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1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to stadiums; providing for a new National Football League stadium in  
1.3 Minnesota; establishing a Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority; authorizing the  
1.4 sale and issuance of state appropriation bonds; abolishing the Metropolitan Sports  
1.5 Facilities Commission; providing for use of certain local tax revenue; providing  
1.6 for electronic pull-tab games, electronic linked bingo games, and sports-themed  
1.7 tipboard games; providing for the conditional imposition of certain taxes and  
1.8 collection of other revenues; modifying certain rates of tax on lawful gambling;  
1.9 appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2010, sections 3.971,  
1.10 subdivision 6; 3.9741, by adding a subdivision; 297A.71, by adding subdivisions;  
1.11 297E.01, subdivisions 7, 8, 9; 297E.02, subdivisions 1, 3, 6, 7, 10, 11, by adding  
1.12 a subdivision; 297E.13, subdivision 5; 349.12, subdivisions 3b, 3c, 5, 6a, 12a,  
1.13 18, 25, 25b, 25c, 25d, 29, 31, 32, 34, 35, by adding subdivisions; 349.13;  
1.14 349.151, subdivisions 4b, 4c, by adding subdivisions; 349.155, subdivisions 3, 4;  
1.15 349.161, subdivisions 1, 5; 349.162, subdivision 5; 349.163, subdivisions 1, 5,  
1.16 6; 349.1635, subdivisions 2, 3, by adding a subdivision; 349.165, subdivision  
1.17 2; 349.17, subdivisions 6, 7, 8, by adding a subdivision; 349.1711, subdivisions  
1.18 1, 2; 349.1721; 349.18, subdivision 1; 349.19, subdivisions 2, 3, 5, 10;  
1.19 349.211, subdivisions 1a, 2c; 352.01, subdivision 2a; Minnesota Statutes 2011  
1.20 Supplement, sections 10A.01, subdivision 35; 297A.75, subdivisions 1, 2, 3;  
1.21 340A.404, subdivision 1; Laws 1986, chapter 396, sections 4, as amended; 5, as  
1.22 amended; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 3; 16A;  
1.23 245; 297A; 297E; 349A; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes,  
1.24 chapter 473J; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2010, sections 297E.02, subdivision  
1.25 4; 349.15, subdivision 3; 349.19, subdivision 2a.

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

1.27 **ARTICLE 1**

1.28 **MINNESOTA SPORTS FACILITIES AUTHORITY**

1.29 Section 1. **[3.8842] LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON MINNESOTA SPORTS**  
1.30 **FACILITIES.**

1.31 **Subdivision 1. Purpose.** The Legislative Commission on Minnesota Sports Facilities  
1.32 is established by and under the authority of the Legislative Coordinating Commission

2.1 to oversee the Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority's operating and capital budgets.  
2.2 The legislature finds that continuous legislative review of the financial management of  
2.3 the authority is necessary to promote fiscal responsibility and good management, and  
2.4 strengthen the accountability of the authority. The commission is charged with:

2.5 (1) providing financial oversight of the authority as described in subdivision 8;  
2.6 (2) adoption of a statewide authority structure for the operation and management  
2.7 of sports facilities and entertainment venues under the jurisdiction of the authority. The  
2.8 authority membership shall represent the interests of both the metropolitan area and  
2.9 greater Minnesota; and

2.10 (3) creating a comprehensive management plan that alleviates booking and  
2.11 scheduling concerns regarding the sports facilities and entertainment venues under the  
2.12 jurisdiction of the authority.

2.13 Subd. 2. **Membership.** The commission consists of three senators appointed by  
2.14 the senate majority leader, three senators appointed by the senate minority leader, three  
2.15 state representatives appointed by the speaker of the house, and three state representatives  
2.16 appointed by the house minority leader. The appointing authorities must ensure balanced  
2.17 geographic representation. Each appointing authority must make appointments as  
2.18 soon as possible after the opening of the next regular session of the legislature in each  
2.19 odd-numbered year.

2.20 Subd. 3. **Terms; vacancies.** Members of the commission serve for a two-year term  
2.21 beginning upon appointment and expiring upon appointment of a successor after the  
2.22 opening of the next regular session of the legislature in the odd-numbered year. A vacancy  
2.23 in the membership of the commission must be filled for the unexpired term in a manner  
2.24 that will preserve the representation established by this section.

2.25 Subd. 4. **Chair.** The commission must meet as soon as practicable after members  
2.26 are appointed in each odd-numbered year to elect its chair and other officers as it may  
2.27 determine necessary. A chair serves a two-year term, expiring in the odd-numbered year  
2.28 after a successor is elected. The chair must alternate biennially between the senate and the  
2.29 house of representatives.

2.30 Subd. 5. **Compensation.** Members serve without compensation but may be  
2.31 reimbursed for their reasonable expenses as members of the legislature.

2.32 Subd. 6. **Staff.** Legislative staff must provide administrative and research assistance  
2.33 to the commission.

2.34 Subd. 7. **Meetings; procedures.** The commission meets at least semiannually.  
2.35 If there is a quorum, the commission may take action by a simple majority vote of  
2.36 commission members present.

3.1 Subd. 8. **Powers; duties; Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority, budget**  
3.2 **oversight.** The commission must monitor, review, and make recommendations to the  
3.3 authority and to the legislature for the following calendar year on:

- 3.4 (1) any proposed increases in the rate or dollar amount of tax;  
3.5 (2) any proposed increases in the debt of the authority;  
3.6 (3) the overall work and role of the authority;  
3.7 (4) the authority's proposed operating and capital budgets;  
3.8 (5) the authority's implementation of the operating and capital budgets; and  
3.9 (6) any other topics as deemed necessary by the commission to fulfill the purpose  
3.10 described in subdivision 1.

3.11 Subd. 9. **Report.** The commission shall report on January 15 of the even-numbered  
3.12 year on the effectiveness and future prospects of the commission.

3.13 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 3.971, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

3.14 Subd. 6. **Financial audits.** The legislative auditor shall audit the financial  
3.15 statements of the state of Minnesota required by section 16A.50 and, as resources permit,  
3.16 shall audit Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, the University of Minnesota,  
3.17 state agencies, departments, boards, commissions, courts, and other state organizations  
3.18 subject to audit by the legislative auditor, including the State Agricultural Society,  
3.19 Agricultural Utilization Research Institute, Enterprise Minnesota, Inc., Minnesota  
3.20 Historical Society, Labor Interpretive Center, Minnesota Partnership for Action Against  
3.21 Tobacco, Metropolitan Sports Facilities Commission, Minnesota Sports Facilities  
3.22 Authority, Metropolitan Airports Commission, and Metropolitan Mosquito Control  
3.23 District. Financial audits must be conducted according to generally accepted government  
3.24 auditing standards. The legislative auditor shall see that all provisions of law respecting  
3.25 the appropriate and economic use of public funds are complied with and may, as part of a  
3.26 financial audit or separately, investigate allegations of noncompliance.

3.27 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 3.9741, is amended by adding a subdivision  
3.28 to read:

3.29 Subd. 4. **Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority.** Upon the audit of the financial  
3.30 accounts and affairs of the Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority, the authority is liable  
3.31 to the state for the total cost and expenses of the audit, including the salaries paid to the  
3.32 examiners while actually engaged in making the examination. The legislative auditor may  
3.33 bill the authority either monthly or at the completion of the audit. All collections received  
3.34 for the audits must be deposited in the general fund.

4.1 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2011 Supplement, section 10A.01, subdivision 35, is  
4.2 amended to read:

4.3 Subd. 35. **Public official.** "Public official" means any:

4.4 (1) member of the legislature;

4.5 (2) individual employed by the legislature as secretary of the senate, legislative  
4.6 auditor, chief clerk of the house of representatives, revisor of statutes, or researcher,  
4.7 legislative analyst, or attorney in the Office of Senate Counsel and Research or House  
4.8 Research;

4.9 (3) constitutional officer in the executive branch and the officer's chief administrative  
4.10 deputy;

4.11 (4) solicitor general or deputy, assistant, or special assistant attorney general;

4.12 (5) commissioner, deputy commissioner, or assistant commissioner of any state  
4.13 department or agency as listed in section 15.01 or 15.06, or the state chief information  
4.14 officer;

4.15 (6) member, chief administrative officer, or deputy chief administrative officer of a  
4.16 state board or commission that has either the power to adopt, amend, or repeal rules under  
4.17 chapter 14, or the power to adjudicate contested cases or appeals under chapter 14;

4.18 (7) individual employed in the executive branch who is authorized to adopt, amend,  
4.19 or repeal rules under chapter 14 or adjudicate contested cases under chapter 14;

4.20 (8) executive director of the State Board of Investment;

4.21 (9) deputy of any official listed in clauses (7) and (8);

4.22 (10) judge of the Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals;

4.23 (11) administrative law judge or compensation judge in the State Office of  
4.24 Administrative Hearings or unemployment law judge in the Department of Employment  
4.25 and Economic Development;

4.26 (12) member, regional administrator, division director, general counsel, or operations  
4.27 manager of the Metropolitan Council;

4.28 (13) member or chief administrator of a metropolitan agency;

4.29 (14) director of the Division of Alcohol and Gambling Enforcement in the  
4.30 Department of Public Safety;

4.31 (15) member or executive director of the Higher Education Facilities Authority;

4.32 (16) member of the board of directors or president of Enterprise Minnesota, Inc.;

4.33 (17) member of the board of directors or executive director of the Minnesota State  
4.34 High School League;

4.35 (18) member of the Minnesota Ballpark Authority established in section 473.755;

4.36 (19) citizen member of the Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources;

5.1 (20) manager of a watershed district, or member of a watershed management  
5.2 organization as defined under section 103B.205, subdivision 13;

5.3 (21) supervisor of a soil and water conservation district;

5.4 (22) director of Explore Minnesota Tourism;

5.5 (23) citizen member of the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council established in  
5.6 section 97A.056; ~~or~~

5.7 (24) ~~a~~ citizen member of the Clean Water Council established in section 114D.30; or

5.8 (25) member or chief executive of the Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority  
5.9 established in section 473J.07.

5.10 **Sec. 5. [16A.726] SPORTS FACILITIES TRANSFERS; APPROPRIATIONS.**

5.11 (a) If state appropriation bonds have not been issued under section 16A.965, amounts  
5.12 not to exceed the increased revenues estimated by the commissioner of management and  
5.13 budget under section 297E.021, subdivision 2, are appropriated from the general fund to  
5.14 the commissioner of management and budget to make transfers to the Minnesota Sports  
5.15 Facilities Authority for stadium costs as defined under section 473J.03, subdivision 8.

5.16 (b) The commissioner shall make transfers to the Minnesota Sports Facilities  
5.17 Authority required to make the state payments under section 473J.13, subdivisions 2 and  
5.18 4, and for the amount of Minneapolis taxes withheld under section 297A.994, subdivision  
5.19 4, paragraph (a), clause (5). Amounts sufficient to make the transfers are appropriated to  
5.20 the commissioner from the general fund.

5.21 (c) \$2,700,000 is annually appropriated from the general fund from fiscal year 2014  
5.22 through fiscal year 2033 to the commissioner of management and budget for a grant to the  
5.23 city of St. Paul for the operating or capital costs of new or existing sports facilities.

5.24 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 297A.71, is amended by adding a subdivision  
5.25 to read:

5.26 Subd. 43. **Building materials; football stadium.** Materials and supplies used or  
5.27 consumed in, and equipment incorporated into, the construction or improvement of the  
5.28 football stadium and stadium infrastructure as defined in section 473J.03, subdivisions 8  
5.29 and 10, are exempt. This subdivision expires one year after the date that the first National  
5.30 Football League game is played in the stadium for materials, supplies, and equipment  
5.31 used in the construction and equipping of the stadium, and five years after the issuance  
5.32 of the first bonds under section 16A.965 for materials, supplies, and equipment used in  
5.33 the public infrastructure.

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

6.1 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2011 Supplement, section 340A.404, subdivision 1, is  
6.2 amended to read:

6.3 Subdivision 1. **Cities.** (a) A city may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license to  
6.4 the following establishments located within its jurisdiction:

6.5 (1) hotels;

6.6 (2) restaurants;

6.7 (3) bowling centers;

6.8 (4) clubs or congressionally chartered veterans organizations with the approval of  
6.9 the commissioner, provided that the organization has been in existence for at least three  
6.10 years and liquor sales will only be to members and bona fide guests, except that a club  
6.11 may permit the general public to participate in a wine tasting conducted at the club under  
6.12 section 340A.419;

6.13 (5) sports facilities, restaurants, clubs, or bars located on land owned or leased by  
6.14 the Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority;

6.15 ~~(5)~~ (6) sports facilities located on land owned by the Metropolitan Sports  
6.16 Commission; and

6.17 ~~(6)~~ (7) exclusive liquor stores.

6.18 (b) A city may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license, an on-sale wine license,  
6.19 or an on-sale malt liquor license to a theater within the city, notwithstanding any law, local  
6.20 ordinance, or charter provision. A license issued under this paragraph authorizes sales on  
6.21 all days of the week to persons attending events at the theater.

6.22 (c) A city may issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license, an on-sale wine license,  
6.23 or an on-sale malt liquor license to a convention center within the city, notwithstanding  
6.24 any law, local ordinance, or charter provision. A license issued under this paragraph  
6.25 authorizes sales on all days of the week to persons attending events at the convention  
6.26 center. This paragraph does not apply to convention centers located in the seven-county  
6.27 metropolitan area.

6.28 (d) A city may issue an on-sale wine license and an on-sale malt liquor license to  
6.29 a person who is the owner of a summer collegiate league baseball team, or to a person  
6.30 holding a concessions or management contract with the owner, for beverage sales at a  
6.31 ballpark or stadium located within the city for the purposes of summer collegiate league  
6.32 baseball games at the ballpark or stadium, notwithstanding any law, local ordinance, or  
6.33 charter provision. A license issued under this paragraph authorizes sales on all days of the  
6.34 week to persons attending baseball games at the ballpark or stadium.

6.35 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 352.01, subdivision 2a, is amended to read:

- 7.1 Subd. 2a. **Included employees.** (a) "State employee" includes:
- 7.2 (1) employees of the Minnesota Historical Society;
- 7.3 (2) employees of the State Horticultural Society;
- 7.4 (3) employees of the Minnesota Crop Improvement Association;
- 7.5 (4) employees of the adjutant general whose salaries are paid from federal funds and  
7.6 who are not covered by any federal civilian employees retirement system;
- 7.7 (5) employees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities who are employed  
7.8 under the university or college activities program;
- 7.9 (6) currently contributing employees covered by the system who are temporarily  
7.10 employed by the legislature during a legislative session or any currently contributing  
7.11 employee employed for any special service as defined in subdivision 2b, clause (8);
- 7.12 (7) employees of the legislature who are appointed without a limit on the duration  
7.13 of their employment and persons employed or designated by the legislature or by a  
7.14 legislative committee or commission or other competent authority to conduct a special  
7.15 inquiry, investigation, examination, or installation;
- 7.16 (8) trainees who are employed on a full-time established training program  
7.17 performing the duties of the classified position for which they will be eligible to receive  
7.18 immediate appointment at the completion of the training period;
- 7.19 (9) employees of the Minnesota Safety Council;
- 7.20 (10) any employees who are on authorized leave of absence from the Transit  
7.21 Operating Division of the former Metropolitan Transit Commission and who are employed  
7.22 by the labor organization which is the exclusive bargaining agent representing employees  
7.23 of the Transit Operating Division;
- 7.24 (11) employees of the Metropolitan Council, Metropolitan Parks and Open Space  
7.25 Commission, Metropolitan Sports Facilities Commission, or Metropolitan Mosquito  
7.26 Control Commission unless excluded under subdivision 2b or are covered by another  
7.27 public pension fund or plan under section 473.415, subdivision 3;
- 7.28 (12) judges of the Tax Court;
- 7.29 (13) personnel who were employed on June 30, 1992, by the University of  
7.30 Minnesota in the management, operation, or maintenance of its heating plant facilities,  
7.31 whose employment transfers to an employer assuming operation of the heating plant  
7.32 facilities, so long as the person is employed at the University of Minnesota heating plant  
7.33 by that employer or by its successor organization;
- 7.34 (14) personnel who are employed as seasonal employees in the classified or  
7.35 unclassified service;

8.1 (15) persons who are employed by the Department of Commerce as a peace officer  
8.2 in the Insurance Fraud Prevention Division under section 45.0135 who have attained the  
8.3 mandatory retirement age specified in section 43A.34, subdivision 4;

8.4 (16) employees of the University of Minnesota unless excluded under subdivision  
8.5 2b, clause (3);

8.6 (17) employees of the Middle Management Association whose employment began  
8.7 after July 1, 2007, and to whom section 352.029 does not apply; ~~and~~

8.8 (18) employees of the Minnesota Government Engineers Council to whom section  
8.9 352.029 does not apply; ~~and~~

8.10 (19) employees of the Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority.

8.11 (b) Employees specified in paragraph (a), clause (13), are included employees under  
8.12 paragraph (a) if employer and employee contributions are made in a timely manner in the  
8.13 amounts required by section 352.04. Employee contributions must be deducted from  
8.14 salary. Employer contributions are the sole obligation of the employer assuming operation  
8.15 of the University of Minnesota heating plant facilities or any successor organizations to  
8.16 that employer.

8.17 Sec. 9. [473J.01] PURPOSE.

8.18 The purpose of this chapter is to provide for the construction, financing, and  
8.19 long-term use of a stadium and related stadium infrastructure as a venue for professional  
8.20 football and a broad range of other civic, community, athletic, educational, cultural,  
8.21 and commercial activities. The legislature finds and declares that the expenditure of  
8.22 public money for this purpose is necessary and serves a public purpose, and that property  
8.23 acquired by the Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority for the construction of the stadium  
8.24 and related stadium infrastructure is acquired for a public use or public purpose under  
8.25 chapter 117. The legislature further finds and declares that any provision in a lease or use  
8.26 agreement with a professional football team that requires the team to play all of its home  
8.27 games in a publicly funded stadium for the duration of the lease or use agreement, serves  
8.28 a unique public purpose for which the remedies of specific performance and injunctive  
8.29 relief are essential to its enforcement. The legislature further finds and declares that  
8.30 government assistance to facilitate the presence of professional football provides to the  
8.31 state of Minnesota and its citizens highly valued intangible benefits that are virtually  
8.32 impossible to quantify and, therefore, not recoverable even if the government receives  
8.33 monetary damages in the event of a team's breach of contract. Minnesota courts are,  
8.34 therefore, charged with protecting those benefits through the use of specific performance  
8.35 and injunctive relief as provided in this chapter and in the lease and use agreements.



9.1 Sec. 10. **[473J.03] DEFINITIONS.**

9.2 **Subdivision 1. Application.** For the purposes of this chapter, the terms defined in  
9.3 this section have the meanings given them, except as otherwise expressly provided or  
9.4 indicated by the context.

9.5 **Subd. 2. Annual adjustment factor.** "Annual adjustment factor" means for any  
9.6 year, the increase, if any, in the amounts of the city of Minneapolis taxes, imposed under a  
9.7 special law originally enacted in 1986, that are received by the commissioner of revenue  
9.8 in the preceding year over the amount received in the year prior to the preceding year,  
9.9 expressed as a percentage of the amount received in the year prior to the preceding year;  
9.10 provided that the adjustment factor for any year must not be less than zero percent nor  
9.11 more than five percent.

9.12 **Subd. 3. Authority.** "Authority" means the Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority  
9.13 established under section 473J.07.

9.14 **Subd. 4. City.** "City" means the city of Minneapolis.

9.15 **Subd. 5. Net actual taxes.** "Net actual taxes" means the amount of revenues  
9.16 collected from the taxes in that year minus any refunds and costs of collection.

9.17 **Subd. 6. NFL.** The "NFL" means the National Football League.

9.18 **Subd. 7. NFL team.** "NFL team" means the owner and operator of the NFL  
9.19 professional football team known, as of the effective date of this chapter, as the Minnesota  
9.20 Vikings or any team owned and operated by someone who purchases or otherwise takes  
9.21 ownership or control of or reconstitutes the NFL team known as the Minnesota Vikings.

9.22 **Subd. 8. Stadium.** "Stadium" means the stadium suitable for professional football  
9.23 to be designed, constructed, and financed under this chapter. A stadium must have a roof  
9.24 that covers the stadium, as set forth in section 473J.11, subdivision 3.

9.25 **Subd. 9. Stadium costs.** "Stadium costs" means the costs of acquiring land, the  
9.26 costs of stadium infrastructure, and of designing, constructing, equipping, and financing a  
9.27 stadium suitable for professional football.

9.28 **Subd. 10. Stadium infrastructure.** "Stadium infrastructure" means plazas, parking  
9.29 structures, rights of way, connectors, skyways and tunnels, and other such property,  
9.30 facilities, and improvements, owned by the authority or determined by the authority to  
9.31 facilitate the use and development of the stadium.

9.32 **Subd. 11. Stadium plaza.** "Stadium plaza" means the open air portion of the  
9.33 stadium adjacent to the stadium.

9.34 **Subd. 12. Stadium site.** "Stadium site" means all or portions of the current site of  
9.35 the existing football stadium and adjacent areas, bounded generally by Park and Eleventh

10.1 Avenues and Third and Sixth Streets in the city of Minneapolis, the definitive boundaries  
10.2 of which shall be determined by the authority and agreed to by the NFL team.

10.3 Sec. 11. **[473J.07] MINNESOTA SPORTS FACILITIES AUTHORITY.**

10.4 Subdivision 1. **Established.** The Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority is  
10.5 established as a public body, corporate and politic, and political subdivision of the state.  
10.6 The authority is not a joint powers entity or an agency or instrumentality of the city.

10.7 Subd. 2. **Membership.** (a) The authority shall consist of five members.

10.8 (b) The chair and two members shall be appointed by the governor. One member  
10.9 appointed by the governor shall serve until December 31 of the third year following  
10.10 appointment and one member shall serve until December 31 of the fourth year following  
10.11 appointment. Thereafter, members appointed by the governor shall serve four-year terms,  
10.12 beginning January 1. Each member serves until a successor is appointed and takes office.  
10.13 The chair serves at the pleasure of the governor.

10.14 (c) The mayor of the city shall appoint two members to the authority. One member  
10.15 appointed by the mayor of the city shall serve until December 31 of the third year  
10.16 following appointment and one member shall serve until December 31 of the fourth year  
10.17 following appointment. Thereafter, members appointed under this paragraph shall serve  
10.18 four-year terms beginning January 1. Each member serves until a successor is appointed  
10.19 and takes office. Members appointed under this paragraph may reside within the city and  
10.20 may be appointed officials of a political subdivision.

10.21 (d) The initial members of the authority must be appointed not later than 30 days  
10.22 after the date of enactment of this chapter.

10.23 Subd. 3. **Compensation.** The authority may compensate its members, other than the  
10.24 chair, as provided in section 15.0575. The chair shall receive, unless otherwise provided  
10.25 by other law, a salary in an amount fixed by the authority, and shall be reimbursed for  
10.26 reasonable expenses to the same extent as a member.

10.27 Subd. 4. **Chair.** The chair presides at all meetings of the authority, if present, and  
10.28 performs all other assigned duties and functions. The authority may appoint from among  
10.29 its members a vice-chair to act for the chair during the temporary absence or disability of  
10.30 the chair, and any other officers the authority determines are necessary or convenient.

10.31 Subd. 5. **Removal.** A member, other than the chair, may be removed by the  
10.32 appointing authority only for misfeasance, malfeasance, or nonfeasance in office, upon  
10.33 written charges, and after an opportunity to be heard in defense of the charges.

10.34 Subd. 6. **Bylaws.** The authority shall adopt bylaws to establish rules of procedure,  
10.35 the powers and duties of its officers, and other matters relating to the governance of the

11.1 authority and the exercise of its powers. Except as provided in this section, the bylaws  
11.2 adopted under this subdivision must be similar in form and substance to bylaws adopted  
11.3 by the Minnesota Ballpark Authority pursuant to section 473.755.

11.4 Subd. 7. **Audit.** The legislative auditor shall audit the books and accounts of the  
11.5 authority once each year or as often as the legislative auditor's funds and personnel permit.  
11.6 The authority shall pay the total cost of the audit pursuant to section 3.9741.

11.7 Subd. 8. **Executive director; employees.** The authority may appoint an executive  
11.8 director to serve as the chief executive officer of the authority. The executive director  
11.9 serves at the pleasure of the authority and receives compensation as determined by the  
11.10 authority. The executive director may be responsible for the operation, management, and  
11.11 promotion of activities of the authority, as prescribed by the authority. The executive  
11.12 director has the powers necessarily incident to the performance of duties required and  
11.13 powers granted by the authority, but does not have authority to incur liability or make  
11.14 expenditures on behalf of the authority without general or specific directions by the  
11.15 authority, as shown by the bylaws or minutes of a meeting of the authority. The executive  
11.16 director is responsible for hiring, supervision, and dismissal of all other employees of  
11.17 the authority.

11.18 Subd. 9. **Web site.** The authority shall establish a Web site for purposes of providing  
11.19 information to the public concerning all actions taken by the authority. At a minimum, the  
11.20 Web site must contain a current version of the authority's bylaws, notices of upcoming  
11.21 meetings, minutes of the authority's meetings, and contact telephone, electronic mail, and  
11.22 facsimile numbers for public comments.

11.23 Subd. 10. **Quorum; approvals.** Any three members shall constitute a quorum for  
11.24 the conduct of business and action may be taken upon the vote of a majority of members  
11.25 present at a meeting duly called and held. During the design and construction stages of the  
11.26 stadium, a four-fifths vote of the authority is required for authority decisions related to  
11.27 zoning, land use, exterior design of the stadium, related parking, the plaza area, and the  
11.28 selection of the authority's lead representative during design and construction.

11.29 **Sec. 12. [473J.075] SPORTS FACILITIES OF THE AUTHORITY.**

11.30 Subdivision 1. **General.** This section describes the sports facilities that the  
11.31 Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority controls, operates, and has responsibility over  
11.32 pursuant to this chapter and as directed by law.

11.33 Subd. 2. **Sports facilities.** (a) The following sports facilities are part of the  
11.34 Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority:

11.35 (1) the professional football stadium constructed under this chapter; and

12.1 (2) any other sports facility constructed or acquired by the authority.

