

CHAPTER 292—H.F.No. 2967

An act relating to state government; updating the equalizing factors and threshold rates to reflect the changed adjusted net tax capacity tax base; updating education and human services appropriations for changes reflected in the February forecast; providing for veterans job-training program; providing certain supplemental budget appropriations; modifying disposition of certain fees; modifying newborn screening provisions; modifying Housing Finance Agency provisions; requiring reports; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2010, sections 13.386, by adding a subdivision; 123B.53, subdivisions 4, 5; 123B.591, subdivision 3; 124D.20, subdivision 5; 124D.22, subdivision 3; 126C.10, subdivisions 13a, 35; 126C.41, subdivision 5; 126C.63, subdivision 8; 126C.69, subdivisions 2, 9; 138.668; 144.125, subdivision 3, by adding subdivisions; 144.128; 197.791, subdivision 6, by adding a subdivision; Minnesota Statutes 2011 Supplement, sections 123B.54; 123B.57, subdivision 4; Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 1, section 36, subdivisions 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10; article 2, section 50, subdivisions 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9; article 3, section 11, subdivisions 2, 3, 4, 5; article 4, section 10, subdivisions 2, 3, 4, 6; article 5, section 12, subdivisions 2, 3, 4; article 6, section 2, subdivisions 2, 3, 5; article 7, section 2, subdivisions 2, 3, 4; article 8, section 2, subdivisions 2, 3; article 9, section 3, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 462A.

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

ARTICLE 1

EDUCATION FINANCE TECHNICAL UPDATES

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 123B.53, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Debt service equalization revenue.** (a) The debt service equalization revenue of a district equals the sum of the first tier debt service equalization revenue and the second tier debt service equalization revenue.

(b) The first tier debt service equalization revenue of a district equals the greater of zero or the eligible debt service revenue minus the amount raised by a levy of ~~15~~ 15.74 percent times the adjusted net tax capacity of the district minus the second tier debt service equalization revenue of the district.

(c) The second tier debt service equalization revenue of a district equals the greater of zero or the eligible debt service revenue, excluding alternative facilities levies under section 123B.59, subdivision 5, minus the amount raised by a levy of ~~25~~ 26.24 percent times the adjusted net tax capacity of the district.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxes payable in 2012 and later.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 123B.53, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Equalized debt service levy.** (a) The equalized debt service levy of a district equals the sum of the first tier equalized debt service levy and the second tier equalized debt service levy.

(b) A district's first tier equalized debt service levy equals the district's first tier debt service equalization revenue times the lesser of one or the ratio of:

(1) the quotient derived by dividing the adjusted net tax capacity of the district for the year before the year the levy is certified by the adjusted pupil units in the district for the school year ending in the year prior to the year the levy is certified; to

(2) ~~\$3,200~~ \$3,049.

(c) A district's second tier equalized debt service levy equals the district's second tier debt service equalization revenue times the lesser of one or the ratio of:

(1) the quotient derived by dividing the adjusted net tax capacity of the district for the year before the year the levy is certified by the adjusted pupil units in the district for the school year ending in the year prior to the year the levy is certified; to

(2) ~~\$8,000~~ \$7,622.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxes payable in 2012 and later.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2011 Supplement, section 123B.54, is amended to read:

123B.54 DEBT SERVICE APPROPRIATION.

(a) ~~\$11,022,000 in fiscal year 2012, \$19,484,000 in fiscal year 2013, \$23,588,000~~ \$21,727,000 in fiscal year 2014, and \$23,967,000 ~~\$24,201,000~~ in fiscal year 2015 and later are appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of education for payment of debt service equalization aid under section 123B.53.

(b) The appropriations in paragraph (a) must be reduced by the amount of any money specifically appropriated for the same purpose in any year from any state fund.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2011 Supplement, section 123B.57, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Health and safety levy.** To receive health and safety revenue, a district may levy an amount equal to the district's health and safety revenue as defined in subdivision 3 multiplied by the lesser of one, or the ratio of the quotient derived by dividing the adjusted net tax capacity of the district for the year preceding the year the levy is certified by the adjusted marginal cost pupil units in the district for the school year to which the levy is attributable, to ~~\$2,935~~ \$2,796.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxes payable in 2012 and later.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 123B.591, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Deferred maintenance levy.** To obtain deferred maintenance revenue for fiscal year 2008 and later, a district may levy an amount not more than the product of its deferred maintenance revenue for the fiscal year times the lesser of one or the ratio of its adjusted net tax capacity per adjusted marginal cost pupil unit to ~~\$5,900~~ \$5,621.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxes payable in 2012 and later.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 124D.20, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Total community education levy.** To obtain total community education revenue, a district may levy the amount raised by a maximum tax rate of ~~0.94~~ 0.94 percent times the adjusted net tax capacity of the district. If the amount of the total community education levy would exceed the total community education revenue, the total community education levy shall be determined according to subdivision 6.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxes payable in 2012 and later.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 124D.22, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **School-age care levy.** To obtain school-age care revenue, a school district may levy an amount equal to the district's school-age care revenue as defined in subdivision 2 multiplied by the lesser of one, or the ratio of the quotient derived by dividing the adjusted net tax capacity of the district for the year before the year the levy is certified by the resident pupil units in the district for the school year to which the levy is attributable, to ~~\$2,433~~ \$2,318.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxes payable in 2012 and later.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 126C.10, subdivision 13a, is amended to read:

Subd. 13a. **Operating capital levy.** To obtain operating capital revenue for fiscal year 2007 and later, a district may levy an amount not more than the product of its operating capital revenue for the fiscal year times the lesser of one or the ratio of its adjusted net tax capacity per adjusted marginal cost pupil unit to the operating capital equalizing factor. The operating capital equalizing factor equals ~~\$22,222 for fiscal year 2006, and \$10,700 for fiscal year 2007 and later~~ \$10,194.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxes payable in 2012 and later.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 126C.10, subdivision 35, is amended to read:

Subd. 35. **Alternative teacher compensation levy.** For fiscal year 2007 and later, the alternative teacher compensation levy for a district receiving basic alternative teacher compensation aid equals the product of (1) the difference between the district's alternative teacher compensation revenue and the district's basic alternative teacher compensation aid times (2) the lesser of one or the ratio of the district's adjusted net tax capacity per adjusted pupil unit to ~~\$5,913~~ \$5,634.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxes payable in 2012 and later.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 126C.41, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **St. Paul severance levy.** The school board of Independent School District No. 625, St. Paul, for the purpose of providing moneys for the payment of its severance pay obligations under a plan approved by resolution of the district, in addition to all other powers possessed by the school district and in addition to and in excess of any existing limitation upon the amount it is otherwise authorized by law to levy as taxes, is authorized to levy taxes annually not exceeding in any one year an amount equal to a net tax capacity

rate of ~~34~~ 0.36 percent for taxes payable in 2002 and thereafter upon all taxable property within the school district which taxes as levied shall be spread upon the tax rolls, and all corrections thereof shall be held by the school district, and allocated therefor to be disbursed and expended by the school district in payment of any public school severance pay obligations and for no other purpose. Disbursements and expenditures previously authorized on behalf of the school district for payment of severance pay obligations shall not be deemed to constitute any part of the cost of the operation and maintenance of the school district within the meaning of any statutory limitation of any school district expenditures.

The amount of such severance pay allowable or to become payable in respect of any such employment or to any such employee shall not exceed the amount permitted by section 465.72.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxes payable in 2012 and later.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 126C.63, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. **Maximum effort debt service levy.** (a) "Maximum effort debt service levy" means the lesser of:

(1) a levy in whichever of the following amounts is applicable:

(i) in any district receiving a debt service loan for a debt service levy payable in 2002 and thereafter, or granted a capital loan after January 1, 2002, a levy in total dollar amount computed at a rate of ~~32~~ 33.59 percent of adjusted net tax capacity for taxes payable in 2002 and thereafter;

(ii) in any district receiving a debt service loan for a debt service levy payable in 2001 or earlier, or granted a capital loan before January 2, 2002, a levy in a total dollar amount computed at a rate of ~~28~~ 29.39 percent of adjusted net tax capacity for taxes payable in 2002 and thereafter; or

(2) a levy in any district for which a capital loan was approved prior to August 1, 1981, a levy in a total dollar amount equal to the sum of the amount of the required debt service levy and an amount which when levied annually will in the opinion of the commissioner be sufficient to retire the remaining interest and principal on any outstanding loans from the state within 30 years of the original date when the capital loan was granted.

(b) The board in any district affected by the provisions of paragraph (a), clause (2), may elect instead to determine the amount of its levy according to the provisions of paragraph (a), clause (1). If a district's capital loan is not paid within 30 years because it elects to determine the amount of its levy according to the provisions of paragraph (a), clause (2), the liability of the district for the amount of the difference between the amount it levied under paragraph (a), clause (2), and the amount it would have levied under paragraph (a), clause (1), and for interest on the amount of that difference, must not be satisfied and discharged pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1988, or an earlier edition of Minnesota Statutes if applicable, section 124.43, subdivision 4.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxes payable in 2012 and later.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 126C.69, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Capital loans eligibility.** Beginning July 1, 1999, a district is not eligible for a capital loan unless the district's estimated net debt tax rate as computed by the commissioner after debt service equalization aid would be more than ~~40~~ 41.98 percent of adjusted net tax capacity. The estimate must assume a 20-year maturity schedule for new debt.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxes payable in 2012 and later.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 126C.69, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. **Loan amount limits.** (a) A loan must not be recommended for approval for a district exceeding an amount computed as follows:

(1) the amount requested by the district under subdivision 6;

(2) plus the aggregate principal amount of general obligation bonds of the district outstanding on June 30 of the year following the year the application was received, not exceeding the limitation on net debt of the district in section 475.53, subdivision 4, or ~~607~~ 637 percent of its adjusted net tax capacity as most recently determined, whichever is less;

(3) less the maximum net debt permissible for the district on December 1 of the year the application is received, under the limitation in section 475.53, subdivision 4, or ~~607~~ 637 percent of its adjusted net tax capacity as most recently determined, whichever is less;

(4) less any amount by which the amount voted exceeds the total cost of the facilities for which the loan is granted.

(b) The loan may be approved in an amount computed as provided in paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (3), subject to later reduction according to paragraph (a), clause (4).

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxes payable in 2012 and later.

ARTICLE 2

FORECAST ADJUSTMENT

A. GENERAL EDUCATION

Section 1. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 1, section 36, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **General education aid.** For general education aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 126C.13, subdivision 4:

| | | | |
|----|--------------------------|-------|------|
| | 5,112,037,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>5,379,068,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| | 5,850,065,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>5,844,995,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

The 2012 appropriation includes ~~\$1,678,539,000~~ \$1,660,922,000 for 2011 and ~~\$3,433,498,000~~ \$3,718,146,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$2,297,765,000~~ \$2,038,568,000 for 2012 and ~~\$3,552,300,000~~ \$3,806,427,000 for 2013.

