<u>the second year are for a competitive grant</u>		
67.16	<u>program to provide funding to organizations</u>		
67.17	<u>or individuals working to create, celebrate,</u>		
67.18	<u>and teach the art, culture, and heritage of the</u>		
67.19	<u>many diverse cultural groups that make up</u>		
67.20	<u>Minnesota, including but not limited to</u>		
67.21	<u>Indigenous organizations, communities whose</u>		
67.22	<u>culture and heritage have been historically</u>		
67.23	<u>underrepresented, recent immigrant</u>		
67.24	<u>communities, and veterans. An individual or</u>		
67.25	<u>organization that receives a grant under this</u>		
67.26	<u>subdivision must do at least one of the</u>		
67.27	<u>following:</u>		
67.28	<u>(1) preserve and honor the cultural heritage of</u>		
67.29	<u>Minnesota;</u>		
67.30	<u>(2) provide education and student outreach on</u>		
67.31	<u>cultural diversity;</u>		
67.32	<u>(3) support the development of culturally</u>		
67.33	<u>diverse humanities programming, including</u>		
67.34	<u>arts programming, by individuals and</u>		
67.35	<u>organizations; or</u>		

68.1 (4) empower communities in building identity
 68.2 and culture, including preserving and honoring
 68.3 communities whose Indigenous cultures are
 68.4 endangered or disappearing.

68.5 (b) The Minnesota Humanities Center must
 68.6 give priority consideration for grants to Art
 68.7 from the Inside, arts programs in the
 68.8 Moorhead and Maplewood cultural malls, the
 68.9 Asian Economic Development Association,
 68.10 Capri Theater, the Minnesota State Band,
 68.11 Fight for Your Dreams, HIRPHA International
 68.12 for Oromo youth programs, the Hmong
 68.13 Cultural Center, Midnimo, MN Zej Zog,
 68.14 People in Action, the Phyllis Wheatley
 68.15 Community Center, Safe Summer Nights,
 68.16 Siengkane Lao MN, the Stairstep Foundation,
 68.17 and the Walker West Music Academy.

68.18 (c) At least 75 percent of the amount in
 68.19 paragraphs (d) to (f) must be for grants of less
 68.20 than \$200,000. A grant awarded to an entity
 68.21 receiving priority consideration under
 68.22 paragraphs (d) to (f) must not exceed
 68.23 \$200,000.

68.24 (d) Of the amount in paragraph (a), \$1,500,000
 68.25 each year is for grants to community-based
 68.26 organizations and local governments to
 68.27 support cultural festivals and events
 68.28 throughout the state. The funding may support
 68.29 arts and cultural programming, staffing,
 68.30 community outreach, transportation, facilities
 68.31 and equipment rentals, signage, and public
 68.32 safety expense reimbursements. The
 68.33 Minnesota Humanities Center must give
 68.34 priority consideration for funding under this
 68.35 paragraph to the Somali Museum Annual

69.1	<u>Celebration, Twin Cities Jazz Fest, Selby</u>		
69.2	<u>Avenue Jazz Fest, the International Hmong</u>		
69.3	<u>Freedom Festival, Cinco de Mayo festival,</u>		
69.4	<u>and Rondo Days in St. Paul; the Hiddo Soor</u>		
69.5	<u>International Somali Cultural Festival in</u>		
69.6	<u>Plymouth; Somali Independence Day in St.</u>		
69.7	<u>Paul; sesquicentennial celebrations in Osseo</u>		
69.8	<u>and Delano; Taste of Minnesota; and IgboFest</u>		
69.9	<u>Minnesota.</u>		
69.10	<u>(e) Of the amount in paragraph (a), \$750,000</u>		
69.11	<u>the first year and \$750,000 the second year</u>		
69.12	<u>are for grants to community-based</u>		
69.13	<u>organizations and local governments for</u>		
69.14	<u>museums, exhibits, and collections.</u>		
69.15	<u>(f) Of the amount in paragraph (a), \$250,000</u>		
69.16	<u>the first year and \$250,000 the second year</u>		
69.17	<u>are for grants to provide funding to ethnic</u>		
69.18	<u>media organizations creating video content in</u>		
69.19	<u>a language other than English.</u>		
69.20	<u>Subd. 6. Minnesota Musicians</u>	<u>200,000</u>	<u>200,000</u>
69.21	<u>\$200,000 each year is for a competitive grant</u>		
69.22	<u>program to award grants to Minnesota</u>		
69.23	<u>musicians to create, produce, and perform</u>		
69.24	<u>music throughout the state.</u>		
69.25	<u>Subd. 7. Youth Literary Grants</u>	<u>250,000</u>	<u>250,000</u>
69.26	<u>\$250,000 each year is for competitive grants</u>		
69.27	<u>to individual authors and organizations</u>		
69.28	<u>creating and producing books. The grants</u>		
69.29	<u>under this subdivision must be used for the</u>		
69.30	<u>creation and distribution of books for youth</u>		
69.31	<u>that celebrate cultural expression with a focus</u>		
69.32	<u>on excellent creative work and educational</u>		
69.33	<u>value.</u>		
69.34	<u>Subd. 8. Youth Poet Laureate</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>