12.2 (b) The Target Center in Minneapolis, Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul, and Target  
12.3 Field in Minneapolis may join the facilities of the authority upon satisfaction of the  
12.4 following factors and upon the approval of the authority:

12.5 (1) the governing body of the facility must make the request to the authority to  
12.6 become a sports facility under this section;

12.7 (2) the governing body and the authority must negotiate an agreement with respect to  
12.8 the transfer of all obligations and responsibilities, including, but not limited to, outstanding  
12.9 debt, revenue sources, finance, funding, operations, equipment, repair and replacements,  
12.10 capital improvements, reserves, contracts, and agreements;

12.11 (3) the governing body and the professional sports team who is the primary user of  
12.12 the facility must make a joint recommendation to the authority;

12.13 (4) the authority must find that the inclusion of a facility under the authority will not  
12.14 have a negative impact on the authority, the general fund, or become an obligation of the  
12.15 state of Minnesota; and

12.16 (5) any other information or requirements requested by the authority.

12.17 Sec. 13. **[473J.09] POWERS, DUTIES OF THE AUTHORITY.**

12.18 Subdivision 1. **Actions.** The authority may sue and be sued. The authority is a public  
12.19 body and the stadium and stadium infrastructure are public improvements within the  
12.20 meaning of chapter 562. The authority is a municipality within the meaning of chapter 466.

12.21 Subd. 2. **Acquisition of property.** The authority may acquire from any public or  
12.22 private entity by lease, purchase, gift, or devise all necessary right, title, and interest in  
12.23 and to real property, air rights, and personal property deemed necessary to the purposes  
12.24 contemplated by this chapter. The authority may acquire, by the exercise of condemnation  
12.25 powers under chapter 117, land, other real property, air rights, personal property, and other  
12.26 right, title, and interest in property, within the stadium site and stadium infrastructure.

12.27 Subd. 3. **Disposition of property.** The authority may sell, lease, or otherwise  
12.28 dispose of any real or personal property acquired by the authority that is no longer required  
12.29 for accomplishment of the authority's purposes. The property may be sold in accordance  
12.30 with the procedures provided by section 469.065, except subdivisions 6 and 7, to the  
12.31 extent the authority deems it to be practical and consistent with this chapter. Title to the  
12.32 stadium must not be transferred or sold by the authority prior to the effective date of  
12.33 enactment of any legislation approving such transfer or sale.

12.34 Subd. 4. **Data practices; open meetings.** Except as otherwise provided in this  
12.35 chapter, the authority is subject to chapters 13 and 13D.

13.1 Subd. 5. **Facility operation.** The authority may develop, construct, equip, improve,  
13.2 own, operate, manage, maintain, finance, and control the stadium, stadium infrastructure,  
13.3 and related facilities constructed or acquired under this chapter, or may delegate such  
13.4 duties through an agreement, subject to the rights and obligations transferred to and  
13.5 assumed by the authority, the NFL team, other user, third-party manager, or program  
13.6 manager, under the terms of a lease, use agreement, or development agreement.

13.7 Subd. 6. **Employees; contracts for services.** The authority may employ persons  
13.8 and contract for services necessary to carry out its functions, including the utilization of  
13.9 employees and consultants retained by other governmental entities. The authority shall  
13.10 enter into an agreement with the city regarding traffic control for the stadium.

13.11 Subd. 7. **Gifts, grants, loans.** The authority may accept monetary contributions,  
13.12 property, services, and grants or loans of money or other property from the United States,  
13.13 the state, any subdivision of the state, any agency of those entities, or any person for any  
13.14 of its purposes, and may enter into any agreement required in connection with the gifts,  
13.15 grants, or loans. The authority shall hold, use, and dispose of the money, property, or  
13.16 services according to the terms of the monetary contributions, grant, loan, or agreement.

13.17 Subd. 8. **Use agreements.** The authority may lease, license, or enter into use  
13.18 agreements and may fix, alter, charge, and collect rents, fees, and charges for the use,  
13.19 occupation, and availability of part or all of any premises, property, or facilities under  
13.20 its ownership, operation, or control for purposes that will provide athletic, educational,  
13.21 cultural, commercial, or other entertainment, instruction, or activity for the citizens of  
13.22 Minnesota and visitors. The use agreements may provide that the other contracting party  
13.23 has exclusive use of the premises at the times agreed upon, as well as the right to retain  
13.24 some or all revenues from ticket sales, suite licenses, concessions, advertising, naming  
13.25 rights, NFL team designated broadcast/media, club seats, signage, and other revenues  
13.26 derived from the stadium. The lease or use agreement with an NFL team must provide for  
13.27 the payment by the NFL team of an agreed-upon portion of operating and maintenance  
13.28 costs and expenses and provide other terms in which the authority and NFL team agree. In  
13.29 no case may a lease or use agreement permit smoking in the stadium.

13.30 Subd. 9. **Research.** The authority may conduct research studies and programs;  
13.31 collect and analyze data; prepare reports, maps, charts, and tables; and conduct all  
13.32 necessary hearings and investigations in connection with its functions.

13.33 Subd. 10. **Insurance.** The authority may require any employee to obtain and file  
13.34 with the authority an individual bond or fidelity insurance policy. The authority may  
13.35 procure insurance in the amounts the authority considers necessary against liability of the  
13.36 authority or its officers and employees for personal injury or death and property damage or

14.1 destruction, consistent with chapter 466, and against risks of damage to or destruction of  
14.2 any of its facilities, equipment, or other property.

14.3 **Subd. 11. Exemption from Metropolitan Council review; Business Subsidy Act.**

14.4 The acquisition and betterment of a stadium and stadium infrastructure by the authority  
14.5 must be conducted pursuant to this chapter and are not subject to sections 473.165 and  
14.6 473.173. Section 116J.994 does not apply to any transactions of the authority or other  
14.7 governmental entity related to the stadium or stadium infrastructure or to any tenant or  
14.8 other users of the stadium or stadium infrastructure.

14.9 **Subd. 12. Incidental powers.** In addition to the powers expressly granted in this  
14.10 chapter, the authority has all powers necessary or incidental thereto.

14.11 **Subd. 13. Legislative report.** The authority must report to the chairs and ranking  
14.12 minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over state government  
14.13 finance by January 15 of each year on the following:

14.14 (a) any recommended increases in the rate or dollar amount of tax;

14.15 (b) any recommended increases in the debt of the authority;

14.16 (c) the overall work and role of the authority;

14.17 (d) the authority's proposed operating and capital budgets; and

14.18 (e) the authority's implementation of the operating and capital budgets.

14.19 **Subd. 14. Study; raffle.** The authority shall study the feasibility of conducting a  
14.20 raffle for chances to win a pair or other limited numbers of prime seats (such as lower  
14.21 deck, 50 yard line seats) in the stadium for professional football games for the duration of  
14.22 the lease or use agreement. In conducting the study, the authority must consult with the  
14.23 NFL team. If the authority determines that conducting the raffle is financially feasible,  
14.24 the authority in cooperation with the director of the Gambling Control Board shall  
14.25 conduct the raffle. The proceeds of the raffle must be transmitted to the commissioner  
14.26 of revenue for deposit in the general fund and are appropriated to the commissioner of  
14.27 management and budget for prepayment of principal and interest on appropriation bonds  
14.28 under section 16A.965.

14.29 **Sec. 14. [473J.10] LOCATION.**

14.30 The stadium to be constructed under this chapter shall be located at the stadium  
14.31 site in the city of Minneapolis.

14.32 **Sec. 15. [473J.11] STADIUM DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION.**

14.33 **Subdivision 1. Contracts.** (a) The design, development, and construction of the  
14.34 stadium shall be a collaborative process between the authority and the NFL team. The

15.1 authority and the NFL team shall establish a process to reach consensus on key elements  
15.2 of the stadium program and design, development, and construction.

15.3 (b) Unless the authority and the NFL team agree otherwise:

15.4 (1) the authority shall create a stadium design and construction group, including  
15.5 representatives of the authority and the NFL team, to manage the design of the stadium  
15.6 and oversee construction;

15.7 (2) this group shall engage an owner's representative to act on behalf of the group.  
15.8 The cost of the owner's representative shall be a stadium cost; and

15.9 (3) the authority and the NFL team shall enter into a development administration  
15.10 agreement providing for rights and responsibilities of the authority and the NFL team, the  
15.11 design and construction group, and the owner's representative for design and construction  
15.12 of the stadium, including, but not limited to, establishment of minimum design standards.  
15.13 This development administration agreement shall provide for binding arbitration in  
15.14 the event that the authority and the NFL team are unable to agree on minimum design  
15.15 standards or other material aspects of the design.

15.16 (c) The authority may enter into an agreement with the NFL team and any other  
15.17 entity relating to the design, construction, financing, operation, maintenance, and use of  
15.18 the stadium and related facilities and stadium infrastructure. The authority may contract  
15.19 for materials, supplies, and equipment in accordance with section 471.345, except that  
15.20 the authority may employ or contract with persons, firms, or corporations to perform one  
15.21 or more or all of the functions of architect, engineer, construction manager, or program  
15.22 manager with respect to all or any part of the design, construction, financing, operation,  
15.23 maintenance, and use of the stadium and stadium infrastructure under the traditional  
15.24 separate design and build, integrated design-build, construction manager at risk, or  
15.25 public/private partnership (P3) structures, or a combination thereof.

15.26 To the extent practicable, the agreement must provide that at least 25 percent of the  
15.27 materials, supplies, and equipment used in the construction, operation, maintenance, and  
15.28 use of the stadium and related facilities and stadium infrastructure, other than the material  
15.29 subject to section 473J.15, subdivision 11, paragraph (c), must be made or produced  
15.30 by Minnesota businesses.

15.31 (d) The authority and the NFL team shall prepare a request for proposals for one or  
15.32 more of the functions described in paragraph (c). The request must be published in the  
15.33 State Register and shall include, at a minimum, such requirements that are agreed to by  
15.34 the authority and the NFL team. The authority and the NFL team may prequalify offerors  
15.35 by issuing a request for qualifications, in advance of the request for proposals, and select a  
15.36 short list of responsible offerors prior to discussions and evaluations.

16.1 (e) As provided in the request for proposals, the authority, and the NFL team, may  
16.2 conduct discussions and negotiations with responsible offerors in order to determine  
16.3 which proposal is most advantageous to the authority and the NFL team and to negotiate  
16.4 the terms of an agreement. In conducting discussions, there shall be no disclosure of any  
16.5 information derived from proposals submitted by competing offerors and the content of all  
16.6 proposals is nonpublic data under chapter 13 until such time as a notice to award a contract  
16.7 is given by the authority. The agreement shall be subject to the approval of the NFL team.

16.8 (f) Prior to the time the authority enters into a construction contract with a  
16.9 construction manager or program manager certifying a maximum price and a completion  
16.10 date as provided in paragraph (h), at the request of the NFL team, the authority may  
16.11 authorize, such authorization not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed, the NFL team  
16.12 to provide for management of the construction of the stadium and related stadium  
16.13 infrastructure, in which event the NFL team must assume the role and responsibilities  
16.14 of the authority for completion of construction in a manner consistent with the agreed  
16.15 minimum design standards and design documents, subject to the terms of this act,  
16.16 including responsibility for cost overruns.

16.17 (g) For each contract for supplies, materials, labor, equipment, or services for  
16.18 the construction of the stadium or infrastructure, the construction manager or program  
16.19 manager shall require: (1) that the contract specify a guaranteed maximum price; and (2)  
16.20 if the amount charged under the contract is less than the guaranteed maximum price, the  
16.21 authority shall pay as follows: (i) half of the difference to the contract holder; and (ii) half  
16.22 of the difference to the state for transfer to the authority for capital reserves.

16.23 (h) The construction manager or program manager may enter into contracts with  
16.24 contractors for labor, materials, supplies, and equipment for the construction of the  
16.25 stadium and related stadium infrastructure through the process of public bidding, except  
16.26 that the construction manager or program manager may, with the consent of the authority  
16.27 or the NFL team if the NFL team has assumed responsibility for construction:

16.28 (1) narrow the listing of eligible bidders to those which the construction manager  
16.29 or program manager determines to possess sufficient expertise to perform the intended  
16.30 functions;

16.31 (2) award contracts to the contractors that the construction manager or program  
16.32 manager determines provide the best value under a request for proposals as described in  
16.33 section 16C.28, subdivision 1, paragraphs (a), clause (2), and (c), which are not required  
16.34 to be the lowest responsible bidder; and

16.35 (3) for work the construction manager or program manager determines to be critical  
16.36 to the completion schedule, award contracts on the basis of competitive proposals, or



17.1 perform work with its own forces without soliciting competitive bids if the construction  
17.2 manager or program manager provides evidence of competitive pricing.

17.3 (i) The authority and the NFL team shall require that the construction manager  
17.4 or program manager certify, before the contract is signed, a guaranteed maximum  
17.5 construction price and completion date to the authority and post a performance bond in an  
17.6 amount at least equal to 100 percent of the certified price or such other security satisfactory  
17.7 to the authority, to cover any costs which may be incurred in excess of the certified price  
17.8 including, but not limited to, costs incurred by the authority or loss of revenues resulting  
17.9 from incomplete construction on the completion date. The authority may secure surety  
17.10 bonds as provided in section 574.26, securing payment of just claims in connection with  
17.11 all public work undertaken by the authority. Persons entitled to the protection of the  
17.12 bonds may enforce them as provided in sections 574.28 to 574.32 and are not entitled to a  
17.13 lien on any property of the authority under the provisions of sections 514.01 to 514.16.  
17.14 The construction of the stadium is a project as that term is defined in section 177.42,  
17.15 subdivision 2, and is subject to the prevailing wage law under sections 177.41 to 177.43.  
17.16 The authority's contract with the construction manager or program manager shall provide  
17.17 that if the construction manager's or program manager's fees charged under the contract  
17.18 are less than the guaranteed maximum price, the authority shall pay: (1) half of the  
17.19 difference to the contract holder; and (2) half of the difference to the state for transfer to  
17.20 the authority for capital reserves. Costs or fees above the agreed guaranteed maximum  
17.21 price shall be the responsibility of the construction manager or program manager.

17.22 Subd. 2. **Changes.** Unless otherwise agreed to by the authority and the NFL team,  
17.23 if either party requests an agreed upon change in minimum design standards, and this  
17.24 change is responsible for requiring the project to exceed the stated budget, the requesting  
17.25 party is liable for any cost overruns or associated liabilities.

17.26 Subd. 3. **Stadium design.** The stadium and stadium infrastructure shall be designed  
17.27 and constructed incorporating the following general program and design elements:

17.28 (1) unless otherwise agreed to by the authority and the NFL team, the stadium  
17.29 shall comprise approximately 1,500,000 square feet with approximately 65,000 seats,  
17.30 expandable to 72,000, shall meet or exceed NFL program requirements, and include  
17.31 approximately 150 suites and approximately 7,500 club seats or other such components as  
17.32 agreed to by the authority and the NFL team;

17.33 (2) space for NFL team-related exhibitions and sales, which shall include the  
17.34 following: NFL team museum and Hall of Fame, retail merchandise and gift shop retail  
17.35 venues, and themed concessions and restaurants;

- 18.1 (3) year-round space for the NFL team administrative operations, sales, and  
18.2 marketing, including a ticket office, team meeting space, locker, and training rooms;  
18.3 (4) space for administrative offices of the authority;  
18.4 (5) 2,000 parking spaces within one block of the stadium, connected by skyway or  
18.5 tunnel to the stadium, and 500 parking spaces within two blocks of the stadium, with a  
18.6 dedicated walkway on game days;  
18.7 (6) elements sufficient to provide community and civic uses as determined by the  
18.8 authority; and  
18.9 (7) a roof that is fixed or retractable, provided that if the roof is retractable, it is  
18.10 accomplished without any increase to the funding provided by the state or the city.

18.11 Subd. 4. **Cost overruns, savings.** (a) Within the limits of paragraph (b), the  
18.12 authority may accept financial obligations relating to cost overruns associated with  
18.13 acquisition of the stadium site, stadium infrastructure, and stadium design, development,  
18.14 and construction, provided that the authority shall bid project construction in a manner  
18.15 that any cost overruns are the responsibility of the successful bidder and not the authority  
18.16 or the state. The authority shall not accept responsibility for cost overruns and shall not  
18.17 be responsible for cost overruns if the authority has authorized the NFL team to provide  
18.18 for management of construction of the stadium under subdivision 1. Cost savings or  
18.19 additional funds obtained by the authority or the NFL team for the stadium or stadium  
18.20 infrastructure may be used first to fund additional stadium or stadium infrastructure, as  
18.21 agreed to by the authority and the NFL team, if any, and then to fund capital reserves.

18.22 (b) The state share of stadium costs shall be limited to \$348,000,000 for construction  
18.23 of a new stadium, as permitted under section 16A.726. The city of Minneapolis share shall  
18.24 be limited to no more than a \$150,000,000 contribution for construction, and the annual  
18.25 operating cost and capital contributions contained under section 473J.13.

18.26 Sec. 16. **[473J.112] COMMEMORATIVE BRICKS.**

18.27 The authority shall sell commemorative bricks to be displayed at a prominent  
18.28 location in the new stadium, for an amount to be determined by the authority. Funds raised  
18.29 through this section shall be appropriated to the commissioner of management and budget  
18.30 for transfer to the Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority.

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

18.32 Sec. 17. **[473J.12] EMPLOYMENT.**

18.33 Subdivision 1. **Hiring and recruitment.** In the design, development, construction,  
18.34 management, operation, maintenance and capital repair, replacement and improvement of

19.1 the stadium and stadium infrastructure, the authority shall make every effort to employ,  
19.2 and cause the NFL team, the construction manager and other subcontractors, vendors, and  
19.3 concessionaires to employ women and members of minority communities when hiring.  
19.4 In addition, the authority shall contract with an employment assistance firm, preferably  
19.5 minority-owned, or owned by a disabled individual or a woman, to create an employment  
19.6 program to recruit, hire, and retain minorities for the stadium facility. The authority  
19.7 shall hold a job fair and recruit and advertise at Minneapolis Urban League, Sabathani,  
19.8 American Indian OIC, Youthbuild organizations, and other such organizations. Further,  
19.9 goals for construction contracts to be awarded to women- and minority-owned businesses  
19.10 will be in a percentage at least equal to the minimum used for city of Minneapolis  
19.11 development projects, and the other construction workforce will establish workforce  
19.12 utilization goals at least equal to current city goals and include workers from city zip  
19.13 codes that have high rates of poverty and unemployment.

19.14 Subd. 2. **Other required agreements.** The NFL team or the authority shall give  
19.15 food, beverage, retail, and concession workers presently employed by the NFL team or  
19.16 the Metropolitan Sports Facilities Commission or its vendors at the existing football  
19.17 stadium the opportunity to continue their employment in comparable positions at the new  
19.18 stadium. Workers who are presently represented under a collective bargaining agreement  
19.19 may seek to continue such representation in the facility and designate such, or another  
19.20 collective bargaining unit, as their representative.

19.21 **Sec. 18. [473J.13] STADIUM OPERATIONS; CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS.**

19.22 Subdivision 1. **Stadium operation.** The stadium shall be operated in a first-class  
19.23 manner, similar to and consistent with other comparable NFL stadiums. The authority  
19.24 and the team will mutually agree on a third-party management company or individual to  
19.25 manage the stadium and on certain major vendors to the stadium. The authority, with the  
19.26 approval of the NFL team, may enter into an agreement with a program manager for  
19.27 management of the stadium, for a maximum of 30 years.

19.28 Subd. 2. **Operating expenses.** (a) The authority must pay or cause to be paid  
19.29 all operating expenses of the stadium. The authority must require in the lease or use  
19.30 agreement with the NFL team that the NFL team pay the authority, beginning January 1,  
19.31 2016, or other date as mutually agreed upon by the parties, toward operating costs of the  
19.32 stadium, \$8,500,000 each year, increased by a three percent annual inflation rate.

19.33 (b) Beginning January 1, 2016, or other date as mutually agreed upon by the  
19.34 parties, and continuing through 2020, the state shall pay the authority operating expenses,  
19.35 \$6,000,000 each year, increased by an annual adjustment factor. The payment of

20.1 \$6,000,000 per year beginning in 2016 is a payment by the state, which shall be repaid to  
20.2 the state, using funds as provided under section 297A.994, subdivision 4, clause (4). After  
20.3 2020, the state shall assume this payment, using funds generated in accordance with the  
20.4 city of Minneapolis as specified under section 297A.994, subdivision 4, clause (3).

20.5 (c) The authority may establish an operating reserve to cover operating expense  
20.6 shortfalls and may accept funds from any source for deposit in the operating reserve. The  
20.7 establishment or funding of an authority operating reserve must not decrease the amounts  
20.8 required to be paid to the authority toward operating costs under this subdivision unless  
20.9 agreed to by the authority.

20.10 (d) The authority will be responsible for operating cost overruns.

20.11 (e) After the joint selection of the third-party manager or program manager, the  
20.12 authority may agree with a program manager or other third-party manager of the stadium  
20.13 on a fixed cost operating, management, or employment agreement with operating  
20.14 cost protections under which the program manager or third-party manager assumes  
20.15 responsibility for stadium operating costs and shortfalls. The agreement with the manager  
20.16 must require the manager to prepare an initial and ongoing operating plan and operating  
20.17 budgets for approval by the authority in consultation with the NFL team. The manager  
20.18 must agree to operate the stadium in accordance with the approved operating plan and  
20.19 operating budget.

20.20 Subd. 3. **Public access.** The authority will work to maximize access for public and  
20.21 amateur sports, community, and civic events, and other public events in type and on terms  
20.22 consistent with those currently held at the existing football stadium, as defined in section  
20.23 473.551, subdivision 9. The authority may provide that these events have exclusive use  
20.24 of the premises at agreed-upon times subject to the scheduling rights of the NFL team  
20.25 under the lease or use agreement.

20.26 Subd. 4. **Capital improvements.** (a) The authority shall establish a capital  
20.27 reserve fund. The authority shall be responsible for making, or for causing others to  
20.28 make, all capital repairs, replacements, and improvements for the stadium and stadium  
20.29 infrastructure. The authority shall maintain, or cause others to maintain, the stadium and  
20.30 stadium infrastructure in a safe, clean, attractive, and first-class manner so as to cause  
20.31 them to remain in a condition comparable to that of other comparable NFL facilities of  
20.32 similar design and age. The authority shall make, or cause others to make, all necessary  
20.33 or appropriate repairs, renewals, and replacements, whether structural or nonstructural,  
20.34 interior or exterior, ordinary or extraordinary, foreseen or unforeseen, in a prompt and  
20.35 timely manner. In addition, the authority, with approval of the NFL team, may enter into  
20.36 an agreement with a program manager to perform some or all of the responsibilities of the

21.1 authority in this subdivision and to assume and accept financial liability for the cost of  
21.2 performing the responsibilities.

21.3 (b) The NFL team must contribute \$1,500,000 each year, beginning in 2016 or as  
21.4 otherwise determined for the term of the lease or use agreement to the capital reserve fund,  
21.5 increased by a three percent annual inflation rate.

21.6 (c) The state shall contribute \$1,500,000 each year, beginning in 2016 or as otherwise  
21.7 determined for the term of the lease to the capital reserve fund. The contributions of the  
21.8 state are subject to increase by an annual adjustment factor. The contribution under this  
21.9 paragraph by the state from 2016 through 2020 shall be repaid to the state using funds in  
21.10 accordance with section 297A.994, subdivision 4, clause (4).

21.11 (d) The authority with input from the NFL team shall develop short-term and  
21.12 long-term capital funding plans and shall use those plans to guide the future capital needs  
21.13 of the stadium and stadium infrastructure. The authority shall make the final determination  
21.14 with respect to funding capital needs. Any capital improvement proposed by the NFL  
21.15 team intended primarily to provide revenue enhancements to the NFL team shall be paid  
21.16 for by the NFL team, unless otherwise agreed to with the authority.

21.17 (e) The NFL team has authority to determine the design of a retractable roof feature  
21.18 for the stadium. The NFL team must cooperate with the authority in designing the feature  
21.19 to minimize any additional operating cost. The design must not result in a material  
21.20 marginal increase in the operating or capital costs of the stadium, considering current  
21.21 collections and reserves.

21.22 Subd. 5. **Game-day payments.** In addition to operating expense contributions  
21.23 of the NFL team under subdivision 2, the NFL team shall pay all NFL game day, NFL  
21.24 team-owned major league soccer, as provided in section 473J.15, subdivision 15, and  
21.25 other NFL team-sponsored event expenses within the stadium and stadium plaza areas.

21.26 Subd. 6. **Cooperation with financing.** The authority shall cooperate with the  
21.27 NFL team to facilitate the financing of the NFL team's contribution. Such agreement to  
21.28 cooperate shall not require the authority to incur any additional costs or provide conduit  
21.29 financing. The lease, license, and other transaction documents shall include provisions  
21.30 customarily required by lenders in stadium financings.

21.31 Sec. 19. **[473J.15] CRITERIA AND CONDITIONS.**

21.32 Subdivision 1. **Binding and enforceable.** In developing the stadium and entering  
21.33 into related contracts, the authority must follow and enforce the criteria and conditions in  
21.34 this section, provided that a determination by the authority that those criteria or conditions  
21.35 have been met under any agreement or otherwise shall be conclusive.

22.1 Subd. 2. NFL team/private contribution; timing of expenditures. (a) The NFL  
22.2 team/private contribution, including stadium builder license proceeds, for stadium costs  
22.3 must be made in cash in the amount of at least \$477,000,000.

22.4 (b) Prior to the initial deposit of funds under this section, the team must provide  
22.5 security or other credit worthiness in the amount of \$50,000,000, subject to the satisfaction  
22.6 of the authority. Prior to the first issuance of bonds under section 16A.965, the first portion  
22.7 of the NFL team/private contribution in the amount of \$50,000,000 must be deposited as  
22.8 costs are incurred to the construction fund to pay for the initial stadium costs.

22.9 (c) After the first \$50,000,000 of stadium costs have been paid from the initial  
22.10 NFL team/private contribution, state funds shall be deposited as costs are incurred to the  
22.11 construction fund to pay for the next \$50,000,000 of costs of the project. Prior to any state  
22.12 funds being deposited in the construction fund, the NFL team must provide security or a  
22.13 financing commitment reasonably satisfactory to the authority for the balance of the  
22.14 required NFL team/private contribution and for payment of cost overruns if the NFL  
22.15 team assumes responsibility for stadium construction under section 473J.11. Thereafter,  
22.16 budgeted project costs shall be borne by the authority and the NFL team/private  
22.17 contributions in amounts proportionate to their remaining funding commitments.

22.18 (d) In the event the project terminates before the initial \$100,000,000 in contributions  
22.19 are expended by the parties under this subdivision, the parties shall be reimbursed in the  
22.20 amounts they have deposited to the construction fund proportionate to project funding  
22.21 percentages, in the amounts of 51 percent by the authority and 49 percent by the NFL  
22.22 team/private contributions.

