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relating to economic development; excluding certain financial assistance projects 1 2 from economic development prevailing wage requirements; amending Minnesota 1.3 Statutes 2018, section 116J.871, subdivision 1. 1.4

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

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 116J.871, subdivision 1, is amended to read: 1.6
- Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For the purposes of this section, the following terms have 1.7 the meanings given them. 1.8
  - (b) "Economic development" means financial assistance provided to a person directly or to a local unit of government or nonprofit organization on behalf of a person who is engaged in the manufacture or sale of goods and services. Economic development does not include: (1) financial assistance for rehabilitation of existing housing or; (2) financial assistance for new housing construction in which total financial assistance at a single project site is less than \$100,000; or (3) financial assistance for new affordable housing construction of a multifamily residential structure with four dwelling units or fewer.
  - (c) "Financial assistance" means (1) a grant awarded by a state agency for economic development related purposes if a single business receives \$200,000 or more of the grant proceeds; (2) a loan or the guaranty or purchase of a loan made by a state agency for economic development related purposes if a single business receives \$500,000 or more of the loan proceeds; or (3) a reduction, credit, or abatement of a tax assessed under chapter 297A where the tax reduction, credit, or abatement applies to a geographic area smaller than the entire state and was granted for economic development related purposes. Financial

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assistance does not include payments by the state of aids and credits under chapter 273 or 477A to a political subdivision.

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- (d) "Project site" means the location where improvements are made that are financed in whole or in part by the financial assistance; or the location of employees that receive financial assistance in the form of employment and training services as defined in section 116L.19, subdivision 4, or customized training from a technical college.
- 2.7 (e) "State agency" means any agency defined under section 16B.01, subdivision 2, 2.8 Enterprise Minnesota, Inc., and the Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board.

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