70.1 \$100,000 the first year is for a grant to a
70.2 nonprofit to operate a statewide youth poet
70.3 laureate program in coordination with the
70.4 Minnesota Humanities Center. The program
70.5 may provide creative writing outreach,
70.6 programming, and events related to creative
70.7 writing and must award a young person who
70.8 is 13 to 19 years of age, through a competitive
70.9 process similar to the National Youth Poet
70.10 Laureate program, to be the Minnesota Youth
70.11 Poet Laureate and provide opportunities to
70.12 celebrate, mentor, and highlight the work of
70.13 the Youth Poet Laureate and young writers in
70.14 Minnesota.

70.15	<u>Subd. 9. Grants</u>	<u>350,000</u>	<u>150,000</u>
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70.16 (a) (Neo)Muralismos de Mexico

70.17 \$100,000 the first year is for a grant to
70.18 (Neo)Muralismos de Mexico to expand arts
70.19 programming that celebrates Latino cultural
70.20 heritage through workshops and support to
70.21 local artists through capacity building,
70.22 professional development, networking, and
70.23 presentation opportunities on Latino arts and
70.24 culture.

70.25 (b) Lundstrum Center for the Performing Arts

70.26 \$100,000 the first year is for a grant to the
70.27 Lundstrum Center for the Performing Arts for
70.28 after-school educational programming that
70.29 includes instruction in dance, voice, and
70.30 drama.

70.31 (c) United Hmong Family

70.32 \$150,000 each year is for a grant to the United
70.33 Hmong Family to provide dance and other arts
70.34 and cultural programming.

71.1	<u>Subd. 10. Community Identity and Heritage</u>		
71.2	<u>Emergency Grants</u>	<u>300,000</u>	<u>300,000</u>
71.3	<u>\$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the</u>		
71.4	<u>second year are for emergency grants to</u>		
71.5	<u>organizations otherwise qualified to receive</u>		
71.6	<u>grants under subdivision 5 and must be</u>		
71.7	<u>awarded on a rolling basis based on emerging</u>		
71.8	<u>needs to assist communities responding to</u>		
71.9	<u>major events and to facilitate the process of</u>		
71.10	<u>grieving, encourage healing, create memorials,</u>		
71.11	<u>or assist in recovery of the community. Any</u>		
71.12	<u>amount described in the preceding sentence</u>		
71.13	<u>that is not expended by October 15 of the</u>		
71.14	<u>second year may be used for general</u>		
71.15	<u>programming costs or grants under subdivision</u>		
71.16	<u>5.</u>		
71.17	<u>Subd. 11. Underrepresented Groups Cultural</u>		
71.18	<u>Studies Materials</u>	<u>400,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>
71.19	<u>\$400,000 the first year is for competitive</u>		
71.20	<u>grants to develop high-quality academic,</u>		
71.21	<u>cultural, and ethnic studies materials for</u>		
71.22	<u>communities that do not have adequate</u>		
71.23	<u>cultural and ethnic studies materials or who</u>		
71.24	<u>are underrepresented in those materials,</u>		
71.25	<u>including but not limited to the Hmong, Karen,</u>		
71.26	<u>Somali, and Oromo cultures and cultures</u>		
71.27	<u>without a formal writing system that are</u>		
71.28	<u>largely oral-based. In developing these</u>		
71.29	<u>materials, a recipient of a grant under this</u>		
71.30	<u>subdivision must work with school districts</u>		
71.31	<u>that intend to use the materials.</u>		
71.32	<u>Subd. 12. Gordon Parks Commemoration</u>	<u>250,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>
71.33	<u>\$250,000 the first year is for a grant to create</u>		
71.34	<u>an art installation and programming to</u>		