22.23 Subd. 3. Lease or use agreements; 30-year term. The authority must enter into  
22.24 a long-term lease or use agreement with the NFL team for the NFL team's use of the  
22.25 stadium. The NFL team must agree to play all preseason, regular season, and postseason  
22.26 home games at the stadium. However, the team may play up to three home games outside  
22.27 of the United States during the first 15 years of the lease or use agreement and up to  
22.28 three home games outside of the United States in the next 15 years of the lease or use  
22.29 agreement. Training facilities must remain in Minnesota during the term of the lease or  
22.30 use agreement. The lease or use agreement must be for a term of at least 30 years from  
22.31 the date of substantial completion of the stadium for professional football games. The  
22.32 lease or use agreement may provide options for the NFL team to extend the term for up  
22.33 to four additional periods of five years. The lease or use agreement must include terms  
22.34 for default, termination, and breach of the agreement. Recognizing that the presence of  
22.35 professional football provides to the state of Minnesota and its citizens highly valued,  
22.36 intangible benefits that are virtually impossible to quantify and, therefore, not recoverable

23.1 in the event of the NFL team owner's breach of contract, the lease and use agreements  
23.2 must provide for specific performance and injunctive relief to enforce provisions relating  
23.3 to use of the stadium for professional football and must not include escape clauses  
23.4 or buyout provisions. The NFL team must not enter into or accept any agreement or  
23.5 requirement with or from any entity that is inconsistent with the NFL team's binding  
23.6 commitment to the 30-year term of the lease or use agreement or that would in any manner  
23.7 dilute, interfere with, or negate the provisions of the lease or use agreement, providing for  
23.8 specific performance or injunctive relief. The legislature conclusively determines, as a  
23.9 matter of public policy, that the lease or use agreement, and any grant agreement under  
23.10 this chapter that includes a specific performance clause:

- 23.11 (1) explicitly authorizes specific performance as a remedy for breach;  
23.12 (2) is made for adequate consideration and upon terms which are otherwise fair  
23.13 and reasonable;  
23.14 (3) has not been included through sharp practice, misrepresentation, or mistake;  
23.15 (4) if specifically enforced, does not cause unreasonable or disproportionate hardship  
23.16 or loss to the NFL team or to third parties; and  
23.17 (5) involves performance in a manner and the rendering of services of a nature and  
23.18 under circumstances that the beneficiary cannot be adequately compensated in damages.

23.19 **Subd. 4. Lease or use agreements; revenues, payments.** A lease or use agreement  
23.20 shall include rent and other fees and expenses to be paid by the NFL team. The authority  
23.21 shall agree to provide in the lease or use agreement for the NFL team to receive all NFL  
23.22 and team event related revenues, including but not limited to, suite revenues, advertising,  
23.23 concessions, signage, broadcast and media, and club seat revenue. The agreement shall  
23.24 also provide that all naming rights to the stadium are retained by the NFL team, subject to  
23.25 the approval of the name or names by the authority consistent with those criteria set out  
23.26 in the lease or use agreement. The agreement shall provide for the authority to receive  
23.27 all general ticket revenues and other event revenues other than from NFL team games,  
23.28 NFL team-owned major league soccer games, and other NFL team events agreed to by  
23.29 the authority.

23.30 **Subd. 5. Notice of breach or default.** Until 30 years from the date of stadium  
23.31 completion, the NFL team must provide written notice to the authority not less than 180  
23.32 days prior to any action, including any action imposed upon the NFL team by the NFL,  
23.33 which would result in a breach or default of provisions of the lease or use agreements  
23.34 required to be included under subdivision 3. If this notice provision is violated and the  
23.35 NFL team has already breached or been in default under the required provisions, the  
23.36 authority or the state of Minnesota may specifically enforce the lease or use agreement

24.1 and Minnesota courts shall fashion equitable remedies so that the NFL team fulfills the  
24.2 conditions of the lease and use agreements.

24.3 Subd. 6. **Enforceable financial commitments.** The authority must determine before  
24.4 stadium construction begins that all public and private funding sources for construction,  
24.5 operating expenses, and capital improvements and repairs of the stadium are included in  
24.6 written agreements. The committed funds must be adequate to design, construct, furnish,  
24.7 and equip the stadium, and pay projected operating expenses and the costs of capital  
24.8 improvements and repairs during the term of the lease or use agreement with the NFL  
24.9 team. The NFL team must provide the authority access to NFL team financial or other  
24.10 information, which the authority deems necessary for such determination. Any financial  
24.11 information obtained by the authority under this subdivision is nonpublic data under  
24.12 section 13.02, subdivision 9.

24.13 Subd. 7. **Environmental requirements.** The authority must comply with all  
24.14 environmental requirements imposed by regulatory agencies for the stadium, site, and  
24.15 structure, except as provided by section 473J.09, subdivision 11, or by section 473J.17.

24.16 Subd. 8. **Public share on sale of NFL team.** (a) The lease or use agreement must  
24.17 provide that if the NFL team is sold, or an interest in the NFL team is sold after the effective  
24.18 date of this section, a portion of the sale price, determined according to the schedule in  
24.19 paragraph (b), is the public share and must be paid to the state and the city, in amounts  
24.20 proportionate to the expenditures made by the state and from city taxes, respectively, for  
24.21 the purposes of this chapter. If any portion of the public share of the sale price remains  
24.22 after the state and city have been paid, that amount must be deposited in the general fund.

24.23 (b) The portion of the sale price required to be paid under paragraph (a) is:

24.24 (1) 25 percent of the amount in excess of the purchase price of the NFL team by the  
24.25 selling owner or owners for ten years, beginning on the effective date of this section;

24.26 (2) 15 percent during years 11 to 15 after the effective date of this section; and

24.27 (3) ten percent during years 16 to 20 after the effective date of this section.

24.28 Thereafter, no portion of the sale price is required to be paid under paragraph (a).

24.29 (c) The agreement must provide exceptions for sales to members of the owners'  
24.30 families and entities and trusts beneficially owned by family members, sales to employees  
24.31 of equity interests aggregating up to ten percent, sales related to capital infusions not  
24.32 distributed to the owners, and sales among existing owners not exceeding 20 percent  
24.33 equity interest in the NFL team.

24.34 Subd. 9. **Authority's access to NFL team financial information.** A notice  
24.35 provision for a material breach shall be agreed to between the authority and the NFL team.  
24.36 In the event there is a material breach by the NFL team under the lease or use agreement,



25.1 the lease or use agreement must provide the authority access to audited financial statements  
25.2 of the NFL team and other financial information that the authority deems necessary to  
25.3 enforce the terms of any lease or use agreements. Any financial information obtained by  
25.4 the authority under this subdivision is nonpublic data under section 13.02, subdivision 9.

25.5 Subd. 10. **NFL team name retained.** The lease or use agreement must provide  
25.6 that the NFL shall retain the Minnesota Vikings' heritage and records, including the name,  
25.7 logo, colors, history, playing records, trophies, and memorabilia in the event of relocation  
25.8 of the NFL team in violation of the lease or use agreement, and shall not permit use of  
25.9 these rights except for a team located in the state of Minnesota.

25.10 Subd. 11. **Stadium design.** (a) To the extent practicable, the authority and the  
25.11 NFL team will build a stadium that is environmentally and energy efficient and will  
25.12 make an effort to build a stadium that is eligible to receive the Leadership in Energy and  
25.13 Environmental Design (LEED) certification or the Green Building Initiative Green Globes  
25.14 certification for environmental design, and to the extent practicable, will strive to make the  
25.15 stadium design architecturally significant.

25.16 (b) To the extent practicable, the stadium design must, to the extent that the costs  
25.17 of following the guidelines have a payback in energy savings in 30 years or less, follow  
25.18 sustainable building guidelines established under section 16B.325. The authority and  
25.19 NFL team must work with local utility companies to establish a base utility cost under  
25.20 the state energy codes and calculate energy cost savings resulting from complying with  
25.21 the guidelines. The authority and NFL team must fully utilize conservation improvement  
25.22 assistance under section 216B.241 and other energy savings programs available to them.

25.23 (c) To the extent practicable, the authority and the team must ensure that the stadium  
25.24 be built with American-made steel that is made from Minnesota iron ore.

25.25 Subd. 12. **Necessary approvals.** The authority and the NFL team must secure  
25.26 any necessary approvals to the terms of the lease and use agreement and the design and  
25.27 construction plans for the stadium, including prior approval of the NFL.

25.28 Subd. 13. **Affordable access.** The lease or use agreement must provide for an  
25.29 agreed-upon number of affordable tickets to the professional sporting events held in the  
25.30 stadium.

25.31 Subd. 14. **Stadium builder's licenses.** The authority shall own and retain the  
25.32 exclusive right to sell stadium builder's licenses in the stadium. The authority will retain  
25.33 the NFL team to act as the authority's agent in marketing and selling such licenses.

25.34 Subd. 15. **Major league soccer.** The authority shall, for five years after the first  
25.35 NFL team home game is played in the stadium, grant the NFL team the exclusive right to

26.1 establish major league soccer at the stadium. The authority and the NFL team may enter  
26.2 into an agreement providing the terms and conditions of such an arrangement, provided:

26.3 (1) if any of the NFL team owners whose family owns at least three percent of  
26.4 the NFL team purchases full or partial ownership in a major league soccer franchise,  
26.5 such franchise may play in the stadium under a use agreement with similar terms as are  
26.6 applicable to the NFL team which shall include rent based on market conditions but not  
26.7 less than a provision of payment of game-day costs and reasonable marginal costs incurred  
26.8 by the authority as a result of the major league soccer team; and

26.9 (2) capital improvements required by a major league soccer franchise must be  
26.10 financed by the owners of the major league soccer team, unless otherwise agreed to by  
26.11 the authority.

26.12 Subd. 16. **NFL team-related entities.** Subject to the prior approval of the authority,  
26.13 which shall not be unreasonably withheld, any of the obligations by the NFL team may  
26.14 be performed by the NFL team, a related entity, or a third party, and the NFL team, any  
26.15 entity related to the NFL team or third party may receive any revenues to which the NFL  
26.16 team is entitled hereunder; provided, however, the NFL team shall remain liable if any  
26.17 obligations are assigned to a related entity or third party.

26.18 Sec. 20. **[473J.17] MUNICIPAL ACTIVITIES.**

26.19 Subdivision 1. **Property acquisition and disposition.** The city may, to the extent  
26.20 legally permissible, acquire land, air rights, and other property interests within the  
26.21 development area for the stadium site and stadium infrastructure and convey it to the  
26.22 authority with or without consideration, prepare a site for development as a stadium, and  
26.23 acquire and construct any related stadium infrastructure. To the extent property parcels or  
26.24 interests acquired are more extensive than the stadium infrastructure requirements, the city  
26.25 may sell or otherwise dispose of the excess.

26.26 Subd. 2. **Claims.** Except as may be mutually agreed to by the city and the authority,  
26.27 the city has no interest in or claim to any assets or revenues of the authority.

26.28 Subd. 3. **Environmental; planning and zoning.** The authority is the responsible  
26.29 governmental unit for an environmental impact statement for the stadium prepared under  
26.30 section 116D.04, if an environmental impact statement is necessary. Notwithstanding  
26.31 section 116D.04, subdivision 2b, and implementing rules: (1) the environmental  
26.32 impact statement shall not be required to consider alternative stadium sites; and (2) the  
26.33 environmental impact statement must be determined to be adequate before commencing  
26.34 work on the foundation of the stadium, but the stadium and stadium infrastructure may  
26.35 otherwise be started and all preliminary and final government decisions and actions may

27.1 be made and taken including, but not limited to, acquiring land; obtaining financing;  
27.2 granting permits or other land use approvals; entering into grant, lease, or use agreements;  
27.3 or preparing the site or related stadium infrastructure prior to a determination of the  
27.4 adequacy of the environmental impact statement.

27.5 Subd. 4. **Local government expenditure.** The city may make expenditures or  
27.6 grants for other costs incidental and necessary to further the purposes of this chapter and  
27.7 may, by agreement, reimburse in whole or in part, any entity that has granted, loaned, or  
27.8 advanced funds to the city to further the purposes of this chapter. The city may reimburse  
27.9 the authority or a local governmental entity or make a grant to the authority or such a  
27.10 governmental unit or be reimbursed by the authority or local governmental entity for site  
27.11 acquisition, preparation of the site for stadium development, and stadium infrastructure.

27.12 Subd. 5. **Municipal authority.** The legislature intends that, except as expressly  
27.13 limited herein, the city may acquire and develop stadium infrastructure, enter into contracts  
27.14 with the authority and other governmental or nongovernmental entities, appropriate funds,  
27.15 and make employees, consultants, and other revenues available for those purposes.

27.16 Subd. 6. **Stadium Implementation Committee; city review.** In order to accomplish  
27.17 the objectives of this act within the required time frame, it is necessary to establish an  
27.18 alternative process for municipal land use and development review. It is hereby found  
27.19 and declared that the construction of a stadium within the development area is consistent  
27.20 with the adopted area plan, is the preferred stadium location, and is a permitted land use.  
27.21 This subdivision establishes a procedure for all land use and development reviews and  
27.22 approvals by the city of Minneapolis for the stadium and related stadium infrastructure  
27.23 and supersedes all land use and development rules and restrictions and procedures  
27.24 imposed by other law, charter, or ordinance, including without limitation section 15.99.  
27.25 No later than 30 days after timely compliance of the city as provided in article 3, section 7,  
27.26 of this act, the city of Minneapolis shall establish a stadium implementation committee  
27.27 to make recommendations on the design plans submitted for the stadium, and stadium  
27.28 infrastructure, and related improvements. The implementation committee must take  
27.29 action to issue its recommendations within the time frames established in the planning  
27.30 and construction timetable issued by the authority which shall provide for no less than 60  
27.31 days for the committee's review. The recommendations of the implementation committee  
27.32 shall be forwarded to the city of Minneapolis Planning Commission for an advisory  
27.33 recommendation and then to the city council for final action in a single resolution, which  
27.34 final action must be taken within 45 days of the submission of the recommendations to the  
27.35 planning commission. The city council shall not impose any unreasonable conditions on  
27.36 the recommendations of the implementation committee, nor take any action or impose

28.1 any conditions that will result in delay from the time frames established in the planning  
28.2 and construction timetable or in additional overall costs. Failure of the city council to act  
28.3 within the 45-day period shall be deemed to be approval. The authority may seek de novo  
28.4 review in the district court of any city council action. The district court or any appellate  
28.5 court shall expedite review to the maximum extent possible and timely issue relief, orders,  
28.6 or opinions as necessary to give effect to the provisions and objectives in this act.

28.7 Sec. 21. **[473J.19] PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION; SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS.**

28.8 Any real or personal property acquired, owned, leased, controlled, used, or occupied  
28.9 by the authority for any of the purposes of this chapter, is acquired, owned, leased,  
28.10 controlled, used, and occupied for public, governmental, and municipal purposes. The  
28.11 stadium and stadium infrastructure are exempt from ad valorem taxation by the state  
28.12 or any political subdivision of the state provided that the properties are subject to  
28.13 special assessments levied by a political subdivision for a local improvement in amounts  
28.14 proportionate to and not exceeding the special benefit received by the properties from the  
28.15 improvement. No possible use of any of the properties in any manner different from their  
28.16 use under this chapter may be considered in determining the special benefit received by  
28.17 the properties. Notwithstanding section 272.01, subdivision 2, or 273.19, real or personal  
28.18 property which is subject to a lease or use agreement between the authority and another  
28.19 person for uses related to the purposes of this chapter, including the operation of the  
28.20 stadium and related parking facilities, is exempt from taxation regardless of the length of  
28.21 the lease or use agreement or the characteristics of the entity leasing or using the property.  
28.22 This section, insofar as it provides an exemption or special treatment, does not apply to  
28.23 any real property that is leased for residential, business, or commercial development or to  
28.24 a restaurant that is open for general business more than 200 days a year, or other purposes  
28.25 different from those contemplated in this chapter.

28.26 Sec. 22. **[473J.21] LIQUOR LICENSES.**

28.27 At the request of the authority, the city may issue intoxicating liquor licenses that are  
28.28 reasonably required for the premises of the stadium site. These licenses are in addition to  
28.29 the number authorized by law. All provisions of chapter 340A not inconsistent with this  
28.30 section apply to the licenses authorized under this section.

28.31 Sec. 23. **[473J.23] LOCAL TAXES.**

28.32 No new or additional local sales or use tax shall be imposed on sales at the stadium  
28.33 site unless the tax is applicable throughout the taxing jurisdiction. Except for a tax

29.1 imposed under section 16A.1524, no new or additional local tax shall be imposed on sales  
29.2 of tickets and admissions to NFL team, NFL team-owned major league soccer, or other  
29.3 team related events at the stadium, notwithstanding any law or ordinance, unless the tax  
29.4 is applicable throughout the taxing jurisdiction. The admissions and amusements tax  
29.5 currently imposed by the city of Minneapolis pursuant to Laws 1969, chapter 1092, may  
29.6 apply to admissions for football and NFL team related events, including NFL team-owned  
29.7 major league soccer, as provided in section 473J.15, subdivision 15, at the stadium.

29.8       Sec. 24. **[473J.25] METROPOLITAN SPORTS FACILITIES COMMISSION**  
29.9 **ASSETS; LIABILITIES TO AUTHORITY.**

29.10       Subdivision 1. **Authority expenses.** The Metropolitan Sports Facilities Commission  
29.11 shall pay the operating expenses of the authority including salaries, compensation, and  
29.12 other personnel, office, equipment, consultant and any other costs, until the commission is  
29.13 abolished pursuant to subdivision 3.

29.14       Subd. 2. **Transfer.** Within 90 days of the enactment of this chapter, the Metropolitan  
29.15 Sports Facilities Commission shall pay its outstanding obligations, settle its accounts, and  
29.16 transfer its remaining assets, liabilities, and obligations to the authority, for its purposes.

29.17       Subd. 3. **Metropolitan Sports Facilities Commission abolished; interim powers**  
29.18 **conferred on authority.** Upon transfer to the authority of all remaining assets, liabilities,  
29.19 and obligations of the Metropolitan Sports Facilities Commission, in subdivision 2, the  
29.20 Metropolitan Sports Facilities Commission is abolished. When the remaining assets,  
29.21 liabilities, and obligations of the Metropolitan Sports Facilities Commission have been  
29.22 transferred to the authority and the commission has been abolished, the powers and duties  
29.23 of the commission under sections 473.551 to 473.599, and any other law shall devolve  
29.24 upon the authority, in addition to the powers and duties of the authority under chapter  
29.25 473J, until the first NFL home game is played at the stadium.

29.26       Subd. 4. **Employees.** Upon transfer of ownership all persons employed by the  
29.27 Metropolitan Sports Facilities Commission shall be transferred to the Minnesota Sports  
29.28 Facilities Authority without loss of right or privilege. Nothing in this section shall be  
29.29 construed to give any such person the right or privilege to continue in the same level or  
29.30 classification of employment previously held. The Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority  
29.31 may assign any such person to an employment level and classification which it deems  
29.32 appropriate and desirable in accordance with its personnel code.

29.33       Subd. 5. **Conforming changes.** The Metropolitan Sports Facilities Commission  
29.34 shall submit a technical bill to the 2013 legislature making any cross-reference,

30.1 grammatical, or other conforming changes necessary as a result of this act. This bill  
30.2 shall be submitted by February 12, 2013.

30.3 Sec. 25. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

30.4 Except as otherwise provided, this article is effective the day following final  
30.5 enactment.

## 30.6 **ARTICLE 2**

### 30.7 **STATE STADIUM FUNDING**

30.8 Section 1. **[16A.965] STADIUM APPROPRIATION BONDS.**

30.9 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) The definitions in this subdivision and in chapter  
30.10 473J apply to this section.

30.11 (b) "Appropriation bond" means a bond, note, or other similar instrument of the state  
30.12 payable during a biennium from one or more of the following sources:

30.13 (1) money appropriated by law from the general fund in any biennium for debt  
30.14 service due with respect to obligations described in subdivision 2, paragraph (b);

30.15 (2) proceeds of the sale of obligations described in subdivision 2, paragraph (b);

30.16 (3) payments received for that purpose under agreements and ancillary arrangements  
30.17 described in subdivision 2, paragraph (d); and

30.18 (4) investment earnings on amounts in clauses (1) to (3).

30.19 (c) "Debt service" means the amount payable in any biennium of principal, premium,  
30.20 if any, and interest on appropriation bonds.

30.21 Subd. 2. **Authorization to issue appropriation bonds.** (a) Subject to the  
30.22 limitations of this subdivision, the commissioner may sell and issue appropriation bonds  
30.23 of the state under this section for public purposes as provided by law, including, in  
30.24 particular, the financing of all or a portion of the acquisition, construction, improving,  
30.25 and equipping of the stadium project of the Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority as  
30.26 provided by chapter 473J. Proceeds of the appropriation bonds must be credited to a  
30.27 special appropriation stadium bond proceeds fund in the state treasury. Net income from  
30.28 investment of the proceeds, as estimated by the commissioner, must be credited to the  
30.29 special appropriation stadium bond proceeds fund.

30.30 (b) Appropriation bonds may be sold and issued in amounts that, in the opinion of  
30.31 the commissioner, are necessary to provide sufficient funds, not to exceed \$498,000,000  
30.32 net of costs of issuance, revenue generated under section 16A.6455, and allocated by the  
30.33 commissioner of management and budget for this purpose and costs of credit enhancement  
30.34 for achieving the purposes authorized as provided under paragraph (a), and pay debt

31.1 service including capitalized interest, pay costs of issuance, make deposits to reserve  
31.2 funds, pay the costs of credit enhancement, or make payments under other agreements  
31.3 entered into under paragraph (d); provided, however, that appropriation bonds issued and  
31.4 unpaid shall not exceed \$600,000,000 in principal amount, excluding refunding bonds  
31.5 sold and issued under subdivision 4.

31.6 (c) Appropriation bonds may be issued from time to time in one or more series on  
31.7 the terms and conditions the commissioner determines to be in the best interests of the  
31.8 state, but the term on any series of appropriation bonds may not exceed 30 years. The  
31.9 appropriation bonds of each issue and series thereof shall be dated and bear interest,  
31.10 and may be includable in or excludable from the gross income of the owners for federal  
31.11 income tax purposes.

31.12 (d) At the time of, or in anticipation of, issuing the appropriation bonds, and at any  
31.13 time thereafter, so long as the appropriation bonds are outstanding, the commissioner may  
31.14 enter into agreements and ancillary arrangements relating to the appropriation bonds,  
31.15 including but not limited to trust indentures, grant agreements, lease or use agreements,  
31.16 operating agreements, management agreements, liquidity facilities, remarketing or  
31.17 dealer agreements, letter of credit agreements, insurance policies, guaranty agreements,  
31.18 reimbursement agreements, indexing agreements, or interest exchange agreements. Any  
31.19 payments made or received according to the agreement or ancillary arrangement shall be  
31.20 made from or deposited as provided in the agreement or ancillary arrangement. The  
31.21 determination of the commissioner included in an interest exchange agreement that the  
31.22 agreement relates to an appropriation bond shall be conclusive.

31.23 (e) The commissioner may enter into written agreements or contracts relating to the  
31.24 continuing disclosure of information necessary to comply with, or facilitate the issuance  
31.25 of appropriation bonds in accordance with federal securities laws, rules, and regulations,  
31.26 including Securities and Exchange Commission rules and regulations in Code of Federal  
31.27 Regulations, title 17, section 240.15c 2-12. An agreement may be in the form of covenants  
31.28 with purchasers and holders of appropriation bonds set forth in the order or resolution  
31.29 authorizing the issuance of the appropriation bonds, or a separate document authorized  
31.30 by the order or resolution.

31.31 (f) The appropriation bonds are not subject to chapter 16C.

31.32 Subd. 3. **Form; procedure.** (a) Appropriation bonds may be issued in the form  
31.33 of bonds, notes, or other similar instruments, and in the manner provided in section  
31.34 16A.672. In the event that any provision of section 16A.672 conflicts with this section,  
31.35 this section shall control.

32.1 (b) Every appropriation bond shall include a conspicuous statement of the limitation  
32.2 established in subdivision 6.

32.3 (c) Appropriation bonds may be sold at either public or private sale upon such terms  
32.4 as the commissioner shall determine are not inconsistent with this section and may be sold  
32.5 at any price or percentage of par value. Any bid received may be rejected.

32.6 (d) Appropriation bonds must bear interest at a fixed or variable rate.

32.7 (e) Notwithstanding any other law, appropriation bonds issued under this section  
32.8 shall be fully negotiable.

32.9 Subd. 4. **Refunding bonds.** The commissioner from time to time may issue  
32.10 appropriation bonds for the purpose of refunding any appropriation bonds then  
32.11 outstanding, including the payment of any redemption premiums on the bonds, any  
32.12 interest accrued or to accrue to the redemption date, and costs related to the issuance and  
32.13 sale of the refunding bonds. The proceeds of any refunding bonds may, in the discretion of  
32.14 the commissioner, be applied to the purchase or payment at maturity of the appropriation  
32.15 bonds to be refunded, to the redemption of the outstanding appropriation bonds on any  
32.16 redemption date, or to pay interest on the refunding bonds and may, pending application,  
32.17 be placed in escrow to be applied to the purchase, payment, retirement, or redemption. Any  
32.18 escrowed proceeds, pending such use, may be invested and reinvested in obligations that  
32.19 are authorized investments under section 11A.24. The income earned or realized on the  
32.20 investment may also be applied to the payment of the appropriation bonds to be refunded  
32.21 or interest or premiums on the refunded appropriation bonds, or to pay interest on the  
32.22 refunding bonds. After the terms of the escrow have been fully satisfied, any balance of the  
32.23 proceeds and any investment income may be returned to the general fund or, if applicable,  
32.24 the special appropriation stadium bond proceeds fund for use in any lawful manner. All  
32.25 refunding bonds issued under this subdivision must be prepared, executed, delivered, and  
32.26 secured by appropriations in the same manner as the appropriation bonds to be refunded.

32.27 Subd. 5. **Appropriation bonds as legal investments.** Any of the following entities  
32.28 may legally invest any sinking funds, money, or other funds belonging to them or under  
32.29 their control in any appropriation bonds issued under this section:

32.30 (1) the state, the investment board, public officers, municipal corporations, political  
32.31 subdivisions, and public bodies;

32.32 (2) banks and bankers, savings and loan associations, credit unions, trust companies,  
32.33 savings banks and institutions, investment companies, insurance companies, insurance  
32.34 associations, and other persons carrying on a banking or insurance business; and

32.35 (3) personal representatives, guardians, trustees, and other fiduciaries.