Sec. 2. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 1, section 36, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Enrollment options transportation.** For transportation of pupils attending postsecondary institutions under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.09, or for transportation of pupils attending nonresident districts under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.03:

| | | | |
|----|---------------------------------|-------|------|
| \$ | 31,000 <u>42,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| \$ | 32,000 <u>46,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

Sec. 3. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 1, section 36, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Abatement revenue.** For abatement aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 127A.49:

| | | | |
|----|--|-------|------|
| \$ | 1,294,000 <u>1,406,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| \$ | 1,627,000 <u>2,072,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

The 2012 appropriation includes \$346,000 for 2011 and ~~\$948,000~~ \$1,060,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$631,000~~ \$588,000 for 2012 and ~~\$996,000~~ \$1,484,000 for 2013.

Sec. 4. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 1, section 36, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Consolidation transition.** For districts consolidating under Minnesota Statutes, section 123A.485:

| | | | |
|----|-----------------------------------|-------|------|
| \$ | 145,000 | ..... | 2012 |
| \$ | 180,000 <u>193,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

The 2012 appropriation includes \$145,000 for 2011 and \$0 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes \$0 for 2012 and ~~\$180,000~~ \$193,000 for 2013.

Sec. 5. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 1, section 36, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Nonpublic pupil education aid.** For nonpublic pupil education aid under Minnesota Statutes, sections 123B.40 to 123B.43 and 123B.87:

| | | | |
|----|--|-------|------|
| \$ | 14,598,000 <u>14,302,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| \$ | 16,198,000 <u>15,594,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

The 2012 appropriation includes ~~\$5,078,000~~ \$4,161,000 for 2011 and ~~\$9,520,000~~ \$10,141,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$6,346,000~~ \$5,629,000 for 2012 and ~~\$9,852,000~~ \$9,965,000 for 2013.

Sec. 6. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 1, section 36, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **Nonpublic pupil transportation.** For nonpublic pupil transportation aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 123B.92, subdivision 9:

| | | | |
|----|-----------------------|-------|------|
| | 17,178,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>17,757,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| | 19,056,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>19,036,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

The 2012 appropriation includes ~~\$5,895,000~~ \$5,700,000 for 2011 and ~~\$11,283,000~~ \$12,057,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$7,521,000~~ \$6,694,000 for 2012 and ~~\$11,535,000~~ \$12,342,000 for 2013.

Sec. 7. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 1, section 36, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

Subd. 10. **Compensatory pilot project formula aid.** For grants for compensatory pilot project formula aid as calculated under this subdivision:

| | | | |
|----|----------------------|-------|------|
| | 9,776,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>9,368,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

For fiscal year 2013 only, a district which has a pupil unit count that is in the top 20 largest pupil unit counts is eligible for the greater of zero or \$1,400 times the number of compensatory pupil units, minus the amount of compensatory education revenue received by the district under Minnesota Statutes, section 126C.10, subdivision 3.

The 2013 appropriation includes \$0 for 2012 and ~~\$9,776,000~~ \$9,368,000 for 2013.

This is a onetime appropriation.

B. EDUCATION EXCELLENCE

Sec. 8. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 2, section 50, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Charter school building lease aid.** For building lease aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.11, subdivision 4:

| | | | |
|----|-----------------------|-------|------|
| | 43,203,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>42,806,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| | 52,359,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>48,978,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

The 2012 appropriation includes ~~\$13,336,000~~ \$12,642,000 for 2011 and ~~\$29,867,000~~ \$30,164,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$19,910,000~~ \$16,746,000 for 2012 and ~~\$32,449,000~~ \$32,232,000 for 2013.

Sec. 9. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 2, section 50, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Charter school start-up aid.** For charter school start-up cost aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.11, subdivision 8:

| | | | |
|----|-----------------------------------|-------|------|
| \$ | 171,000 <u>161,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| \$ | 34,000 <u>22,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

The 2012 appropriation includes \$119,000 for 2011 and ~~\$52,000~~ \$42,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$34,000~~ \$22,000 for 2012 and \$0 for 2013.

Sec. 10. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 2, section 50, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Integration aid.** For integration aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.86:

| | | | |
|----|--|-------|------|
| \$ | 59,599,000 <u>61,181,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| \$ | 67,432,000 <u>65,498,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

The 2012 appropriation includes \$19,272,000 for 2011 and ~~\$40,327,000~~ \$41,909,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$26,884,000~~ \$23,268,000 for 2012 and ~~\$40,548,000~~ \$42,230,000 for 2013.

The base for the final payment in fiscal year 2014 for fiscal year 2013 is ~~\$34,828,000~~ \$31,668,000.

Sec. 11. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 2, section 50, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Literacy incentive aid.** For literacy incentive aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.98:

| | | | |
|----|--|-------|------|
| \$ | 29,151,000 <u>31,241,000</u> | | 2013 |
|----|--|-------|------|

The 2013 appropriation includes \$0 for 2012 and ~~\$29,151,000~~ \$31,241,000 for 2013.

Sec. 12. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 2, section 50, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Interdistrict desegregation or integration transportation grants.** For interdistrict desegregation or integration transportation grants under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.87:

| | | | |
|----|-----------------------|-------|------|
| | 14,917,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>13,262,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| | 16,612,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>13,966,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

Sec. 13. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 2, section 50, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **Success for the future.** For American Indian success for the future grants under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.81:

| | | | |
|----|----------------------|-------|------|
| | 1,924,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>2,013,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| \$ | 2,137,000 | ..... | 2013 |

The 2012 appropriation includes ~~\$641,000~~ \$638,000 for 2011 and ~~\$1,283,000~~ \$1,375,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$854,000~~ \$762,000 for 2012 and ~~\$1,283,000~~ \$1,375,000 for 2013.