72.1	<u>celebrate the incredible life and rich legacy of</u>			
72.2	<u>Gordon Parks.</u>			
72.3	Sec. 9. <u>INDIAN AFFAIRS COUNCIL</u>	\$	<u>1,305,000</u>	\$ <u>1,305,000</u>
72.4	<u>(a) \$650,000 each year is to provide grants to</u>			
72.5	<u>Minnesota Tribal Nations to preserve Dakota</u>			
72.6	<u>and Ojibwe Indian language and to foster</u>			
72.7	<u>education programs and services for Dakota</u>			
72.8	<u>and Ojibwe language.</u>			
72.9	<u>(b) \$525,000 each year is to provide grants to</u>			
72.10	<u>preserve the Dakota and Ojibwe Indian</u>			
72.11	<u>language through support of projects and</u>			
72.12	<u>services and to support educational programs</u>			
72.13	<u>and immersion efforts in Dakota and Ojibwe</u>			
72.14	<u>language.</u>			
72.15	<u>(c) \$130,000 each year is for the Indian Affairs</u>			
72.16	<u>Council to carry out responsibilities under</u>			
72.17	<u>Minnesota Statutes, section 307.08, to comply</u>			
72.18	<u>with Public Law 101-601, the Native</u>			
72.19	<u>American Graves Protection and Repatriation</u>			
72.20	<u>Act.</u>			
72.21	Sec. 10. <u>DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE</u>			
72.22	<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	\$	<u>750,000</u>	\$ <u>750,000</u>
72.23	<u>The amounts that may be spent for each</u>			
72.24	<u>purpose are specified in the following</u>			
72.25	<u>subdivisions.</u>			
72.26	<u>Subd. 2. County Fair Grants</u>		<u>500,000</u>	<u>500,000</u>
72.27	<u>\$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the</u>			
72.28	<u>second year are for grants to county</u>			
72.29	<u>agricultural societies to enhance arts access</u>			
72.30	<u>and education and to preserve and promote</u>			
72.31	<u>Minnesota's history and cultural heritage as</u>			
72.32	<u>embodied in its county fairs. The grants may</u>			
72.33	<u>be distributed in equal amounts to each of the</u>			

73.1 county fairs that submitted an application. The
73.2 grants are in addition to the aid distribution to
73.3 county agricultural societies under Minnesota
73.4 Statutes, section 38.02. The commissioner of
73.5 agriculture must develop grant-making criteria
73.6 and guidance for expending money under this
73.7 subdivision to provide funding for projects
73.8 and events that provide access to the arts or
73.9 the state's agricultural, historical, and cultural
73.10 heritage. The commissioner must seek input
73.11 from all interested parties. Notwithstanding
73.12 Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.98,
73.13 subdivision 14, the commissioner may use up
73.14 to two percent of the amounts in this
73.15 subdivision for the administration and
73.16 distribution of the grants. Money not used in
73.17 the first year may be used in the second year.

73.18	<u>Subd. 3. Minnesota FFA</u>	<u>250,000</u>	<u>250,000</u>
73.19	<u>(a) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the</u>		
73.20	<u>second year are for grants to the Minnesota</u>		
73.21	<u>FFA to provide new and expanded access for</u>		
73.22	<u>Minnesota FFA members involved in art- and</u>		
73.23	<u>history-related FFA activities. Of this amount:</u>		
73.24	<u>(1) up to \$100,000 each year may be used to</u>		
73.25	<u>document and commemorate 100 years of</u>		
73.26	<u>fostering leadership, agricultural education,</u>		
73.27	<u>and community service across the state by</u>		
73.28	<u>creating a history book, video storytelling</u>		
73.29	<u>series, and an in-person arts-focused event;</u>		
73.30	<u>and</u>		
73.31	<u>(2) any amount not spent for the purposes</u>		
73.32	<u>described in clause (1) may be used for other</u>		
73.33	<u>activities that provide new and expanded</u>		
73.34	<u>access for Minnesota FFA members involved</u>		
73.35	<u>in art- and history-related FFA activities,</u>		

74.1 including activities related to national and state
74.2 FFA band and choir, state and national FFA
74.3 talent competitions, FFA floriculture, and FFA
74.4 state fair landscape booths.

74.5 (b) The commissioner of agriculture must
74.6 develop grant-making criteria and guidance
74.7 for grants under this subdivision to provide
74.8 funding for projects and events and must seek
74.9 input from the Minnesota FFA and Minnesota
74.10 FFA Foundation. Notwithstanding Minnesota
74.11 Statutes, section 16B.98, subdivision 14, the
74.12 commissioner may use up to five percent of
74.13 the amounts in this subdivision to cover the
74.14 costs of administering, planning, evaluating,
74.15 and reporting these grants.

74.16	Sec. 11. LEGISLATIVE COORDINATING			
74.17	<u>COMMISSION</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>\$</u>
				<u>-0-</u>

74.18 The amount in this section is appropriated to
74.19 the Legislative Coordinating Commission to
74.20 maintain the website required under Minnesota
74.21 Statutes, section 3.303, subdivision 10.