33.1 Subd. 6. **No full faith and credit; state not required to make appropriations.**

33.2 The appropriation bonds are not public debt of the state, and the full faith, credit, and  
33.3 taxing powers of the state are not pledged to the payment of the appropriation bonds or to  
33.4 any payment that the state agrees to make under this section. Appropriation bonds shall  
33.5 not be obligations paid directly, in whole or in part, from a tax of statewide application  
33.6 on any class of property, income, transaction, or privilege. Appropriation bonds shall be  
33.7 payable in each fiscal year only from amounts that the legislature may appropriate for debt  
33.8 service for any fiscal year, provided that nothing in this section shall be construed to  
33.9 require the state to appropriate funds sufficient to make debt service payments with respect  
33.10 to the appropriation bonds in any fiscal year. Appropriation bonds shall be canceled and  
33.11 shall no longer be outstanding on the earlier of (1) the first day of a fiscal year for which  
33.12 the legislature shall not have appropriated amounts sufficient for debt service, or (2) the  
33.13 date of final payment of the principal of and interest on the appropriation bonds.

33.14 Subd. 7. **Appropriation of proceeds.** The proceeds of appropriation bonds and  
33.15 interest credited to the special appropriation stadium bond proceeds fund are appropriated  
33.16 to the commissioner for payment of capital expenses including capitalized interest, debt  
33.17 service on outstanding indebtedness of the state, and for the operating and capital reserves  
33.18 of the authority, each as permitted by state and federal law, and nonsalary expenses  
33.19 incurred in conjunction with the sale of the appropriation bonds, and such proceeds may  
33.20 be granted, loaned, or otherwise provided to the authority for the public purpose provided  
33.21 by subdivision 2, paragraph (a).

33.22 Subd. 8. **Appropriation for debt service and other purposes.** The amount  
33.23 needed to pay principal and interest on appropriation bonds issued under this section is  
33.24 appropriated each fiscal year from the general fund to the commissioner, subject to repeal,  
33.25 unallotment under section 16A.152, or cancellation, otherwise pursuant to subdivision 6,  
33.26 for deposit into the bond payments account established for such purpose in the special  
33.27 appropriation stadium bond proceeds fund.

33.28 Subd. 9. **Waiver of immunity.** The waiver of immunity by the state provided for  
33.29 by section 3.751, subdivision 1, shall be applicable to the appropriation bonds and any  
33.30 ancillary contracts to which the commissioner is a party.

33.31 Subd. 10. **Validation.** (a) Appropriation bonds issued under this section may be  
33.32 validated in the manner provided by this subdivision. If comparable appropriation bonds  
33.33 are judicially determined to be valid, nothing in this subdivision shall be construed  
33.34 to prevent the sale or delivery of any appropriation bonds or notes without entry of a  
33.35 judgment of validation by the Minnesota Supreme Court pursuant to this subdivision with  
33.36 respect to the appropriation bonds authorized under this section.

34.1 (b) Any appropriation bonds issued under this section that are validated shall be  
34.2 validated in the manner provided by this subdivision.

34.3 (c) The Minnesota Supreme Court shall have original jurisdiction to determine the  
34.4 validation of appropriation bonds and all matters connected therewith.

34.5 (d) The commissioner may determine the commissioner's authority to issue  
34.6 appropriation bonds and the legality of all proceedings in connection with issuing bonds.  
34.7 For this purpose, a complaint shall be filed by the commissioner in the Minnesota Supreme  
34.8 Court against the state and the taxpayers and citizens.

34.9 (e) As a condition precedent to filing of a complaint for the validation of  
34.10 appropriation bonds, the commissioner shall take action providing for the issuance of  
34.11 appropriation bonds in accordance with law.

34.12 (f) The complaint shall set out the state's authority to issue appropriation bonds, the  
34.13 action or proceeding authorizing the issue and its adoption, all other essential proceedings  
34.14 had or taken in connection with issuing bonds, the amount of the appropriation bonds to  
34.15 be issued and the maximum interest they are to bear, and all other pertinent matters.

34.16 (g) The Minnesota Supreme Court shall issue an order directed against the state and  
34.17 taxpayers, citizens, and others having or claiming any right, title, or interest affected by  
34.18 the issuance of appropriation bonds, or to be affected by the bonds, allowing all persons,  
34.19 in general terms and without naming them, and the state through its attorney general, to  
34.20 appear before the Minnesota Supreme Court at a designated time and place and show  
34.21 why the complaint should not be granted and the proceedings and appropriation bonds  
34.22 validated. A copy of the complaint and order shall be served on the attorney general at  
34.23 least 20 days before the time fixed for hearing. The attorney general shall examine the  
34.24 complaint, and, if it appears or there is reason to believe that it is defective, insufficient, or  
34.25 untrue, or if in the opinion of the attorney general the issuance of the appropriation bonds  
34.26 in question has not been duly authorized, defense shall be made by the attorney general as  
34.27 the attorney general deems appropriate.

34.28 (h) Before the date set for hearing, as directed by the Minnesota Supreme Court,  
34.29 either the clerk of the Minnesota appellate courts or the commissioner shall publish a copy  
34.30 of the order in a legal newspaper of general circulation in Ramsey County and the state, at  
34.31 least once each week for two consecutive weeks, commencing with the first publication,  
34.32 which shall not be less than 20 days before the date set for hearing. By this publication,  
34.33 all taxpayers, citizens, and others having or claiming any right, title, or interest in the  
34.34 state, are made parties defendant to the action and the Minnesota Supreme Court has  
34.35 jurisdiction of them to the same extent as if named as defendants in the complaint and  
34.36 personally served with process.

35.1 (i) Any taxpayer, citizen, or person interested may become a party to the action by  
 35.2 moving against or pleading to the complaint at or before the time set for hearing. The  
 35.3 Minnesota Supreme Court shall determine all questions of law and fact and make orders  
 35.4 that will enable it to properly try and determine the action and render a final judgment  
 35.5 within 30 days of the hearing with the least possible delay.

35.6 (j) If the judgment validates appropriation bonds, the judgment is forever conclusive  
 35.7 as to all matters adjudicated and as against all parties affected and all others having or  
 35.8 claiming any right, title, or interest affected by the issuance of appropriation bonds, or to  
 35.9 be affected in any way by issuing the bonds, and the validity of appropriation bonds or of  
 35.10 any revenues pledged for the payment of the bonds, or of the proceedings authorizing the  
 35.11 issuance of the bonds, including any remedies provided for their collection, shall never  
 35.12 be called in question in any court by any person or party.

35.13 (k)(1) Appropriation bonds, when validated under this section, shall have stamped  
 35.14 or written on the bonds, by the proper officers of the state issuing them, a statement  
 35.15 in substantially the following form: "This appropriation bond is one of a series of  
 35.16 appropriation bonds which were validated by judgment of the Supreme Court of the State  
 35.17 of Minnesota, rendered on ..... , ..... (year)".

35.18 (2) A certified copy of the judgment or decree shall be received as evidence in any  
 35.19 court in this state.

35.20 (l) The costs shall be paid by the state, except when a taxpayer, citizen, or other  
 35.21 person contests the action or intervenes, the court may tax the whole or any part of the  
 35.22 costs against the person that is equitable.

35.23 (m) A justice of the Minnesota Supreme Court is not disqualified in any validation  
 35.24 action because the justice is a landowner or taxpayer of the state.

35.25 **ARTICLE 3**

35.26 **MINNEAPOLIS CONVENTION CENTER**

35.27 **Section 1. [297A.994] CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS SALES TAX; ALLOCATION**  
 35.28 **OF REVENUES.**

35.29 Subdivision 1. **Scope.** Notwithstanding the provisions of section 297A.99,  
 35.30 subdivision 11, the provisions of this section govern the remittance of the proceeds of  
 35.31 taxes imposed by the city of Minneapolis under the special law.

35.32 Subd. 2. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following definitions  
 35.33 apply.

35.34 (b) "City" means the city of Minneapolis.

35.35 (c) "Special law" means Laws 1986, chapter 396, sections 4 and 5, as amended.

36.1 (d) "Tax" means the sales taxes imposed by the city under the special law.

36.2 (e) The terms defined under section 473J.03 apply for purposes of this section.

36.3 Subd. 3. **General allocation of revenues.** The commissioner shall remit the  
36.4 revenues from the taxes, less the deductions listed in this subdivision, to the city at least  
36.5 quarterly. The commissioner shall make the following deductions in the order listed  
36.6 before distribution to the city:

36.7 (1) refunds of any of these taxes due to taxpayers, if any;

36.8 (2) the direct and indirect costs of the department to administer, audit, and collect the  
36.9 tax, according to the applicable law and agreements between the commissioner and the  
36.10 city. For revenues from the general local sales and use tax, the commissioner must deduct  
36.11 a proportionate share of costs described in section 297A.99, subdivision 11; and

36.12 (3) notwithstanding the provisions of any agreement between the commissioner and  
36.13 the city providing for collection and remittance of these taxes, the commissioner must  
36.14 deposit to the general fund the amounts specified in subdivision 4.

36.15 Subd. 4. **General fund allocations.** The commissioner must retain and deposit to  
36.16 the general fund the following amounts, as required by subdivision 3, clause (3):

36.17 (1) for state bond debt service support beginning in calendar year 2021, and for each  
36.18 calendar year thereafter through calendar year 2046, periodic amounts so that not later  
36.19 than December 31, 2046, an aggregate amount equal to a present value of \$150,000,000  
36.20 has been deposited in the general fund. To determine aggregate present value, the  
36.21 commissioner must consult with the commissioner of management and budget regarding  
36.22 the present value dates, discount rate or rates, and schedules of annual amounts. The  
36.23 present value date or dates must be based on the date or dates bonds are sold under section  
36.24 16A.965, or the date or dates other state funds, if any, are deposited into the construction  
36.25 fund. The discount rate or rates must be based on the true interest cost of the bonds  
36.26 issued under section 16A.965, or an equivalent 30-year bond index, as determined by the  
36.27 commissioner of management and budget. The schedule of annual amounts must be  
36.28 certified to the commissioner by the commissioner of management and budget and the  
36.29 finance officer of the city;

36.30 (2) for the capital improvement reserve appropriation to the sports facilities authority  
36.31 beginning in calendar year 2021, and for each calendar year thereafter through calendar  
36.32 year 2046, an aggregate annual amount equal to the amount paid by the state for this  
36.33 purpose in that calendar year under section 473J.13, subdivision 4;

36.34 (3) for the operating expense appropriation to sports facilities authority beginning in  
36.35 calendar year 2021, and for each calendar year thereafter through calendar year 2046, an

37.1 aggregate annual amount equal to the amount paid by the state for this purpose in that  
37.2 calendar year under section 473J.13, subdivision 2;

37.3 (4) for recapture of state advances for capital improvements and operating expenses  
37.4 for calendar years 2016 through 2020 beginning in calendar year 2021, and for each  
37.5 calendar year thereafter until all amounts under this clause have been paid, proportionate  
37.6 amounts periodically until an aggregate amount equal to the present value of all amounts  
37.7 paid by the state have been deposited in the general fund. To determine the present  
37.8 value of the amounts paid by the state to the authority and the present value of amounts  
37.9 deposited to the general fund under this clause, the commissioner shall consult with the  
37.10 commissioner of management and budget regarding the present value dates, discount rate  
37.11 or rates, and schedule of annual amounts. The present value dates must be based on  
37.12 the dates state funds are paid to the authority, or the dates the commissioner of revenue  
37.13 deposits taxes for purposes of this clause to the general fund. The discount rates must be  
37.14 based on the reasonably equivalent cost of state funds as determined by the commissioner  
37.15 of management and budget. The schedule of annual amounts must be revised to reflect  
37.16 amounts paid under section 473J.13, subdivision 2, paragraph (b) for 2016 to 2020, and  
37.17 subdivision 4, paragraph (c) for 2016 to 2020, and taxes deposited to the general fund from  
37.18 time to time under this clause, and the schedule and revised schedules must be certified  
37.19 to the commissioner by the commissioner of management and budget and the finance  
37.20 officer of the city, and are transferred as accrued from the general fund for repayment of  
37.21 advances made by the state to the authority; and

37.22 (5) to capture increases in taxes imposed under the special law, for the benefit of  
37.23 the sports facilities authority, beginning in calendar year 2013 and for each calendar year  
37.24 thereafter through 2046, there shall be deposited to the general fund in proportionate  
37.25 periodic payments in the following year, an amount equal to the following:

37.26 (i) 50 percent of the difference, if any, by which the amount of the net annual taxes  
37.27 for the previous year exceeds the sum of the net actual taxes in calendar year 2011 plus  
37.28 \$1,000,000, inflated at two percent per year since 2011, minus

37.29 (ii) 25 percent of the difference, if any, by which the amount of the net annual taxes  
37.30 for the preceding year exceeds the sum of the net actual taxes in calendar year 2011 plus  
37.31 \$3,000,000, inflated at two percent per year since 2011.

37.32 Sec. 2. Laws 1986, chapter 396, section 4, as amended by Laws 1987, chapter 55,  
37.33 sections 5 and 6, and Laws 2009, chapter 88, article 4, sections 11 and 12, is amended to  
37.34 read:

37.35 Sec. 4. **SALES AND USE TAX.**

38.1 Subdivision 1. **Imposition.** Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 477A.016,  
38.2 or any other contrary provision of law, ordinance, or city charter, upon approval by  
38.3 the city's board of estimate and taxation by a vote of at least five members, the city of  
38.4 Minneapolis may by ordinance impose an additional sales tax of up to one-half of one  
38.5 percent on sales taxable pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, chapter 297A that occur within  
38.6 the city, and may also by ordinance impose an additional compensating use tax of up to  
38.7 one-half of one percent on uses of property within the city, the sale of which would be  
38.8 subject to the additional sales tax but for the fact such property was sold outside the city.  
38.9 The tax ~~may not be imposed on gross receipts from sales of intoxicating liquor that are~~  
38.10 ~~exempt from taxation under sections 297A.25 to 297A.257 or other provision of chapter~~  
38.11 ~~297A exempting sales of intoxicating liquor and use from taxation, including amendments~~  
38.12 ~~adopted after enactment of this act~~ is imposed on the tax base defined in Minnesota  
38.13 Statutes, section 297A.99, subdivision 4, and is subject to the exemptions and credits in  
38.14 Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.99, subdivisions 7 and 8.

38.15 ~~For purposes of this subdivision, sales that occur within the city shall not include (a)~~  
38.16 ~~the sale of tangible personal property (i) which, without intermediate use, is shipped or~~  
38.17 ~~transported outside Minneapolis by the purchaser and thereafter used in a trade or business~~  
38.18 ~~or is stored, processed, fabricated or manufactured into, attached to or incorporated into~~  
38.19 ~~other tangible personal property transported or shipped outside Minneapolis and thereafter~~  
38.20 ~~used in a trade or business outside Minneapolis, and which is not thereafter returned to a~~  
38.21 ~~point within Minneapolis, except in the course of interstate or intrastate commerce (storage~~  
38.22 ~~shall not constitute intermediate use); or (ii) which the seller delivers to a common carrier~~  
38.23 ~~for delivery outside Minneapolis, places in the United States mail or parcel post directed~~  
38.24 ~~to the purchaser outside Minneapolis, or delivers to the purchaser outside Minneapolis by~~  
38.25 ~~means of the seller's own delivery vehicles, and which is not thereafter returned to a point~~  
38.26 ~~within Minneapolis, except in the course of interstate or intrastate commerce; or (b) sales~~  
38.27 ~~which would be described in clause (c) or (u) of Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.25,~~  
38.28 ~~subdivision 1 if the word "Minneapolis" were substituted for the words "Minnesota" or~~  
38.29 ~~"state of Minnesota" in such clauses. A tax may be imposed under this section only if~~  
38.30 ~~the taxes imposed under section 5 are imposed at the maximum rate allowed under that~~  
38.31 ~~section. The tax authorized by this section shall be imposed; must not be terminated before~~  
38.32 January 1, 2047. The tax must be imposed and may be adjusted periodically by the city  
38.33 council in conformity with Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.99, subdivision 12, such that  
38.34 the rate imposed, rounded to the next highest one-tenth of one percent, ~~does not exceed~~  
38.35 ~~the rate estimated to be required to produce~~ produces revenue sufficient to finance the

39.1 ~~costs~~ purposes described in ~~subdivision~~ subdivisions 3 and 4, and in Minnesota Statutes,  
 39.2 section 297A.994, but in no case may the rate exceed one-half of one percent.

39.3 Subd. 2. **Enforcement; collection.** (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b),  
 39.4 these taxes shall be subject to the same interest, penalties, and other rules imposed  
 39.5 under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 297A. The commissioner of revenue may enter into  
 39.6 appropriate agreements with the city to provide for collection of these taxes by the state  
 39.7 on behalf of the city. The commissioner may charge the city a reasonable fee for its  
 39.8 collection from the proceeds of any taxes, as provided in Minnesota Statutes, section  
 39.9 297A.99, subdivision 11.

39.10 (b) A taxpayer located outside of the city of Minneapolis who collects use tax under  
 39.11 this section in an amount that does not exceed \$10 in a reporting period is not required to  
 39.12 remit that tax until the amount of use tax collected is \$10.

39.13 Subd. 3. **Use of property.** Revenues received by the city from the tax may only  
 39.14 be used:

39.15 ~~(1) to pay costs of collection;~~

39.16 ~~(2)~~ (1) to pay or secure the payment of any principal of, premium or interest on  
 39.17 bonds issued in accordance with this act;

39.18 ~~(3)~~ (2) to pay costs to acquire, design, equip, construct, improve, maintain, operate,  
 39.19 administer, or promote the convention center or related facilities, and other capital projects  
 39.20 or economic developments under subdivision 4, including financing costs related to them;

39.21 ~~(4)~~ (3) to pay reasonable and appropriate costs determined by the city to replace  
 39.22 housing and the ice arena removed from the site;

39.23 ~~(5)~~ (4) to maintain reserves for the foregoing purposes deemed reasonable and  
 39.24 appropriate by the city; and

39.25 ~~(6)~~ (5) to fund projects and for other purposes under subdivision 4.

39.26 Money for replacement housing shall be made available by the city only for new  
 39.27 construction, conversion of nonresidential buildings, and for rehabilitation of vacant  
 39.28 residential structures, only if all of the units in the newly constructed building, converted  
 39.29 nonresidential building, or rehabilitated residential structure are to be used for replacement  
 39.30 housing.

39.31 Subd. 4. **Minneapolis downtown and neighborhood projects.** (a) For revenues  
 39.32 collected in calendar years 2009 and 2010, to the extent that revenues from the tax  
 39.33 authorized in subdivision 1 exceeds the amount needed to fund the purposes in subdivision  
 39.34 3, the city may use the excess revenue to fund any city services. The total amount used in  
 39.35 both years for this purpose may not exceed the total amount of aid and credit reductions

40.1 under Minnesota Statutes, sections 273.1384 and 477A.011 to 477A.014 in calendar years  
40.2 2008, 2009, and 2010 due to a governor's unallotment or due to statutory reductions.

40.3 (b) Beginning with revenues collected in calendar year 2011, to the extent that  
40.4 revenues from the ~~tax~~ taxes authorized in subdivision 1 ~~exceeds~~ or in section 5 exceed  
40.5 the amount needed to fund the purposes in subdivision 3, the city may use the excess  
40.6 revenue in any year to fund capital projects to further residential, cultural, commercial,  
40.7 and economic development in both downtown Minneapolis and the Minneapolis  
40.8 neighborhoods, to fund other city expenditures in support of the basketball arena, other  
40.9 capital projects, or for other economic development, provided the city may direct excess  
40.10 revenue first to convention center debt, operations, capital improvements, and marketing.  
40.11 The city may issue bonds to fund any such projects or improvements using these taxes or  
40.12 any other available city resources to finance or secure the bonds.

40.13 Sec. 3. Laws 1986, chapter 396, section 5, as amended by Laws 2001, First Special  
40.14 Session chapter 5, article 12, section 87, is amended to read:

40.15 Sec. 5. **LIQUOR, LODGING, AND RESTAURANT TAXES.**

40.16 The city may, by resolution, levy in addition to taxes authorized by other law:

40.17 (1) a sales tax of not more than three percent on the gross receipts on retail on-sales  
40.18 of intoxicating liquor and fermented malt beverages ~~described in section 473.592~~  
40.19 ~~occurring in the~~ when sold at licensed on-sale liquor establishments located within the  
40.20 downtown taxing area, provided that this tax may not be imposed if sales of intoxicating  
40.21 liquor and fermented malt beverages are exempt from taxation under chapter 297A;

40.22 (2) a sales tax of not more than three percent on the gross receipts from the furnishing  
40.23 for consideration of lodging ~~described in section 473.592~~ for a period of less than 30 days  
40.24 at a hotel, motel, rooming house, tourist court, or trailer camp located within the city by a  
40.25 hotel or motel which has more than 50 rooms available for lodging; the tax imposed under  
40.26 this clause shall be at a rate that, when added to the sum of the rate of the sales tax imposed  
40.27 under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 297A, the rate of the sales tax imposed under section 4,  
40.28 and the rate of any other taxes on lodging in the city of Minneapolis, equals 13 percent; and

40.29 (3) a sales tax of not more than three percent on the gross receipts on all sales of food  
40.30 primarily for consumption on or off the premises by restaurants and places of refreshment  
40.31 as defined by resolution of the city that occur within the downtown taxing area.

40.32 The taxes authorized by this section must not be terminated before January 1, 2047. The  
40.33 taxes shall be imposed and may be adjusted periodically by the city council such that the  
40.34 rates imposed produce revenue sufficient, together with the tax imposed under section 4,  
40.35 to finance the purposes described in Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.994, and section



41.1 4, subdivisions 3 and 4. These taxes shall be applied, first, as provided in Minnesota  
 41.2 Statutes, section 297A.994, subdivision 3, clauses (1) to (3), and then, solely to pay costs  
 41.3 of collection and to pay or, secure, maintain, and fund the payment of any principal of,  
 41.4 premium on, and interest on any bonds or any costs referred to other purposes in section 4,  
 41.5 subdivision 3 or 4. The commissioner of revenue may enter into appropriate agreements  
 41.6 with the city to provide for the collection of these taxes by the state on behalf of the city.  
 41.7 ~~The commissioner may charge the city a reasonable fee for its collection from the proceeds~~  
 41.8 ~~of any taxes.~~ These taxes shall be subject to the same interest, penalties, and enforcement  
 41.9 provisions as the taxes imposed under ~~section 473.592~~ Minnesota Statutes, chapter 297A.

41.10 **Sec. 4. CHARTER LIMITATIONS, REQUIREMENTS NOT TO APPLY.**

41.11 Any amounts expended, indebtedness, or obligation incurred including, but not  
 41.12 limited to, the issuance of bonds, or actions taken by the city under this act, are deemed  
 41.13 not an expenditure or other use of city resources within the meaning of any law or charter  
 41.14 provision. The city may exercise any of its powers under this act to spend, borrow, tax, or  
 41.15 incur any form of indebtedness or other obligation for the improvement, including, but not  
 41.16 limited to, acquisition, development, construction, or betterment of any public building,  
 41.17 stadium, or other capital improvement project, without regard to any charter limitation,  
 41.18 requirement, or provision, including any referendum requirement. Any tax exemption  
 41.19 established under this act shall be deemed not an expenditure or other use of city resources  
 41.20 within the meaning of any charter provision.

41.21 **Sec. 5. SEVERABILITY; SAVINGS.**

41.22 If any part of this article is found to be invalid because it is in conflict with a  
 41.23 provision of the Minnesota Constitution or for any other reason, all other provisions of  
 41.24 this article shall remain valid and any rights, remedies, and privileges that have been  
 41.25 otherwise accrued by this article, shall remain in effect and may be proceeded with and  
 41.26 concluded under the provisions of this article.

41.27 **Sec. 6. LOCAL SALES TAX REQUIREMENTS NOT TO APPLY.**

41.28 The taxes authorized under Laws 1986, chapter 396, sections 4 and 5, as amended,  
 41.29 are exempt from the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.99, subdivisions  
 41.30 2 and 3.

41.31 **Sec. 7. EFFECTIVE DATE; LOCAL APPROVAL.**

42.1 This article is effective the day after the governing body of the city of Minneapolis  
42.2 and its chief clerical officer comply with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivisions  
42.3 2 and 3. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the city of Minneapolis and its chief  
42.4 clerical officer have 30 calendar days following final enactment of this act, to comply with  
42.5 Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivisions 2 and 3.

#### 42.6 **ARTICLE 4**

#### 42.7 **LAWFUL GAMBLING**

42.8 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 297E.01, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

42.9 Subd. 7. **Gambling product.** "Gambling product" means bingo hard cards, bingo  
42.10 paper sheets, ~~or~~ linked bingo paper sheets, or electronic linked bingo games; pull-tabs;  
42.11 electronic pull-tab games; tipboards; paddle tickets and paddle ticket cards; raffle tickets;  
42.12 or any other ticket, card, board, placard, device, or token that represents a chance, for  
42.13 which consideration is paid, to win a prize.

42.14 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2012.

42.15 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 297E.01, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

42.16 Subd. 8. **Gross receipts.** "Gross receipts" means all receipts derived from lawful  
42.17 gambling activity including, but not limited to, the following items:

42.18 (1) gross sales of bingo hard cards ~~and~~, paper sheets, linked bingo paper sheets, and  
42.19 electronic linked bingo games before reduction for prizes, expenses, shortages, free plays,  
42.20 or any other charges or offsets;

42.21 (2) the ideal gross of pull-tab, electronic pull-tab games, and tipboard deals or games  
42.22 less the value of unsold and defective tickets and before reduction for prizes, expenses,  
42.23 shortages, free plays, or any other charges or offsets;

42.24 (3) gross sales of raffle tickets and paddle tickets before reduction for prizes,  
42.25 expenses, shortages, free plays, or any other charges or offsets;

42.26 (4) admission, commission, cover, or other charges imposed on participants in  
42.27 lawful gambling activity as a condition for or cost of participation; and

42.28 (5) interest, dividends, annuities, profit from transactions, or other income derived  
42.29 from the accumulation or use of gambling proceeds.

42.30 Gross receipts does not include proceeds from rental under section 349.18,  
42.31 subdivision 3.

42.32 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2012.

43.1 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 297E.01, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

43.2 Subd. 9. **Ideal gross.** "Ideal gross" means the total amount of receipts that would be  
43.3 received if every individual ticket in the pull-tab, electronic pull-tab games or tipboard  
43.4 deal, paddle wheel game, and raffle ticket was sold at its face value. In the calculation  
43.5 of ideal gross and prizes, a free play ticket pull-tab or electronic pull-tab shall be valued  
43.6 at face value. Ideal gross also means the total amount of receipts that would be received  
43.7 if every bingo paper sheet, linked bingo paper sheet, and electronic linked bingo games  
43.8 were sold at face value.

