

**SENATE  
STATE OF MINNESOTA  
SPECIAL SESSION**

**S.F. No. 1**

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| DATE       | D-PG | OFFICIAL STATUS                  |
|------------|------|----------------------------------|
| 05/23/2017 | 12   | Introduction and first reading   |
|            | 12   | Urgency declared rules suspended |
|            | 13   | Second reading                   |
| 05/25/2017 | 13   | Laid on table                    |
|            | 49   | Taken from table                 |
|            | 49   | Special Order: Amended           |
|            | 60   | Third reading Passed             |
|            | 63   | Returned from House              |

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to the operation of state government; appropriating money for the

1.3 legislature, governor's office, state auditor, attorney general, secretary of state,

1.4 certain agencies, boards, councils, and retirement funds; changing provisions in

1.5 state government operations; changing provisions in military affairs and veterans

1.6 affairs, campaign finance, and elections; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016,

1.7 sections 3.305, subdivision 1; 3.855, subdivision 2; 3.8843, subdivision 7; 3.971,

1.8 subdivisions 2, 6; 3.972, by adding a subdivision; 3.98, subdivisions 1, 4; 3.987,

1.9 subdivision 1; 6.481, subdivisions 3, 6; 6.56, subdivision 2; 6.581, subdivision 4;

1.10 10A.01, subdivisions 12, 16; 10A.025, subdivision 1a; 10A.04, by adding a

1.11 subdivision; 10A.071, subdivision 1; 10A.09, subdivisions 5, 6; 10A.15, by adding

1.12 a subdivision; 10A.20, subdivision 3; 10A.25, subdivision 2; 10A.27, by adding

1.13 subdivisions; 10A.31, by adding a subdivision; 10A.323; 15.0145, subdivision 5;

1.14 15A.083, subdivisions 6a, 7; 16A.90; 16B.055, subdivision 1; 16B.2405; 16B.4805,

1.15 subdivision 2; 16E.0466; 43A.17, subdivision 11; 43A.24, by adding a subdivision;

1.16 138.081; 138.69; 155A.30, subdivision 5; 190.19, subdivisions 2, 2a; 196.05,

1.17 subdivision 1; 197.236, subdivision 9; 197.791, subdivisions 2, 3, 4, 5, 5a; 270.44;

1.18 270.45; 349A.08, subdivision 2; 349A.10, subdivision 6; 352D.06, subdivision 1;

1.19 353.27, subdivision 3c; 353.505; 508.12, subdivision 1; 518A.79, by adding a

1.20 subdivision; Laws 2016, chapter 127, section 8; Laws 2017, chapter 21, sections

1.21 1, subdivision 2; 3, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota

1.22 Statutes, chapters 3; 6; 10A; 15; 16B; 118A; 134A; 197; 206; 270; repealing

1.23 Minnesota Statutes 2016, sections 6.581, subdivision 1; 204B.48; 349A.08,

1.24 subdivision 3; Minnesota Rules, parts 4501.0300, subpart 3; 4501.0500, subpart

1.25 2; 4503.0200, subpart 6; 4503.0300, subpart 4; 4503.0400, subpart 1; 4503.0500,

1.26 subparts 5, 8; 4503.0700, subparts 2, 3; 4503.1300, subpart 5; 4503.1400, subparts

1.27 8, 9; 4503.1450, subparts 1, 3; 4503.1600; 4503.1700; 4503.1800; 4505.0100,

1.28 subpart 3; 4505.0900, subparts 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7; 4511.0500, subpart 2; 4512.0100,

1.29 subparts 2, 4, 5; 4525.0210, subpart 1.

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

1.31 **ARTICLE 1**

1.32 **STATE GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS**

1.33 Section 1. **APPROPRIATIONS.**

2.1 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies  
 2.2 and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the general fund,  
 2.3 or another named fund, and are available for the fiscal years indicated for each purpose.  
 2.4 The figures "2018" and "2019" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed under  
 2.5 them are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, or June 30, 2019, respectively.  
 2.6 "The first year" is fiscal year 2018. "The second year" is fiscal year 2019. "The biennium"  
 2.7 is fiscal years 2018 and 2019.

2.8 **APPROPRIATIONS**  
 2.9 **Available for the Year**  
 2.10 **Ending June 30**  
 2.11 **2018** **2019**

2.12 **Sec. 2. LEGISLATURE**

2.13 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation** **\$ 82,193,000** **\$ 82,169,000**

2.14 **Appropriations by Fund**

|                                | <u>2018</u>       | <u>2019</u>       |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 2.15 <u>General</u>            | <u>82,065,000</u> | <u>82,041,000</u> |
| 2.16 <u>Health Care Access</u> | <u>128,000</u>    | <u>128,000</u>    |

2.18 The amounts that may be spent for each  
 2.19 purpose are specified in the following  
 2.20 subdivisions.

2.21 **Subd. 2. Senate** **32,299,000** **32,105,000**

2.22 **Subd. 3. House of Representatives** **32,383,000** **32,383,000**

2.23 **Subd. 4. Legislative Coordinating Commission** **17,511,000** **17,681,000**

2.24 **Appropriations by Fund**

|                                |                   |                   |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 2.25 <u>General</u>            | <u>17,383,000</u> | <u>17,553,000</u> |
| 2.26 <u>Health Care Access</u> | <u>128,000</u>    | <u>128,000</u>    |

2.27 Appropriations provided by this subdivision  
 2.28 may be used for designated staff to support  
 2.29 the following offices and commissions: Office  
 2.30 of the Legislative Auditor; Office of the  
 2.31 Revisor of Statutes; Legislative Reference  
 2.32 Library; Geographic Information Services;  
 2.33 Legislative Budget Office; Legislative-Citizen  
 2.34 Commission on Minnesota Resources;  
 2.35 Legislative Commission on Pensions and

3.1 Retirement; Legislative Water Commission;  
3.2 Mississippi River Parkway Commission;  
3.3 Legislative Energy Commission; and the  
3.4 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council. The  
3.5 operation of all other joint offices and  
3.6 commissions must be supported by the central  
3.7 administrative staff of the Legislative  
3.8 Coordinating Commission. This appropriation  
3.9 may additionally be used for central  
3.10 administrative staff to support the work of the  
3.11 Economic Status of Women Advisory  
3.12 Committee.

3.13 From its funds, \$10,000 each year is for  
3.14 purposes of the legislators' forum, through  
3.15 which Minnesota legislators meet with  
3.16 counterparts from South Dakota, North  
3.17 Dakota, and Manitoba to discuss issues of  
3.18 mutual concern.

3.19 The base for the Legislative Budget Office is  
3.20 \$818,000 for fiscal year 2020 and each year  
3.21 thereafter.

3.22 **Legislative Auditor.** \$6,744,000 the first year  
3.23 and \$6,564,000 the second year are for the  
3.24 Office of the Legislative Auditor.

3.25 Of these amounts, \$130,000 the first year is  
3.26 for the transit financial activity reviews  
3.27 required by Minnesota Statutes, section 3.972,  
3.28 subdivision 4.

3.29 No later than January 15, 2018, the legislative  
3.30 auditor must complete an assessment of the  
3.31 adequacy of the county audits performed by  
3.32 the state auditor in calendar year 2016. The  
3.33 standards for conducting the assessment must  
3.34 be identical to those described in the report of

4.1 the state auditor dated March 2017, titled  
 4.2 "Assessing the Adequacy of 2015 County  
 4.3 Audits Performed by Private CPA Firms."

4.4 **Revisor of Statutes.** \$6,430,000 the first year  
 4.5 and \$6,093,000 the second year are for the  
 4.6 Office of the Revisor of Statutes.

4.7 Of these amounts, \$250,000 in the first year  
 4.8 is for upgrades and repairs to the information  
 4.9 technology data center located in the State  
 4.10 Office Building.

4.11 **Legislative Reference Library.** \$1,622,000  
 4.12 the first year and \$1,445,000 the second year  
 4.13 are for the Legislative Reference Library.

4.14 Of these amounts, \$177,000 the first year is  
 4.15 for the digital preservation of audio recordings  
 4.16 documenting committee hearings and floor  
 4.17 sessions of the legislature.

4.18 **Sec. 3. GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT**  
 4.19 **GOVERNOR** **\$ 3,616,000 \$ 3,616,000**

4.20 (a) This appropriation is to fund the Office of  
 4.21 the Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

4.22 (b) Up to \$19,000 the first year and up to  
 4.23 \$19,000 the second year are for necessary  
 4.24 expenses in the normal performance of the  
 4.25 Governor's and Lieutenant Governor's duties  
 4.26 for which no other reimbursement is provided.

4.27 **Sec. 4. STATE AUDITOR**

4.28 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation** **\$ 9,748,000 \$ 10,037,000**

4.29 The amounts that may be spent for each  
 4.30 purpose are specified in the following  
 4.31 subdivisions.

4.32 **Subd. 2. Audit Practice** **7,449,000 7,694,000**

|     |  |                |                |
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| 5.1 | <u>Subd. 3. Legal and Special Investigations</u> | <u>344,000</u> | <u>344,000</u> |
| 5.2 | <u>Subd. 4. Government Information</u>           | <u>702,000</u> | <u>746,000</u> |
| 5.3 | <u>Subd. 5. Pension Oversight</u>                | <u>485,000</u> | <u>485,000</u> |
| 5.4 | <u>Subd. 6. Operations Management</u>            | <u>488,000</u> | <u>488,000</u> |
| 5.5 | <u>Subd. 7. Constitutional Office</u>            | <u>280,000</u> | <u>280,000</u> |

5.6 Sec. 5. ATTORNEY GENERAL

|     |   |    |                   |    |                   |
|-----|---|----|-------------------|----|-------------------|
| 5.7 | <u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u> | \$ | <u>24,925,000</u> | \$ | <u>24,925,000</u> |
|-----|---|----|-------------------|----|-------------------|

5.8 Appropriations by Fund

|      |                         |                   |                   |
|------|-------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 5.9  |                         | <u>2018</u>       | <u>2019</u>       |
| 5.10 | <u>General</u>          | <u>22,125,000</u> | <u>22,125,000</u> |
| 5.11 | <u>State Government</u> |                   |                   |
| 5.12 | <u>Special Revenue</u>  | <u>2,405,000</u>  | <u>2,405,000</u>  |
| 5.13 | <u>Environmental</u>    | <u>145,000</u>    | <u>145,000</u>    |
| 5.14 | <u>Remediation</u>      | <u>250,000</u>    | <u>250,000</u>    |