74.22 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 129D.17, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

74.23 Subd. 2. **Expenditures; accountability.** (a) Funding from the arts and cultural heritage
74.24 fund may be spent only for arts, arts education, and arts access, and to preserve Minnesota's
74.25 history and cultural heritage. A project or program receiving funding from the arts and
74.26 cultural heritage fund must include measurable outcomes, and a plan for measuring and
74.27 evaluating the results. A project or program must be consistent with current scholarship, or
74.28 best practices, when appropriate and must incorporate state-of-the-art technology when
74.29 appropriate.

74.30 (b) Funding from the arts and cultural heritage fund may be granted for an entire project
74.31 or for part of a project so long as the recipient provides a description and cost for the entire
74.32 project and can demonstrate that it has adequate resources to ensure that the entire project
74.33 will be completed.

75.1 (c) Money from the arts and cultural heritage fund shall be expended for benefits across
75.2 all regions and residents of the state.

75.3 (d) A state agency or other recipient of a direct appropriation from the arts and cultural
75.4 heritage fund must compile and submit all information for funded projects or programs,
75.5 including the proposed measurable outcomes and all other items required under section
75.6 3.303, subdivision 10, to the Legislative Coordinating Commission as soon as practicable
75.7 or by January 15 of the applicable fiscal year, whichever comes first. The Legislative
75.8 Coordinating Commission must post submitted information on the website required under
75.9 section 3.303, subdivision 10, as soon as it becomes available.

75.10 (e) Grants funded by the arts and cultural heritage fund must be implemented according
75.11 to section 16B.98 and must account for all expenditures of funds. Priority for grant proposals
75.12 must be given to proposals involving grants that will be competitively awarded.

75.13 (f) All money from the arts and cultural heritage fund must be for projects located in
75.14 Minnesota.

75.15 (g) When practicable, a direct recipient of an appropriation from the arts and cultural
75.16 heritage fund shall prominently display on the recipient's website home page the legacy
75.17 logo required under Laws 2009, chapter 172, article 5, section 10, as amended by Laws
75.18 2010, chapter 361, article 3, section 5, accompanied by the phrase "Click here for more
75.19 information." When a person clicks on the legacy logo image, the website must direct the
75.20 person to a web page that includes both the contact information that a person may use to
75.21 obtain additional information, as well as a link to the Legislative Coordinating Commission
75.22 website required under section 3.303, subdivision 10.

75.23 (h) Future eligibility for money from the arts and cultural heritage fund is contingent
75.24 upon a state agency or other recipient satisfying all applicable requirements in this section,
75.25 as well as any additional requirements contained in applicable session law. If the Office of
75.26 the Legislative Auditor, in the course of an audit or investigation, publicly reports that a
75.27 recipient of money from the arts and cultural heritage fund has not complied with the laws,
75.28 rules, or regulations in this section or other laws applicable to the recipient, the recipient
75.29 must be listed in an annual report to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over the
75.30 legacy funds. The list must be publicly available. The legislative auditor shall remove a
75.31 recipient from the list upon determination that the recipient is in compliance. A recipient
75.32 on the list is not eligible for future funding from the arts and cultural heritage fund until the
75.33 recipient demonstrates compliance to the legislative auditor.

(i) Any state agency or organization requesting a direct appropriation from the arts and cultural heritage fund must inform the house of representatives and senate committees having jurisdiction over the arts and cultural heritage fund, at the time the request for funding is made, whether the request is supplanting or is a substitution for any previous funding that was not from a legacy fund and was used for the same purpose and provide a copy of the most recent year's Internal Revenue Service Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 129D.17, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7. **Construction costs.** Money from the arts and cultural heritage fund must not be appropriated to fund new construction or for capital construction projects, including major renovations or long-term building projects, with the exception of preservation of historic structures or sites. This prohibition does not apply to:

- (1) accessibility accommodations;
- (2) the creation of exhibits or installations; and
- (3) renovations to provide care for collections or facilitate exhibits, installations, or other projects funded with arts and cultural heritage fund appropriations.

Sec. 14. Laws 2023, chapter 40, article 4, section 2, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. Department of Education	3,000,000	2,750,000
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(a) \$2,750,000 each year is appropriated to the commissioner of education for grants to the 12 Minnesota regional library systems to provide educational opportunities in the arts, history, literary arts, and cultural heritage of Minnesota. When possible, funding under this subdivision should be used to promote and share the work of Minnesota authors, including authors from diverse backgrounds. This money must be allocated using the formulas in Minnesota Statutes, section 134.355, subdivisions 3 to 5, with the remaining 25 percent to be distributed to all

77.1 qualifying systems in an amount proportionate
 77.2 to the number of qualifying system entities in
 77.3 each system. For purposes of this subdivision,
 77.4 "qualifying system entity" means a public
 77.5 library, a regional library system, a regional
 77.6 library system headquarters, a county, or an
 77.7 outreach service program. This money may
 77.8 be used to sponsor programs provided by
 77.9 regional libraries or to provide grants to local
 77.10 arts and cultural heritage programs for
 77.11 programs in partnership with regional libraries.
 77.12 This money must be distributed in ten equal
 77.13 payments per year. Notwithstanding
 77.14 Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, the
 77.15 appropriations encumbered on or before June
 77.16 30, ~~2025~~ 2026, as grants or contracts in this
 77.17 subdivision are available until June 30, ~~2026~~
 77.18 2027.