43.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2012.

43.10 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 297E.02, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

43.11 Subdivision 1. **Imposition.** A tax is imposed on all lawful gambling other than (1)  
43.12 paper or electronic pull-tab deals or games; (2) tipboard deals or games; and (3) electronic  
43.13 linked bingo; and (4) items listed in section 297E.01, subdivision 8, clauses (4) and (5), at  
43.14 the rate of 8.5 percent on the gross receipts as defined in section 297E.01, subdivision 8,  
43.15 less prizes actually paid. The tax imposed by this subdivision is in lieu of the tax imposed  
43.16 by section 297A.62 and all local taxes and license fees except a fee authorized under  
43.17 section 349.16, subdivision 8, or a tax authorized under subdivision 5.

43.18 The tax imposed under this subdivision is payable by the organization or party  
43.19 conducting, directly or indirectly, the gambling.

43.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for games reported as played after  
43.21 June 30, 2012.

43.22 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 297E.02, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

43.23 Subd. 3. **Collection; disposition.** (a) Taxes imposed by this section other than in  
43.24 subdivision 4 are due and payable to the commissioner when the gambling tax return  
43.25 is required to be filed. ~~Taxes imposed by subdivision 4 are due and payable to the~~  
43.26 commissioner on or before the last business day of the month following the month in  
43.27 which the taxable sale was made. Distributors must file their monthly sales figures with  
43.28 the commissioner on a form prescribed by the commissioner. Returns covering the taxes  
43.29 imposed under this section must be filed with the commissioner on or before the 20th day  
43.30 of the month following the close of the previous calendar month. The commissioner  
43.31 may require that the returns be filed via magnetic media or electronic data transfer. The  
43.32 proceeds, along with the revenue received from all license fees and other fees under

44.1 sections 349.11 to 349.191, 349.211, and 349.213, must be paid to the commissioner of  
 44.2 management and budget for deposit in the general fund.

44.3 (b) The sales tax imposed by chapter 297A on the sale of pull-tabs and tipboards by  
 44.4 the distributor is imposed on the retail sales price. The retail sale of pull-tabs or tipboards  
 44.5 by the organization is exempt from taxes imposed by chapter 297A and is exempt from all  
 44.6 local taxes and license fees except a fee authorized under section 349.16, subdivision 8.

44.7 (c) One-half of one percent of the revenue deposited in the general fund under  
 44.8 paragraph (a), is appropriated to the commissioner of human services for the compulsive  
 44.9 gambling treatment program established under section 245.98. One-half of one percent  
 44.10 of the revenue deposited in the general fund under paragraph (a), is appropriated to  
 44.11 the commissioner of human services for a grant to the state affiliate recognized by  
 44.12 the National Council on Problem Gambling to increase public awareness of problem  
 44.13 gambling, education and training for individuals and organizations providing effective  
 44.14 treatment services to problem gamblers and their families, and research relating to problem  
 44.15 gambling. Money appropriated by this paragraph must supplement and must not replace  
 44.16 existing state funding for these programs.

44.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2012.

44.18 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 297E.02, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

44.19 Subd. 6. **Combined net receipts tax.** (a) In addition to the taxes imposed under  
 44.20 subdivisions 1 ~~and 4~~, a tax is imposed on the combined receipts of the organization. As  
 44.21 used in this section, "combined net receipts" is the sum of the organization's gross receipts  
 44.22 from lawful gambling less gross receipts directly derived from the conduct of paper bingo,  
 44.23 raffles, and paddle wheels, as defined in section 297E.01, subdivision 8, and less the net  
 44.24 prizes actually paid, other than prizes actually paid for paper bingo, raffles, and paddle  
 44.25 wheels, for the fiscal year. The combined net receipts of an organization are subject to a  
 44.26 tax computed according to the following schedule:

44.27 If the combined net 44.28 receipts for the fiscal year 44.29 are: 44.30 Not over <del>\$500,000</del> <u>\$87,500</u> 44.31 Over <del>\$500,000</del> <u>\$87,500,</u> 44.32 but not over <del>\$700,000</del> 44.33 <u>\$122,500</u>	The tax is:  <del>zero</del> <u>nine percent</u> <del>1.7</del> <u>\$7,875 plus 18 percent of the</u> amount over <del>\$500,000</del> <u>\$87,500,</u> but not over <del>\$700,000</del> <u>\$122,500</u>
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45.1	Over <del>\$700,000</del> <u>\$122,500</u> ,	<del>\$3,400</del> <u>\$14,175</u> plus <del>3.4</del> <u>27</u> percent of
45.2	but not over <del>\$900,000</del>	the amount over <del>\$700,000</del> <u>\$122,500</u> ,
45.3	<u>\$157,500</u>	but not over <del>\$900,000</del> <u>\$157,500</u>
45.4	Over <del>\$900,000</del> <u>\$157,500</u>	<del>\$10,200</del> <u>\$23,625</u> plus <del>5.1</del> <u>36</u> percent
45.5		of the amount over <del>\$900,000</del>
45.6		<u>\$157,500</u>

45.7 (b) On or before April 1, 2016, the commissioner shall estimate the total amount of  
 45.8 revenue, including interest and penalties, that will be collected for fiscal year 2016 from  
 45.9 taxes imposed under this chapter. If the amount estimated by the commissioner equals  
 45.10 or exceeds \$94,800,000, the commissioner shall certify that effective July 1, 2016, the  
 45.11 rates under this paragraph apply in lieu of the rates under paragraph (a) and shall publish a  
 45.12 notice to that effect in the state register and notify each taxpayer by June 1, 2016. If the  
 45.13 rates under this section apply, the combined net receipts of an organization are subject to a  
 45.14 tax computed according to the following schedule:

45.15	<u>If the combined net</u>	<u>The tax is:</u>
45.16	<u>receipts for the fiscal year</u>	
45.17	<u>are:</u>	
45.18	<u>Not over \$87,500</u>	<u>8.5 percent</u>
45.19	<u>Over \$87,500, but not over</u>	<u>\$7,438 plus 17 percent of the amount</u>
45.20	<u>\$122,500</u>	<u>over \$87,500, but not over \$122,500</u>
45.21	<u>Over \$122,500, but not</u>	<u>\$13,388 plus 25.5 percent of the</u>
45.22	<u>over \$157,500</u>	<u>amount over \$122,500, but not over</u>
45.23		<u>\$157,500</u>
45.24	<u>Over \$157,500</u>	<u>\$22,313 plus 34 percent of the</u>
45.25		<u>amount over \$157,500</u>

45.26 (c) Gross receipts derived from sports-themed tipboards are exempt from taxation  
 45.27 under this section. For purposes of this paragraph, a sports-themed tipboard means a  
 45.28 sports-themed tipboard as defined in section 349.12, subdivision 34, under which the  
 45.29 winning numbers are determined by the numerical outcome of a professional sporting  
 45.30 event.

45.31 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2012.

45.32 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 297E.02, is amended by adding a subdivision  
 45.33 to read:

45.34 Subd. 6a. **Unaccounted games.** If a licensed distributor cannot account for a  
 45.35 pull-tab game, an electronic pull-tab game, a tipboard deal, paddletickets, an electronic  
 45.36 linked bingo game, bingo paper sheets, or linked bingo paper sheets, the distributor must  
 45.37 report the sheets or games to the commissioner as lost and remit a tax of six percent  
 45.38 on the ideal gross of the sheets or games.

46.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2012.

46.2 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 297E.02, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

46.3 Subd. 7. **Untaxed gambling product.** (a) In addition to penalties or criminal  
46.4 sanctions imposed by this chapter, a person, organization, or business entity possessing or  
46.5 selling a pull-tab, electronic pull-tab game or tipboard upon which the tax imposed by  
46.6 ~~subdivision 4~~ this chapter has not been paid is liable for a tax of six percent of the ideal  
46.7 gross of each pull-tab, electronic pull-tab game, or tipboard. The tax on a partial deal  
46.8 must be assessed as if it were a full deal.

46.9 (b) In addition to penalties and criminal sanctions imposed by this chapter, a person  
46.10 not licensed by the board who conducts bingo, linked bingo, electronic linked bingo,  
46.11 raffles, or paddle wheel games is liable for a tax of six percent of the gross receipts  
46.12 from that activity.

46.13 (c) The tax must be assessed by the commissioner. An assessment must be  
46.14 considered a jeopardy assessment or jeopardy collection as provided in section 270C.36.  
46.15 The commissioner shall assess the tax based on personal knowledge or information  
46.16 available to the commissioner. The commissioner shall mail to the taxpayer at the  
46.17 taxpayer's last known address, or serve in person, a written notice of the amount of tax,  
46.18 demand its immediate payment, and, if payment is not immediately made, collect the tax  
46.19 by any method described in chapter 270C, except that the commissioner need not await the  
46.20 expiration of the times specified in chapter 270C. The tax assessed by the commissioner  
46.21 is presumed to be valid and correctly determined and assessed. The burden is upon the  
46.22 taxpayer to show its incorrectness or invalidity. The tax imposed under this subdivision  
46.23 does not apply to gambling that is exempt from taxation under subdivision 2.

46.24 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2012.

46.25 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 297E.02, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

46.26 Subd. 10. **Refunds; appropriation.** A person who has, under this chapter, paid  
46.27 to the commissioner an amount of tax for a period in excess of the amount legally due  
46.28 for that period, may file with the commissioner a claim for a refund of the excess. The  
46.29 amount necessary to pay the refunds under this subdivision ~~and subdivision 4, paragraph~~  
46.30 ~~(d)~~, is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner.

46.31 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2012.

46.32 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 297E.02, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

47.1 Subd. 11. ~~Unplayed or Defective pull-tabs or tipboards gambling products. If a~~  
 47.2 ~~deal of pull-tabs or tipboards registered with the board or bar coded in accordance with this~~  
 47.3 ~~chapter and chapter 349 and upon which the tax imposed by subdivision 4 has been paid is~~  
 47.4 ~~returned unplayed to the distributor, the commissioner shall allow a refund of the tax paid.~~

47.5 If a defective deal registered with the board or bar coded in accordance with this  
 47.6 chapter and chapter 349 and upon which the taxes have been paid is returned to the  
 47.7 manufacturer, the distributor shall submit to the commissioner of revenue certification  
 47.8 from the manufacturer that the deal was returned and in what respect it was defective.  
 47.9 The certification must be on a form prescribed by the commissioner and must contain  
 47.10 additional information the commissioner requires.

47.11 The commissioner may require ~~that no refund~~ under this subdivision ~~be made~~  
 47.12 ~~unless the~~ that all defective and returned pull-tabs or tipboards have been, paddle tickets,  
 47.13 paper bingo sheets, and linked bingo paper sheets be set aside for inspection by the  
 47.14 commissioner's employee.

47.15 Reductions in previously paid taxes authorized by this subdivision must be made  
 47.16 when and in the manner prescribed by the commissioner.

47.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for games sold by a licensed  
 47.18 distributor after June 30, 2012.

47.19 Sec. 11. **[297E.021] SPECIAL ALLOCATION OF REVENUES.**

47.20 Subdivision 1. Application; revenues not pledged. The provisions of this  
 47.21 subdivision apply only after the issuance of appropriation bonds under section 16A.965,  
 47.22 subdivision 2, but do not constitute a pledge of available revenues as security for payment  
 47.23 of principal and interest on appropriation bonds issued under section 16A.965.

47.24 Subd. 2. Determination of revenue increase. By March 15 of each fiscal year,  
 47.25 the commissioner of management and budget, in consultation with the commissioner,  
 47.26 shall determine the estimated increase in revenues received from taxes imposed under  
 47.27 this chapter over the estimated revenues under the February 2012 state budget forecast for  
 47.28 that fiscal year. For fiscal years after fiscal year 2015, the commissioner of management  
 47.29 and budget shall use the February 2012 state budget forecast for fiscal year 2015 as the  
 47.30 baseline. All calculations under this subdivision must be made net of estimated refunds  
 47.31 of the taxes required to be paid.

47.32 Subd. 3. Available revenues. For purposes of this section, "available revenues"  
 47.33 equals the amount determined under subdivision 2:

47.34 (1) reduced by the following amounts paid for the fiscal year under:

48.1 (i) the appropriation to principal and interest on appropriation bonds under section  
48.2 16A.965, subdivision 8;

48.3 (ii) the appropriation from the general fund to make operating expense payments  
48.4 under section 473J.13, subdivision 2, paragraph (b);

48.5 (iii) the appropriation for contributions to the capital reserve fund under section  
48.6 473J.13, subdivision 4, paragraph (c);

48.7 (iv) the appropriations under this article for administration and any successor  
48.8 appropriation;

48.9 (v) the reduction in revenues resulting from the sales tax exemptions under section  
48.10 297A.71, subdivision 43;

48.11 (vi) reimbursements authorized by section 473J.15, subdivision 2, paragraph (d);

48.12 (vii) the compulsive gambling appropriations under section 297E.02, subdivision 3,  
48.13 paragraph (c), and any successor appropriation; and

48.14 (viii) the appropriation for the city of St. Paul under section 16A.726, paragraph  
48.15 (c); and

48.16 (2) increased by the revenue deposited in the general fund under section 297A.994,  
48.17 subdivision 4, clauses (1) to (3), for the fiscal year.

48.18 Subd. 4. **Appropriation; general reserve account.** To the extent the commissioner  
48.19 determines that revenues are available under subdivision 3 for the fiscal year, those  
48.20 amounts are appropriated from the general fund for deposit in a general reserve account  
48.21 established by order of the commissioner of management and budget. Amounts in  
48.22 this reserve are appropriated as necessary for application against any shortfall in the  
48.23 amounts deposited to the general fund under section 297A.994 or, after consultation with  
48.24 the legislative commission on planning and fiscal policy, amounts in this reserve are  
48.25 appropriated to the commissioner of management and budget for other uses related to the  
48.26 stadium authorized under section 473J.03, subdivision 7, that the commissioner deems  
48.27 financially prudent including but not limited to reimbursements for capital and operating  
48.28 costs relating to the stadium, refundings, and prepayment of debt. In no event, shall  
48.29 available revenues be pledged, nor shall the appropriations of available revenues made by  
48.30 this section constitute a pledge of available revenues as security for the prepayment of  
48.31 principal and interest on the appropriation bonds under section 16A.965.

48.32 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 297E.13, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

48.33 Subd. 5. **Untaxed gambling equipment.** It is a gross misdemeanor for a person to  
48.34 possess gambling equipment for resale in this state that has not been stamped or bar-coded  
48.35 in accordance with this chapter and chapter 349 and upon which the taxes imposed by



49.1 chapter 297A or section 297E.02, ~~subdivision 4,~~ have not been paid. The director of  
49.2 alcohol and gambling enforcement or the commissioner or the designated inspectors  
49.3 and employees of the director or commissioner may seize in the name of the state of  
49.4 Minnesota any unregistered or untaxed gambling equipment.

49.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for actions occurring after June  
49.6 30, 2012.

49.7 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.12, subdivision 3b, is amended to read:

49.8 Subd. 3b. **Bar operation.** "Bar operation" means a method of selling and redeeming  
49.9 disposable gambling equipment by an employee of the lessor within a leased premises  
49.10 which is licensed for the on-sale of alcoholic beverages ~~where such sales and redemptions~~  
49.11 ~~are made by an employee of the lessor from a common area where food and beverages~~  
49.12 ~~are also sold.~~

49.13 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.12, subdivision 3c, is amended to read:

49.14 Subd. 3c. **Bar bingo.** "Bar bingo" is a bingo occasion conducted at a permitted  
49.15 premises in an area where intoxicating liquor or 3.2 percent malt beverages are sold and  
49.16 where the licensed organization conducts another form of lawful gambling. Bar bingo  
49.17 does not include bingo games linked to other permitted premises.

49.18 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.12, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

49.19 Subd. 5. **Bingo occasion.** "Bingo occasion" means a single gathering or session at  
49.20 which a series of one or more successive bingo games is played. There is no limit on the  
49.21 number of games conducted during a bingo occasion ~~but~~. A bingo occasion must not last  
49.22 longer than eight consecutive hours; except that linked bingo games played on electronic  
49.23 bingo devices may be played during regular business hours of the permitted premises,  
49.24 and all play during this period is considered a bingo occasion for reporting purposes. For  
49.25 permitted premises where the primary business is bingo, regular business hours shall be  
49.26 defined as the hours between 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 a.m.

49.27 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.12, subdivision 6a, is amended to read:

49.28 Subd. 6a. **Booth operation.** "Booth operation" means a method of selling and  
49.29 redeeming disposable gambling equipment by an employee of a licensed organization in  
49.30 a premises the organization leases or owns ~~where such sales and redemptions are made~~  
49.31 ~~within a separate enclosure that is distinct from areas where food and beverages are sold.~~

50.1 Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.12, subdivision 12a, is amended to read:

50.2 Subd. 12a. **Electronic bingo device.** "Electronic bingo device" means ~~an~~ a  
50.3 handheld and portable electronic device that:

50.4 (a) is used by a bingo player to:

50.5 (1) monitor bingo paper sheets or a facsimile of a bingo paper sheet ~~when~~ purchased  
50.6 and played at the time and place of an organization's bingo occasion ~~and which (1)~~  
50.7 ~~provides a means for bingo players to~~, or to play an electronic bingo game that is linked  
50.8 with other permitted premises;

50.9 (2) activate numbers announced by a bingo caller; ~~(2) compares~~ or displayed, and  
50.10 to compare the numbers ~~entered by the player~~ to the bingo faces previously stored in  
50.11 the memory of the device; ~~and~~

50.12 (3) ~~identifies~~ identify a winning bingo pattern; or game requirement; and

50.13 (4) play against other bingo players;

50.14 (b) limits the play of bingo faces to 36 faces per game;

50.15 (c) requires coded entry to activate play but does not allow the use of a coin,  
50.16 currency, or tokens to be inserted to activate play;

50.17 (d) may only be used for play against other bingo players in a bingo game;

50.18 (e) has no additional function as an amusement or gambling device other than as an  
50.19 electronic pull-tab game defined under section 349.12, subdivision 12c;

50.20 (f) has the capability to ensure adequate levels of security internal controls;

50.21 (g) has the capability to permit the board to electronically monitor the operation of  
50.22 the device and the internal accounting systems; and

50.23 (h) has the capability to allow use by a player who is visually impaired.

50.24 ~~Electronic bingo device does not mean any device into which coin, currency, or tokens are~~  
50.25 ~~inserted to activate play.~~

50.26 Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.12, is amended by adding a subdivision  
50.27 to read:

50.28 Subd. 12b. **Electronic pull-tab device.** "Electronic pull-tab device" means a  
50.29 handheld and portable electronic device that:

50.30 (1) is used to play one or more electronic pull-tab games;

50.31 (2) requires coded entry to activate play but does not allow the use of coin, currency,  
50.32 or tokens to be inserted to activate play;

50.33 (3) requires that a player must activate or open each electronic pull-tab ticket and  
50.34 each individual line, row, or column of each electronic pull-tab ticket;

- 51.1 (4) maintains information pertaining to accumulated win credits that may be applied  
 51.2 to games in play or redeemed upon termination of play;
- 51.3 (5) has no spinning reels or other representations that mimic a video slot machine;
- 51.4 (6) has no additional function as a gambling device other than as an electronic-linked  
 51.5 bingo game played on a device defined under section 349.12, subdivision 12a;
- 51.6 (7) may incorporate an amusement game feature as part of the pull-tab game but  
 51.7 may not require additional consideration for that feature or award any prize, or other  
 51.8 benefit for that feature;
- 51.9 (8) may have auditory or visual enhancements to promote or provide information  
 51.10 about the game being played, provided the component does not affect the outcome of  
 51.11 a game or display the results of a game;
- 51.12 (9) maintains, on nonresettable meters, a printable, permanent record of all  
 51.13 transactions involving each device and electronic pull-tab games played on the device;
- 51.14 (10) is not a pull-tab dispensing device as defined under subdivision 32a; and
- 51.15 (11) has the capability to allow use by a player who is visually impaired.

51.16 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.12, is amended by adding a subdivision  
 51.17 to read:

51.18 Subd. 12c. **Electronic pull-tab game.** "Electronic pull-tab game" means a pull-tab  
 51.19 game containing:

- 51.20 (a) facsimiles of pull-tab tickets that are played on an electronic pull-tab device;
- 51.21 (b) a predetermined, finite number of winning and losing tickets, not to exceed  
 51.22 7,500 tickets;
- 51.23 (c) the same price for each ticket in the game;
- 51.24 (d) a price paid by the player of not less than 25 cents per ticket;
- 51.25 (e) tickets that are in conformance with applicable board rules for pull-tabs;
- 51.26 (f) winning tickets that comply with prize limits under section 349.211;
- 51.27 (g) a unique serial number that may not be regenerated;
- 51.28 (h) an electronic flare that displays the game name, form number, predetermined,  
 51.29 finite number of tickets in the game, and prize tier; and
- 51.30 (i) no spinning reels or other representations that mimic a video slot machine.

51.31 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.12, is amended by adding a subdivision  
 51.32 to read:

51.33 Subd. 12d. **Electronic pull-tab game system.** "Electronic pull-tab game system"  
 51.34 means the equipment leased from a licensed distributor and used by a licensed organization

52.1 to conduct, manage, and record electronic pull-tab games, and to report and transmit the  
 52.2 game results as prescribed by the board and the Department of Revenue. The system must  
 52.3 provide security and access levels sufficient so that internal control objectives are met as  
 52.4 prescribed by the board. The system must contain a point of sale station.

52.5 Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.12, is amended by adding a subdivision  
 52.6 to read:

52.7 Subd. 15b. **501(c)(19) organization.** "501(c)(19) organization" is an organization  
 52.8 exempt from the payment of federal income taxes under section 501(c)(19) of the Internal  
 52.9 Revenue Code.

52.10 Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.12, subdivision 18, is amended to read:

52.11 Subd. 18. **Gambling equipment.** "Gambling equipment" means gambling  
 52.12 equipment that is either disposable or permanent gambling equipment.

52.13 (a) Disposable gambling equipment includes the following:

52.14 (1) bingo hard cards or paper sheets, including linked bingo paper sheets, ~~devices for~~  
 52.15 selecting bingo numbers, ~~electronic bingo devices;~~

52.16 (2) paper and electronic pull-tabs;

52.17 (3) jar tickets, ~~paddle wheels, paddle wheel tables;~~

52.18 (4) paddle tickets, ~~and paddle ticket cards;~~

52.19 (5) tipboards, ~~and tipboard tickets;~~ and

52.20 (6) promotional tickets that mimic a pull-tab or tipboard, ~~pull-tab dispensing devices,~~  
 52.21 ~~and programmable electronic devices that have no effect on the outcome of a game and~~  
 52.22 ~~are used to provide a visual or auditory enhancement of a game.~~

52.23 (b) Permanent gambling equipment includes the following:

52.24 (1) devices for selecting bingo numbers;

52.25 (2) electronic bingo devices;

52.26 (3) electronic pull-tab devices;

52.27 (4) pull-tab dispensing devices;

52.28 (5) programmable electronic devices that have no effect on the outcome of a game  
 52.29 and are used to provide a visual or auditory enhancement of a game;

52.30 (6) paddle wheels; and

52.31 (7) paddle wheel tables.