Sec. 14. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 2, section 50, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. **Tribal contract schools.** For tribal contract school aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.83:

| | | | |
|----|----------------------|-------|------|
| | 1,883,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>1,791,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| | 2,206,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>1,969,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

The 2012 appropriation includes \$600,000 for 2011 and ~~\$1,283,000~~ \$1,191,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$855,000~~ \$660,000 for 2012 and ~~\$1,351,000~~ \$1,309,000 for 2013.

C. SPECIAL EDUCATION

Sec. 15. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 3, section 11, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Special education; regular.** For special education aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 125A.75:

| | | | |
|----|------------------------|-------|------|
| | 732,658,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>767,845,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| | 855,605,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>856,386,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

The 2012 appropriation includes \$235,975,000 for 2011 and ~~\$496,683,000~~ \$531,870,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$331,121,000~~ \$295,299,000 for 2012 and ~~\$524,484,000~~ \$561,087,000 for 2013.

Sec. 16. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 3, section 11, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Aid for children with disabilities.** For aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 125A.75, subdivision 3, for children with disabilities placed in residential facilities within the district boundaries for whom no district of residence can be determined:

| | | | |
|----|----------------------|-------|------|
| | 1,648,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>1,508,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| | 1,745,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>1,593,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

If the appropriation for either year is insufficient, the appropriation for the other year is available.

Sec. 17. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 3, section 11, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Travel for home-based services.** For aid for teacher travel for home-based services under Minnesota Statutes, section 125A.75, subdivision 1:

| | | | |
|----|-----------------------------------|-------|------|
| \$ | 322,000 <u>314,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| \$ | 358,000 <u>321,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

The 2012 appropriation includes \$107,000 for 2011 and ~~\$215,000~~ \$207,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$142,000~~ \$114,000 for 2012 and ~~\$216,000~~ \$207,000 for 2013.

Sec. 18. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 3, section 11, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Special education; excess costs.** For excess cost aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 125A.79, subdivision 7:

| | | | |
|----|------------------------|-------|------|
| | 103,978,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>107,557,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| | 115,304,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>115,269,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

The 2012 appropriation includes \$53,449,000 for 2011 and ~~\$50,529,000~~ \$54,108,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$63,273,000~~ \$59,607,000 for 2012 and ~~\$52,031,000~~ \$55,662,000 for 2013.

D. FACILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY

Sec. 19. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 4, section 10, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Health and safety revenue.** For health and safety aid according to Minnesota Statutes, section 123B.57, subdivision 5:

\$ ~~111,000~~ 98,000 2012
 \$ ~~114,000~~ 157,000 2013

The 2012 appropriation includes \$39,000 for 2011 and ~~\$72,000~~ \$59,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$48,000~~ \$32,000 for 2012 and ~~\$66,000~~ \$125,000 for 2013.

Sec. 20. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 4, section 10, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Debt service equalization.** For debt service aid according to Minnesota Statutes, section 123B.53, subdivision 6:

\$ ~~11,022,000~~
11,625,000 2012
 \$ ~~19,484,000~~
16,342,000 2013

The 2012 appropriation includes \$2,604,000 for 2011 and ~~\$8,418,000~~ \$9,021,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$5,611,000~~ \$5,008,000 for 2012 and ~~\$13,873,000~~ \$11,334,000 for 2013.

Sec. 21. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 4, section 10, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Alternative facilities bonding aid.** For alternative facilities bonding aid, according to Minnesota Statutes, section 123B.59, subdivision 1:

\$ ~~17,359,000~~
18,187,000 2012
 \$ 19,287,000 2013

The 2012 appropriation includes ~~\$5,786,000~~ \$5,785,000 for 2011 and ~~\$11,573,000~~ \$12,402,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$7,714,000~~ \$6,885,000 for 2012 and ~~\$11,573,000~~ \$12,402,000 for 2013.

Sec. 22. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 4, section 10, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Deferred maintenance aid.** For deferred maintenance aid, according to Minnesota Statutes, section 123B.591, subdivision 4:

| | | | |
|----|----------------------|-------|------|
| | 2,234,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>2,331,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| | 2,972,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>3,141,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

The 2012 appropriation includes \$676,000 for 2011 and ~~\$1,558,000~~ \$1,655,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$1,038,000~~ \$918,000 for 2012 and ~~\$1,934,000~~ \$2,223,000 for 2013.

E. NUTRITION AND LIBRARIES

Sec. 23. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 5, section 12, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **School lunch.** For school lunch aid according to Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.111, and Code of Federal Regulations, title 7, section 210.17:

| | | | |
|----|-----------------------|-------|------|
| | 12,626,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>12,285,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| | 12,878,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>12,524,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

Sec. 24. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 5, section 12, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **School breakfast.** For traditional school breakfast aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.1158:

| | | | |
|----|----------------------|-------|------|
| | 4,759,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>5,247,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| | 4,875,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>5,560,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

Sec. 25. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 5, section 12, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Kindergarten milk.** For kindergarten milk aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.118:

| | | | |
|----|----------------------|-------|------|
| | 1,084,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>1,025,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| | 1,105,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>1,035,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

Sec. 26. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 6, section 2, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Basic system support.** For basic system support grants under Minnesota Statutes, section 134.355:

| | | | |
|----|-----------------------|-------|------|
| | 12,213,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>12,797,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| \$ | 13,570,000 | ..... | 2013 |

The 2012 appropriation includes \$4,071,000 for 2011 and ~~\$8,142,000~~ \$8,726,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$5,428,000~~ \$4,844,000 for 2012 and ~~\$8,142,000~~ \$8,726,000 for 2013.

