SENATE
STATE OF MINNESOTA
EIGHTY-NINTH SESSION

S.F. No. 3587

1.1   A bill for an act

1.2   relating to human services; directing the legislative auditor to conduct financial

1.3   audits of spending related to refugee resettlement costs; transferring money.

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

1.5   Section 1. **DIRECTION TO LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR; REFUGEE**

1.6   **RESETTLEMENT COSTS.**

1.7   (a) The legislative auditor shall conduct or contract with vendors to conduct

1.8   independent third-party financial audits of federal, state, local, and nonprofit spending

1.9   related to refugee resettlement costs and other services provided to refugees in Minnesota.

1.10   The audits by the vendors shall be conducted as vendor resources permit and in accordance

1.11   with generally accepted government auditing standards issued by the United States

1.12   Government Accountability Office.

1.13   (b) For purposes of this section, "independent third-party" means a vendor that is

1.14   independent in accordance with government auditing standards issued by the United

1.15   States Government Accountability Office.

1.16   (c) The legislative auditor shall report the results of the financial audits required

1.17   under paragraph (a) to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative

1.18   committees and divisions with jurisdiction over health and human services finance and

1.19   policy by February 1, 2017.

1.20   (d) The commissioner of human services shall, in fiscal year 2017, transfer to the

1.21   Office of the Legislative Auditor the amount necessary to conduct the financial audits

1.22   under paragraph (a). The central office appropriation under Laws 2015, chapter 71, article

1.23   14, section 2, subdivision 3, is reduced accordingly.