52.32 Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.12, subdivision 25, is amended to read:

53.1 Subd. 25. **Lawful purpose.** (a) "Lawful purpose" means one or more of the  
53.2 following:

53.3 (1) any expenditure by or contribution to a 501(c)(3) or festival organization, as  
53.4 defined in subdivision 15a, provided that the organization and expenditure or contribution  
53.5 are in conformity with standards prescribed by the board under section 349.154, which  
53.6 standards must apply to both types of organizations in the same manner and to the same  
53.7 extent;

53.8 (2) a contribution to or expenditure for goods and services for an individual or  
53.9 family suffering from poverty, homelessness, or disability, which is used to relieve the  
53.10 effects of that suffering;

53.11 (3) a contribution to a program recognized by the Minnesota Department of Human  
53.12 Services for the education, prevention, or treatment of problem gambling;

53.13 (4) a contribution to or expenditure on a public or private nonprofit educational  
53.14 institution registered with or accredited by this state or any other state;

53.15 (5) a contribution to an individual, public or private nonprofit educational institution  
53.16 registered with or accredited by this state or any other state, or to a scholarship fund of a  
53.17 nonprofit organization whose primary mission is to award scholarships, for defraying the  
53.18 cost of education to individuals where the funds are awarded through an open and fair  
53.19 selection process;

53.20 (6) activities by an organization or a government entity which recognize military  
53.21 service to the United States, the state of Minnesota, or a community, subject to rules  
53.22 of the board, provided that the rules must not include mileage reimbursements in the  
53.23 computation of the per diem reimbursement limit and must impose no aggregate annual  
53.24 limit on the amount of reasonable and necessary expenditures made to support:

53.25 (i) members of a military marching or color guard unit for activities conducted  
53.26 within the state;

53.27 (ii) members of an organization solely for services performed by the members at  
53.28 funeral services;

53.29 (iii) members of military marching, color guard, or honor guard units may be  
53.30 reimbursed for participating in color guard, honor guard, or marching unit events within  
53.31 the state or states contiguous to Minnesota at a per participant rate of up to \$35 per diem; or

53.32 (iv) active military personnel and their immediate family members in need of  
53.33 support services;

53.34 (7) recreational, community, and athletic facilities and activities intended primarily  
53.35 for persons under age 21, provided that such facilities and activities do not discriminate on  
53.36 the basis of gender and the organization complies with section 349.154, subdivision 3a;

54.1 (8) payment of local taxes authorized under this chapter, taxes imposed by the  
54.2 United States on receipts from lawful gambling, the taxes imposed by section 297E.02,  
54.3 subdivisions 1, ~~4~~, 5, and 6, and the tax imposed on unrelated business income by section  
54.4 290.05, subdivision 3;

54.5 (9) payment of real estate taxes and assessments on permitted gambling premises  
54.6 owned by the licensed organization paying the taxes, or wholly leased by a licensed  
54.7 veterans organization under a national charter recognized under section 501(c)(19) of the  
54.8 Internal Revenue Code;

54.9 (10) a contribution to the United States, this state or any of its political subdivisions,  
54.10 or any agency or instrumentality thereof other than a direct contribution to a law  
54.11 enforcement or prosecutorial agency;

54.12 (11) a contribution to or expenditure by a nonprofit organization which is a church  
54.13 or body of communicants gathered in common membership for mutual support and  
54.14 edification in piety, worship, or religious observances;

54.15 (12) an expenditure for citizen monitoring of surface water quality by individuals  
54.16 or nongovernmental organizations that is consistent with section 115.06, subdivision 4,  
54.17 and Minnesota Pollution Control Agency guidance on monitoring procedures, quality  
54.18 assurance protocols, and data management, provided that the resulting data is submitted  
54.19 to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency for review and inclusion in the state water  
54.20 quality database;

54.21 (13) a contribution to or expenditure on projects or activities approved by the  
54.22 commissioner of natural resources for:

54.23 (i) wildlife management projects that benefit the public at large;

54.24 (ii) grant-in-aid trail maintenance and grooming established under sections 84.83  
54.25 and 84.927, and other trails open to public use, including purchase or lease of equipment  
54.26 for this purpose; and

54.27 (iii) supplies and materials for safety training and educational programs coordinated  
54.28 by the Department of Natural Resources, including the Enforcement Division;

54.29 (14) conducting nutritional programs, food shelves, and congregate dining programs  
54.30 primarily for persons who are age 62 or older or disabled;

54.31 (15) a contribution to a community arts organization, or an expenditure to sponsor  
54.32 arts programs in the community, including but not limited to visual, literary, performing,  
54.33 or musical arts;

54.34 (16) an expenditure by a licensed fraternal organization or a licensed veterans  
54.35 organization for payment of water, fuel for heating, electricity, and sewer costs for:

55.1 (i) up to 100 percent for a building wholly owned or wholly leased by and used as  
55.2 the primary headquarters of the licensed veteran or fraternal organization; or

55.3 (ii) a proportional amount subject to approval by the director and based on the  
55.4 portion of a building used as the primary headquarters of the licensed veteran or fraternal  
55.5 organization;

55.6 (17) expenditure by a licensed veterans organization of up to \$5,000 in a calendar  
55.7 year in net costs to the organization for meals and other membership events, limited to  
55.8 members and spouses, held in recognition of military service. No more than \$5,000 can be  
55.9 expended in total per calendar year under this clause by all licensed veterans organizations  
55.10 sharing the same veterans post home;

55.11 (18) payment of fees authorized under this chapter imposed by the state of Minnesota  
55.12 to conduct lawful gambling in Minnesota;

55.13 (19) a contribution or expenditure to honor an individual's humanitarian service  
55.14 as demonstrated through philanthropy or volunteerism to the United States, this state,  
55.15 or local community;

55.16 (20) a contribution by a licensed organization to another licensed organization with  
55.17 prior board approval, with the contribution designated to be used for one or more of the  
55.18 following lawful purposes under this section: clauses (1) to (7), (11) to (15), (19), and (25);

55.19 (21) an expenditure that is a contribution to a parent organization, if the parent  
55.20 organization: (i) has not provided to the contributing organization within one year of the  
55.21 contribution any money, grants, property, or other thing of value, and (ii) has received  
55.22 prior board approval for the contribution that will be used for a program that meets one or  
55.23 more of the lawful purposes under subdivision 7a;

55.24 (22) an expenditure for the repair, maintenance, or improvement of real property  
55.25 and capital assets owned by an organization, or for the replacement of a capital asset that  
55.26 can no longer be repaired, with a fiscal year limit of five percent of gross profits from  
55.27 the previous fiscal year, with no carryforward of unused allowances. The fiscal year is  
55.28 July 1 through June 30. Total expenditures for the fiscal year may not exceed the limit  
55.29 unless the board has specifically approved the expenditures that exceed the limit due to  
55.30 extenuating circumstances beyond the organization's control. An expansion of a building  
55.31 or bar-related expenditures are not allowed under this provision.

55.32 (i) The expenditure must be related to the portion of the real property or capital asset  
55.33 that must be made available for use free of any charge to other nonprofit organizations,  
55.34 community groups, or service groups, ~~or~~ and is used for the organization's primary  
55.35 mission or headquarters.

56.1 (ii) An expenditure may be made to bring an existing building that the organization  
56.2 owns into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

56.3 (iii) An organization may apply the amount that is allowed under item (ii) to the  
56.4 erection or acquisition of a replacement building that is in compliance with the Americans  
56.5 with Disabilities Act if the board has specifically approved the amount. The cost of  
56.6 the erection or acquisition of a replacement building may not be made from gambling  
56.7 proceeds, except for the portion allowed under this item;

56.8 (23) an expenditure for the acquisition or improvement of a capital asset with a cost  
56.9 greater than \$2,000, excluding real property, that will be used exclusively for lawful  
56.10 purposes under this section if the board has specifically approved the amount;

56.11 (24) an expenditure for the acquisition, erection, improvement, or expansion of real  
56.12 property, if the board has first specifically authorized the expenditure after finding that the  
56.13 real property will be used exclusively for lawful purpose under this section; ~~or~~

56.14 (25) an expenditure, including a mortgage payment or other debt service payment,  
56.15 for the erection or acquisition of a comparable building to replace an organization-owned  
56.16 building that was destroyed or made uninhabitable by fire or catastrophe or to replace an  
56.17 organization-owned building that was taken or sold under an eminent domain proceeding.  
56.18 The expenditure may be only for that part of the replacement cost not reimbursed by  
56.19 insurance for the fire or catastrophe or compensation not received from a governmental  
56.20 unit under the eminent domain proceeding, if the board has first specifically authorized  
56.21 the expenditure; or

56.22 (26) a contribution to a 501(c)(19) organization that does not have an organization  
56.23 license under section 349.16 and is not affiliated with the contributing organization, and  
56.24 whose owned or leased property is not a permitted premises under section 349.165. The  
56.25 501(c)(19) organization may only use the contribution for lawful purposes under this  
56.26 subdivision or for the organization's primary mission. The 501(c)(19) organization may  
56.27 not use the contribution for expansion of a building or for bar-related expenditures. A  
56.28 contribution may not be made to a statewide organization representing a consortia of  
56.29 501(c)(19) organizations.

56.30 (b) Expenditures authorized by the board under clauses (24) and (25) must be  
56.31 51 percent completed within two years of the date of board approval; otherwise the  
56.32 organization must reapply to the board for approval of the project. "Fifty-one percent  
56.33 completed" means that the work completed must represent at least 51 percent of the value  
56.34 of the project as documented by the contractor or vendor.

56.35 (c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), "lawful purpose" does not include:



57.1 (1) any expenditure made or incurred for the purpose of influencing the nomination  
57.2 or election of a candidate for public office or for the purpose of promoting or defeating a  
57.3 ballot question;

57.4 (2) any activity intended to influence an election or a governmental decision-making  
57.5 process;

57.6 (3) a contribution to a statutory or home rule charter city, county, or town by a  
57.7 licensed organization with the knowledge that the governmental unit intends to use the  
57.8 contribution for a pension or retirement fund; or

57.9 (4) a contribution to a 501(c)(3) organization or other entity with the intent or effect  
57.10 of not complying with lawful purpose restrictions or requirements.

57.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2012.

57.12 Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.12, subdivision 25b, is amended to read:

57.13 Subd. 25b. **Linked bingo game provider.** "Linked bingo game provider" means  
57.14 any person who provides the means to link bingo prizes in a linked bingo game, who  
57.15 provides linked bingo paper sheets to the participating organizations games, who provides  
57.16 linked bingo prize management, and who provides the linked bingo game system.

57.17 Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.12, subdivision 25c, is amended to read:

57.18 Subd. 25c. **Linked bingo game system.** "Linked bingo game system" means the  
57.19 equipment used by the linked bingo provider to conduct, transmit, and track a linked  
57.20 bingo game. The system must be approved by the board before its use in this state and  
57.21 it must have ~~dial-up or other~~ the capability to permit the board to electronically monitor  
57.22 its operation remotely. For linked electronic bingo games, the system includes electronic  
57.23 bingo devices.

57.24 Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.12, subdivision 25d, is amended to read:

57.25 Subd. 25d. **Linked bingo prize pool.** "Linked bingo prize pool" means the total  
57.26 of all prize money that each participating organization has contributed to a linked bingo  
57.27 game prize and includes any portion of the prize pool that is carried over from one  
57.28 ~~occasion~~ game to another in a progressive linked bingo game.

57.29 Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.12, subdivision 29, is amended to read:

57.30 Subd. 29. **Paddle wheel.** "Paddle wheel" means a vertical wheel marked off into  
57.31 sections containing one or more numbers, and which, after being turned or spun, uses a  
57.32 pointer or marker to indicate winning chances, and may only be used to determine a

58.1 winning number or numbers matching a winning paddle ticket purchased by a player. A  
58.2 paddle wheel may be an electronic device that simulates a paddle wheel.

58.3 Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.12, subdivision 31, is amended to read:

58.4 Subd. 31. **Promotional ticket.** A paper pull-tab ticket or paper tipboard ticket  
58.5 created and printed by a licensed manufacturer with the words "no purchase necessary" and  
58.6 "for promotional use only" and for which no consideration is given is a promotional ticket.

58.7 Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.12, subdivision 32, is amended to read:

58.8 Subd. 32. **Pull-tab.** "Pull-tab" means a single folded or banded paper ticket or a  
58.9 multi-ply card with perforated break-open tabs, or a facsimile of a paper pull-tab ticket  
58.10 used in conjunction with an electronic pull-tab device, the face of which is initially  
58.11 covered to conceal one or more numbers or symbols, and where one or more of each set of  
58.12 tickets or cards, or facsimiles has been designated in advance as a winner.

58.13 Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.12, subdivision 34, is amended to read:

58.14 Subd. 34. **Tipboard.** "Tipboard" means a board, placard or other device containing  
58.15 a seal that conceals the winning number or symbol, and that serves as the game flare for a  
58.16 tipboard game. A sports-themed tipboard is a board, placard, or other device that contains a  
58.17 grid of predesignated numbers for which the winning numbers are determined in whole or  
58.18 in part by the numerical outcome of one or more professional sporting events, serves as the  
58.19 game flare for player registration, but is not required to contain a seal. For a sports-themed  
58.20 tipboard, the winning numbers must be determined solely by the numerical outcome.

58.21 Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.12, subdivision 35, is amended to read:

58.22 Subd. 35. **Tipboard ticket.** "Tipboard ticket" is a single folded or banded ticket,  
58.23 or multi-ply card, the face of which is initially covered or otherwise hidden from view  
58.24 to conceal a number, symbol, or set of symbols, some of which have been designated in  
58.25 advance and at random as prize winners. For a sports-themed tipboard, the tipboard ticket  
58.26 contains a set of numbers used to determine the winner based on the numerical outcome  
58.27 of a professional sporting event.

58.28 Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.13, is amended to read:

58.29 **349.13 LAWFUL GAMBLING.**

58.30 Lawful gambling is not a lottery or gambling within the meaning of sections 609.75  
58.31 to 609.76 if it is conducted under this chapter. A pull-tab dispensing device, electronic

59.1 bingo device, and electronic pull-tab device permitted under this chapter and by board  
 59.2 rule is not a gambling device within the meaning of sections 609.75 to 609.76 and chapter  
 59.3 299L. An electronic game device allowed under this chapter may not be a slot machine.  
 59.4 Electronic game devices, including but not limited to electronic bingo devices, electronic  
 59.5 paddle wheels, and electronic pull-tab devices authorized under this chapter, may only  
 59.6 be used in the conduct of lawful gambling permitted under this chapter and board rule  
 59.7 and may not display or simulate any other form of gambling or entertainment, except  
 59.8 as otherwise allowed under this chapter.

59.9 Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.151, subdivision 4b, is amended to read:

59.10 Subd. 4b. **Pull-tab sales from dispensing devices.** ~~(a)~~ The board may by rule  
 59.11 authorize but not require the use of pull-tab dispensing devices.

59.12 ~~(b) Rules adopted under paragraph (a):~~

59.13 ~~(1) must limit the number of pull-tab dispensing devices on any permitted premises~~  
 59.14 ~~to three; and~~

59.15 ~~(2) must limit the use of pull-tab dispensing devices to a permitted premises which is~~  
 59.16 ~~(i) a licensed premises for on-sales of intoxicating liquor or 3.2 percent malt beverages;~~  
 59.17 ~~or (ii) a premises where bingo is conducted and admission is restricted to persons 18~~  
 59.18 ~~years or older.~~

59.19 ~~(c) Notwithstanding rules adopted under paragraph (b), pull-tab dispensing devices~~  
 59.20 ~~may be used in establishments licensed for the off-sale of intoxicating liquor, other than~~  
 59.21 ~~drugstores and general food stores licensed under section 340A.405, subdivision 1.~~

59.22 Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.151, subdivision 4c, is amended to read:

59.23 Subd. 4c. **Electronic bingo devices.** (a) The board may by rule authorize but not  
 59.24 require the use of electronic bingo devices.

59.25 ~~(b) Rules adopted under paragraph (a):~~

59.26 ~~(1) must limit the number of bingo faces that can be played using an electronic~~  
 59.27 ~~bingo device to 36;~~

59.28 ~~(2) must require that an electronic bingo device be used with corresponding bingo~~  
 59.29 ~~paper sheets or a facsimile, printed at the point of sale, as approved by the board;~~

59.30 ~~(3) must require that the electronic bingo device site system have dial-up capability~~  
 59.31 ~~to permit the board to remotely monitor the operation of the device and the internal~~  
 59.32 ~~accounting systems; and~~

59.33 ~~(4) must prohibit the price of a face played on an electronic bingo device from being~~  
 59.34 ~~less than the price of a face on a bingo paper sheet sold at the same occasion.~~

60.1 (b) The board, or the director if authorized by the board, may require the deactivation  
60.2 of an electronic bingo device for violation of a law or rule and to implement any other  
60.3 controls deemed necessary to ensure and maintain the integrity of electronic bingo devices  
60.4 and the electronic bingo games played on the devices.

60.5 Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.151, is amended by adding a subdivision  
60.6 to read:

60.7 Subd. 4d. **Electronic pull-tab devices and electronic pull-tab game system.** (a)  
60.8 The board may adopt rules it deems necessary to ensure the integrity of electronic pull-tab  
60.9 devices, the electronic pull-tab games played on the devices, and the electronic pull-tab  
60.10 game system necessary to operate them.

60.11 (b) The board may not require an organization to use electronic pull-tab devices.

60.12 (c) Before authorizing the lease or sale of electronic pull-tab devices and the  
60.13 electronic pull-tab game system, the board shall examine electronic pull-tab devices  
60.14 allowed under section 349.12, subdivision 12b. The board may contract for the  
60.15 examination of the game system and electronic pull-tab devices and may require a working  
60.16 model to be transported to locations the board designates for testing, examination, and  
60.17 analysis. The manufacturer must pay all costs of any testing, examination, analysis, and  
60.18 transportation of the model. The system must be approved by the board before its use in  
60.19 the state and must have the capability to permit the board to electronically monitor its  
60.20 operation and internal accounting systems.

60.21 (d) The board may require a manufacturer to submit a certificate from an independent  
60.22 testing laboratory approved by the board to perform testing services, stating that the  
60.23 equipment has been tested, analyzed, and meets the standards required in this chapter  
60.24 and any applicable board rules.

60.25 (e) The board, or the director if authorized by the board, may require the deactivation  
60.26 of an electronic pull-tab device for violation of a law or rule and to implement any other  
60.27 controls deemed necessary to ensure and maintain the integrity of electronic pull-tab  
60.28 devices and the electronic pull-tab games played on the devices.

60.29 Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.151, is amended by adding a subdivision  
60.30 to read:

60.31 Subd. 4e. **Sports-themed tipboard rules.** The board may adopt rules for the  
60.32 conduct of tipboards for which the winning numbers are determined in whole or in part  
60.33 by the numerical outcome of one or more professional sporting events. The rules must  
60.34 provide for operation procedures, internal control standards, posted information, records,

61.1 and reports. The rules must provide for the award of prizes, method of payout, wagers,  
 61.2 determination of winners, and the specifications of these tipboards.

61.3 Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.155, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

61.4 Subd. 3. **Mandatory disqualifications.** (a) In the case of licenses for manufacturers,  
 61.5 distributors, distributor salespersons, linked bingo game providers, and gambling  
 61.6 managers, the board may not issue or renew a license under this chapter, and shall revoke  
 61.7 a license under this chapter, if the applicant or licensee, or a director, officer, partner,  
 61.8 governor, or person in a supervisory or management position of the applicant or licensee:

61.9 (1) has ever been convicted of a felony or a crime involving gambling;

61.10 (2) has ever been convicted of (i) assault, (ii) a criminal violation involving the use  
 61.11 of a firearm, or (iii) making terroristic threats;

61.12 (3) is or has ever been connected with or engaged in an illegal business;

61.13 (4) owes \$500 or more in delinquent taxes as defined in section 270C.72;

61.14 (5) had a sales and use tax permit revoked by the commissioner of revenue within  
 61.15 the past two years; or

61.16 (6) after demand, has not filed tax returns required by the commissioner of revenue.

61.17 The board may deny or refuse to renew a license under this chapter, and may revoke a  
 61.18 license under this chapter, if any of the conditions in this paragraph are applicable to  
 61.19 an affiliate or direct or indirect holder of more than a five percent financial interest in  
 61.20 the applicant or licensee.

61.21 (b) In the case of licenses for organizations, the board may not issue a license under  
 61.22 this chapter, and shall revoke a license under this chapter, if the organization, or an officer  
 61.23 or member of the governing body of the organization:

61.24 (1) has been convicted of a felony or gross misdemeanor involving theft or fraud; or

61.25 (2) has ever been convicted of a crime involving gambling; or

61.26 ~~(3) has had a license issued by the board or director permanently revoked for~~  
 61.27 ~~violation of law or board rule.~~

61.28 Sec. 38. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.155, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

61.29 Subd. 4. **License revocation, suspension, denial; censure.** (a) The board may by  
 61.30 order (i) deny, suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew a license or premises permit, or (ii)  
 61.31 censure a licensee or applicant, if it finds that the order is in the public interest and that the  
 61.32 applicant or licensee, or a director, officer, partner, governor, person in a supervisory or  
 61.33 management position of the applicant or licensee, an employee eligible to make sales on

62.1 behalf of the applicant or licensee, or direct or indirect holder of more than a five percent  
62.2 financial interest in the applicant or licensee:

62.3 (1) has violated or failed to comply with any provision of this chapter or chapter  
62.4 297E or 299L, or any rule adopted or order issued thereunder;

62.5 (2) has filed an application for a license that is incomplete in any material respect, or  
62.6 contains a statement that, in light of the circumstances under which it was made, is false,  
62.7 misleading, fraudulent, or a misrepresentation;

62.8 (3) has made a false statement in a document or report required to be submitted to  
62.9 the board or the commissioner of revenue, or has made a false statement to the board, the  
62.10 compliance review group, or the director;

62.11 (4) has been convicted of a crime in another jurisdiction that would be a felony if  
62.12 committed in Minnesota;

62.13 (5) is permanently or temporarily enjoined by any gambling regulatory agency from  
62.14 engaging in or continuing any conduct or practice involving any aspect of gambling;

62.15 (6) has had a gambling-related license revoked or suspended, or has paid or been  
62.16 required to pay a monetary penalty of \$2,500 or more, by a gambling regulator in another  
62.17 state or jurisdiction;

62.18 (7) has been the subject of any of the following actions by the director of alcohol  
62.19 and gambling enforcement or commissioner of public safety: (i) had a license under  
62.20 chapter 299L denied, suspended, or revoked, (ii) been censured, reprimanded, has paid or  
62.21 been required to pay a monetary penalty or fine, or (iii) has been the subject of any other  
62.22 discipline by the director or commissioner;

62.23 (8) has engaged in conduct that is contrary to the public health, welfare, or safety, or  
62.24 to the integrity of gambling; or

62.25 (9) based on past activities or criminal record poses a threat to the public interest or  
62.26 to the effective regulation and control of gambling, or creates or enhances the dangers of  
62.27 unsuitable, unfair, or illegal practices, methods, and activities in the conduct of gambling  
62.28 or the carrying on of the business and financial arrangements incidental to the conduct of  
62.29 gambling.

62.30 (b) The revocation or suspension of an organization's license may not exceed a  
62.31 period of ten years, including any revocation or suspension imposed by the board prior to  
62.32 the effective date of this paragraph, except that:

62.33 (1) any prohibition placed by the board on who may be involved in the conduct,  
62.34 oversight, or management of the revoked organization's lawful gambling activity is  
62.35 permanent; and

63.1 (2) a revocation or suspension will remain in effect until any taxes, fees, and fines  
63.2 that are delinquent have been paid by the organization to the satisfaction of the board.

63.3 Sec. 39. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.161, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

63.4 Subdivision 1. **Prohibited acts; licenses required.** (a) No person may:

63.5 (1) sell, offer for sale, or furnish gambling equipment for use within the state other  
63.6 than for lawful gambling exempt or excluded from licensing, except to an organization  
63.7 licensed for lawful gambling;

63.8 (2) sell, offer for sale, or furnish gambling equipment for use within the state without  
63.9 having obtained a distributor license or a distributor salesperson license under this section  
63.10 except that an organization authorized to conduct bingo by the board may loan bingo  
63.11 hard cards and devices for selecting bingo numbers to another organization authorized to  
63.12 conduct bingo and a linked bingo game provider may provide electronic bingo devices for  
63.13 linked electronic bingo games;

63.14 (3) sell, offer for sale, or furnish gambling equipment for use within the state that is  
63.15 not purchased or obtained from a manufacturer or distributor licensed under this chapter; or

63.16 (4) sell, offer for sale, or furnish gambling equipment for use within the state that  
63.17 has the same serial number as another item of gambling equipment of the same type sold  
63.18 or offered for sale or furnished for use in the state by that distributor.

63.19 (b) No licensed distributor salesperson may sell, offer for sale, or furnish gambling  
63.20 equipment for use within the state without being employed by a licensed distributor or  
63.21 owning a distributor license.

63.22 (c) No distributor or distributor salesperson may also be licensed as a linked bingo  
63.23 game provider under section 349.1635.

63.24 Sec. 40. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.161, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

63.25 Subd. 5. **Prohibition.** (a) No distributor, distributor salesperson, or other employee  
63.26 of a distributor, may also be a wholesale distributor of alcoholic beverages or an employee  
63.27 of a wholesale distributor of alcoholic beverages.

63.28 (b) No distributor, distributor salesperson, or any representative, agent, affiliate, or  
63.29 other employee of a distributor, may: (1) be involved in the conduct of lawful gambling  
63.30 by an organization; (2) keep or assist in the keeping of an organization's financial records,  
63.31 accounts, and inventories; or (3) prepare or assist in the preparation of tax forms and other  
63.32 reporting forms required to be submitted to the state by an organization.

64.1 (c) No distributor, distributor salesperson, or any representative, agent, affiliate,  
64.2 or other employee of a distributor may provide a lessor of gambling premises any  
64.3 compensation, gift, gratuity, premium, or other thing of value.

64.4 (d) No distributor, distributor salesperson, or any representative, agent, affiliate, or  
64.5 other employee of a distributor may provide an employee or agent of the organization  
64.6 any compensation, gift, gratuity, premium, or other thing of value greater than \$25 per  
64.7 organization in a calendar year.

64.8 (e) No distributor, distributor salesperson, or any representative, agent, affiliate, or  
64.9 other employee of a distributor may participate in any gambling activity at any gambling  
64.10 site or premises where gambling equipment purchased or leased from that distributor or  
64.11 distributor salesperson is being used in the conduct of lawful gambling.

64.12 (f) No distributor, distributor salesperson, or any representative, agent, affiliate, or  
64.13 other employee of a distributor may alter or modify any gambling equipment, except to  
64.14 add a "last ticket sold" prize sticker for a paper pull-tab game.

64.15 (g) No distributor, distributor salesperson, or any representative, agent, affiliate, or  
64.16 other employee of a distributor may: (1) recruit a person to become a gambling manager  
64.17 of an organization or identify to an organization a person as a candidate to become  
64.18 gambling manager for the organization; or (2) identify for an organization a potential  
64.19 gambling location.

64.20 (h) No distributor or distributor salesperson may purchase or lease gambling  
64.21 equipment for resale or lease to a person for use within the state from any person not  
64.22 licensed as a manufacturer under section 349.163, except for gambling equipment  
64.23 returned from an organization licensed under section 349.16, or exempt or excluded from  
64.24 licensing under section 349.166.

64.25 (i) No distributor or distributor salesperson may sell gambling equipment, except  
64.26 gambling equipment identified as a promotional ticket, to any person for use in Minnesota  
64.27 other than (i) a licensed organization or organization excluded or exempt from licensing,  
64.28 or (ii) the governing body of an Indian tribe.

64.29 (j) No distributor or distributor salesperson may sell or otherwise provide a paper  
64.30 pull-tab or tipboard deal with the symbol required by section 349.163, subdivision 5,  
64.31 paragraph (d), visible on the flare to any person other than in Minnesota to a licensed  
64.32 organization or organization exempt from licensing.

64.33 Sec. 41. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.162, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

64.34 Subd. 5. **Sales from facilities.** (a) All gambling equipment purchased or possessed  
64.35 by a licensed distributor for resale or lease to any person for use in Minnesota must, prior



65.1 to the equipment's resale or lease, be unloaded into a storage facility located in Minnesota  
65.2 which the distributor owns or leases; and which has been registered, in advance and in  
65.3 writing, with the Division of Alcohol and Gambling Enforcement as a storage facility of  
65.4 the distributor. All unregistered gambling equipment and all unaffixed registration stamps  
65.5 owned by, or in the possession of, a licensed distributor in the state of Minnesota shall be  
65.6 stored at a storage facility which has been registered with the Division of Alcohol and  
65.7 Gambling Enforcement. No gambling equipment may be moved from the facility unless  
65.8 the gambling equipment has been first registered with the board or the Department of  
65.9 Revenue. A distributor must notify the board of the method that it will use to sell and  
65.10 transfer electronic pull-tab games to licensed organizations, and must receive approval of  
65.11 the board before implementing or making changes to the approved method.

65.12 (b) Notwithstanding section 349.163, subdivisions 5, 6, and 8, a licensed  
65.13 manufacturer may ship into Minnesota approved or unapproved gambling equipment if the  
65.14 licensed manufacturer ships the gambling equipment to a Minnesota storage facility that  
65.15 is: (1) owned or leased by the licensed manufacturer; and (2) registered, in advance and  
65.16 in writing, with the Division of Alcohol and Gambling Enforcement as a manufacturer's  
65.17 storage facility. No gambling equipment may be shipped into Minnesota to the  
65.18 manufacturer's registered storage facility unless the shipment of the gambling equipment  
65.19 is reported to the Department of Revenue in a manner prescribed by the department.  
65.20 No gambling equipment may be moved from the storage facility unless the gambling  
65.21 equipment is sold to a licensed distributor and is otherwise in conformity with this chapter,  
65.22 is shipped to an out-of-state site and the shipment is reported to the Department of  
65.23 Revenue in a manner prescribed by the department, or is otherwise sold and shipped as  
65.24 permitted by board rule. A manufacturer must notify the board of the method that it will  
65.25 use to sell and transfer electronic pull-tab games to licensed distributors, and must receive  
65.26 approval of the board before implementing or making changes to the approved method.