5.15 The amounts that may be spent for each  
 5.16 purpose are specified in the following  
 5.17 subdivisions.

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| 5.18 | <u>Subd. 2. Government Legal Services</u> | <u>3,948,000</u> | <u>3,948,000</u> |
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| 5.19 | <u>Subd. 3. Regulatory Law and Professions</u> | <u>5,182,000</u> | <u>5,182,000</u> |
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5.20 Appropriations by Fund

|      |                         |                  |                  |
|------|-------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 5.21 |                         | <u>2018</u>      | <u>2019</u>      |
| 5.22 | <u>General</u>          | <u>2,403,000</u> | <u>2,403,000</u> |
| 5.23 | <u>State Government</u> |                  |                  |
| 5.24 | <u>Special Revenue</u>  | <u>2,384,000</u> | <u>2,384,000</u> |
| 5.25 | <u>Environmental</u>    | <u>250,000</u>   | <u>250,000</u>   |
| 5.26 | <u>Remediation</u>      | <u>145,000</u>   | <u>145,000</u>   |

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| 5.27 | <u>Subd. 4. State Government Services</u> | <u>6,654,000</u> | <u>6,654,000</u> |
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5.28 Appropriations by Fund

|      |                         |                  |                  |
|------|-------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 5.29 |                         | <u>2018</u>      | <u>2019</u>      |
| 5.30 | <u>General</u>          | <u>6,633,000</u> | <u>6,633,000</u> |
| 5.31 | <u>State Government</u> |                  |                  |
| 5.32 | <u>Special Revenue</u>  | <u>21,000</u>    | <u>21,000</u>    |

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|------|--|-----------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| 6.1  | <u>Subd. 5. <b>Civil Law Section</b></u>               |           | <u>3,254,000</u>         | <u>3,254,000</u>        |
| 6.2  | <u>Subd. 6. <b>Civil Litigation</b></u>                |           | <u>1,617,000</u>         | <u>1,617,000</u>        |
| 6.3  | <u>Subd. 7. <b>Administrative Operations</b></u>       |           | <u>4,270,000</u>         | <u>4,270,000</u>        |
| 6.4  | <b>Sec. 6. <u>SECRETARY OF STATE</u></b>               |           |                          |                         |
| 6.5  | <u>Subdivision 1. <b>Total Appropriation</b></u>       | <b>\$</b> | <b><u>13,631,000</u></b> | <b><u>6,742,000</u></b> |
| 6.6  | <u>The base for fiscal year 2020 is \$6,631,000</u>    |           |                          |                         |
| 6.7  | <u>and the base for fiscal year 2021 is</u>            |           |                          |                         |
| 6.8  | <u>\$6,631,000.</u>                                    |           |                          |                         |
| 6.9  | <u>The amounts that may be spent for each</u>          |           |                          |                         |
| 6.10 | <u>purpose are specified in the following</u>          |           |                          |                         |
| 6.11 | <u>subdivisions.</u>                                   |           |                          |                         |
| 6.12 | <u>Subd. 2. <b>Administration</b></u>                  |           | <u>642,000</u>           | <u>655,000</u>          |
| 6.13 | <u>Subd. 3. <b>Safe at Home</b></u>                    |           | <u>659,000</u>           | <u>676,000</u>          |
| 6.14 | <u>Subd. 4. <b>Business Services</b></u>               |           | <u>1,750,000</u>         | <u>1,502,000</u>        |
| 6.15 | <u>Subd. 5. <b>Elections</b></u>                       |           | <u>10,580,000</u>        | <u>3,909,000</u>        |
| 6.16 | <u>Of these amounts, \$7,000,000 the first year is</u> |           |                          |                         |
| 6.17 | <u>for election equipment grants under Minnesota</u>   |           |                          |                         |
| 6.18 | <u>Statutes, section 206.95. This appropriation is</u> |           |                          |                         |
| 6.19 | <u>available until June 30, 2020.</u>                  |           |                          |                         |
| 6.20 | <b>Sec. 7. <u>CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND PUBLIC</u></b>      |           |                          |                         |
| 6.21 | <b><u>DISCLOSURE BOARD</u></b>                         | <b>\$</b> | <b><u>1,036,000</u></b>  | <b><u>1,044,000</u></b> |
| 6.22 | <b>Sec. 8. <u>STATE BOARD OF INVESTMENT</u></b>        | <b>\$</b> | <b><u>139,000</u></b>    | <b><u>139,000</u></b>   |
| 6.23 | <b>Sec. 9. <u>ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS</u></b>          |           |                          |                         |
| 6.24 | <u>Subdivision 1. <b>Total Appropriation</b></u>       | <b>\$</b> | <b><u>8,184,000</u></b>  | <b><u>8,186,000</u></b> |
| 6.25 | <u>Appropriations by Fund</u>                          |           |                          |                         |
| 6.26 |  |           | <u>2018</u>              | <u>2019</u>             |
| 6.27 | <u>General</u>   |           | <u>397,000</u>           | <u>399,000</u>          |
| 6.28 | <u>Workers'</u>  |           |                          |                         |
| 6.29 | <u>Compensation</u>                                    |           | <u>7,787,000</u>         | <u>7,787,000</u>        |

7.1 The amounts that may be spent for each  
 7.2 purpose are specified in the following  
 7.3 subdivisions.

7.4 **Subd. 2. Campaign Violations** 115,000 115,000

7.5 These amounts are for the cost of considering  
 7.6 complaints filed under Minnesota Statutes,  
 7.7 section 211B.32. These amounts may be used  
 7.8 in either year of the biennium.

7.9 **Subd. 3. Data Practices** 20,000 22,000

7.10 These amounts are for the cost of considering  
 7.11 data practices complaints filed under  
 7.12 Minnesota Statutes, section 13.085. These  
 7.13 amounts may be used in either year of the  
 7.14 biennium.

7.15 **Subd. 4. Municipal Boundary Adjustments** 262,000 262,000

7.16 **Sec. 10. OFFICE OF MN.IT SERVICES**

7.17 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation** **\$ 2,642,000** **\$ 2,662,000**

7.18 The amounts that may be spent for each  
 7.19 purpose are specified in the following  
 7.20 subdivisions.

7.21 The state chief information officer must  
 7.22 prioritize use of appropriations provided by  
 7.23 this section to enhance cybersecurity across  
 7.24 state government.

7.25 **Subd. 2. State Chief Information Officer** 1,336,000 1,356,000

7.26 The commissioner of management and budget  
 7.27 is authorized to provide cash flow assistance  
 7.28 of up to \$110,000,000 from the special  
 7.29 revenue fund or other statutory general funds  
 7.30 as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section  
 7.31 16A.671, subdivision 3, paragraph (a), to the  
 7.32 Office of MN.IT Services for the purpose of  
 7.33 managing revenue and expenditure

8.1 differences. These funds shall be repaid with  
 8.2 interest by the end of the fiscal year 2019  
 8.3 closing period.

8.4 During the biennium ending June 30, 2019,  
 8.5 the Office of MN.IT Services must not charge  
 8.6 fees to a public noncommercial educational  
 8.7 television broadcast station eligible for funding  
 8.8 under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 129D, for  
 8.9 access to the state broadcast infrastructure. If  
 8.10 the access fees not charged to public  
 8.11 noncommercial educational television  
 8.12 broadcast stations total more than \$400,000  
 8.13 for the biennium, the office may charge for  
 8.14 access fees in excess of these amounts.

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| 8.15 | <u>Subd. 3. <b>Geospatial Information Office</b></u> | <u>871,000</u> | <u>871,000</u> |
| 8.16 | <u>Subd. 4. <b>Enterprise IT Security</b></u>        | <u>435,000</u> | <u>435,000</u> |

8.17 Sec. 11. **ADMINISTRATION**

|      |  |                      |                      |
|------|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| 8.18 | <u>Subdivision 1. <b>Total Appropriation</b></u> | <u>\$ 24,445,000</u> | <u>\$ 23,867,000</u> |
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8.19 The amounts that may be spent for each  
 8.20 purpose are specified in the following  
 8.21 subdivisions.

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| 8.22 | <u>Subd. 2. <b>Government and Citizen Services</b></u> | <u>9,678,000</u> | <u>9,450,000</u> |
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8.23 This appropriation includes funds for  
 8.24 information technology project services and  
 8.25 support subject to the provisions of Minnesota  
 8.26 Statutes, section 16E.0466. Any ongoing  
 8.27 information technology costs must be  
 8.28 incorporated into the service level agreement  
 8.29 and must be paid to the Office of MN.IT  
 8.30 Services by the commissioner of  
 8.31 administration under the rates and mechanism  
 8.32 specified in that agreement.



- 9.1 **Council on Developmental Disabilities.**
- 9.2 \$74,000 the first year and \$74,000 the second
- 9.3 year are for the Council on Developmental
- 9.4 Disabilities.
- 9.5 **Olmstead Plan.** \$148,000 each year is for the
- 9.6 Olmstead plan.
- 9.7 **Continuous Improvement Program.**
- 9.8 \$417,000 the first year and \$418,000 the
- 9.9 second year are for the continuous
- 9.10 improvement program.
- 9.11 **Materials Management.** \$2,408,000 the first
- 9.12 year and \$2,409,000 the second year are for
- 9.13 materials management.
- 9.14 **Plant Management.** \$488,000 each year is
- 9.15 for plant management.
- 9.16 **Real Estate and Construction Services.**
- 9.17 \$2,763,000 the first year and \$2,811,000 the
- 9.18 second year are for real estate and construction
- 9.19 services.
- 9.20 **Enterprise Real Property.** \$711,000 the first
- 9.21 year and \$717,000 the second year are for
- 9.22 enterprise real property.
- 9.23 **Small Agency Resource Team (SmART).**
- 9.24 \$466,000 the first year and \$467,000 the
- 9.25 second year are for the small agency resource
- 9.26 team.
- 9.27 **State Agency Accommodation**
- 9.28 **Reimbursement.** \$200,000 the first year and
- 9.29 \$200,000 the second year are credited to the
- 9.30 accommodation account established in
- 9.31 Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.4805.

10.1 **Community Services.** \$2,003,000 the first  
 10.2 year and \$1,718,000 the second year are for  
 10.3 community services.

10.4 (a) \$215,000 the first year and \$215,000 the  
 10.5 second year are for the state archaeologist.

10.6 (b) \$525,000 the first year and \$525,000 the  
 10.7 second year are for information policy  
 10.8 analysis.

10.9 (c) \$737,000 the first year and \$737,000 the  
 10.10 second year are for the state demographer. Of  
 10.11 this amount, \$190,000 each year is for the  
 10.12 2020 census.