Sec. 27. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 6, section 2, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Multicounty, multitype library systems.** For grants under Minnesota Statutes, sections 134.353 and 134.354, to multicounty, multitype library systems:

| | | | |
|----|----------------------|-------|------|
| | 1,170,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>1,226,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| \$ | 1,300,000 | ..... | 2013 |

The 2012 appropriation includes \$390,000 for 2011 and ~~\$780,000~~ \$836,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$520,000~~ \$464,000 for 2012 and ~~\$780,000~~ \$836,000 for 2013.

Sec. 28. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 6, section 2, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Regional library telecommunications aid.** For regional library telecommunications aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 134.355:

| | | | |
|----|----------------------|-------|------|
| | 2,070,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>2,169,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| \$ | 2,300,000 | ..... | 2013 |

The 2012 appropriation includes \$690,000 for 2011 and ~~\$1,380,000~~ \$1,479,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$920,000~~ \$821,000 for 2012 and ~~\$1,380,000~~ \$1,479,000 for 2013.

F. EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION, PREVENTION, AND LIFELONG LEARNING

Sec. 29. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 7, section 2, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **School readiness.** For revenue for school readiness programs under Minnesota Statutes, sections 124D.15 and 124D.16:

| | | | |
|----|----------------------|-------|------|
| | 9,085,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>9,444,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| \$ | 10,095,000 | ..... | 2013 |

The 2012 appropriation includes ~~\$3,028,000~~ \$2,952,000 for 2011 and ~~\$6,057,000~~ \$6,492,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$4,038,000~~ \$3,603,000 for 2012 and ~~\$6,057,000~~ \$6,492,000 for 2013.

Sec. 30. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 7, section 2, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Early childhood family education aid.** For early childhood family education aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.135:

| | | | |
|----|-----------------------|-------|------|
| | 20,191,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>21,099,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| | 22,977,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>22,358,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

The 2012 appropriation includes \$6,542,000 for 2011 and ~~\$13,649,000~~ \$14,557,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$9,099,000~~ \$8,082,000 for 2012 and ~~\$13,878,000~~ \$14,276,000 for 2013.

Sec. 31. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 7, section 2, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Health and developmental screening aid.** For health and developmental screening aid under Minnesota Statutes, sections 121A.17 and 121A.19:

| | | | |
|----|----------------------|-------|------|
| | 3,211,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>3,359,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| | 3,550,000 | | |
| \$ | <u>3,543,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

The 2012 appropriation includes \$1,066,000 for 2011 and ~~\$2,145,000~~ \$2,293,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$1,429,000~~ \$1,273,000 for 2012 and ~~\$2,121,000~~ \$2,270,000 for 2013.

Sec. 32. Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 11, article 8, section 2, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Community education aid.** For community education aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.20:

| | | | |
|----|-----------------------------------|-------|------|
| \$ | 429,000 <u>442,000</u> | ..... | 2012 |
| \$ | 665,000 <u>746,000</u> | ..... | 2013 |

The 2012 appropriation includes \$134,000 for 2011 and ~~\$295,000~~ \$308,000 for 2012.

The 2013 appropriation includes ~~\$196,000~~ \$170,000 for 2012 and ~~\$469,000~~ \$576,000 for 2013.

Appropriations by Fund

| | <u>2012</u> | <u>2013</u> |
|---------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <u>General Fund</u> | <u>(257,987,000)</u> | <u>(231,828,000)</u> |
| <u>Health Care Access</u> | <u>(6,865,000)</u> | <u>(11,899,000)</u> |
| <u>TANF</u> | <u>(9,282,000)</u> | <u>(6,961,000)</u> |

Subd. 2. Forecasted Programs**(a) MFIP/DWP Grants**Appropriations by Fund

| | | |
|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <u>General Fund</u> | <u>1,718,000</u> | <u>(2,624,000)</u> |
| <u>TANF</u> | <u>(8,844,000)</u> | <u>(5,140,000)</u> |

(b) MFIP Child Care Assistance Grants (813,000) 2,713,000

(c) General Assistance Grants 530,000 3,199,000

(d) Minnesota Supplemental Aid Grants (638,000) (750,000)

(e) Group Residential Housing Grants 3,881,000 6,709,000

(f) MinnesotaCare Grants (6,865,000) (11,899,000)

This appropriation is from the health care access fund.

(g) General Assistance Medical Care Grants 2,175,000 -0-

(h) Medical Assistance Grants (253,692,000) (231,305,000)

(i) Alternative Care Grants -0- -0-

(j) CD Entitlement Grants (11,148,000) (9,770,000)

Subd. 3. Technical Activities (438,000) (1,821,000)

This appropriation is from the TANF fund.

Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Sections 1 and 2 are effective the day following final enactment.

ARTICLE 4

SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 13.386, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 4. **Public health exception.** Notwithstanding subdivisions 1 to 3, the commissioner of health may collect, store, use, and disseminate any genetic information, which includes biological information or specimens, to the extent required or permitted by any statute or rule that exists as of the effective date of this subdivision. This subdivision does not apply to newborn screening activities conducted under sections 144.125 to 144.128.

This subdivision expires July 1, 2013.