65.27 (c) All storage facilities owned, leased, used, or operated by a licensed distributor  
65.28 or manufacturer may be entered upon and inspected by the employees of the Division of  
65.29 Alcohol and Gambling Enforcement, the Division of Alcohol and Gambling Enforcement  
65.30 director's authorized representatives, employees of the Gambling Control Board or its  
65.31 authorized representatives, employees of the Department of Revenue, or authorized  
65.32 representatives of the director of the Division of Special Taxes of the Department of  
65.33 Revenue during reasonable and regular business hours. Obstruction of, or failure to  
65.34 permit, entry and inspection is cause for revocation or suspension of a manufacturer's or  
65.35 distributor's licenses and permits issued under this chapter.

66.1 (d) Unregistered gambling equipment found at any location in Minnesota other than  
66.2 the manufacturing plant of a licensed manufacturer or a registered storage facility are  
66.3 contraband under section 349.2125. This paragraph does not apply:

66.4 (1) to unregistered gambling equipment being transported in interstate commerce  
66.5 between locations outside this state, if the interstate shipment is verified by a bill of lading  
66.6 or other valid shipping document; and

66.7 (2) to gambling equipment registered with the Department of Revenue for  
66.8 distribution to the tribal casinos.

66.9 Sec. 42. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.163, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

66.10 Subdivision 1. **License required.** No manufacturer of gambling equipment may  
66.11 sell any gambling equipment to any person for use or resale within the state, unless the  
66.12 manufacturer has a current and valid license issued by the board under this section and has  
66.13 satisfied other criteria prescribed by the board by rule. A manufacturer licensed under this  
66.14 section may also be licensed as a linked bingo game provider under section 349.1635.

66.15 A manufacturer licensed under this section may not also be directly or indirectly  
66.16 licensed as a distributor under section 349.161.

66.17 Sec. 43. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.163, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

66.18 Subd. 5. **Paper pull-tab and tipboard flares.** (a) A manufacturer may not ship or  
66.19 cause to be shipped into this state or sell for use or resale in this state any deal of paper  
66.20 pull-tabs or tipboards that does not have its own individual flare as required for that deal  
66.21 by this subdivision and rule of the board. A person other than a manufacturer may not  
66.22 manufacture, alter, modify, or otherwise change a flare for a deal of paper pull-tabs or  
66.23 tipboards except as allowed by this chapter or board rules.

66.24 (b) The flare of each paper pull-tab and tipboard game must have affixed to  
66.25 or imprinted at the bottom a bar code that provides all information required by the  
66.26 commissioner of revenue under section 297E.04, subdivision 2.

66.27 The serial number included in the bar code must be the same as the serial number  
66.28 of the tickets included in the deal. A manufacturer who manufactures a deal of paper  
66.29 pull-tabs must affix to the outside of the box containing that game the same bar code that  
66.30 is affixed to or imprinted at the bottom of a flare for that deal.

66.31 (c) No person may alter the bar code that appears on the outside of a box containing  
66.32 a deal of paper pull-tabs and tipboards. Possession of a box containing a deal of paper  
66.33 pull-tabs and tipboards that has a bar code different from the bar code of the deal inside  
66.34 the box is prima facie evidence that the possessor has altered the bar code on the box.

67.1 (d) The flare of each deal of paper pull-tabs and tipboards sold by a manufacturer for  
67.2 use or resale in Minnesota must have imprinted on it a symbol that is at least one inch high  
67.3 and one inch wide consisting of an outline of the geographic boundaries of Minnesota  
67.4 with the letters "MN" inside the outline. The flare must be placed inside the wrapping of  
67.5 the deal which the flare describes.

67.6 (e) Each paper pull-tab and tipboard flare must bear the following statement printed  
67.7 in letters large enough to be clearly legible:

67.8 "Pull-tab (or tipboard) purchasers – This pull-tab (or tipboard) game is not legal in  
67.9 Minnesota unless:

67.10 – an outline of Minnesota with letters "MN" inside it is imprinted on this sheet, and  
67.11 – the serial number imprinted on the bar code at the bottom of this sheet is the same  
67.12 as the serial number on the pull-tab (or tipboard) ticket you have purchased."

67.13 (f) The flare of each paper pull-tab and tipboard game must have the serial number  
67.14 of the game imprinted on the bar code at the bottom of the flare in numerals at least  
67.15 one-half inch high.

67.16 Sec. 44. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.163, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

67.17 Subd. 6. **Samples of gambling equipment.** (a) The board shall require each  
67.18 licensed manufacturer to submit to the board one or more samples of each item of gambling  
67.19 equipment ~~the manufacturer manufactures~~ manufactured for use or resale in this state.  
67.20 For purposes of this subdivision, a manufacturer is also required to submit the applicable  
67.21 version of any software necessary to operate electronic devices and related systems.

67.22 (b) The board shall inspect and test all the equipment, including software and  
67.23 software upgrades, it deems necessary to determine the equipment's compliance with  
67.24 law and board rules. Samples required under this subdivision must be approved by the  
67.25 board before the equipment being sampled is shipped into or sold for use or resale in this  
67.26 state. The board shall impose a fee of \$25 for each item of gambling equipment that the  
67.27 manufacturer submits for approval or for which the manufacturer requests approval. The  
67.28 board shall impose a fee of \$100 for each sample of gambling equipment that it tests.

67.29 (c) The board may require samples of gambling equipment to be tested by an  
67.30 independent testing laboratory prior to submission to the board for approval. All costs  
67.31 of testing by an independent testing laboratory must be borne by the manufacturer. An  
67.32 independent testing laboratory used by a manufacturer to test samples of gambling  
67.33 equipment must be approved by the board before the equipment is submitted to the  
67.34 laboratory for testing.

68.1           (d) The board may request the assistance of the commissioner of public safety and  
68.2 the director of the State Lottery in performing the tests.

68.3           Sec. 45. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.1635, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

68.4           Subd. 2. **License application.** The board may issue a license to a linked bingo game  
68.5 provider or to a manufacturer licensed under section 349.163 who meets the qualifications  
68.6 of this chapter and the rules promulgated by the board. The application shall be on a form  
68.7 prescribed by the board. The license is valid for two years and the fee for a linked bingo  
68.8 game provider license is \$5,000 per year.

68.9           Sec. 46. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.1635, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

68.10           Subd. 3. **Attachments to application.** An applicant for a linked bingo game  
68.11 provider license must attach to its application:

68.12           (1) evidence of a bond in the principal amount of \$100,000 payable to the state of  
68.13 Minnesota conditioned on the payment of all linked bingo prizes and any other money due  
68.14 and payable under this chapter;

68.15           (2) detailed plans and specifications for the operation of the linked bingo game and  
68.16 the linked bingo system, along with a proposed fee schedule for the cost of providing  
68.17 services and equipment to licensed organizations which may not exceed 15 percent of  
68.18 gross profits, unless a higher percentage, not to exceed 20 percent, is authorized by the  
68.19 board. The fee schedule must incorporate costs paid to distributors for services provided  
68.20 under subdivision 5; and

68.21           (3) any other information required by the board by rule.

68.22           Sec. 47. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.1635, is amended by adding a  
68.23 subdivision to read:

68.24           Subd. 5. **Linked bingo game services requirements.** (a) A linked bingo game  
68.25 provider must contract with licensed distributors for linked bingo game services including,  
68.26 but not limited to, the solicitation of agreements with licensed organizations, and  
68.27 installation, repair, or maintenance of the linked bingo game system.

68.28           (b) A distributor may not charge a fee to licensed organizations for services  
68.29 authorized and rendered under paragraph (a).

68.30           (c) A linked bingo game provider may not contract with any distributor on an  
68.31 exclusive basis.

69.1 (d) A linked bingo game provider may refuse to contract with a licensed distributor  
69.2 if the linked bingo game provider demonstrates that the licensed distributor is not capable  
69.3 of performing the services under the contract.

69.4 Sec. 48. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.165, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

69.5 Subd. 2. **Contents of application.** An application for a premises permit must  
69.6 contain:

69.7 (1) the name and address of the applying organization;

69.8 (2) a description of the site for which the permit is sought, including its address and,  
69.9 where applicable, its placement within another premises or establishment;

69.10 (3) if the site is leased, the name and address of the lessor and information about the  
69.11 lease the board requires, including all rents and other charges for the use of the site. The  
69.12 lease term is concurrent with the term of the premises permit. The lease must contain a  
69.13 ~~30-day~~ termination clause. No lease is required for the conduct of a raffle; and

69.14 (4) other information the board deems necessary to carry out its purposes.

69.15 An organization holding a premises permit must notify the board in writing within  
69.16 ten days whenever any material change is made in the above information.

69.17 Sec. 49. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.17, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

69.18 Subd. 6. **Conduct of bingo.** The price of a face played on an electronic bingo  
69.19 device may not be less than the price of a face on a bingo paper sheet sold for the same  
69.20 game at the same occasion. A game of bingo begins with the first letter and number called  
69.21 or displayed. Each player must cover, mark, or activate the numbers when bingo numbers  
69.22 are randomly selected, and announced, ~~and~~ or displayed to the players, ~~either manually~~  
69.23 ~~or with a flashboard and monitor.~~ The game is won when a player, using bingo paper,  
69.24 bingo hard card, or a facsimile of a bingo paper sheet, has completed, as described in the  
69.25 bingo program, a previously designated pattern or previously determined requirements  
69.26 of the game and declared bingo. The game is completed when a winning card, sheet, or  
69.27 facsimile is verified and a prize awarded pursuant to subdivision 3.

69.28 Sec. 50. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.17, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

69.29 Subd. 7. **Bar bingo.** An organization may conduct bar bingo subject to the  
69.30 following restrictions:

69.31 (1) the bingo is conducted at a site the organization owns or leases and which has a  
69.32 license for the sale of intoxicating beverages on the premises under chapter 340A; and

70.1 (2) the bingo is conducted using only bingo paper sheets or facsimiles of bingo paper  
70.2 sheets purchased from a licensed distributor or licensed linked bingo game provider; ~~and~~  
70.3 ~~(3) no rent may be paid for a bar bingo occasion.~~

70.4 Sec. 51. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.17, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

70.5 Subd. 8. **Linked bingo games.** (a) A licensed organization may conduct or  
70.6 participate in ~~not more than two~~ linked bingo games ~~per occasion, one of which may be a~~  
70.7 including progressive game games in which a portion of the prize is carried over from  
70.8 one ~~occasion~~ game to another until won by a player achieving a valid bingo ~~within a~~  
70.9 ~~predetermined amount of bingo numbers called~~ based upon a predetermined and posted  
70.10 win determination.

70.11 (b) ~~Each participating licensed organization shall contribute to each prize awarded in~~  
70.12 ~~a linked bingo game in an amount not to exceed \$300.~~ Linked bingo games may only be  
70.13 conducted by licensed organizations who have a valid agreement with the linked bingo  
70.14 game provider.

70.15 (c) An electronic bingo device as defined in section 349.12, subdivision 12a, may  
70.16 be used for a linked bingo game.

70.17 (d) The board may adopt rules to:

70.18 (1) specify the manner in which a linked bingo game must be played and how the  
70.19 linked bingo prizes must be awarded;

70.20 (2) specify the records to be maintained by a linked bingo game provider;

70.21 (3) require the submission of periodic reports by the linked bingo game provider and  
70.22 specify the content of the reports;

70.23 (4) establish the qualifications required to be licensed as a linked bingo game  
70.24 provider; and

70.25 (5) any other matter involving the operation of a linked bingo game.

70.26 Sec. 52. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.17, is amended by adding a subdivision  
70.27 to read:

70.28 Subd. 9. **Linked bingo games played exclusively on electronic bingo devices.** In  
70.29 addition to the requirements of subdivision 8, the following requirements and restrictions  
70.30 apply when linked bingo games are played exclusively on electronic bingo devices.

70.31 (a) The permitted premises must be:

70.32 (1) a premises licensed for the on-sale or off-sale of intoxicating liquor or 3.2 percent  
70.33 malt beverages, except for a general food store or drug store permitted to sell alcoholic  
70.34 beverages under section 340A.405, subdivision 1; or

71.1 (2) a premises where bingo is conducted as the primary business and has a seating  
 71.2 capacity of at least 100.

71.3 (b) The number of electronic bingo devices is limited to:

71.4 (1) no more than six devices in play for permitted premises with 200 seats or less;

71.5 (2) no more than 12 devices in play for permitted premises with 201 seats or more;

71.6 and

71.7 (3) no more than 50 devices in play for permitted premises where bingo is the  
 71.8 primary business.

71.9 Seating capacity is determined as specified under the local fire code.

71.10 (c) Prior to a bingo occasion, the linked bingo game provider, on behalf of the  
 71.11 participating organizations, must provide to the board a bingo program in a format  
 71.12 prescribed by the board.

71.13 (d) Before participating in the play of a linked bingo game, a player must present  
 71.14 and register a valid picture identification card that includes the player's address and  
 71.15 date of birth.

71.16 (e) An organization may remove from play a device that a player has not maintained  
 71.17 in an activated mode for a specified period of time determined by the organization. The  
 71.18 organization must provide the notice in its house rules.

71.19 Sec. 53. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.1711, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

71.20 Subdivision 1. **Sale of tickets.** (a) Tipboard games must be played using only  
 71.21 tipboard tickets that are either (1) attached to a placard and arranged in columns or rows,  
 71.22 or (2) separate from the placard and contained in a receptacle while the game is in play.  
 71.23 The placard serves as the game flare.

71.24 (b) Except for a sports-themed tipboard, the placard must contain a seal that conceals  
 71.25 the winning number or symbol. When a tipboard ticket is purchased and opened from a  
 71.26 game containing more than 32 tickets, each player having a tipboard ticket with one or  
 71.27 more predesignated numbers or symbols must sign the placard at the line indicated by the  
 71.28 number or symbol on the tipboard ticket.

71.29 Sec. 54. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.1711, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

71.30 Subd. 2. **Determination of winners.** When the predesignated numbers or symbols  
 71.31 have all been purchased, or all of the tipboard tickets for that game have been sold,  
 71.32 the seal must be removed to reveal a number or symbol that determines which of the  
 71.33 predesignated numbers or symbols is the winning number or symbol. A tipboard may also  
 71.34 contain consolation winners, or winning chances that are determined in whole or in part

72.1 by the numerical outcome of one or more professional sporting events, that need not be  
72.2 determined by the use of the seal.

72.3 Sec. 55. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.1721, is amended to read:

72.4 **349.1721 CONDUCT OF PULL-TABS.**

72.5 Subdivision 1. **Cumulative or carryover games.** The board shall by rule permit  
72.6 pull-tab games with multiple seals. The board shall also adopt rules for pull-tab games with  
72.7 cumulative or carryover prizes. The rules shall also apply to electronic pull-tab games.

72.8 Subd. 2. **Event games.** The board shall by rule permit pull-tab games in which  
72.9 certain winners are determined by the random selection of one or more bingo numbers  
72.10 or by another method approved by the board. The rules shall also apply to electronic  
72.11 pull-tab games.

72.12 **Subd. 3. Pull-tab dispensing device location restrictions and requirements.**  
72.13 The following pertain to pull-tab dispensing devices as defined under section 349.12,  
72.14 subdivision 32a.

72.15 (a) The use of any pull-tab dispensing device must be at a permitted premises  
72.16 which is:

72.17 (1) a licensed premises for on-sale of intoxicating liquor or 3.2 percent malt  
72.18 beverages;

72.19 (2) a premises where bingo is conducted as the primary business; or

72.20 (3) an establishment licensed for the off-sale of intoxicating liquor, other than drug  
72.21 stores and general food stores licensed under section 340A.405, subdivision 1.

72.22 (b) The number of pull-tab dispensing devices located at any permitted premises  
72.23 is limited to three.

72.24 **Subd. 4. Electronic pull-tab device requirements and restrictions.** The following  
72.25 pertain to the use of electronic pull-tab devices as defined under section 349.12,  
72.26 subdivision 12b.

72.27 (a) The use of any electronic pull-tab device may only be at a permitted premises  
72.28 that is:

72.29 (1) a premises licensed for the on-sale or off-sale of intoxicating liquor or 3.2 percent  
72.30 malt beverages, except for a general food store or drug store permitted to sell alcoholic  
72.31 beverages under section 340A.405, subdivision 1; or

72.32 (2) a premises where bingo is conducted as the primary business and has a seating  
72.33 capacity of at least 100; and

72.34 (3) where the licensed organization sells paper pull-tabs.

72.35 (b) The number of electronic pull-tab devices is limited to:



73.1 (1) no more than six devices in play at any permitted premises with 200 seats or less;

73.2 (2) no more than 12 devices in play at any permitted premises with 201 seats

73.3 or more; and

73.4 (3) no more than 50 devices in play at any permitted premises where the primary

73.5 business is bingo.

73.6 Seating capacity is determined as specified under the local fire code.

73.7 (c) The hours of operation for the devices are limited to 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m.

73.8 (d) All electronic pull-tab games must be sold and played on the permitted premises

73.9 and may not be linked to other permitted premises.

73.10 (e) Electronic pull-tab games may not be transferred electronically or otherwise to

73.11 any other location by the licensed organization.

73.12 (f) Electronic pull-tab games may be commingled if the games are from the same

73.13 family of games and manufacturer and contain the same game name, form number, type

73.14 of game, ticket count, prize amounts, and prize denominations. Each commingled game

73.15 must have a unique serial number.

73.16 (g) An organization may remove from play a device that a player has not maintained

73.17 in an activated mode for a specified period of time determined by the organization. The

73.18 organization must provide the notice in its house rules.

73.19 (h) Before participating in the play of an electronic pull-tab game, a player must

73.20 present and register a valid picture identification card that includes the player's address

73.21 and date of birth.

73.22 (i) Each player is limited to the use of one device at a time.

73.23 Subd. 5. **Multiple chance games.** The board may permit pull-tab games in which

73.24 the holders of certain predesignated winning tickets, with a prize value not to exceed \$75

73.25 each, have the option of turning in the winning tickets for the chance to win a prize of

73.26 greater value.

73.27 Sec. 56. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.18, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

73.28 Subdivision 1. **Lease or ownership required; rent limitations.** (a) An organization

73.29 may conduct lawful gambling only on premises it owns or leases. Leases must be on a

73.30 form prescribed by the board. The term of the lease is concurrent with the premises permit.

73.31 Leases approved by the board must specify that the board may authorize an organization

73.32 to withhold rent from a lessor for a period of up to 90 days if the board determines that

73.33 illegal gambling occurred on the premises or that the lessor or its employees participated

73.34 in the illegal gambling or knew of the gambling and did not take prompt action to stop the

73.35 gambling. The lease must authorize the continued tenancy of the organization without

74.1 the payment of rent during the time period determined by the board under this paragraph.  
74.2 Copies of all leases must be made available to employees of the board and the Division of  
74.3 Alcohol and Gambling Enforcement on request.

74.4 (b) Rent paid by an organization for leased premises for the conduct of ~~pull-tabs,~~  
74.5 ~~tipboards, and paddle wheels~~ lawful gambling is subject to the following limits and  
74.6 restrictions:

74.7 (1) For booth operations, ~~including booth operations where a pull-tab dispensing~~  
74.8 ~~device is located, booth operations where a bar operation is also conducted, and booth~~  
74.9 ~~operations where both a pull-tab dispensing device is located and a bar operation is also~~  
74.10 ~~conducted, the maximum rent is:~~ monthly rent may not exceed ten percent of gross profits  
74.11 for that month. Total rent paid to a lessor from all organizations from leases governed by  
74.12 this clause may not exceed \$1,750 per month.

74.13 (i) ~~in any month where the organization's gross profit at those premises does not~~  
74.14 ~~exceed \$4,000, up to \$400; and~~

74.15 (ii) ~~in any month where the organization's gross profit at those premises exceeds~~  
74.16 ~~\$4,000, up to \$400 plus not more than ten percent of the gross profit for that month in~~  
74.17 ~~excess of \$4,000;~~

74.18 (2) For bar operations, ~~including bar operations where a pull-tab dispensing device~~  
74.19 ~~is located but not including bar operations subject to clause (1), and for locations where~~  
74.20 ~~only a pull-tab dispensing device is located:~~ monthly rent may not exceed:

74.21 (i) 15 percent of the gross profits for that month from electronic pull-tab games and  
74.22 electronic linked bingo games; and

74.23 (ii) more than 20 percent of gross profits from all other forms of lawful gambling.

74.24 (i) ~~in any month where the organization's gross profit at those premises does not~~  
74.25 ~~exceed \$1,000, up to \$200; and~~

74.26 (ii) ~~in any month where the organization's gross profit at those premises exceeds~~  
74.27 ~~\$1,000, up to \$200 plus not more than 20 percent of the gross profit for that month~~  
74.28 ~~in excess of \$1,000;~~

74.29 (3) ~~a lease not governed by clauses (1) and (2) must be approved by the board before~~  
74.30 ~~becoming effective;~~ For electronic linked bingo games and electronic pull-tab games that  
74.31 are operated for separate time periods within a business day by an organization and the  
74.32 lessor, monthly rent may not be more than:

74.33 (i) 15 percent of the gross profits for that month for the time periods operated by  
74.34 the lessor. The lessor is responsible for cash shortages that occur during the time periods  
74.35 the games are operated by the lessor; and

75.1 (ii) ten percent of gross profits for that month for the time periods operated by the  
 75.2 organization. The organization is responsible for cash shortages that occur during the time  
 75.3 periods the games are operated by the organization.

75.4 ~~(4) total rent paid to a lessor from all organizations from leases governed by clause~~  
 75.5 ~~(1) may not exceed \$1,750 per month.~~

75.6 ~~(c) Rent paid by an organization for leased premises for the conduct of bingo is~~  
 75.7 ~~subject to either of the following limits at the option of the parties to the lease:~~

75.8 ~~(1) (4) For bingo conducted at a leased premises where the primary business is~~  
 75.9 ~~bingo, rent is limited to either not more than ten percent of the monthly gross profit from~~  
 75.10 ~~all lawful gambling activities held during bingo occasions, excluding bar bingo or at a~~  
 75.11 ~~rate based on a cost per square foot not to exceed 110 percent of a comparable cost per~~  
 75.12 ~~square foot for leased space as approved by the director; and.~~

75.13 ~~(2) (5) No rent may be paid for bar bingo as defined in section 349.12, subdivision 3c.~~

75.14 (6) A lease not governed by clauses (1) to (5) must be approved by the director  
 75.15 before becoming effective.

75.16 ~~(d) (c) Amounts paid as rent under leases are all-inclusive. No other services or~~  
 75.17 ~~expenses provided or contracted by the lessor may be paid by the organization, including,~~  
 75.18 ~~but not limited to, trash removal, janitorial and cleaning services, snow removal, lawn~~  
 75.19 ~~services, electricity, heat, security, security monitoring, storage, and other utilities or~~  
 75.20 ~~services, and, in the case of bar operations, cash shortages, unless approved by the~~  
 75.21 ~~director. The lessor shall be responsible for the cost of any communications network or~~  
 75.22 ~~service required to conduct electronic pull-tab games or electronic bingo games. Any~~  
 75.23 ~~other expenditure made by an organization that is related to a leased premises must be~~  
 75.24 ~~approved by the director. For bar operations, the lessor is responsible for cash shortages.~~  
 75.25 ~~An organization may not provide any compensation or thing of value to a lessor or the~~  
 75.26 ~~lessor's employees from any fund source other than its gambling account. Rent payments~~  
 75.27 ~~may not be made to an individual.~~

75.28 ~~(e) (d) Notwithstanding paragraph (b), an organization may pay a lessor for food~~  
 75.29 ~~or beverages or meeting room rental if the charge made is comparable to similar charges~~  
 75.30 ~~made to other individuals or groups.~~

75.31 ~~(f) No entity other than the (e) A licensed organization may not conduct any activity~~  
 75.32 ~~within a booth operation on behalf of the lessor on a leased premises.~~

75.33 Sec. 57. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.19, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

76.1 Subd. 2. **Accounts.** (a) Gross receipts from lawful gambling by each organization  
76.2 must be segregated from all other revenues of the conducting organization and placed in a  
76.3 separate gambling bank account.

76.4 (b) All expenditures for allowable expenses, taxes, and lawful purposes must be  
76.5 made from the separate account except (1) in the case of expenditures previously approved  
76.6 by the organization's membership for emergencies as defined by board rule, (2) as provided  
76.7 in subdivision 2a, or (3) when restricted to one electronic fund transaction for the payment  
76.8 of taxes for the organization as a whole, the organization may transfer the amount of taxes  
76.9 related to the conduct of gambling to the general account at the time when due and payable.

76.10 (c) The name and address of the bank, the account number for the separate account,  
76.11 and the names of organization members authorized as signatories on the separate account  
76.12 must be provided to the board when the application is submitted. Changes in the  
76.13 information must be submitted to the board at least ten days before the change is made.

76.14 (d) Except for gambling receipts from electronic pull-tab games and linked  
76.15 electronic bingo games, gambling receipts must be deposited into the gambling bank  
76.16 account within four business days of completion of the bingo occasion, deal, or game from  
76.17 which they are received.

76.18 (1) A deal of paper pull-tabs is considered complete when either the last pull-tab of  
76.19 the deal is sold or the organization does not continue the play of the deal during the next  
76.20 scheduled period of time in which the organization will conduct pull-tabs.

76.21 (2) A tipboard game is considered complete when the seal on the game flare is  
76.22 uncovered or the organization does not continue the play of the deal during the next  
76.23 scheduled period of time in which the organization will conduct tipboards.

76.24 (e) Gambling receipts from all electronic pull-tab games and all linked electronic  
76.25 bingo games must be recorded on a daily basis and deposited into the gambling bank  
76.26 account within two business days.

76.27 ~~(e)~~ (f) Deposit records must be sufficient to allow determination of deposits made  
76.28 from each bingo occasion, deal, or game at each permitted premises.

76.29 ~~(f)~~ (g) The person who accounts for gambling gross receipts and profits may not be  
76.30 the same person who accounts for other revenues of the organization.