10.13 (d) \$130,000 the first year and \$130,000 the  
 10.14 second year are for the Office of Grants  
 10.15 Management.

10.16 (e) \$300,000 the first year is for the State  
 10.17 Historic Preservation Office.

10.18 (f) \$96,000 the first year and \$111,000 the  
 10.19 second year are for operating adjustments and  
 10.20 may be transferred to activities under  
 10.21 paragraphs (a) to (d).

10.22 **Subd. 3. Strategic Management Services** 2,212,000 2,245,000

10.23 **Executive Leadership/Partnerships.**

10.24 \$702,000 the first year and \$719,000 the  
 10.25 second year are for executive  
 10.26 leadership/partnerships.

10.27 **School Trust Lands Director.** \$185,000 each  
 10.28 year is for school trust lands director.

10.29 **Financial Management and Reporting.**

10.30 \$871,000 the first year and \$884,000 the  
 10.31 second year are for financial management and  
 10.32 reporting.

11.1 **Human Resources.** \$454,000 the first year  
 11.2 and \$457,000 the second year are for human  
 11.3 resources.

11.4 **Subd. 4. Fiscal Agent**

12,555,000

12,172,000

11.5 **In-Lieu of Rent.** \$9,374,000 the first year and  
 11.6 \$9,391,000 the second year are for space costs  
 11.7 of the legislature and veterans organizations,  
 11.8 ceremonial space, and statutorily free space.

11.9 **Public Television.** (a) \$1,550,000 the first  
 11.10 year and \$1,550,000 the second year are for  
 11.11 matching grants for public television.

11.12 (b) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the  
 11.13 second year are for public television  
 11.14 equipment grants under Minnesota Statutes,  
 11.15 section 129D.13.

11.16 (c) The commissioner of administration must  
 11.17 consider the recommendations of the  
 11.18 Minnesota Public Television Association  
 11.19 before allocating the amounts appropriated in  
 11.20 paragraphs (a) and (b) for equipment or  
 11.21 matching grants.

11.22 **Public Radio.** (a) \$392,000 the first year and  
 11.23 \$392,000 the second year are for community  
 11.24 service grants to public educational radio  
 11.25 stations. This appropriation may be used to  
 11.26 disseminate emergency information in foreign  
 11.27 languages.

11.28 (b) \$117,000 the first year and \$117,000 the  
 11.29 second year are for equipment grants to public  
 11.30 educational radio stations. This appropriation  
 11.31 may be used for the repair, rental, and  
 11.32 purchase of equipment including equipment  
 11.33 under \$500.

- 12.1 (c) \$310,000 the first year and \$310,000 the  
12.2 second year are for equipment grants to  
12.3 Minnesota Public Radio, Inc., including  
12.4 upgrades to Minnesota's Emergency Alert and  
12.5 AMBER Alert Systems.
- 12.6 (d) \$400,000 the first year is for a grant to  
12.7 Minnesota Public Radio, Inc. for upgrades to  
12.8 Minnesota's Emergency Alert and AMBER  
12.9 Alert Systems.
- 12.10 (e) The appropriations in paragraphs (a) to (d)  
12.11 may not be used for indirect costs claimed by  
12.12 an institution or governing body.
- 12.13 (f) The commissioner of administration must  
12.14 consider the recommendations of the  
12.15 Association of Minnesota Public Educational  
12.16 Radio Stations before awarding grants under  
12.17 Minnesota Statutes, section 129D.14, using  
12.18 the appropriations in paragraphs (a) and (b).  
12.19 No grantee is eligible for a grant unless they  
12.20 are a member of the Association of Minnesota  
12.21 Public Educational Radio Stations on or before  
12.22 July 1, 2017.
- 12.23 (g) Any unencumbered balance remaining the  
12.24 first year for grants to public television or  
12.25 public radio stations does not cancel and is  
12.26 available for the second year.
- 12.27 (h) \$162,000 each year is for transfer to the  
12.28 Minnesota Film and TV Board. The  
12.29 appropriation in each year is available only  
12.30 upon receipt by the board of \$1 in matching  
12.31 contributions of money or in-kind  
12.32 contributions from nonstate sources for every  
12.33 \$3 provided by this appropriation, except that  
12.34 each year up to \$50,000 is available on July

13.1 1 even if the required matching contribution  
 13.2 has not been received by that date.

13.3 **Sec. 12. CAPITOL AREA ARCHITECTURAL**  
 13.4 **AND PLANNING BOARD** \$ 347,000 \$ 350,000

13.5 **Sec. 13. MINNESOTA MANAGEMENT AND**  
 13.6 **BUDGET** \$ 25,447,000 \$ 26,026,000

13.7 **Subdivision 1. Appropriations**

13.8 The amounts that may be spent for each  
 13.9 purpose are specified in the following  
 13.10 subdivisions.

13.11 This appropriation includes funds for  
 13.12 information technology project services and  
 13.13 support subject to the provisions of Minnesota  
 13.14 Statutes, section 16E.0466. Any ongoing  
 13.15 information technology costs must be  
 13.16 incorporated into the service level agreement  
 13.17 and must be paid to the Office of MN.IT  
 13.18 Services by the commissioner of management  
 13.19 and budget under the rates and mechanism  
 13.20 specified in that agreement.

13.21 **Subd. 2. Accounting Services** 5,060,000 5,060,000

13.22 **Subd. 3. Budget Services** 3,443,000 3,443,000

13.23 **Subd. 4. Economic Analysis** 548,000 548,000

13.24 **Subd. 5. Debt Management** 475,000 475,000

13.25 **Subd. 6. Enterprise Communications and**  
 13.26 **Planning** 1,074,000 1,074,000

13.27 **Subd. 7. Enterprise Human Resources** 3,469,000 3,469,000

13.28 **Subd. 8. Labor Relations** 1,123,000 1,123,000

13.29 **Subd. 9. Agency Administration** 10,255,000 10,834,000

13.30 (a) \$632,000 the first year and \$1,204,000 the  
 13.31 second year are for operating adjustments and  
 13.32 may be transferred to any other activity under  
 13.33 this section.



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|-------|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| 15.1  | <b><u>(b) Appeals, Legal Services, and Tax Research</u></b> |                   |                   |
| 15.2  | <u>General</u>  | <u>7,251,000</u>  | <u>7,251,000</u>  |
| 15.3  | <u>Health Care Access</u>                                   | <u>113,000</u>    | <u>113,000</u>    |
| 15.4  | <b><u>(c) Payment and Return Processing</u></b>             |                   |                   |
| 15.5  | <u>General</u>  | <u>13,177,000</u> | <u>13,177,000</u> |
| 15.6  | <u>Health Care Access</u>                                   | <u>51,000</u>     | <u>51,000</u>     |
| 15.7  | <u>Highway User Tax</u>                                     |                   |                   |
| 15.8  | <u>Distribution</u>   | <u>343,000</u>    | <u>343,000</u>    |
| 15.9  | <b><u>(d) Administration of State Taxes</u></b>             |                   |                   |
| 15.10 | <u>General</u>  | <u>57,408,000</u> | <u>57,248,000</u> |
| 15.11 | <u>Health Care Access</u>                                   | <u>1,407,000</u>  | <u>1,407,000</u>  |
| 15.12 | <u>Highway User Tax</u>                                     |                   |                   |
| 15.13 | <u>Distribution</u>   | <u>1,621,000</u>  | <u>1,621,000</u>  |
| 15.14 | <u>Environmental</u>  | <u>303,000</u>    | <u>303,000</u>    |
| 15.15 | <u>(1) \$160,000 from the general fund in the first</u>     |                   |                   |
| 15.16 | <u>year is for administration of a first-time home</u>      |                   |                   |
| 15.17 | <u>buyer savings account program. This</u>                  |                   |                   |
| 15.18 | <u>appropriation is canceled to the general fund</u>        |                   |                   |
| 15.19 | <u>if income tax provisions related to first-time</u>       |                   |                   |
| 15.20 | <u>home buyer savings accounts are not enacted</u>          |                   |                   |
| 15.21 | <u>by law at the 2017 regular or special</u>                |                   |                   |
| 15.22 | <u>legislative session.</u>                                 |                   |                   |
| 15.23 | <u>(2) \$400,000 in fiscal year 2018 and \$400,000</u>      |                   |                   |
| 15.24 | <u>in fiscal year 2019 from the general fund are</u>        |                   |                   |
| 15.25 | <u>for grants to one or more nonprofit</u>                  |                   |                   |
| 15.26 | <u>organizations, qualifying under section</u>              |                   |                   |
| 15.27 | <u>501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of</u>            |                   |                   |
| 15.28 | <u>1986, to coordinate, facilitate, encourage, and</u>      |                   |                   |
| 15.29 | <u>aid in the provision of taxpayer assistance</u>          |                   |                   |
| 15.30 | <u>services. The unencumbered balance in the</u>            |                   |                   |
| 15.31 | <u>first year does not cancel but is available for</u>      |                   |                   |
| 15.32 | <u>the second year.</u>                                     |                   |                   |
| 15.33 | <u>For purposes of this appropriation, "taxpayer</u>        |                   |                   |
| 15.34 | <u>assistance services" means accounting and tax</u>        |                   |                   |
| 15.35 | <u>preparation services provided by volunteers</u>          |                   |                   |
| 15.36 | <u>to low-income, elderly, and disadvantaged</u>            |                   |                   |

16.1 Minnesota residents to help them file federal  
 16.2 and state income tax returns, Minnesota  
 16.3 property tax refund claims, and to provide  
 16.4 personal representation before the Department  
 16.5 of Revenue and Internal Revenue Service.

16.6 For the fiscal year 2020-2021 biennial budget,  
 16.7 the commissioner must develop a budget  
 16.8 structure that reflects actual spending to the  
 16.9 budget activity level. This detail must be  
 16.10 available in the Budget Planning and Analysis  
 16.11 System.