77.19 (b) \$250,000 the first year is appropriated to
 77.20 the commissioner of education for a water
 77.21 safety grant program. The commissioner of
 77.22 education must allocate grants to eligible
 77.23 applicants. Eligible applicants include
 77.24 nonprofit organizations and city and county
 77.25 parks and recreation programs providing
 77.26 swimming lessons to youth. Eligible applicants
 77.27 are not required to partner with other entities.
 77.28 Grant funds must primarily be used to provide
 77.29 scholarships to low-income and at-risk
 77.30 children for swimming lessons. Up to 15
 77.31 percent of the grant funds may also be used
 77.32 to hire water safety instructors or lifeguards
 77.33 or train water safety instructors or lifeguards
 77.34 in nationally recognized water safety practices
 77.35 and instruction.

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

78.2 Sec. 15. Laws 2023, chapter 40, article 4, section 2, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

78.3	Subd. 6. Department of Administration	17,040,000	14,105,000
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(a) The amounts in this subdivision are appropriated to the commissioner of administration for grants to the named organizations for the purposes specified in this subdivision. The commissioner of administration may use a portion of this appropriation for costs that are directly related to and necessary for the administration of grants in this subdivision.

78.13 (b) Grant agreements entered into by the
78.14 commissioner and recipients of appropriations
78.15 under this subdivision must ensure that money
78.16 appropriated in this subdivision is used to
78.17 supplement and not substitute for traditional
78.18 sources of funding.

78.19 (c) **Minnesota Public Radio**

78.20 \$2,050,000 each year is for Minnesota Public
78.21 Radio to create programming and expand news
78.22 service on Minnesota's cultural heritage and
78.23 history.

78.24 (d) Association of Minnesota Public Educational
78.25 Radio Stations

78.26 \$2,050,000 the first year and \$2,050,000 the
78.27 second year are to the Association of
78.28 Minnesota Public Educational Radio Stations
78.29 for production and acquisition grants in
78.30 accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section
78.31 129D.19.

78.32 (e) Public Television

79.1 \$5,000,000 the first year and \$4,500,000 the
 79.2 second year are to the Minnesota Public
 79.3 Television Association for production and
 79.4 acquisition grants according to Minnesota
 79.5 Statutes, section 129D.18. Of the amount in
 79.6 the first year, \$1,000,000 is for producing
 79.7 Minnesota military and veterans' history
 79.8 stories and unique immigrant stories from
 79.9 around the state.

79.10 **(f) Wilderness Inquiry**

79.11 \$500,000 the first year and \$600,000 the
 79.12 second year are to Wilderness Inquiry to
 79.13 preserve Minnesota's outdoor history, culture,
 79.14 and heritage by connecting Minnesota youth
 79.15 and families to natural resources.

79.16 **(g) Como Park Zoo**

79.17 \$1,725,000 each year is to the Como Park Zoo
 79.18 and Conservatory for program development
 79.19 that features educational programs and habitat
 79.20 enhancement, special exhibits, music
 79.21 appreciation programs, and historical garden
 79.22 access and preservation.

79.23 **(h) Science Museum of Minnesota**

79.24 \$825,000 each year is to the Science Museum
 79.25 of Minnesota for arts, arts education, and arts
 79.26 access and to preserve Minnesota's history and
 79.27 cultural heritage, including student and teacher
 79.28 outreach, statewide educational initiatives, and
 79.29 community-based exhibits that preserve
 79.30 Minnesota's history and cultural heritage.

79.31 **(i) Appetite for Change**

79.32 \$200,000 the first year is to the nonprofit
 79.33 Appetite for Change for the Community Cooks
 79.34 programming, which will preserve the cultural

80.1 heritage of growing and cooking food in
80.2 Minnesota.

80.3 **(j) Lake Superior Zoo**

80.4 \$150,000 each year is to the Lake Superior
80.5 Zoo to develop educational exhibits and
80.6 programs.

80.7 **(k) Great Lakes Aquarium**

80.8 \$250,000 each year is to the Lake Superior
80.9 Center Authority to prepare, fabricate, and
80.10 install a hands-on exhibit with interactive
80.11 learning components to educate Minnesotans
80.12 on the history of the natural landscape of the
80.13 state.

