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2.1 not meet a requirement of subdivision 2, when the commissioner or agency head determines
2.2 that meeting that requirement is not feasible, is in conflict with other requirements in law,
2.3 is in conflict with other project requirements, or that costs outweigh the benefits. The
2.4 commissioner must consult with the Commission of Deaf, Deafblind, and Hard-of-Hearing
2.5 Minnesotans before making the determination.

2.6 Subd. 4. **Exemption reports.** A commissioner or agency head who determines a contract
2.7 is exempt under subdivision 3 must report the exemption to the Commission of Deaf,
2.8 Deafblind, and Hard-of-Hearing Minnesotans within three months of making the
2.9 determination. The chair of the Commission of Deaf, Deafblind, and Hard-of-Hearing
2.10 Minnesotans shall submit a report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the
2.11 committees in the house of representatives and senate with jurisdiction over state contracting
2.12 by January 30 of even-numbered years beginning in 2020 identifying each exemption
2.13 reported in the previous two calendar years.

2.14 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day after enactment, and applies to
2.15 all projects funded with an appropriation enacted after January 1, 2017, for which requests
2.16 for bids or proposals are issued after January 1, 2018. For projects for which requests for
2.17 bids or proposals are issued before January 1, 2018, the commissioners and agency heads
2.18 are encouraged to comply with this section.