16.12 **(e) Technology Development, Implementation,**  
 16.13 **and Support**

|       |                           |                   |                   |
|-------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 16.14 | <u>General</u>            | <u>22,784,000</u> | <u>22,784,000</u> |
| 16.15 | <u>Health Care Access</u> | <u>52,000</u>     | <u>52,000</u>     |
| 16.16 | <u>Highway User Tax</u>   |                   |                   |
| 16.17 | <u>Distribution</u>       | <u>220,000</u>    | <u>220,000</u>    |

16.18 **(f) Property Tax Administration and State Aid**

|       |   |                  |                  |
|-------|---|------------------|------------------|
| 16.19 | <u>General</u>  | <u>4,173,000</u> | <u>4,173,000</u> |
| 16.20 | <b><u>(g) Effective and Efficient Tax Service</u></b> | <u>5,727,000</u> | <u>9,782,000</u> |

16.21 These appropriations are for increased  
 16.22 operation costs. The commissioner may  
 16.23 transfer money in these appropriations to other  
 16.24 activities in this subdivision.

|       |   |                   |                   |
|-------|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| 16.25 | <b><u>Subd. 3. Debt Collection Management</u></b> | <u>28,616,000</u> | <u>28,616,000</u> |
|-------|---|-------------------|-------------------|

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|-------|-------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 16.26 | Sec. 15. <b><u>HUMAN RIGHTS</u></b> | <u>\$ 4,393,000</u> | <u>\$ 4,580,000</u> |
|-------|-------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|

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|-------|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| 16.27 | Sec. 16. <b><u>GAMBLING CONTROL</u></b> | <u>\$ 3,422,000</u> | <u>\$ 3,457,000</u> |
|-------|---|---------------------|---------------------|

16.28 These appropriations are from the lawful  
 16.29 gambling regulation account in the special  
 16.30 revenue fund.

|       |  |                   |                   |
|-------|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| 16.31 | Sec. 17. <b><u>RACING COMMISSION</u></b> | <u>\$ 845,000</u> | <u>\$ 908,000</u> |
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17.1 These appropriations are from the racing and  
 17.2 card playing regulation accounts in the special  
 17.3 revenue fund.

17.4 **Sec. 18. STATE LOTTERY**

17.5 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section  
 17.6 349A.10, subdivision 3, the State Lottery's  
 17.7 operating budget must not exceed \$32,500,000  
 17.8 in fiscal year 2018 and \$33,000,000 in fiscal  
 17.9 year 2019.

17.10 **Sec. 19. AMATEUR SPORTS COMMISSION \$ 303,000 \$ 305,000**

17.11 **Sec. 20. COUNCIL ON MINNESOTANS OF**  
 17.12 **AFRICAN HERITAGE \$ 403,000 \$ 406,000**

17.13 **Sec. 21. COUNCIL ON LATINO AFFAIRS \$ 477,000 \$ 494,000**

17.14 **Sec. 22. COUNCIL ON ASIAN-PACIFIC**  
 17.15 **MINNESOTANS \$ 457,000 \$ 464,000**

17.16 **Sec. 23. INDIAN AFFAIRS COUNCIL \$ 580,000 \$ 584,000**

17.17 **Sec. 24. MINNESOTA HISTORICAL**  
 17.18 **SOCIETY**

17.19 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation \$ 23,393,000 \$ 23,893,000**

17.20 The amounts that may be spent for each  
 17.21 purpose are specified in the following  
 17.22 subdivisions.

17.23 **Subd. 2. Operations and Programs 23,072,000 23,572,000**

17.24 \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000 the  
 17.25 second year are for digital preservation and  
 17.26 access, including planning and implementation  
 17.27 of a program to preserve and make available  
 17.28 resources related to Minnesota history. These  
 17.29 are onetime appropriations.

17.30 **Subd. 3. Fiscal Agent**

|       |  |           |                         |                            |
|-------|--|-----------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| 18.1  | <u>(a) Global Minnesota</u>                                |           | <u>39,000</u>           | <u>39,000</u>              |
| 18.2  | <u>(b) Minnesota Air National Guard Museum</u>             |           | <u>17,000</u>           | <u>17,000</u>              |
| 18.3  | <u>(c) Minnesota Military Museum</u>                       |           | <u>50,000</u>           | <u>50,000</u>              |
| 18.4  | <u>(d) Farmamerica</u>                                     |           | <u>115,000</u>          | <u>115,000</u>             |
| 18.5  | <u>(e) Hockey Hall of Fame</u>                             |           | <u>100,000</u>          | <u>100,000</u>             |
| 18.6  | <u>Any unencumbered balance remaining in this</u>          |           |                         |                            |
| 18.7  | <u>subdivision the first year does not cancel but</u>      |           |                         |                            |
| 18.8  | <u>is available for the second year of the</u>             |           |                         |                            |
| 18.9  | <u>biennium.</u>   |           |                         |                            |
| 18.10 | <b>Sec. 25. <u>BOARD OF THE ARTS</u></b>                   |           |                         |                            |
| 18.11 | <b><u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u></b>           | <b>\$</b> | <b><u>7,534,000</u></b> | <b>\$ <u>7,539,000</u></b> |
| 18.12 | <u>The amounts that may be spent for each</u>              |           |                         |                            |
| 18.13 | <u>purpose are specified in the following</u>              |           |                         |                            |
| 18.14 | <u>subdivisions.</u>                                       |           |                         |                            |
| 18.15 | <b><u>Subd. 2. Operations and Services</u></b>             |           | <u>595,000</u>          | <u>600,000</u>             |
| 18.16 | <b><u>Subd. 3. Grants Program</u></b>                      |           | <u>4,800,000</u>        | <u>4,800,000</u>           |
| 18.17 | <b><u>Subd. 4. Regional Arts Councils</u></b>              |           | <u>2,139,000</u>        | <u>2,139,000</u>           |
| 18.18 | <u>Any unencumbered balance remaining in this</u>          |           |                         |                            |
| 18.19 | <u>section the first year does not cancel, but is</u>      |           |                         |                            |
| 18.20 | <u>available for the second year.</u>                      |           |                         |                            |
| 18.21 | <u>Money appropriated in this section and</u>              |           |                         |                            |
| 18.22 | <u>distributed as grants may only be spent on</u>          |           |                         |                            |
| 18.23 | <u>projects located in Minnesota. A recipient of</u>       |           |                         |                            |
| 18.24 | <u>a grant funded by an appropriation in this</u>          |           |                         |                            |
| 18.25 | <u>section must not use more than ten percent of</u>       |           |                         |                            |
| 18.26 | <u>the total grant for costs related to travel outside</u> |           |                         |                            |
| 18.27 | <u>the state of Minnesota.</u>                             |           |                         |                            |
| 18.28 | <b>Sec. 26. <u>MINNESOTA HUMANITIES CENTER</u></b>         | <b>\$</b> | <b><u>950,000</u></b>   | <b>\$ <u>950,000</u></b>   |
| 18.29 | <u>(a) \$325,000 each year is for the Healthy</u>          |           |                         |                            |
| 18.30 | <u>Eating, Here at Home program under</u>                  |           |                         |                            |
| 18.31 | <u>Minnesota Statutes, section 138.912. No more</u>        |           |                         |                            |

19.1 than three percent of the appropriation may  
 19.2 be used for the nonprofit administration of this  
 19.3 program.

19.4 (b) \$250,000 each year is for grants to the  
 19.5 Veterans Defense Project. Grants must be used  
 19.6 to support, through education and outreach,  
 19.7 military veterans who are involved with the  
 19.8 criminal justice system. These are onetime  
 19.9 appropriations.

19.10 **Sec. 27. BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY**                    \$                    **645,000** \$                    **649,000**

19.11 **Sec. 28. BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE**  
 19.12 **ENGINEERING, LAND SURVEYING,**  
 19.13 **LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE,**  
 19.14 **GEOSCIENCE, AND INTERIOR DESIGN**                    \$                    **799,000** \$                    **804,000**

19.15 **Sec. 29. BOARD OF COSMETOLOGIST**  
 19.16 **EXAMINERS**                    \$                    **2,775,000** \$                    **2,785,000**

19.17 The executive director must report quarterly  
 19.18 to the chairs and ranking minority members  
 19.19 of the committees in the house of  
 19.20 representatives and senate with jurisdiction  
 19.21 over state government finance on the number  
 19.22 of inspections conducted by license type in  
 19.23 the past quarter, number and percent of total  
 19.24 salons and schools inspected within the last  
 19.25 year, total number of licensees by type, and  
 19.26 the number of inspectors employed by the  
 19.27 board. The first report must be submitted by  
 19.28 July 15, 2017.

19.29 **Sec. 30. BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS**                    \$                    **341,000** \$                    **343,000**

19.30 **Sec. 31. GENERAL CONTINGENT**  
 19.31 **ACCOUNTS**                    \$                    **1,000,000** \$                    **500,000**

19.32                                    Appropriations by Fund  
 19.33    2018                    2019

|      |                         |                |                |
|------|-------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| 20.1 | <u>General</u>          | <u>500,000</u> | <u>-0-</u>     |
| 20.2 | <u>State Government</u> |                |                |
| 20.3 | <u>Special Revenue</u>  | <u>400,000</u> | <u>400,000</u> |
| 20.4 | <u>Workers'</u>         |                |                |
| 20.5 | <u>Compensation</u>     | <u>100,000</u> | <u>100,000</u> |

20.6 (a) The appropriations in this section may only  
 20.7 be spent with the approval of the governor  
 20.8 after consultation with the Legislative  
 20.9 Advisory Commission pursuant to Minnesota  
 20.10 Statutes, section 3.30.

20.11 (b) If an appropriation in this section for either  
 20.12 year is insufficient, the appropriation for the  
 20.13 other year is available for it.

20.14 (c) If a contingent account appropriation is  
 20.15 made in one fiscal year, it should be  
 20.16 considered a biennial appropriation.

20.17 **Sec. 32. TORT CLAIMS** **\$** **161,000** **\$** **161,000**

20.18 These appropriations are to be spent by the  
 20.19 commissioner of management and budget  
 20.20 according to Minnesota Statutes, section  
 20.21 3.736, subdivision 7. If the appropriation for  
 20.22 either year is insufficient, the appropriation  
 20.23 for the other year is available for it.