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

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 138.668, is amended to read:

138.668 ADMISSION FEES.

The Minnesota Historical Society may establish and collect reasonable fees for admission to state-owned historic sites in the state historic site network in section 138.661 for deposit in an account in the state treasury. These fees shall be available to the society.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 144.125, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. ~~**Objection of parents to test** Information provided to parents.~~ Persons with a duty to perform testing under subdivision 1 shall advise parents of infants (1) that the blood or tissue samples used to perform testing thereunder as well as the results of such testing may be retained by the Department of Health, (2) the benefit of retaining the blood or tissue sample, and (3) that the following options are available to them with respect to the testing: (i) to decline to have the tests, or (ii) to elect to have the tests but to require that all blood samples and records of test results be destroyed within 24 months of the testing. If the parents of an infant object in writing to testing for heritable and congenital disorders or elect to require that blood samples and test results be destroyed, the objection or election shall be recorded on a form that is signed by a parent or legal guardian and made part of the infant's medical record. A written objection exempts an infant from the requirements of this section and section 144.128. (a) The department shall make information and forms available to health care providers who provide prenatal care describing the newborn screening program and the provisions of this section to be used in a discussion with expectant parents and parents of newborns. The department shall make information and forms about newborn screening available to the persons with a duty to perform testing under this section and to expectant parents and parents of newborns using electronic and other means.

(b) Prior to collecting a sample, persons with a duty to perform testing under subdivision 1 must:

(1) provide parents or legal guardians of infants with a document that provides the following information:

(i) the benefits of newborn screening;

(ii) that the blood sample will be used to test for heritable and congenital disorders, as determined under subdivision 2;

(iii) the data that will be collected as part of the testing;

(iv) the standard retention periods for blood samples and test results as provided in subdivision 6;

(v) that blood samples and test results will be used for program operations during the standard retention period in accordance with subdivision 5;

(vi) the Department of Health's Web site address where more information and forms may be obtained; and

(vii) that parents have a right to elect not to have newborn screening performed and a right to secure private testing;

(2) upon request, provide parents or legal guardians of infants with forms necessary to request that the infant not have blood collected for testing; and

(3) record in the infant's medical record that a parent or legal guardian of the infant has received the information provided pursuant to this subdivision and has had an opportunity to ask questions.

(c) Nothing in this section prohibits a parent or legal guardian of an infant from having newborn screening performed by a private entity.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 144.125, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 4. **Parental options.** (a) The parent or legal guardian of an infant otherwise subject to testing under this section may elect not to have newborn screening performed.

(b) If a parent or legal guardian elects not to have newborn screening performed, then the election shall be recorded on a form that is signed by the parent or legal guardian. The signed form shall be made part of the infant's medical record and a copy shall be provided to the Department of Health. When a parent or legal guardian elects not to have newborn screening performed, the person with the duty to perform testing under subdivision 1 must follow that election. A written election to decline testing exempts persons with a duty to perform testing and the Department of Health from the requirements of this section and section 144.128.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 144.125, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 5. **Newborn screening program operations.** (a) "Newborn screening program operations" means actions, testing, and procedures directly related to the operation of the newborn screening program, limited to the following:

(1) confirmatory testing;

(2) laboratory quality control assurance and improvement;

(3) calibration of equipment;

(4) evaluating and improving the accuracy of newborn screening tests for conditions approved for screening in Minnesota;

(5) validation of equipment and screening methods; and

(6) continuity of operations to ensure testing can continue as required by Minnesota law in the event of an emergency.

(b) No research, public health studies, or development of new newborn screening tests shall be conducted under this subdivision.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 144.125, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 6. **Standard retention period for samples and test results.** The standard retention period for blood samples with a negative test result is up to 71 days from the date of receipt of the sample. The standard retention period for blood samples with a positive test result is up to 24 months from the date of receipt of the sample. The standard retention period for all test results is up to 24 months from the last date of reporting. Blood samples with a negative test result will be destroyed within one week of the 71-day retention period. Blood samples with a positive test result will be destroyed within one week of the 24-month retention period. All test results will be destroyed within one month of the 24-month retention period. During the standard retention period, the Department of Health may use blood samples and test results for newborn screening program operations in accordance with subdivision 5.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 144.125, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7. **Parental options for extended storage and use.** (a) The parent or legal guardian of an infant otherwise subject to testing under this section may authorize that the infant's blood sample and test results be retained and used by the Department of Health beyond the standard retention periods provided in subdivision 6 or the purposes described in subdivision 9.

(b) The Department of Health must provide a consent form, with an attached Tennessee warning pursuant to section 13.04, subdivision 2. The consent form must provide the following:

(1) information as to the personal identification and use of samples and test results for studies, including studies used to develop new tests;

(2) information as to the personal identification and use of samples and test results for public health studies or research not related to newborn screening;

(3) information that explains that the Department of Health will not store a blood sample or test result for longer than 18 years from an infant's birth date;

(4) information that explains that, upon approval by the Department of Health's Institutional Review Board, blood samples and test results may be shared with external parties for public health studies or research;

(5) information that explains that blood samples contain various components, including deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA); and

(6) the benefits and risks associated with the department's storage of a child's blood sample and test results.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 144.125, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 8. **Extended storage and use of samples and test results.** When authorized in writing by a parent or legal guardian under subdivision 7, the Department of Health may store blood samples and test results for a time period not to exceed 18 years from the infant's birth date, and may use the blood samples and test results in accordance with subdivision 9.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 144.125, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 9. **Written informed consent for other use of samples and test results.** With the written, informed consent of a parent or legal guardian, the Department of Health may:

(1) use blood samples and test results for studies related to newborn screening, including studies used to develop new tests; and

(2) use blood samples and test results for public health studies or research not related to newborn screening, and upon approval by the Department of Health's Institutional Review Board, share samples and test results with external parties for public health studies or research.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 144.125, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 10. **Revoking consent for storage and use.** A parent or legal guardian may revoke approval for extended storage or use of blood samples or test results at any time by providing a signed and dated form requesting destruction of the blood samples or test results. The Department of Health shall make necessary forms available on the department's Web site. Blood samples must be destroyed within one week of receipt of a request or within one week of the standard retention period for blood samples provided in subdivision 6, whichever is later. Test results must be destroyed within one month of receipt of a request or within one month of the standard retention period for test results provided in subdivision 6, whichever is later.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 144.128, is amended to read:

144.128 COMMISSIONER'S DUTIES.

(a) The commissioner shall:

(1) notify the physicians of newborns tested of the results of the tests performed;

(2) make referrals for the necessary treatment of diagnosed cases of heritable and congenital disorders when treatment is indicated;

(3) maintain a registry of the cases of heritable and congenital disorders detected by the screening program for the purpose of follow-up services;

(4) prepare a separate form for use by parents or by adults who were tested as minors to direct that blood samples ~~and~~ or test results be destroyed;

(5) comply with a destruction request ~~within 45 days after receiving it~~ as described in section 144.125;

(6) notify individuals who request destruction of samples and test results that the samples and test results have been destroyed and the date of destruction; and

(7) adopt rules to carry out sections 144.125 to 144.128.

(b) Nothing in sections 144.125 to 144.128 shall exempt the commissioner from the requirements of the genetic privacy act in section 13.386 or from the penalties for a violation of the genetic privacy act as provided in chapter 13.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 197.791, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 5a. **Apprenticeship and on-the-job training.** (a) The commissioner, in consultation with the commissioners of employment and economic development and labor and industry, shall develop and implement an apprenticeship and on-the-job training program to administer a portion of the Minnesota GI Bill program to pay benefit amounts to eligible applicants, as provided in this subdivision.

(b) An "eligible employer" means an employer operating a qualifying apprenticeship or on-the-job training program that has been approved by the commissioner.

(c) A person is eligible for apprenticeship and on-the-job training assistance under this subdivision if the person meets the criteria established under subdivision 4, paragraphs (a), clause (1), and (c) to (e). The amount of assistance paid to or on behalf of an eligible individual under this subdivision must not exceed the following:

(1) \$2,000 per fiscal year for apprenticeship expenses;

(2) \$2,000 per fiscal year for on-the-job training;

(3) \$1,000 for a job placement credit payable to an eligible employer upon hiring a person receiving assistance under this subdivision; and

(4) \$1,000 for a job placement credit payable to an eligible employer after a person receiving assistance under this subdivision has been employed by the eligible employer for at least 12 consecutive months as a full-time employee.

No more than \$3,000 in aggregate benefits under this paragraph may be paid to or on behalf of an individual in one fiscal year, and not more than \$9,000 in aggregate benefits under this paragraph may be paid to or on behalf of an individual over any period of time.

(d) Assistance for apprenticeship expenses and on-the-job training is available for qualifying programs, which must, at a minimum, meet the following criteria:

(1) the training must be with an eligible employer;

(2) the training must be documented and reported;

(3) the training must reasonably be expected to lead to an entry-level position; and

(4) the position must require at least six months of training to become fully trained.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 197.791, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Appropriation.** The amount necessary to pay the benefit amounts in ~~subdivision 5~~ subdivisions 5 and 5a is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner. During any fiscal year beginning on or after July 1, ~~2013~~ 2012, the amount paid under this subdivision must not exceed \$6,000,000.

Sec. 14. **REQUEST FOR INFORMATION; EVALUATION OF MANDATED HEALTH BENEFITS.**

The commissioner of commerce shall issue a request for information regarding the cost and feasibility of a comprehensive evaluation of mandated health benefits required by a Minnesota statute or rule as of June 1, 2012. The commissioner shall issue a written report on the results of the request for information to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over health and human services and commerce no later than December 15, 2012. Any such evaluation must include the analysis, data, and information described in Minnesota Statutes, section 62J.26, subdivision 2, paragraph (b), clauses (1) through (6). For purposes of this section, a "mandated health benefit" means a statutory or administrative requirement that a health plan do the following:

(1) provide coverage or increase the amount of coverage for the treatment of a particular disease, condition, or other health care need;

(2) provide coverage or increase the amount of coverage of a particular type of health care treatment or service, or of equipment, supplies, or drugs used in connection with a health care treatment or service; or

(3) provide coverage for care delivered by a specific type of provider.

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

Sec. 15. **FLOOD-RELATED APPROPRIATIONS.**

(a) The appropriation in Laws 2010, Second Special Session chapter 1, article 1, section 11, is reduced by \$285,000.

(b) \$235,000 is appropriated from the general fund in fiscal year 2012 to the commissioner of public safety to provide a match for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) disaster assistance to state agencies and political subdivisions under Minnesota Statutes, section 12.221, in the area designated under Presidential Declaration of Major Disaster, FEMA-1900-DR, for the flooding in Minnesota in the spring of 2010, whether included in the original declaration or added later by federal government action. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until expended.

(c) \$50,000 is appropriated from the general fund in fiscal year 2012 to the commissioner of natural resources for a grant to the Mankato Water Resources Center to prepare a report to identify potential flood mitigation measures and projects within the Zumbro River watershed as a result of the 2010 flood. By January 15 of each year, until this appropriation has been spent, the commissioner shall submit a report regarding the use of this appropriation to the chairs of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over natural resources policy and finance. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until expended.

Sec. 16. **FUND TRANSFER; DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION.**

Subdivision 1. **Transfer of funds; plant management fund.** \$80,000 in fiscal year 2012 is transferred from the plant management fund to the general fund. The amount represents proceeds from the sale of assets and other revenues related to resource recovery activities. This is a onetime transfer.

Subd. 2. **Transfer of funds; special revenue fund.** \$6,512 in fiscal year 2012 is transferred from the special revenue fund to the general fund. The amount represents remaining funds in an account for a completed savings monitoring energy program. This is a onetime transfer.