80.14 **(l) State Band**

80.15 \$25,000 the first year and \$25,000 the second
80.16 year are to the Minnesota state band to provide
80.17 free concerts throughout the state.

80.18 **(m) Veterans Memorial Park in Wyoming**

80.19 \$100,000 the first year is for a grant to the city
80.20 of Wyoming to build the Veterans Memorial
80.21 Plaza and related interpretive walk in Railroad
80.22 Park.

80.23 **(n) Great Northern Festival**

80.24 \$75,000 the first year and \$75,000 the second
80.25 year are for a grant to support the Great
80.26 Northern Festival, which connects attendees
80.27 to parks, outdoor spaces, and cultural venues
80.28 through a festival.

80.29 **(o) Governor's Council on Developmental**
80.30 **Disabilities**

80.31 \$50,000 the first year is to the Minnesota
80.32 Governor's Council on Developmental
80.33 Disabilities to continue to preserve and raise

81.1 awareness of the history of Minnesotans with
81.2 developmental disabilities.

81.3 **(p) Minnesota Council on Disability**

81.4 \$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the
81.5 second year are to the Minnesota Council on
81.6 Disability to provide educational opportunities
81.7 in the arts, history, and cultural heritage of
81.8 Minnesotans with disabilities in conjunction
81.9 with the 50th anniversary of the Minnesota
81.10 Council on Disability. This appropriation is
81.11 available until June 30, 2027.

81.12 **(q) Keller Regional Park**

81.13 \$500,000 the first year is for a grant to Ramsey
81.14 County to preserve Minnesota's cultural
81.15 heritage by enhancing the tuj lub courts at
81.16 Keller Regional Park.

81.17 **(r) Vietnam War Anniversary**

81.18 \$250,000 the first year is for a grant to the
81.19 commissioner of veterans affairs to prepare
81.20 and host a commemoration program for the
81.21 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War.

81.22 **(s) St. Paul Cultural Art Installation**

81.23 \$500,000 the first year is for a grant to ~~the city~~
81.24 ~~of St. Paul~~ Forecast Public Art for an art
81.25 installation celebrating Olympic gold medalist
81.26 Suni Lee. The project funded by this paragraph
81.27 must be located in St. Paul at the Conway
81.28 Recreation Center or, if that site is not
81.29 practicable, at Lake Phalen at the platform
81.30 containing the bust of Suni Lee. This
81.31 appropriation is available until June 30, 2027.

81.32 **(t) One Heartland Center**

82.1 \$50,000 each year is for a grant to One
 82.2 Heartland Center for programming and
 82.3 outdoor activities for families and youth in
 82.4 Minnesota.

82.5 **(u) Forest Lake Veterans Memorial**

82.6 \$100,000 the first year is for a grant to the
 82.7 Forest Lake Veterans Memorial Committee
 82.8 to construct a memorial to veterans of the
 82.9 United States armed forces at Lakeside
 82.10 Memorial Park in the city of Forest Lake. This
 82.11 appropriation is available until June 30, 2027.

82.12 **(v) Hmong Plaza**

82.13 \$450,000 the first year is for a grant to the city
 82.14 of St. Paul to construct the Hmong Plaza at
 82.15 Phalen Lake.

82.16 **(w) Camille Gage Artist Fellowship**

82.17 \$55,000 the first year and \$55,000 the second
 82.18 year are for a grant to YWCA Minneapolis to
 82.19 fund an annual fellowship to be known as the
 82.20 Camille J. Gage Artist Fellowship. Of this
 82.21 amount, up to \$5,000 each year may be used
 82.22 for administrative expenses. YWCA
 82.23 Minneapolis must select a person for the
 82.24 Camille J. Gage Artist Fellowship after an
 82.25 application process that allows both
 82.26 applications by interested persons and
 82.27 nominations of persons by third parties. By
 82.28 October 1, 2026, YWCA Minneapolis must
 82.29 report to the chairs and ranking minority
 82.30 members of the legislative committees and
 82.31 divisions with jurisdiction over legacy on the
 82.32 use of money appropriated under this
 82.33 paragraph and on the activities of the person
 82.34 selected for the Camille J. Gage Artist

83.1 Fellowship under this paragraph. This
 83.2 appropriation is available until June 30, 2026.

83.3 **(x) Minnesota African American Heritage**
 83.4 **Museum and Gallery**

83.5 \$235,000 the first year and \$125,000 the
 83.6 second year are for arts and cultural heritage
 83.7 programming celebrating African American
 83.8 and Black communities in Minnesota. Of the
 83.9 amount in the first year, \$110,000 is for C.
 83.10 Caldwell Fine Arts for an outdoor mural
 83.11 project in North Minneapolis to work with
 83.12 young people to develop skills while using art
 83.13 as the impetus.