20.24 **Sec. 33. MINNESOTA STATE RETIREMENT**  
 20.25 **SYSTEM**

20.26 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation** **\$** **14,893,000** **\$** **15,071,000**

20.27 The amounts that may be spent for each  
 20.28 purpose are specified in the following  
 20.29 subdivisions.

20.30 **Subd. 2. Combined Legislators and**  
 20.31 **Constitutional Officers Retirement Plan** **8,893,000** **9,071,000**

20.32 Under Minnesota Statutes, sections 3A.03,  
 20.33 subdivision 2; 3A.04, subdivisions 3 and 4;  
 20.34 and 3A.115.

|       |   |                             |                             |
|-------|---|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 21.1  | <u>If an appropriation in this section for either</u>         |                             |                             |
| 21.2  | <u>year is insufficient, the appropriation for the</u>        |                             |                             |
| 21.3  | <u>other year is available for it.</u>                        |                             |                             |
| 21.4  | <b><u>Subd. 3. Judges Retirement Plan</u></b>                 | <u>6,000,000</u>            | <u>6,000,000</u>            |
| 21.5  | <u>For transfer to the judges retirement fund</u>             |                             |                             |
| 21.6  | <u>under Minnesota Statutes, section 490.123.</u>             |                             |                             |
| 21.7  | <u>\$6,000,000 each fiscal year is included in the</u>        |                             |                             |
| 21.8  | <u>base for fiscal years 2020 and 2021. This</u>              |                             |                             |
| 21.9  | <u>transfer continues each fiscal year until the</u>          |                             |                             |
| 21.10 | <u>judges retirement plan reaches 100 percent</u>             |                             |                             |
| 21.11 | <u>funding as determined by an actuarial</u>                  |                             |                             |
| 21.12 | <u>valuation prepared according to Minnesota</u>              |                             |                             |
| 21.13 | <u>Statutes, section 356.214.</u>                             |                             |                             |
| 21.14 | <b><u>Sec. 34. PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT</u></b>            |                             |                             |
| 21.15 | <b><u>ASSOCIATION</u></b>                                     | <b><u>\$ 16,000,000</u></b> | <b><u>\$ 16,000,000</u></b> |
| 21.16 | <u>General employees retirement plan of the</u>               |                             |                             |
| 21.17 | <u>Public Employees Retirement Association</u>                |                             |                             |
| 21.18 | <u>relating to the merged former MERF division.</u>           |                             |                             |
| 21.19 | <u>State payments from the general fund to the</u>            |                             |                             |
| 21.20 | <u>Public Employees Retirement Association on</u>             |                             |                             |
| 21.21 | <u>behalf of the former MERF division account</u>             |                             |                             |
| 21.22 | <u>are \$16,000,000 on September 15, 2017, and</u>            |                             |                             |
| 21.23 | <u>\$16,000,000 on September 15, 2018.</u>                    |                             |                             |
| 21.24 | <u>These amounts are estimated to be needed</u>               |                             |                             |
| 21.25 | <u>under Minnesota Statutes, section 353.505.</u>             |                             |                             |
| 21.26 | <b><u>Sec. 35. TEACHERS RETIREMENT</u></b>                    |                             |                             |
| 21.27 | <b><u>ASSOCIATION</u></b>                                     | <b><u>\$ 29,831,000</u></b> | <b><u>\$ 29,831,000</u></b> |
| 21.28 | <u>The amounts estimated to be needed are as</u>              |                             |                             |
| 21.29 | <u>follows:</u>   |                             |                             |
| 21.30 | <b><u>Special Direct State Aid. \$27,331,000 the</u></b>      |                             |                             |
| 21.31 | <b><u>first year and \$27,331,000 the second year are</u></b> |                             |                             |
| 21.32 | <b><u>for special direct state aid authorized under</u></b>   |                             |                             |
| 21.33 | <b><u>Minnesota Statutes, section 354.436.</u></b>            |                             |                             |

22.1 **Special Direct State Matching Aid.**

22.2 \$2,500,000 the first year and \$2,500,000 the  
 22.3 second year are for special direct state  
 22.4 matching aid authorized under Minnesota  
 22.5 Statutes, section 354.435.

22.6 **Sec. 36. ST. PAUL TEACHERS RETIREMENT**  
 22.7 **FUND**

|                  |                         |                  |                         |
|------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| <b><u>\$</u></b> | <b><u>9,827,000</u></b> | <b><u>\$</u></b> | <b><u>9,827,000</u></b> |
|------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|

22.8 The amounts estimated to be needed for  
 22.9 special direct state aid to the first class city  
 22.10 teachers retirement fund association authorized  
 22.11 under Minnesota Statutes, section 354A.12,  
 22.12 subdivisions 3a and 3c.

22.13 **Sec. 37. MILITARY AFFAIRS**

|                  |                          |                  |                          |
|------------------|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| <b><u>\$</u></b> | <b><u>24,836,000</u></b> | <b><u>\$</u></b> | <b><u>22,920,000</u></b> |
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22.14 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation**

22.15 The amounts that may be spent for each  
 22.16 purpose are specified in the following  
 22.17 subdivisions.

|   |                         |                         |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b><u>Subd. 2. Maintenance of Training Facilities</u></b> | <b><u>9,677,000</u></b> | <b><u>9,694,000</u></b> |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|

22.19 Of the funds transferred to maintenance of  
 22.20 training facilities in Laws 2015, chapter 77,  
 22.21 article 1, section 36, subdivision 4, \$2,000,000  
 22.22 in fiscal year 2017 may be transferred to the  
 22.23 enlistment incentives appropriation to address  
 22.24 a projected fiscal year 2017 deficit in the  
 22.25 enlistment incentives program.

|  |                         |                         |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b><u>Subd. 3. General Support</u></b> | <b><u>3,090,000</u></b> | <b><u>3,114,000</u></b> |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|

|  |                          |                          |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b><u>Subd. 4. Enlistment Incentives</u></b> | <b><u>12,069,000</u></b> | <b><u>10,112,000</u></b> |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|

22.28 The appropriations in this subdivision are  
 22.29 available until June 30, 2021, except that any  
 22.30 unspent amounts allocated to a program  
 22.31 otherwise supported by this appropriation are  
 22.32 canceled to the general fund upon receipt of

23.1 federal funds in the same amount to support  
23.2 administration of that program.

23.3 If appropriations for either year of the  
23.4 biennium are insufficient, the appropriation  
23.5 from the other year is available.

23.6 Sec. 38. **VETERANS AFFAIRS**

23.7 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation**                      \$        **75,010,000** \$        **75,497,000**

23.8 The amounts that may be spent for each  
23.9 purpose are specified in the following  
23.10 subdivisions.

23.11 **Subd. 2. Veterans Programs and Services**                      **17,375,000**                      **17,440,000**

23.12 **Veterans Service Organizations. \$353,000**

23.13 each year is for grants to the following  
23.14 congressionally chartered veterans service  
23.15 organizations as designated by the  
23.16 commissioner: Disabled American Veterans,  
23.17 Military Order of the Purple Heart, the  
23.18 American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars,  
23.19 Vietnam Veterans of America, AMVETS, and  
23.20 Paralyzed Veterans of America. This funding  
23.21 must be allocated in direct proportion to the  
23.22 funding currently being provided by the  
23.23 commissioner to these organizations.

23.24 **Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans.**

23.25 \$750,000 each year is for a grant to the  
23.26 Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans  
23.27 to provide assistance throughout Minnesota  
23.28 to veterans and their families who are  
23.29 homeless or in danger of homelessness,  
23.30 including assistance with the following:

23.31 (1) utilities;  
23.32 (2) employment; and  
23.33 (3) legal issues.

24.1 The assistance authorized under this paragraph  
24.2 must be made only to veterans who have  
24.3 resided in Minnesota for 30 days prior to  
24.4 application for assistance and according to  
24.5 other guidelines established by the  
24.6 commissioner. In order to avoid duplication  
24.7 of services, the commissioner must ensure that  
24.8 this assistance is coordinated with all other  
24.9 available programs for veterans.

24.10 **Honor Guards.** \$200,000 each year is for  
24.11 compensation for honor guards at the funerals  
24.12 of veterans under Minnesota Statutes, section  
24.13 197.231.

24.14 **Minnesota GI Bill.** \$200,000 each year is for  
24.15 the costs of administering the Minnesota GI  
24.16 Bill postsecondary educational benefits,  
24.17 on-the-job training, and apprenticeship  
24.18 program under Minnesota Statutes, section  
24.19 197.791.

24.20 **Gold Star Program.** \$100,000 each year is  
24.21 for administering the Gold Star Program for  
24.22 surviving family members of deceased  
24.23 veterans.

24.24 **County Veterans Service Office.** \$1,100,000  
24.25 each year is for funding the County Veterans  
24.26 Service Office grant program under Minnesota  
24.27 Statutes, section 197.608.

24.28 **Veterans Journey Home.** \$350,000 each year  
24.29 is for grants to the veterans Journey Home  
24.30 program. Grants must support the development  
24.31 of new or rehabilitated affordable housing  
24.32 dedicated for low-to-moderate income  
24.33 veterans and their families. These are onetime  
24.34 appropriations.



- 25.1 **Subd. 3. Veterans Health Care** 57,635,000 58,057,000
- 25.2 The general fund appropriations made to the
- 25.3 department may be transferred to a veterans
- 25.4 homes special revenue account in the special
- 25.5 revenue fund in the same manner as other
- 25.6 receipts are deposited according to Minnesota
- 25.7 Statutes, section 198.34, and are appropriated
- 25.8 to the department for the operation of veterans
- 25.9 homes facilities and programs.
- 25.10 No later than January 15, 2018, the
- 25.11 commissioner must submit a report to the
- 25.12 legislative committees with jurisdiction over
- 25.13 veterans affairs and state government finance
- 25.14 on reserve amounts maintained in the veterans
- 25.15 homes special revenue account. The report
- 25.16 must detail current and historical amounts
- 25.17 maintained as a reserve, and uses of those
- 25.18 amounts. The report must also include data on
- 25.19 the utilization of existing veterans homes,
- 25.20 including current and historical bed capacity
- 25.21 and usage, staffing levels and staff vacancy
- 25.22 rates, and staff-to-resident ratios.
- 25.23 **Maximize Federal Reimbursements.** The
- 25.24 department will seek opportunities to
- 25.25 maximize federal reimbursements of
- 25.26 Medicare-eligible expenses and will provide
- 25.27 annual reports to the commissioner of
- 25.28 management and budget on the federal
- 25.29 Medicare reimbursements received.
- 25.30 Contingent upon future federal Medicare
- 25.31 receipts, reductions to the homes' general fund
- 25.32 appropriation may be made.

26.1 Sec. 39. **APPROPRIATION CANCELLATIONS.**

26.2 All unspent funds estimated to be \$7,166,000, as provided in Minnesota Statutes, section  
26.3 240A.085, under Laws 2016, chapter 189, article 13, section 56, are canceled to the general  
26.4 fund on June 30, 2017.

26.5 Sec. 40. **APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS.**

26.6 A commissioner of an executive branch agency receiving appropriations within this  
26.7 article may transfer appropriations for staff positions, salaries, and technology within the  
26.8 agency as the commissioner considers necessary.

26.9 Sec. 41. **DATA COMPLAINTS; DEFICIENCY.**

26.10 \$34,000 in fiscal year 2017 is appropriated from the general fund for the cost of  
26.11 considering complaints filed under Minnesota Statutes, section 211B.32, and for the cost  
26.12 of considering data practices complaints filed under Minnesota Statutes, section 13.085.

