

**CHAPTER 145--H.F.No. 2374**

*An act relating to energy; appropriating money for low-income home energy heating assistance.*

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

**Section 1. LOW-INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION.**

(a) \$20,000,000 is appropriated in fiscal year 2014 from the general fund to the commissioner of commerce for the purpose of providing additional heating assistance through the low-income home energy assistance program under United States Code, title 42, sections 8621 to 8630, and Minnesota Statutes, section 216C.02, subdivision 1. No more than five percent of this appropriation may be used for expenses to administer the program. Any unspent balance available on June 30, 2014, cancels to the general fund.

(b) The funding provided in this section shall supplement, and not replace, any federal or other funding existing or otherwise available for heating assistance in Minnesota.

(c) The commissioner shall disburse the funds provided in this section in a manner consistent with the requirements of the federal low-income home energy assistance program under United States Code, title 42, sections 8621 to 8630.

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

Presented to the governor February 28, 2014

Signed by the governor February 28, 2014, 10:45 a.m.