83.14 **(y) Tibetan American Foundation of Minnesota**

83.15 \$25,000 the first year and \$25,000 the second
 83.16 year are for a grant to the Tibetan American
 83.17 Foundation of Minnesota to celebrate and
 83.18 teach the art, culture, and heritage of Tibetan
 83.19 Americans in Minnesota.

83.20 **(z) Hong De Wu Guan**

83.21 \$25,000 the first year is for a grant to Hong
 83.22 De Wu Guan to create cultural arts projects
 83.23 like Lion Dance for after-school programs for
 83.24 youth.

83.25 **(aa) Sepak Takraw of USA**

83.26 \$50,000 the first year is for a grant to the
 83.27 Sepak Takraw of USA to work with youth and
 83.28 after-school programs in the community to
 83.29 teach the cultural games of tuj lub and sepak
 83.30 takraw. This appropriation may not be used
 83.31 to hold events.

83.32 **(bb) 30,000 Feet**

84.1 \$75,000 the first year and \$75,000 the second
84.2 year are for a grant to 30,000 Feet, a nonprofit
84.3 organization, to help youth and community
84.4 artists further develop their artistic skills, to
84.5 create community art and artistic
84.6 performances, and to promote and share
84.7 African American history and culture through
84.8 the arts.

84.9 **(cc) Siengkane Lao Minnesota**

84.10 \$50,000 the first year and \$50,000 the second
84.11 year are for a grant to Siengkane Lao MN to
84.12 create cultural arts projects and to preserve
84.13 traditional performances.

84.14 **(dd) Hmong Cultural Center**

84.15 \$150,000 the first year and \$150,000 the
84.16 second year are for a grant to the Hmong
84.17 Cultural Center of Minnesota for
84.18 museum-related programming and educational
84.19 outreach activities to teach the public about
84.20 the historical, cultural, and folk arts heritage
84.21 of Hmong Minnesotans.

84.22 **(ee) Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio**

84.23 \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the
84.24 second year are for a grant to Comunidades
84.25 Latinas Unidas En Servicio (CLUES) to
84.26 expand arts programming to celebrate Latino
84.27 cultural heritage; support local artists; and
84.28 provide professional development, networking,
84.29 and presentation opportunities.

84.30 **(ff) Hmong RPA Writing System**

84.31 \$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the
84.32 second year are for grants to recipients who
84.33 have demonstrated knowledge and interest in
84.34 preserving Hmong culture to preserve Hmong

85.1 Minnesotans' heritage, history, language, and
 85.2 culture. Grants must be used in conjunction
 85.3 with Minnesota universities to improve and
 85.4 develop a unified and standardized Latin
 85.5 alphabet form of the Hmong RPA writing
 85.6 system. No portion of this appropriation may
 85.7 be used to encourage religious membership
 85.8 or to conduct personal ceremonies or events.

85.9 This appropriation is available until June 30,
 85.10 2028.

85.11 **(gg) Somali Museum of Minnesota**

85.12 \$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the
 85.13 second year are for a grant to the Somali
 85.14 Museum of Minnesota for heritage arts and
 85.15 cultural vitality programs to provide classes,
 85.16 exhibits, presentations, and outreach about the
 85.17 Somali community and heritage in Minnesota.

85.18 **(hh) Minnesota Museum of American Art**

85.19 \$200,000 the first year and \$200,000 the
 85.20 second year are for a grant to the Minnesota
 85.21 Museum of American Art for exhibit
 85.22 programming and for a Native American
 85.23 Fellowship at the museum.

85.24 **(ii) Fanka Programs**

85.25 \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the
 85.26 second year are for a grant to Ka Joog
 85.27 statewide Somali-based collaborative
 85.28 programs for arts and cultural heritage. The
 85.29 funding must be used for Fanka programs to
 85.30 provide arts education and workshops, mentor
 85.31 programs, and community presentations and
 85.32 community engagement events throughout
 85.33 Minnesota.

85.34 **(jj) The Bakken Museum**

86.1 \$150,000 the first year is for a grant to The
86.2 Bakken Museum for interactive exhibits and
86.3 outreach programs on arts and cultural
86.4 heritage.

86.5 (kk) **4-H Shooting Sports**

86.6 \$50,000 the first year is to the University of
86.7 Minnesota Extension Office to provide grants
86.8 to Minnesota 4-H chapters that have members
86.9 participating in state and national
86.10 4-H-sanctioned shooting sports events.
86.11 Eligible costs for grant money include
86.12 shooting sports equipment and supplies and
86.13 event fees associated with participating in state
86.14 shooting sports events.