76.31 Sec. 58. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.19, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

76.32 Subd. 3. **Expenditures.** (a) All expenditures of gross profits from lawful gambling  
76.33 must be itemized as to payee, purpose, amount, and date of payment.

77.1 (b) Each licensed organization must report monthly to the board ~~on a form~~ in an  
77.2 electronic format prescribed by the board each expenditure or contribution of net profits  
77.3 from lawful gambling. The reports must provide for each expenditure or contribution:

77.4 (1) the name of the recipient of the expenditure or contribution;

77.5 (2) the date the expenditure or contribution was approved by the organization;

77.6 (3) the date, amount, and check number or electronic transfer confirmation number  
77.7 of the expenditure or contribution;

77.8 (4) a brief description of how the expenditure or contribution meets one or more of  
77.9 the purposes in section 349.12, subdivision 25; and

77.10 (5) in the case of expenditures authorized under section 349.12, subdivision 25,  
77.11 paragraph (a), clause (7), whether the expenditure is for a facility or activity that primarily  
77.12 benefits male or female participants.

77.13 (c) Authorization of the expenditures must be recorded in the monthly meeting  
77.14 minutes of the licensed organization.

77.15 (d) Checks or authorizations for electronic fund transfers for expenditures of gross  
77.16 profits must be signed by at least two persons authorized by board rules to sign the  
77.17 checks or authorizations.

77.18 (e) Expenditures of gross profits from lawful gambling for local, state, and federal  
77.19 taxes as identified in section 349.12, subdivision 25, paragraph (a), clause (8), may be  
77.20 transferred electronically from the organization's gambling account directly to bank  
77.21 accounts identified by local, state, or federal agencies if the organization's gambling  
77.22 account monthly bank statement specifically identifies the payee by name, the amount  
77.23 transferred, and the date of the transaction.

77.24 (f) Expenditures of gross profits from lawful gambling for payments for lawful  
77.25 purpose expenditures and allowable expenses may be transferred electronically from the  
77.26 organization's gambling account directly to bank accounts identified by the vendor if the  
77.27 organization's gambling account monthly bank statement specifically identifies the payee  
77.28 by name, the amount transferred, the account number of the account into which the funds  
77.29 were transferred, and the date of the transaction.

77.30 (g) Expenditures of gross profits from lawful gambling for payroll compensation  
77.31 to an employee's account and for the payment of local, state, and federal withholding  
77.32 taxes may be transferred electronically to and from the account of a payroll processing  
77.33 firm provided that the firm:

77.34 (1) is currently registered with and meets the criteria of the Department of Revenue  
77.35 as a third-party bulk filer under section 290.92, subdivision 30;

78.1 (2) is able to provide proof of a third-party audit and an annual report and statement  
78.2 of financial condition;

78.3 (3) is able to provide evidence of a fidelity bond; and

78.4 (4) can provide proof of having been in business as a third-party bulk filer for the  
78.5 most recent three years.

78.6 (h) Electronic payments of taxes, lawful purpose expenditures, and allowable  
78.7 expenses are permitted only if they have been authorized by the membership, the  
78.8 organization maintains supporting documentation, and the expenditures can be verified.

78.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2012.

78.10 Sec. 59. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.19, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

78.11 Subd. 5. **Reports.** (a) A licensed organization must report monthly to the  
78.12 ~~Department of Revenue~~ board in an electronic format prescribed by the board and to its  
78.13 membership ~~monthly, or quarterly in the case of a licensed organization which does not~~  
78.14 ~~report more than \$1,000 in gross receipts from lawful gambling in any calendar quarter,~~  
78.15 on its gross receipts, expenses, profits, and expenditure of profits from lawful gambling  
78.16 for each permitted premises. The organization must account for and report on each form  
78.17 of lawful gambling conducted. The ~~report~~ organization must include a reconciliation of  
78.18 the organization's profit carryover with its cash balance on hand. ~~If the organization~~  
78.19 ~~conducts both bingo and other forms of lawful gambling, the figures for both must be~~  
78.20 ~~reported separately.~~

78.21 (b) The organization must report ~~annually to its membership and annually file with~~  
78.22 ~~the board a financial summary report in a format prescribed by the board that identifies the~~  
78.23 ~~organization's receipts and use of lawful gambling proceeds, including:~~ monthly to the  
78.24 commissioner of revenue as required under section 297E.06.

78.25 ~~(1) gross receipts;~~

78.26 ~~(2) prizes paid;~~

78.27 ~~(3) allowable expenses;~~

78.28 ~~(4) lawful purpose expenditures, including annual totals for types of charitable~~  
78.29 ~~contributions and all taxes and fees as per section 349.12, subdivision 25, paragraph~~  
78.30 ~~(a), clauses (8) and (18);~~

78.31 ~~(5) the percentage of annual gross profits used for charitable contributions; and~~

78.32 ~~(6) the percentage of annual gross profits used for all taxes and fees as per section~~  
78.33 ~~349.12, subdivision 25, paragraph (a), clauses (8) and (18);~~

78.34 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2012.

79.1 Sec. 60. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.19, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

79.2 Subd. 10. **Pull-tab records.** (a) The board shall by rule require a licensed  
79.3 organization to require each winner of a paper pull-tab prize of \$50 or more to present  
79.4 identification in the form of a driver's license, Minnesota identification card, or other  
79.5 identification the board deems sufficient to allow the identification and tracking of the  
79.6 winner. The rule must require the organization to retain winning paper pull-tabs of \$50 or  
79.7 more, and the identification of the winner of the pull-tab, for 3-1/2 years.

79.8 (b) An organization must maintain separate cash banks for each deal of paper  
79.9 pull-tabs unless (1) the licensed organization uses a pull-tab dispensing device, or (2) the  
79.10 organization uses a cash register, of a type approved by the board, which records all  
79.11 sales of paper pull-tabs by separate deals.

79.12 (c) The board shall:

79.13 (1) by rule adopt minimum technical standards for cash registers that may be used  
79.14 by organizations, and shall approve for use by organizations any cash register that meets  
79.15 the standards; and

79.16 (2) before allowing an organization to use a cash register that commingles receipts  
79.17 from several different paper pull-tab games in play, adopt rules that define how cash  
79.18 registers may be used and that establish a procedure for organizations to reconcile all  
79.19 pull-tab games in play at the end of each month.

79.20 Sec. 61. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.211, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

79.21 Subd. 1a. **Linked bingo prizes.** Prizes for a linked bingo game shall be limited  
79.22 as follows:

79.23 (1) ~~no organization may contribute more than \$300 per linked bingo game to a~~  
79.24 ~~linked bingo prize pool~~ for linked bingo games played without electronic bingo devices,  
79.25 an organization may not contribute to a linked bingo game prize pool more than \$300  
79.26 per linked bingo game per site;

79.27 (2) for linked bingo games played exclusively with electronic bingo devices, an  
79.28 organization may not contribute more than 85 percent of the gross receipts per permitted  
79.29 premises to a linked bingo game prize pool;

79.30 ~~(2) (3)~~ (3) no organization may award more than \$200 for a linked bingo game  
79.31 consolation prize. For purposes of this subdivision, a linked bingo game consolation  
79.32 prize is a prize awarded by an organization after a prize from the linked bingo prize pool  
79.33 has been won; ~~and~~

79.34 ~~(3) (4)~~ (4) for a progressive linked bingo game, if no player declares a valid bingo  
79.35 ~~within the~~ for a progressive prize or prizes based on a predetermined amount of bingo

80.1 ~~numbers called and posted win determination, a portion of the prize is gross receipts~~  
80.2 ~~may be carried over to another occasion game until the accumulated progressive prize~~  
80.3 ~~is won. The portion of the prize that is not carried over must be awarded to the first~~  
80.4 ~~player or players who declares a valid bingo as additional numbers are called. If a valid~~  
80.5 ~~bingo is declared within the predetermined amount of bingo numbers called, the entire~~  
80.6 ~~prize pool for that game is awarded to the winner. The annual limit for progressive bingo~~  
80.7 ~~game prizes contained in subdivision 2 must be reduced by the amount an organization~~  
80.8 ~~contributes to progressive linked bingo games during the same calendar year.; and~~  
80.9 (5) for linked bingo games played exclusively with electronic bingo devices, linked  
80.10 bingo prizes in excess of \$599 shall be paid by the linked bingo game provider to the  
80.11 player within three business days. Winners of linked bingo prizes in excess of \$599 will  
80.12 be given a receipt or claim voucher as proof of a win.

80.13 Sec. 62. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 349.211, subdivision 2c, is amended to read:

80.14 Subd. 2c. **Tipboard prizes.** (a) The maximum prize which may be awarded for  
80.15 a tipboard ticket is \$599 for \$2 and under tipboard tickets, \$899 for \$3 tipboard tickets,  
80.16 \$1,199 for \$4 tipboard tickets, and \$1,499 for \$5 tipboard tickets, not including any  
80.17 cumulative or carryover prizes. Cumulative or carryover prizes in tipboard games shall  
80.18 not exceed \$2,500. An organization may not sell any tipboard ticket for more than \$5.

80.19 (b) For sports-themed tipboards, the total prize payout may not exceed the amount in  
80.20 section 349.2113, and each chance or ticket may not be sold for more than \$10.

80.21 Sec. 63. **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY; OVERSIGHT OF**  
80.22 **BACKGROUND CHECKS.**

80.23 The Department of Public Safety shall exercise oversight over all background  
80.24 checks on manufacturers and distributors who supply machines, games, software, or other  
80.25 gambling materials used in electronic pull-tabs, electronic bingo, or professional sports  
80.26 tipboards, to ensure the integrity of new forms of gambling entering the Minnesota market.

80.27 Sec. 64. **SEVERABILITY.**

80.28 If any provision of this act is found to be invalid because it is in conflict with a  
80.29 provision of the Minnesota Constitution or the Constitution of the United States, or for any  
80.30 other reason, all other provisions of this act shall remain valid and any rights, remedies,  
80.31 and privileges that have been otherwise accrued by this act, shall remain in effect and may  
80.32 be proceeded with and concluded under this act.



81.1 Sec. 65. **APPROPRIATION.**

81.2 (a) \$1,219,000 in fiscal year 2013 is appropriated from the lawful gambling  
81.3 regulation account in the special revenue fund to the Gambling Control Board for  
81.4 operating expenses related to the regulatory oversight of lawful gambling for electronic  
81.5 pull-tabs and electronic linked bingo.

81.6 (b) \$250,000 in fiscal year 2013 is appropriated from the lawful gambling regulation  
81.7 account in the special revenue fund to the Department of Public Safety for expenses related  
81.8 to the oversight of lawful gambling for electronic pull-tabs and electronic linked bingo.

81.9 Sec. 66. **REPEALER.**

81.10 Minnesota Statutes 2010, sections 297E.02, subdivision 4; 349.15, subdivision 3;  
81.11 and 349.19, subdivision 2a, are repealed.

81.12 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for games sold by a licensed  
81.13 distributor after June 30, 2012, and the commissioner of revenue retains the authority to  
81.14 issue refunds under Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 297E.02, subdivision 4, paragraph  
81.15 (d), for games sold before July 1, 2012.

81.16 Sec. 67. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

81.17 Unless otherwise specifically provided, this act is effective the day following final  
81.18 enactment.

81.19 **ARTICLE 5**81.20 **MISCELLANEOUS**81.21 Section 1. **[245.981] COMPULSIVE GAMBLING ANNUAL REPORT.**

81.22 (a) Each year by February 15, 2014, and thereafter, the commissioner of human  
81.23 services shall report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative  
81.24 committees having jurisdiction over compulsive gambling on the percentage of gambling  
81.25 revenues that come from gamblers identified as problem gamblers, or a similarly defined  
81.26 term, as defined by the National Council on Problem Gambling. The report must  
81.27 disaggregate the revenue by the various types of gambling, including, but not limited to:  
81.28 lottery; electronic and paper pull-tabs; bingo; linked bingo; and pari-mutuel betting.

81.29 (b) By February 15, 2013, the commissioner shall provide a preliminary update for  
81.30 the report required under paragraph (a) to the chairs and ranking minority members of the  
81.31 legislative committees having jurisdiction over compulsive gambling and the estimated  
81.32 cost of the full report.

82.1 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 297A.71, is amended by adding a subdivision  
82.2 to read:

82.3 Subd. 44. **Building materials, capital projects.** Materials and supplies used or  
82.4 consumed in and equipment incorporated into the construction or improvement of a  
82.5 capital project funded partially or wholly under section 297A.9905 are exempt, provided  
82.6 that the project has a total construction cost of at least \$40,000,000 within a 24-month  
82.7 period. The tax on purchases exempt under this provision must be imposed and collected  
82.8 as if the rate under section 297A.62, subdivision 1, applied and then refunded in the  
82.9 manner provided in section 297A.75.

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

82.12 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2011 Supplement, section 297A.75, subdivision 1, is  
82.13 amended to read:

82.14 Subdivision 1. **Tax collected.** The tax on the gross receipts from the sale of the  
82.15 following exempt items must be imposed and collected as if the sale were taxable and the  
82.16 rate under section 297A.62, subdivision 1, applied. The exempt items include:

82.17 (1) capital equipment exempt under section 297A.68, subdivision 5;

82.18 (2) building materials for an agricultural processing facility exempt under section  
82.19 297A.71, subdivision 13;

82.20 (3) building materials for mineral production facilities exempt under section  
82.21 297A.71, subdivision 14;

82.22 (4) building materials for correctional facilities under section 297A.71, subdivision  
82.23 3;

82.24 (5) building materials used in a residence for disabled veterans exempt under section  
82.25 297A.71, subdivision 11;

82.26 (6) elevators and building materials exempt under section 297A.71, subdivision 12;

82.27 (7) building materials for the Long Lake Conservation Center exempt under section  
82.28 297A.71, subdivision 17;

82.29 (8) materials and supplies for qualified low-income housing under section 297A.71,  
82.30 subdivision 23;

82.31 (9) materials, supplies, and equipment for municipal electric utility facilities under  
82.32 section 297A.71, subdivision 35;

82.33 (10) equipment and materials used for the generation, transmission, and distribution  
82.34 of electrical energy and an aerial camera package exempt under section 297A.68,  
82.35 subdivision 37;

83.1 (11) tangible personal property and taxable services and construction materials,  
83.2 supplies, and equipment exempt under section 297A.68, subdivision 41;

83.3 (12) commuter rail vehicle and repair parts under section 297A.70, subdivision  
83.4 3, clause (11);

83.5 (13) materials, supplies, and equipment for construction or improvement of projects  
83.6 and facilities under section 297A.71, subdivision 40;

83.7 (14) materials, supplies, and equipment for construction or improvement of a meat  
83.8 processing facility exempt under section 297A.71, subdivision 41;

83.9 (15) materials, supplies, and equipment for construction, improvement, or expansion  
83.10 of an aerospace defense manufacturing facility exempt under section 297A.71, subdivision  
83.11 42; ~~and~~

83.12 (16) enterprise information technology equipment and computer software for use in  
83.13 a qualified data center exempt under section 297A.68, subdivision 42; and

83.14 (17) materials, supplies, and equipment for qualifying capital projects under section  
83.15 297A.71, subdivision 34.

83.16 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2011 Supplement, section 297A.75, subdivision 2, is  
83.17 amended to read:

83.18 Subd. 2. **Refund; eligible persons.** Upon application on forms prescribed by the  
83.19 commissioner, a refund equal to the tax paid on the gross receipts of the exempt items  
83.20 must be paid to the applicant. Only the following persons may apply for the refund:

83.21 (1) for subdivision 1, clauses (1) to (3), the applicant must be the purchaser;

83.22 (2) for subdivision 1, clauses (4) and (7), the applicant must be the governmental  
83.23 subdivision;

83.24 (3) for subdivision 1, clause (5), the applicant must be the recipient of the benefits  
83.25 provided in United States Code, title 38, chapter 21;

83.26 (4) for subdivision 1, clause (6), the applicant must be the owner of the homestead  
83.27 property;

83.28 (5) for subdivision 1, clause (8), the owner of the qualified low-income housing  
83.29 project;

83.30 (6) for subdivision 1, clause (9), the applicant must be a municipal electric utility or  
83.31 a joint venture of municipal electric utilities;

83.32 (7) for subdivision 1, clauses (10), (11), (14), (15), and (16), the owner of the  
83.33 qualifying business; and

83.34 (8) for subdivision 1, clauses (12) ~~and~~, (13), and (17), the applicant must be the  
83.35 governmental entity that owns or contracts for the project or facility.

84.1 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2011 Supplement, section 297A.75, subdivision 3, is  
84.2 amended to read:

84.3 Subd. 3. **Application.** (a) The application must include sufficient information  
84.4 to permit the commissioner to verify the tax paid. If the tax was paid by a contractor,  
84.5 subcontractor, or builder, under subdivision 1, clause (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11),  
84.6 (12), (13), (14), (15), ~~or (16), or (17)~~, the contractor, subcontractor, or builder must  
84.7 furnish to the refund applicant a statement including the cost of the exempt items and the  
84.8 taxes paid on the items unless otherwise specifically provided by this subdivision. The  
84.9 provisions of sections 289A.40 and 289A.50 apply to refunds under this section.

84.10 (b) An applicant may not file more than two applications per calendar year for  
84.11 refunds for taxes paid on capital equipment exempt under section 297A.68, subdivision 5.

84.12 (c) Total refunds for purchases of items in section 297A.71, subdivision 40, must not  
84.13 exceed \$5,000,000 in fiscal years 2010 and 2011. Applications for refunds for purchases  
84.14 of items in sections 297A.70, subdivision 3, paragraph (a), clause (11), and 297A.71,  
84.15 subdivision 40, must not be filed until after June 30, 2009.

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

84.18 Sec. 6. **[297A.9905] USE OF LOCAL TAX REVENUES BY CITIES OF THE**  
84.19 **FIRST CLASS.**

84.20 (a) Notwithstanding section 297A.99, or other general or special law or charter  
84.21 provision, if the revenues from any local tax imposed on retail sales under special law  
84.22 by a city of the first class exceeds the amount needed to fund the uses authorized in the  
84.23 special law, the city may expend the excess revenue from the tax to fund other capital  
84.24 projects of regional significance.

84.25 (b) For purposes of this section:

84.26 (1) "city of the first class" has the meaning given in section 410.01; and

84.27 (2) "capital project of regional significance" means construction, expansion, or  
84.28 renovation of a sports facility or convention or civic center, that has a construction cost  
84.29 of at least \$40,000,000.

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

84.31 Sec. 7. **USE OF THE STADIUM.**

84.32 Subdivision 1. **Amateur sports use.** The lessee of the stadium must make the  
84.33 facilities of the stadium available to the Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission up to

85.1 ten days each year on terms satisfactory to the commission for amateur sports activities  
85.2 consistent with Minnesota Statutes, chapter 240A, each year during the time the bonds  
85.3 issued pursuant to this act are outstanding. The commission must negotiate in good faith  
85.4 and may be required to pay no more than actual out-of-pocket expenses for the time  
85.5 it uses the stadium.

85.6 Subd. 2. **High school league.** The lessee of the stadium must make the facilities of  
85.7 the stadium available for use by the Minnesota State High School League for at least seven  
85.8 days each year for high school soccer and football tournaments. The lessee of the stadium  
85.9 must provide, and may not charge the league a fee for, this use, including security, ticket  
85.10 takers, custodial or cleaning services, or other similar services in connection with this use.

## 85.11 **ARTICLE 6**

### 85.12 **STADIUM BLINK-ON FUNDING**

85.13 Section 1. **[16A.1524] BACKUP REVENUES; FOOTBALL STADIUM**  
85.14 **FUNDING.**

85.15 (a) If the commissioner of management and budget determines that the amount  
85.16 of revenues under section 297E.021, subdivision 2, for the next fiscal year will be less  
85.17 than the amounts specified in section 297E.021, subdivision 3, paragraph (a), clause  
85.18 (1), items (i) to (iii), for that fiscal year, the commissioner may implement the revenue  
85.19 options authorized in this article; provided that this section does not constitute a pledge of  
85.20 tax revenues as security for the payment of principal and interest on appropriation bonds  
85.21 issued under section 16A.695. If the commissioner determines to exercise the authority  
85.22 under this section for a fiscal year, the commissioner must implement the revenue options,  
85.23 as necessary, in the following order:

85.24 (1) a sports-themed lottery game under section 349A.20; and

85.25 (2) a tax on suites as provided under section 473J.14.

85.26 (b) Revenue raised under the authority granted by this section must be deposited  
85.27 in the general fund.

85.28 (c) If the commissioner determines to implement one or more of the revenue options  
85.29 authorized by this section, each subsequent year the commissioner must determine if  
85.30 the revenue is needed and will be imposed and collected for the next fiscal year. If the  
85.31 commissioner determines that one or more revenue options implemented for a fiscal year  
85.32 are not needed for a subsequent fiscal year, the commissioner must terminate them in the  
85.33 reverse order they were required to be implemented by paragraph (a) with the last option  
85.34 implemented terminated first and so forth.

86.1 (d) Before implementing a revenue source authorized under this section, the  
86.2 commissioner must report the intent to do so to the Legislative Commission on Planning  
86.3 and Fiscal Policy. The commissioner must inform the commission of determinations to  
86.4 continue or discontinue each revenue source for a subsequent fiscal year.

86.5 (e) The provisions of this section no longer apply after the Minnesota Sports  
86.6 Facilities Authority certifies to the commissioner that it has determined that the revenues  
86.7 of the general fund under section 297A.994, the increased revenues under chapter 297E,  
86.8 and other available resources of the authority provide adequate financial security for  
86.9 the state and the authority.

86.10 **Sec. 2. [349A.20] STADIUM, SPORTS-THEMED GAMES.**

86.11 The State Lottery shall conduct games based on stadium or professional sports  
86.12 themes to generate a minimum of \$2,100,000 in additional revenue for the fiscal year for  
86.13 the general fund. Games issued under this section must comply with all NFL policies  
86.14 on use of trademarks, images, and logos.

86.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective pursuant to the authority granted  
86.16 under section 1, on the day following final enactment.

86.17 **Sec. 3. [473J.14] SUITES TAX.**

86.18 (a) Upon notification by the commissioner of management and budget under section  
86.19 16A.1524, the authority shall by resolution impose and maintain a ten percent tax on the  
86.20 gross receipts received for the rental of suites, sky boxes, and similar in the NFL stadium.

86.21 (b) The tax must be imposed in the years specified by the commissioner of  
86.22 management and budget. The suites rental tax under paragraph (a) applies to the gross  
86.23 receipts, as defined under section 297A.61, received by the seller, as defined in section  
86.24 297A.61, and is a debt owed by the seller to the authority. A tax imposed under this  
86.25 section is recoverable at law by the authority from the seller in the same manner as other  
86.26 debts. Every person granting, selling, or renting suites, sky boxes, or similar may be  
86.27 required, as provided in resolutions of the authority, to secure a permit, to file returns, to  
86.28 deposit security for the payment of the tax, and to pay the penalties for nonpayment and  
86.29 interest on late payments, as the authority deems necessary or expedient to assure the  
86.30 prompt and uniform collection of either or both of the taxes.

86.31 (c) The authority shall remit the proceeds of a tax imposed under this section to the  
86.32 commissioner of management and budget for deposit in the state's general fund.

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**297E.02 TAX IMPOSED.**

Subd. 4. **Pull-tab and tipboard tax.** (a) A tax is imposed on the sale of each deal of pull-tabs and tipboards sold by a distributor. The rate of the tax is 1.7 percent of the ideal gross of the pull-tab or tipboard deal. The sales tax imposed by chapter 297A on the sale of the pull-tabs and tipboards by the distributor is imposed on the retail sales price less the tax imposed by this subdivision. The retail sale of pull-tabs or tipboards by the organization is exempt from taxes imposed by chapter 297A and is exempt from all local taxes and license fees except a fee authorized under section 349.16, subdivision 8.

(b) The liability for the tax imposed by this section is incurred when the pull-tabs and tipboards are delivered by the distributor to the customer or to a common or contract carrier for delivery to the customer, or when received by the customer's authorized representative at the distributor's place of business, regardless of the distributor's method of accounting or the terms of the sale.

The tax imposed by this subdivision is imposed on all sales of pull-tabs and tipboards, except the following:

(1) sales to the governing body of an Indian tribal organization for use on an Indian reservation;

(2) sales to distributors licensed under the laws of another state or of a province of Canada, as long as all statutory and regulatory requirements are met in the other state or province;

(3) sales of promotional tickets as defined in section 349.12; and

(4) pull-tabs and tipboards sold to an organization that sells pull-tabs and tipboards under the exemption from licensing in section 349.166, subdivision 2. A distributor shall require an organization conducting exempt gambling to show proof of its exempt status before making a tax-exempt sale of pull-tabs or tipboards to the organization. A distributor shall identify, on all reports submitted to the commissioner, all sales of pull-tabs and tipboards that are exempt from tax under this subdivision.

(c) A distributor having a liability of \$10,000 or more during a fiscal year ending June 30 must remit all liabilities in the subsequent calendar year by electronic means.

(d) Any customer who purchases deals of pull-tabs or tipboards from a distributor may file an annual claim for a refund or credit of taxes paid pursuant to this subdivision for unsold pull-tab and tipboard tickets. The claim must be filed with the commissioner on a form prescribed by the commissioner by March 20 of the year following the calendar year for which the refund is claimed. The refund must be filed as part of the customer's February monthly return. The refund or credit is equal to 1.7 percent of the face value of the unsold pull-tab or tipboard tickets, provided that the refund or credit will be 1.75 percent of the face value of the unsold pull-tab or tipboard tickets for claims for a refund or credit of taxes filed on the February 2001 monthly return. The refund claimed will be applied as a credit against tax owing under this chapter on the February monthly return. If the refund claimed exceeds the tax owing on the February monthly return, that amount will be refunded. The amount refunded will bear interest pursuant to section 270C.405 from 90 days after the claim is filed.

**349.15 USE OF GROSS PROFITS.**

Subd. 3. **Refunds and credits.** For purposes of this section "gross profit" does not include any refund or credit received under section 297E.02, subdivision 4, paragraph (d).

**349.19 ACCOUNTS, RECORDS, AND REPORTS.**

Subd. 2a. **Tax refund or credit.** (a) Each organization that receives a refund or credit under section 297E.02, subdivision 4, paragraph (d), must within four business days of receiving a refund under that paragraph deposit the refund in the organization's gambling account.

(b) The organization may expend the tax refund or credit issued under section 297E.02, subdivision 4, paragraph (d), only for lawful purposes, other than lawful purposes described in section 349.12, subdivision 25, paragraph (a), clauses (8) and (9). Amounts subject to this paragraph must be spent for qualifying lawful purposes no later than one year after the refund or credit is received.