26.13 Sec. 42. **SAVINGS FROM INSURANCE OPT OUT; APPROPRIATION**  
26.14 **REDUCTION FOR EXECUTIVE AGENCIES.**

26.15 The commissioner of management and budget must reduce general fund appropriations  
26.16 to executive agencies, including constitutional offices, for agency operations for the biennium  
26.17 ending June 30, 2019, by \$4,012,000 due to savings from permitting employees to opt out  
26.18 of insurance coverage under the state employee group insurance coverage.

26.19 If savings obtained through permitting employees to opt out of insurance coverage under  
26.20 the state employee group insurance coverage yield savings in nongeneral funds other than  
26.21 those established in the state constitution or protected by federal law, the commissioner of  
26.22 management and budget may transfer the amount of savings to the general fund. The amount  
26.23 transferred to the general fund from other funds reduces the required general fund reduction  
26.24 in this section. Reductions made in 2019 must be reflected as reductions in agency base  
26.25 budgets for fiscal years 2020 and 2021. The commissioner of management and budget must  
26.26 report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the committees in the senate Finance  
26.27 Committee and the house of representatives Ways and Means Committee regarding the  
26.28 amount of reductions in spending by each agency under this section.

26.29 Sec. 43. **BASE BUDGET REPORT.**

26.30 No later than October 15, 2017, the commissioners of management and budget, revenue,  
26.31 and veterans affairs must each submit a report to the chairs and ranking minority members

27.1 of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over state government finance that detail the  
 27.2 agency's base budget, by fiscal year. At a minimum, the report must include:

27.3 (1) a description of each appropriation rider enacted for the agency, and the year the  
 27.4 rider was first enacted in a substantially similar form;

27.5 (2) a description of the agency's use of appropriated funds that are not directed by a  
 27.6 rider, including an itemization of programs that appeared in a rider in a prior biennium and  
 27.7 continue to receive funding despite no longer appearing in a rider; and

27.8 (3) an itemization of any appropriations provided to the agency under a provision of  
 27.9 statute or the state constitution.

## 27.10 ARTICLE 2

### 27.11 STATE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

27.12 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 3.305, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

27.13 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) "Legislative commission" means a joint commission,  
 27.14 committee, or other entity in the legislative branch composed exclusively of members of  
 27.15 the senate and the house of representatives.

27.16 (b) "Joint offices" means the Revisor of Statutes, Legislative Reference Library, the  
 27.17 Office of Legislative Auditor, the Legislative Budget Office, and any other joint legislative  
 27.18 service office.

27.19 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 8, 2019.

27.20 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 3.855, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

27.21 Subd. 2. **State employee negotiations.** (a) The commissioner of management and budget  
 27.22 shall regularly advise the commission on the progress of collective bargaining activities  
 27.23 with state employees under the state Public Employment Labor Relations Act. During  
 27.24 negotiations, the commission may make recommendations to the commissioner as it deems  
 27.25 appropriate but no recommendation shall impose any obligation or grant any right or privilege  
 27.26 to the parties.

27.27 (b) The commissioner shall submit to the chair of the commission any negotiated  
 27.28 collective bargaining agreements, arbitration awards, compensation plans, or salaries for  
 27.29 legislative approval or disapproval. Negotiated agreements shall be submitted within five  
 27.30 days of the date of approval by the commissioner or the date of approval by the affected  
 27.31 state employees, whichever occurs later. Arbitration awards shall be submitted within five

28.1 days of their receipt by the commissioner. If the commission disapproves a collective  
 28.2 bargaining agreement, award, compensation plan, or salary, the commission shall specify  
 28.3 in writing to the parties those portions with which it disagrees and its reasons. If the  
 28.4 commission approves a collective bargaining agreement, award, compensation plan, or  
 28.5 salary, it shall submit the matter to the legislature to be accepted or rejected under this  
 28.6 section.

28.7 (c) When the legislature is not in session, the commission may give interim approval to  
 28.8 a negotiated collective bargaining agreement, salary, compensation plan, or arbitration  
 28.9 award. ~~When the legislature is not in session, failure of the commission to disapprove a~~  
 28.10 ~~collective bargaining agreement or arbitration award within 30 days constitutes approval.~~  
 28.11 The commission shall submit the negotiated collective bargaining agreements, salaries,  
 28.12 compensation plans, or arbitration awards for which it has provided approval to the entire  
 28.13 legislature for ratification at a special legislative session called to consider them or at its  
 28.14 next regular legislative session as provided in this section. Approval or disapproval by the  
 28.15 commission is not binding on the legislature.

28.16 (d) When the legislature is not in session, the proposed collective bargaining agreement,  
 28.17 arbitration decision, salary, or compensation plan must be implemented upon its approval  
 28.18 by the commission, and state employees covered by the proposed agreement or arbitration  
 28.19 decision do not have the right to strike while the interim approval is in effect. Wages and  
 28.20 economic fringe benefit increases provided for in the agreement or arbitration decision paid  
 28.21 in accordance with the interim approval by the commission are not affected, but the wages  
 28.22 or benefit increases must cease to be paid or provided effective upon the rejection of the  
 28.23 agreement, arbitration decision, salary, or compensation plan, or upon adjournment of the  
 28.24 legislature without acting on it.

28.25 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 8, 2019.

28.26 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 3.8843, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

28.27 Subd. 7. **Expiration.** This section expires June 30, ~~2017~~ 2019.

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

28.29 Sec. 4. **[3.8853] LEGISLATIVE BUDGET OFFICE.**

28.30 Subdivision 1. **Establishment; duties.** The Legislative Budget Office is established  
 28.31 under control of the Legislative Coordinating Commission to provide the house of

29.1 representatives and senate with nonpartisan, accurate, and timely information on the fiscal  
29.2 impact of proposed legislation, without regard to political factors.

29.3 Subd. 2. Staff. The Legislative Coordinating Commission must appoint a director who  
29.4 may hire staff necessary to do the work of the office. The director serves a term of six years  
29.5 and may not be removed during a term except for cause.

29.6 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 8, 2019.

29.7 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 3.971, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

29.8 Subd. 2. **Staff; compensation.** (a) The legislative auditor shall establish a Financial  
29.9 Audits Division and a Program Evaluation Division to fulfill the duties prescribed in this  
29.10 section.

29.11 (b) Each division may be supervised by a deputy auditor, appointed by the legislative  
29.12 auditor, with the approval of the commission, for a term coterminous with the legislative  
29.13 auditor's term. The deputy auditors may be removed before the expiration of their terms  
29.14 only for cause. The legislative auditor and deputy auditors may each appoint a confidential  
29.15 secretary to serve at pleasure. The salaries and benefits of the legislative auditor, deputy  
29.16 auditors and confidential secretaries shall be determined by the compensation plan approved  
29.17 by the Legislative Coordinating Commission. The deputy auditors may perform and exercise  
29.18 the powers, duties and responsibilities imposed by law on the legislative auditor when  
29.19 authorized by the legislative auditor.

29.20 (c) The legislative auditor must appoint a fiscal oversight officer with duties that include  
29.21 performing the review under section 3.972, subdivision 4.

29.22 (d) The deputy auditors and the confidential secretaries serve in the unclassified civil  
29.23 service, but the fiscal oversight officer and all other employees of the legislative auditor are  
29.24 in the classified civil service. Compensation for employees of the legislative auditor in the  
29.25 classified service shall be governed by a plan prepared by the legislative auditor and approved  
29.26 by the Legislative Coordinating Commission and the legislature under section 3.855,  
29.27 subdivision 3.

29.28 (e) While in office, a person appointed deputy for the Financial Audit Division must  
29.29 hold an active license as a certified public accountant.

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

30.1 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 3.971, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

30.2 Subd. 6. **Financial audits.** The legislative auditor shall audit the financial statements  
30.3 of the state of Minnesota required by section 16A.50 and, as resources permit, Minnesota  
30.4 State Colleges and Universities, the University of Minnesota, state agencies, departments,  
30.5 boards, commissions, offices, courts, and other organizations subject to audit by the  
30.6 legislative auditor, including, but not limited to, the State Agricultural Society, Agricultural  
30.7 Utilization Research Institute, Enterprise Minnesota, Inc., Minnesota Historical Society,  
30.8 ClearWay Minnesota, Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority, Metropolitan Council,  
30.9 Metropolitan Airports Commission, and Metropolitan Mosquito Control District. Financial  
30.10 audits must be conducted according to generally accepted government auditing standards.  
30.11 The legislative auditor shall see that all provisions of law respecting the appropriate and  
30.12 economic use of public funds and other public resources are complied with and may, as  
30.13 part of a financial audit or separately, investigate allegations of noncompliance.

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

30.15 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 3.972, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
30.16 read:

30.17 Subd. 4. **Certain transit financial activity reporting.** (a) The legislative auditor must  
30.18 perform a transit financial activity review of financial information for the Metropolitan  
30.19 Council's Transportation Division and the joint powers board under section 297A.992.  
30.20 Within 14 days of the end of each fiscal quarter, the legislative auditor must submit the  
30.21 review to the Legislative Audit Commission and the chairs and ranking minority members  
30.22 of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance, finance,  
30.23 and ways and means.

30.24 (b) At a minimum, each transit financial activity review must include:

30.25 (1) a summary of monthly financial statements, including balance sheets and operating  
30.26 statements, that shows income, expenditures, and fund balance;

30.27 (2) a list of any obligations and agreements entered into related to transit purposes,  
30.28 whether for capital or operating, including but not limited to bonds, notes, grants, and future  
30.29 funding commitments;

30.30 (3) the amount of funds in clause (2) that has been committed;

30.31 (4) independent analysis by the fiscal oversight officer of the fiscal viability of revenues  
30.32 and fund balance compared to expenditures, taking into account:

31.1 (i) all expenditure commitments;

31.2 (ii) cash flow;

31.3 (iii) sufficiency of estimated funds; and

31.4 (iv) financial solvency of anticipated transit projects; and

31.5 (5) a notification concerning whether the requirements under paragraph (c) have been  
31.6 met.

31.7 (c) The Metropolitan Council and the joint powers board under section 297A.992 must  
31.8 produce monthly financial statements as necessary for the review under paragraph (b),  
31.9 clause (1), and provide timely information as requested by the legislative auditor.

