

lic utility is eligible to file for adjustment for real and personal property taxes, fees, and permits under this subdivision only if, in the year previous to the year in which it files for adjustment, it has spent or invested at least 1.75 percent of its gross revenues from provision of electric service, excluding gross operating revenues from electric service provided in the state to large electric customer facilities for which the commissioner of public service has issued an exemption under subdivision 1a, paragraph (b), and .6 0.6 percent of its gross revenues from provision of gas service, excluding gross operating revenues from gas services provided in the state to large electric customer facilities for which the commissioner of public service has issued an exemption under subdivision 1a, paragraph (b), for that year for energy conservation improvements under this section.

Sec. 8. REPORT ON CONSERVATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

The commissioner of the department of public service shall consult with representatives from public utilities, cooperative and municipal utilities, environmental and energy conservation groups, office of the attorney general, and state agencies to evaluate possible changes in the conservation improvement program. The commissioner shall report to the chairs of the house and senate committees and subcommittees with jurisdiction over energy utilities by January 15, 2001, on the work and findings of the department of public service and any recommendations.

Sec. 9. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Sections 2 and 3 are effective the day following final enactment.

Presented to the governor May 7, 1999

Signed by the governor May 11, 1999, 1:38 p.m.

CHAPTER 141—S.F.No. 2234

An act relating to public administration; making deficiency appropriations for state government operations; transferring money; appropriating money.

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

Section 1. APPROPRIATIONS.

The sums in this act are appropriated from the general fund or other named fund to the agencies for the purposes specified in this act for fiscal year 1999. The appropriations in this act are one time only.

SUMMARY

CHILDREN, FAMILIES, AND LEARNING DEPARTMENT	\$ 3,500,000
HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT	11,647,000
ZOOLOGICAL BOARD	800,000
ECONOMIC SECURITY DEPARTMENT	370,000
CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE BOARD	15,000

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PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT	829,000
TOTAL	\$ 17,161,000
General Fund	4,885,000
Health Care Access Fund	11,647,000
Highway Users	
Tax Distribution Fund	629,000
Total	17,161,000

APPROPRIATIONS

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Sec. 2. CHILDREN, FAMILIES, AND LEARNING DEPARTMENT	3,500,000
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\$3,500,000 is added to the appropriations in Laws 1997, First Special Session chapter 4, article 10, section 3, subdivision 2, as amended by Laws 1998, chapter 398, article 8, section 1, for costs associated with educational litigation and may be used only for those purposes. Any unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 1999 does not cancel but is available for fiscal year 2000.

Sec. 3. HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT	11,647,000
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\$11,647,000 from the health care access fund is added to the appropriations in Laws 1997, chapter 225, article 7, section 2, subdivision 1, as amended by Laws 1998, chapter 407, article 1, section 2, subdivision 3, paragraph (a), for anticipated medical costs of the MinnesotaCare program.

Sec. 4. ZOOLOGICAL BOARD	800,000
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(a) \$800,000 is added to the appropriations in Laws 1997, chapter 216, section 4, subdivision 1, for zoo operations.

Notwithstanding Laws 1994, chapter 643, section 27, subdivision 2, as amended by Laws 1996, chapter 463, section 54, the zoological board may institute an admission fee increase before April 1, 2000.

(b) The zoological board must submit a report to the governor and legislature by February 1, 2000, analyzing alternative governing structures, including, but not limited to,

conversion to a private nonprofit or local governmental entity. The report must include analysis of the impact on ownership of the facility, impacts on employees, and ongoing costs to the state related to any changes in governance structure. Release of the 2001 appropriation is contingent upon making significant progress toward financial self-sufficiency.

Sec. 5. ECONOMIC SECURITY DEPARTMENT

370,000

\$370,000 is added to the appropriations in Laws 1997, chapter 200, article 1, section 5, subdivision 3, for vocational rehabilitation and independent living services to blind Minnesotans. The commissioner of finance and the commissioner of economic security shall review the operation of the state services for the blind to determine why a deficiency occurred and what steps should be taken to prevent a deficiency in the future. The commissioners must report on this issue to the legislature by January 15, 2000.

Sec. 6. CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND
PUBLIC DISCLOSURE BOARD

15,000

\$15,000 is added to the appropriations in Laws 1997, chapter 202, article 1, section 8, for court-ordered payments.

Sec. 7. PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

829,000

(a) Of the appropriation in this section, \$200,000 is added to the appropriation in Laws 1997, chapter 159, article 1, section 4, subdivision 3, for additional costs for executive protection.

(b) Of the appropriation in this section, \$629,000 from the highway users tax distribution fund is added to the appropriations in Laws 1997, chapter 159, article 1, section 4, subdivision 4, for additional costs related to the production of motor vehicle license plates.

Sec. 8. SECRETARY OF STATE

The commissioner of administration shall transfer \$975,000 of the unexpended bal-

ance of the appropriations in Laws 1997, chapter 202, article 1, section 12, subdivision 7, and Laws 1998, chapter 366, article 1, section 6, to the secretary of state to modify business systems to address the year 2000 problem. The secretary of state shall appoint a project manager to oversee the modifications of business systems. The secretary of state shall provide each month to the year 2000 project office in the department of administration a project work plan and schedule. The secretary of state shall develop contingency plans, including plans for funding and staff, to be implemented if the year 2000 modification project does not meet the project schedule agreed to with the commissioner of administration.

Sec. 9. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This act is effective the day after its final enactment.

Presented to the governor May 7, 1999

Signed by the governor May 11, 1999, 1:40 p.m.

CHAPTER 142—S.F.No. 411

An act relating to crime; imposing criminal penalties for manufacturing, distributing, selling, or possessing with intent to sell or distribute counterfeited intellectual property; providing for forfeiture of these items; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 609.531, subdivision 1; and 609.902, subdivision 4; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 609.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 609.531, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **DEFINITIONS.** For the purpose of sections 609.531 to 609.5318, the following terms have the meanings given them.

(a) "Conveyance device" means a device used for transportation and includes, but is not limited to, a motor vehicle, trailer, snowmobile, airplane, and vessel and any equipment attached to it. The term "conveyance device" does not include property which is, in fact, itself stolen or taken in violation of the law.

(b) "Weapon used" means a dangerous weapon as defined under section 609.02, subdivision 6, that the actor used or had in possession in furtherance of a crime.

(c) "Property" means property as defined in section 609.52, subdivision 1, clause (1).

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