86.15 (ll) **Public Art Saint Paul**

86.16 \$75,000 each year is for a grant to Public Art
86.17 Saint Paul for art programming at the Wakpa
86.18 Triennial Art Festival to showcase new art
86.19 across the Twin Cities by Minnesota artists in
86.20 outdoor and indoor settings and to encourage
86.21 visitors to experience the arts and culture
86.22 produced by local arts and culture
86.23 organizations.

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

86.25 Sec. 16. Laws 2024, chapter 106, article 4, section 2, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

86.26 Subd. 6. **Minnesota Historical Society** -0- 1,201,000

86.27 (a) The amounts in this subdivision are
86.28 appropriated to the governing board of the
86.29 Minnesota Historical Society to preserve and
86.30 enhance access to Minnesota's history and its
86.31 cultural and historical resources. Grant
86.32 agreements entered into by the Minnesota
86.33 Historical Society and other recipients of

87.1 appropriations in this subdivision must ensure
 87.2 that these funds are used to supplement and
 87.3 not substitute for traditional sources of
 87.4 funding. Funds directly appropriated to the
 87.5 Minnesota Historical Society must be used to
 87.6 supplement and not substitute for traditional
 87.7 sources of funding. The appropriations in this
 87.8 subdivision are onetime.

87.9 **(b) Grants**

87.10 (1) \$100,000 the second year is to facilitate
 87.11 negotiations for the purchase by the state of
 87.12 the Wizard of Oz ruby slippers through a
 87.13 combination of available state funds and
 87.14 nonstate sources of funding. Any remaining
 87.15 amount not used to facilitate the purchase of
 87.16 the slippers by the state may be used as a grant
 87.17 to the Judy Garland Children's Discovery
 87.18 Museum to create an exhibit highlighting the
 87.19 history and cultural relevance of the slippers;

87.20 (2) \$400,000 the second year is for statewide
 87.21 historic and cultural grants to cultural
 87.22 community organizations, historical
 87.23 organizations, and veterans organizations for
 87.24 activities to commemorate 50 years of
 87.25 Southeast Asians in Minnesota. Money under
 87.26 this paragraph must be distributed through a
 87.27 competitive grant process. The Minnesota
 87.28 Historical Society must administer the grants
 87.29 using established grant mechanisms with
 87.30 assistance from the advisory committee
 87.31 created under Laws 2009, chapter 172, article
 87.32 4, section 2, subdivision 4, paragraph (b), item
 87.33 (ii).

87.34 (3) \$200,000 the second year is for activities
 87.35 to prepare and coordinate community

88.1 commemoration programs celebrating 50 years
 88.2 of Hmong Americans in Minnesota. The
 88.3 Minnesota Historical Society must form an
 88.4 advisory task force consisting of members of
 88.5 the Hmong community to advise the society
 88.6 on the design and implementation of these
 88.7 activities and programs;

88.8 (4) \$200,000 the second year is for planning
 88.9 and outreach, in collaboration with the
 88.10 Minnesota Humanities Center, for Minnesota's
 88.11 commemoration of the 250th anniversary of
 88.12 the signing of the Declaration of
 88.13 Independence. The Minnesota Historical
 88.14 Society and Minnesota Humanities Center
 88.15 must enter into an agreement between the
 88.16 organizations on how best to maximize the
 88.17 impact of this grant and of collaboration with
 88.18 statewide partners;

88.19 (5) \$50,000 the second year is for a grant to
 88.20 the Greater Litchfield Opera House
 88.21 Association to repair and update the Litchfield
 88.22 Opera House; and

88.23 (6) \$251,000 the second year is for a grant to
 88.24 the Dakota County Historical Society to design
 88.25 and build exhibits at the Lawshe Memorial
 88.26 Museum.

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

88.28 Delete the title and insert:

88.29 "A bill for an act

88.30 relating to legacy; appropriating money from outdoor heritage, clean water, parks
 88.31 and trails, and arts and cultural heritage funds; extending prior appropriations;
 88.32 providing for leveraging federal grant money; modifying reporting requirements;
 88.33 modifying accountability and eligible projects provisions; amending Minnesota
 88.34 Statutes 2024, sections 97A.056, by adding a subdivision; 114D.30, subdivision
 88.35 7; 129D.17, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; Laws 2023, chapter 40, article
 88.36 4, section 2, subdivisions 5, 6; Laws 2024, chapter 106, article 4, section 2,
 88.37 subdivision 6."

89.1 We request the adoption of this report and repassage of the bill.

89.2 House Conferees:

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89.4	Samantha Vang	Samakab Hussein

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89.6	Joe McDonald	Roger Skraba

89.7 Senate Conferees:

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89.9	Foung Hawj	Jennifer McEwen

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89.11	Susan Pha	Zaynab Mohamed

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89.13	Eric Pratt	