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

31.11 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 3.98, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

31.12 Subdivision 1. **Preparation; duties.** (a) The head or chief administrative officer of each  
31.13 department or agency of the state government, including the Supreme Court, shall cooperate  
31.14 with the Legislative Budget Office and the Legislative Budget Office must prepare a fiscal  
31.15 note at the request of the chair of the standing committee to which a bill has been referred,  
31.16 or the chair of the house of representatives Ways and Means Committee, or the chair of the  
31.17 senate Committee on Finance.

31.18 (b) Upon request of the Legislative Budget Office, the head or chief administrative  
31.19 officer of each department or agency of state government, including the Supreme Court,  
31.20 must promptly supply all information necessary for the Legislative Budget Office to prepare  
31.21 an accurate and timely fiscal note.

31.22 (c) The Legislative Budget Office may adopt standards and guidelines governing timing  
31.23 of responses to requests for information and governing access to data, consistent with laws  
31.24 governing access to data. Agencies must comply with these standards and guidelines and  
31.25 the Legislative Budget Office must publish them on the office's Web site.

31.26 (d) For purposes of this subdivision, "Supreme Court" includes all agencies, committees,  
31.27 and commissions supervised or appointed by the state Supreme Court or the state court  
31.28 administrator.

31.29 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 8, 2019.

32.1 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 3.98, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

32.2 Subd. 4. **Uniform procedure.** ~~The commissioner of management and budget~~ Legislative  
32.3 Budget Office shall prescribe a uniform procedure to govern the departments and agencies  
32.4 of the state in complying with the requirements of this section.

32.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 8, 2019.

32.6 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 3.987, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

32.7 Subdivision 1. **Local impact notes.** ~~The commissioner of management and budget~~  
32.8 Legislative Budget Office shall coordinate the development of a local impact note for any  
32.9 proposed legislation ~~introduced after June 30, 1997,~~ upon request of the chair or the ranking  
32.10 minority member of either legislative Tax, Finance, or Ways and Means Committee. Upon  
32.11 receipt of a request to prepare a local impact note, the ~~commissioner~~ office must notify the  
32.12 authors of the proposed legislation that the request has been made. The local impact note  
32.13 must be made available to the public upon request. If the action is among the exceptions  
32.14 listed in section 3.988, a local impact note need not be requested nor prepared. The  
32.15 ~~commissioner~~ office shall make a reasonable and timely estimate of the local fiscal impact  
32.16 on each type of political subdivision that would result from the proposed legislation. The  
32.17 ~~commissioner of management and budget~~ office may require any political subdivision or  
32.18 the commissioner of an administrative agency of the state to supply in a timely manner any  
32.19 information determined to be necessary to determine local fiscal impact. The political  
32.20 subdivision, its representative association, or commissioner shall convey the requested  
32.21 information to the ~~commissioner of management and budget~~ office with a signed statement  
32.22 to the effect that the information is accurate and complete to the best of its ability. The  
32.23 political subdivision, its representative association, or commissioner, when requested, shall  
32.24 update its determination of local fiscal impact based on actual cost or revenue figures,  
32.25 improved estimates, or both. Upon completion of the note, the ~~commissioner~~ office must  
32.26 provide a copy to the authors of the proposed legislation and to the chair and ranking minority  
32.27 member of each committee to which the proposed legislation is referred.

32.28 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 8, 2019.

32.29 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 6.481, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

32.30 Subd. 3. **CPA firm audit.** A county audit performed by a CPA firm must meet the  
32.31 standards and be in ~~the~~ a form required by the state auditor meeting recognized industry  
32.32 auditing standards. The state auditor may require additional information from the CPA firm  
32.33 if the state auditor determines that is in the public interest, but the state auditor must accept



33.1 the audit unless the state auditor determines ~~if the audit or its form~~ does not meet recognized  
 33.2 industry auditing standards ~~or is not in the form required by the state auditor~~. The state  
 33.3 auditor may make additional examinations as the auditor determines to be in the public  
 33.4 interest.

33.5 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 6.481, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

33.6 Subd. 6. **Payments to state auditor.** A county audited by the state auditor must pay the  
 33.7 state auditor for the costs and expenses of the audit. If the state auditor makes additional  
 33.8 examinations of a county whose audit is performed by a CPA firm, the county must pay the  
 33.9 auditor for the cost of these examinations. Payments must be deposited in the ~~state auditor~~  
 33.10 enterprise general fund.

33.11 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 6.56, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

33.12 Subd. 2. **Billings by state auditor.** Upon the examination of the books, records, accounts,  
 33.13 and affairs of any political subdivision, as provided by law, such political subdivision shall  
 33.14 be liable to the state for the total cost and expenses of such examination, including the  
 33.15 salaries paid to the examiners while actually engaged in making such examination. The  
 33.16 state auditor may bill such political subdivision periodically for service rendered and the  
 33.17 officials responsible for approving and paying claims are authorized to pay said bill promptly.  
 33.18 Said payments shall be without prejudice to any defense against said claims that may exist  
 33.19 or be asserted. The ~~state auditor enterprise~~ general fund shall be credited with all collections  
 33.20 made for any such examinations, including interest payments made pursuant to subdivision  
 33.21 3.

33.22 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 6.581, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

33.23 Subd. 4. **Reports to legislature.** At least 30 days before implementing increased charges  
 33.24 for examinations, the state auditor must report the proposed increases to the chairs and  
 33.25 ranking minority members of the committees in the house of representatives and the senate  
 33.26 with jurisdiction over the budget of the state auditor. By January 15 of each odd-numbered  
 33.27 year, the state auditor must report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the  
 33.28 legislative committees and divisions with primary jurisdiction over the budget of the state  
 33.29 auditor a summary of ~~the state auditor enterprise fund~~ anticipated revenues, and expenditures  
 33.30 related to examinations for the biennium ending June 30 of that year. The report must also  
 33.31 include for the biennium the number of full-time equivalents ~~paid by the fund~~, by division,  
 33.32 employed by the Office of the State Auditor, any audit rate changes stated as a percentage,  
 33.33 the number of audit reports issued, and the number of counties audited.

34.1 Sec. 15. **[6.92] LITIGATION EXPENSES; LEGISLATIVE REPORT.**

34.2 The state auditor must report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the  
 34.3 committees in the house of representatives and the senate with jurisdiction over the Office  
 34.4 of the State Auditor by July 1, 2017, and January 1, 2018, and each January 1 thereafter,  
 34.5 on the state auditor's expenses in preparing or asserting a civil claim or appeal, or in defending  
 34.6 against a civil claim or appeal, related to the proper exercise of the auditor's constitutionally  
 34.7 authorized core functions. The report must list each lawsuit the state auditor has brought or  
 34.8 is defending, the grounds for each suit, the litigation expenses incurred since the previous  
 34.9 report under this section, and the projected expenses to complete the suit.

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

34.11 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 15.0145, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

34.12 Subd. 5. **Executive director; staff.** (a) The Legislative Coordinating Commission must  
 34.13 appoint an executive director for each council. The executive director must be experienced  
 34.14 in administrative activities and familiar with the challenges and needs of the ethnic council's  
 34.15 larger community. The executive director serves in the unclassified service at the pleasure  
 34.16 of the Legislative Coordinating Commission.

34.17 (b) The Legislative Coordinating Commission must establish a process for recruiting  
 34.18 and selecting applicants for the executive director positions. This process must include  
 34.19 consultation and collaboration with the applicable council.

34.20 (c) The executive director and applicable council members must work together in fulfilling  
 34.21 council duties. The executive director must consult with the commissioner of administration  
 34.22 to ensure appropriate financial, purchasing, human resources, and other services for operation  
 34.23 of the council.

34.24 (d) Once appointed, each council is responsible for supervising the work of its director.  
 34.25 The council chair must report to the chair of the Legislative Coordinating Commission  
 34.26 regarding the performance of the executive director, including any recommendations  
 34.27 regarding disciplinary actions. The executive director must appoint and supervise the work  
 34.28 of other staff necessary to carry out the duties of the council. The executive director must  
 34.29 consult with the council chair prior to taking the following disciplinary actions with council  
 34.30 staff: written reprimand, suspension, demotion, or discharge. The executive director and  
 34.31 other council staff are executive branch employees.

34.32 (e) The executive director must submit the council's biennial budget request to the  
 34.33 commissioner of management and budget as provided under chapter 16A.

35.1 (f) The Legislative Coordinating Commission may delegate its responsibilities under  
 35.2 this section to a subcommittee or subgroup of the commission or the chair of the council.

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

35.4 Sec. 17. **[15.0395] INTERAGENCY AGREEMENTS AND INTRA-AGENCY**  
 35.5 **TRANSFERS.**

35.6 (a) By January 15, 2018, and annually thereafter, the head of each agency must provide  
 35.7 reports to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with  
 35.8 jurisdiction over the department or agency's budget on:

35.9 (1) interagency agreements or service-level agreements and any renewals or extensions  
 35.10 of existing interagency or service-level agreements with another agency if the cumulative  
 35.11 value of those agreements is more than \$100,000 in a single fiscal year; and

35.12 (2) transfers of appropriations between accounts within or between agencies, if the  
 35.13 cumulative value of the transfers is more than \$100,000 in a single fiscal year.

35.14 The report must include the statutory citation authorizing the agreement, transfer or dollar  
 35.15 amount, purpose, and effective date of the agreement, the duration of the agreement, and a  
 35.16 copy of the agreement.

35.17 (b) As used in this section, "agency" includes the departments of the state listed in section  
 35.18 15.01, a multimember state agency in the executive branch described in section 15.012,  
 35.19 paragraph (a), the Office of MN.IT Services, and the Office of Higher Education.

35.20 Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 15A.083, subdivision 6a, is amended to read:

35.21 Subd. 6a. **Administrative law judge; salaries.** The salary of the chief administrative  
 35.22 law judge is 98.52 percent of the salary of a chief district court judge. The salaries of the  
 35.23 assistant chief administrative law judge and administrative law judge supervisors are 93.60  
 35.24 percent of the salary of a chief district court judge. The salary of an administrative law judge  
 35.25 employed by the Office of Administrative Hearings is ~~88.67~~ 98.52 percent of the salary of  
 35.26 a district court judge as set under section 15A.082, subdivision 3.