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

Sec. 17. **BENCHMARKING STUDIES; APPROPRIATION.**

Subdivision 1. **Appropriation.** (a) \$450,000 is appropriated in fiscal year 2012 from the general fund to the commissioner of the Department of Administration to contract for:

(1) a benchmark study resulting in a benchmark report on the efficiency and effectiveness of the following back office functions: finance; procurement; and human resources, including payroll. The benchmark report shall be completed by November 1, 2012, and shall:

(i) include an objective comparison of the performance of the state to peer groups and world-class organizations;

(ii) quantify performance gaps;

(iii) uncover hidden costs;

(iv) identify improvement initiatives for the state to increase efficiency and effectiveness; and

(v) suggest a prioritized ranking of the improvement initiatives; and

(2) a student transportation study. This study must consider potential efficiencies that could result in employing a regional approach to student transportation. Consideration must be given to potential synergies between general transit and student transportation functions and must include all geographic areas of the state. The student transportation study shall be completed by November 1, 2012.

(b) The commissioner of administration shall provide copies of the benchmark report and the student transportation study to the chairs and ranking minority members on the committees in the senate and house of representatives with primary jurisdiction over the Department of Administration.

(c) The appropriation in paragraph (a) is a onetime appropriation and is available in fiscal year 2013.

Subd. 2. **Improvement initiatives.** By January 15, 2013, the commissioner of administration shall submit a report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with primary jurisdiction over the Department of Administration including:

(1) a plan for implementing the improvement initiatives identified in the benchmarking report required under subdivision 1; and

(2) any draft legislation that is required to implement the improvements.

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

Sec. 18. **APPROPRIATIONS; VETERANS AFFAIRS.**

Subdivision 1. Appropriations. The amounts in this section are appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of veterans affairs and are available for the purposes and in the fiscal years indicated.

Subd. 2. County veteran service officers. \$200,000 in fiscal year 2013 is for a grant to the Minnesota County Veteran Service Officers. The grant must be used for community outreach as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 197.608, to all eligible veterans regarding the availability of benefits they have earned and especially those relating to posttraumatic stress disorder for all veterans, including World War II, Korean War, and Vietnam War era veterans. This is a onetime appropriation.

Subd. 3. Honor guards. \$100,000 in fiscal year 2013 is for compensation for honor guards at the funerals of veterans under Minnesota Statutes, section 197.231. This is a onetime appropriation.

Subd. 4. Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans. \$100,000 in fiscal year 2013 is for a grant to the Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans. This is a onetime appropriation.

Sec. 19. APPROPRIATION; SOFT BODY ARMOR.

\$472,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of public safety in fiscal year 2012 for soft body armor reimbursements under Minnesota Statutes, section 299A.38. This is a onetime appropriation. Any unexpended funds may be carried over into fiscal year 2013.

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

Sec. 20. STATE AGENCY RULEMAKING; APPROPRIATION.

(a) \$126,000 in fiscal year 2013 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of management and budget to implement the requirements of Laws 2012, chapter 238, regarding the state agency rulemaking process. The commissioner may transfer this appropriation to other agencies as necessary to implement Laws 2012, chapter 238. This is a onetime appropriation.

(b) \$14,000 in fiscal year 2013 is appropriated from the environmental fund to the commissioner of management and budget to implement the requirements of Laws 2012, chapter 238, regarding the state agency rulemaking process. The commissioner may transfer this appropriation to the Pollution Control Agency as necessary to implement Laws 2012, chapter 238. This is a onetime appropriation.

Sec. 21. MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES LEVERAGED EQUIPMENT ACQUISITION; APPROPRIATION.

\$457,000 in fiscal year 2013 is appropriated from the general fund to the Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities for leveraged equipment acquisition. For the purposes of this section, "equipment" means equipment for instructional purposes for programs that the board has determined would produce graduates with skills for which there is a high employer need within the state. An equipment acquisition may be made using this appropriation only if matched by cash or in-kind contributions from nonstate sources. This is a onetime appropriation.

Sec. 22. NOTIFICATION FROM COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH.

After destruction of the test results created pursuant to the newborn screening program that were retained for more than two years prior to November 16, 2011, and after destruction of all blood samples collected pursuant to the newborn screening program that were retained prior to November 16, 2011, the commissioner of health must notify the public through a general announcement and must submit a letter of notification to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over health and human services.

Sec. 23. **REPORTS FROM THE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH.**

By January 15, 2013, the commissioner of health must publish and submit to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over health and data privacy proposed legislation to authorize the commissioner of health to collect, store, use, and disseminate genetic information, which includes biological information or specimens, for existing activities at the Department of Health where the commissioner of health determines express authorization is not already provided in law.

Sec. 24. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

(a) Sections 3 and 7 to 10 are effective August 1, 2012.

(b) Sections 4 to 6 are effective the day following final enactment and apply to blood samples collected and test results created on or after that date.

(c) Nothing in sections 1 to 11 affects or limits pending legal actions with respect to transactions, occurrences, or events that occurred prior to November 16, 2011.

ARTICLE 5

SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

Section 1. **[462A.375] ADDITIONAL PURPOSES, HOUSING INFRASTRUCTURE BONDS.**

In addition to any other purpose authorized in this chapter for use of housing infrastructure bond proceeds, the agency may use the proceeds to fund loans, on terms and conditions the agency deems appropriate, to finance the costs of the construction, acquisition, and rehabilitation of supportive housing for girls and women to provide them protection from and the means to escape exploitation and trafficking.

Presented to the governor May 8, 2012

Signed by the governor May 10, 2012, 12:47 p.m.