35.27 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 15A.083, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

35.28 Subd. 7. **Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals and compensation judges.**  
 35.29 Salaries of judges of the Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals are 98.52 percent of the  
 35.30 salary for district court judges. The salary of the chief judge of the Workers' Compensation  
 35.31 Court of Appeals is 98.52 percent of the salary for a chief district court judge. Salaries of

36.1 compensation judges are ~~88.67~~ 98.52 percent of the salary of district court judges. ~~The chief~~  
 36.2 ~~workers' compensation judge at the Department of Labor and Industry may be paid an annual~~  
 36.3 ~~salary that is up to five percent greater than the salary of workers' compensation settlement~~  
 36.4 ~~judges at the Department of Labor and Industry.~~

36.5 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 16A.90, is amended to read:

36.6 **16A.90 EMPLOYEE GAINSHARING SYSTEM.**

36.7 Subdivision 1. Commissioner must establish program. (a) The commissioner shall  
 36.8 establish a program to provide onetime bonus compensation to state employees for efforts  
 36.9 made to reduce the costs of operating state government or for ways of providing better or  
 36.10 more efficient state services. The commissioner may authorize an executive branch appointing  
 36.11 authority to make a onetime award to an employee or group of employees whose suggestion  
 36.12 or involvement in a project is determined by the commissioner to have resulted in documented  
 36.13 cost-savings to the state. Before authorizing awards under this section, the commissioner  
 36.14 shall establish guidelines for the program including but not limited to:

36.15 (1) the maximum award is ten percent of the documented savings in the first fiscal year  
 36.16 in which the savings are realized up to \$50,000;

36.17 (2) the award must be paid from the appropriation to which the savings accrued; and

36.18 (3) employees whose primary job responsibility is to identify cost savings or ways of  
 36.19 providing better or more efficient state services are generally not eligible for bonus  
 36.20 compensation under this section except in extraordinary circumstances as defined by the  
 36.21 commissioner.

36.22 (b) The program required by this section must be in addition to any existing monetary  
 36.23 or nonmonetary performance-based recognition programs for state employees, including  
 36.24 achievement awards, continuous improvement awards, and general employee recognitions.

36.25 Subd. 2. Biannual legislative report. No later than August 1, 2017, and biannually  
 36.26 thereafter, the commissioner must report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the  
 36.27 house of representatives and senate committees with jurisdiction over Minnesota Management  
 36.28 and Budget on the status of the program required by this section. The report must detail:

36.29 (1) the specific program guidelines established by the commissioner as required by  
 36.30 subdivision 1, if the guidelines have not been described in a previous report;

36.31 (2) any proposed modifications to the established guidelines under consideration by the  
 36.32 commissioner, including the reason for the proposed modifications;

37.1 (3) the methods used by the commissioner to promote the program to state employees,  
37.2 if the methods have not been described in a previous report;

37.3 (4) a summary of the results of the program that includes the following, categorized by  
37.4 agency:

37.5 (i) the number of state employees whose suggestions or involvement in a project were  
37.6 considered for possible bonus compensation, and a description of each suggestion or project  
37.7 that was considered;

37.8 (ii) the total amount of bonus compensation actually awarded, itemized by each suggestion  
37.9 or project that resulted in an award and the amount awarded for that suggestion or project;  
37.10 and

37.11 (iii) the total amount of documented cost-savings that accrued to the agency as a result  
37.12 of each suggestion or project for which bonus compensation was granted; and

37.13 (5) any recommendations for legislation that, in the judgment of the commissioner,  
37.14 would improve the effectiveness of the bonus compensation program established by this  
37.15 section or which would otherwise increase opportunities for state employees to actively  
37.16 participate in the development and implementation of strategies for reducing the costs of  
37.17 operating state government or for providing better or more efficient state services.

37.18 Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 16B.055, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

37.19 Subdivision 1. **Federal Assistive Technology Act.** (a) The Department of Administration  
37.20 is designated as the lead agency to carry out all the responsibilities under the Assistive  
37.21 Technology Act of 1998, as provided by Public Law 108-364, as amended. The Minnesota  
37.22 Assistive Technology Advisory Council is established to fulfill the responsibilities required  
37.23 by the Assistive Technology Act, as provided by Public Law 108-364, as amended. Because  
37.24 the existence of this council is required by federal law, this council does not expire.

37.25 (b) Except as provided in paragraph (c), the governor shall appoint the membership of  
37.26 the council as required by the Assistive Technology Act of 1998, as provided by Public  
37.27 Law 108-364, as amended. After the governor has completed the appointments required by  
37.28 this subdivision, the commissioner of administration, or the commissioner's designee, shall  
37.29 convene the first meeting of the council following the appointments. Members shall serve  
37.30 two-year terms commencing July 1 of each odd-numbered year, and receive the compensation  
37.31 specified by the Assistive Technology Act of 1998, as provided by Public Law 108-364, as  
37.32 amended. The members of the council shall select their chair at the first meeting following  
37.33 their appointment.

38.1 (c) After consulting with the appropriate commissioner, the commissioner of  
 38.2 administration shall appoint a representative from:

38.3 (1) State Services for the Blind who has assistive technology expertise;

38.4 (2) vocational rehabilitation services who has assistive technology expertise;

38.5 (3) the Workforce Development Council; and

38.6 (4) the Department of Education who has assistive technology expertise.

38.7 Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 16B.2405, is amended to read:

38.8 **16B.2405 CAPITOL BUILDING POWERS AND DUTIES.**

38.9 Subdivision 1. **Duties.** The commissioner, upon receipt of funding for these purposes,  
 38.10 shall:

38.11 (1) maintain and operate the Capitol building and grounds according to section 16B.24  
 38.12 and other applicable law;

38.13 (2) designate a project manager to oversee and manage predesign, design, and construction  
 38.14 contracts and funding for all modifications to the Capitol building;

38.15 (3) manage design and construction projects and funding for the Capitol building  
 38.16 according to section 16B.31 and other applicable law;

38.17 (4) lease space in the Capitol building, as provided in section 16B.24, to state agencies,  
 38.18 constitutional officers, and the court administrator on behalf of the judicial branch and  
 38.19 allocate space in the Capitol building to the legislative branch as determined by the  
 38.20 commission;

38.21 (5) provide information about the Capitol building to the commission, legislative bodies,  
 38.22 and others as needed regarding maintenance, operation, leasing, condition assessments,  
 38.23 design, and construction projects; and

38.24 (6) assist the State Capitol Preservation Commission with performance of its duties as  
 38.25 needed.

38.26 Subd. 2. **Capitol event fees; appropriation.** The commissioner may collect charges or  
 38.27 fees from users holding events in the Capitol building. Money collected by the commissioner  
 38.28 under this subdivision shall be deposited in the general fund. The commissioner shall report  
 38.29 annually by August 1 on the events held in the Capitol building, the amounts collected for  
 38.30 those events, and the costs for operating events, to the chairs and ranking minority members

39.1 of the committees in the house of representatives and the senate with jurisdiction over  
39.2 finance and policy relating to the commissioner of administration.

39.3 Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 16B.4805, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

39.4 Subd. 2. **Reimbursement for making reasonable accommodation.** The commissioner  
39.5 of administration shall reimburse state agencies for up to 50 percent of the cost of expenses  
39.6 incurred in making reasonable accommodations eligible for reimbursement for agency  
39.7 employees and applicants for employment to the extent that funds are available in the  
39.8 accommodation account established under subdivision 3 for this purpose.

39.9 Sec. 24. **[16B.991] TERMINATION OF GRANT.**

39.10 Each grant agreement subject to sections 16B.97 and 16B.98 must provide that the  
39.11 agreement will immediately be terminated if the recipient is convicted of a criminal offense  
39.12 relating to a state grant agreement.

39.13 Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 16E.0466, is amended to read:

39.14 **16E.0466 STATE AGENCY TECHNOLOGY PROJECTS.**

39.15 Subdivision 1. Consultation required. (a) Every state agency with an information or  
39.16 telecommunications project must consult with the Office of MN.IT Services to determine  
39.17 the information technology cost of the project. Upon agreement between the commissioner  
39.18 of a particular agency and the chief information officer, the agency must transfer the  
39.19 information technology cost portion of the project to the Office of MN.IT Services. Service  
39.20 level agreements must document all project-related transfers under this section. Those  
39.21 agencies specified in section 16E.016, paragraph (d), are exempt from the requirements of  
39.22 this section.

39.23 (b) Notwithstanding section 16A.28, subdivision 3, any unexpended operating balance  
39.24 appropriated to a state agency may be transferred to the information and telecommunications  
39.25 technology systems and services account for the information technology cost of a specific  
39.26 project, subject to the review of the Legislative Advisory Commission, under section 16E.21,  
39.27 subdivision 3.

39.28 Subd. 2. Legislative report. No later than October 1, 2017, and annually thereafter, the  
39.29 state chief information officer must submit a comprehensive project portfolio report to the  
39.30 chairs and ranking minority members of the house of representatives and senate committees  
39.31 with jurisdiction over state government finance on projects requiring consultation under  
39.32 subdivision 1. The report must itemize:

- 40.1 (1) each project presented to the office for consultation in the time since the last report;  
 40.2 (2) the information technology cost associated with the project, including the information  
 40.3 technology cost as a percentage of the project's complete budget;  
 40.4 (3) the status of the information technology components of the project's development;  
 40.5 (4) the date the information technology components of the project are expected to be  
 40.6 completed; and  
 40.7 (5) the projected costs for ongoing support and maintenance of the information technology  
 40.8 components after the project is complete.

40.9 Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 43A.17, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

40.10 Subd. 11. **Severance pay for certain employees.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision,  
 40.11 "highly compensated employee" means an employee of the state whose estimated annual  
 40.12 compensation is greater than 60 percent of the governor's annual salary, and who is not  
 40.13 covered by a collective bargaining agreement negotiated under chapter 179A or a  
 40.14 compensation plan authorized under section 43A.18, subdivision 3a.

40.15 (b) Severance pay for a highly compensated employee includes benefits or compensation  
 40.16 with a quantifiable monetary value, that are provided for an employee upon termination of  
 40.17 employment and are not part of the employee's annual wages and benefits and are not  
 40.18 specifically excluded by this subdivision. Severance pay does not include payments for  
 40.19 accumulated vacation, accumulated sick leave, and accumulated sick leave liquidated to  
 40.20 cover the cost of group term insurance. Severance pay for a highly compensated employee  
 40.21 does not include payments of periodic contributions by an employer toward premiums for  
 40.22 group insurance policies. The severance pay for a highly compensated employee must be  
 40.23 excluded from retirement deductions and from any calculations of retirement benefits.  
 40.24 Severance pay for a highly compensated employee must be paid in a manner mutually  
 40.25 agreeable to the employee and the employee's appointing authority over a period not to  
 40.26 exceed five years from retirement or termination of employment. If a retired or terminated  
 40.27 employee dies before all or a portion of the severance pay has been disbursed, the balance  
 40.28 due must be paid to a named beneficiary or, lacking one, to the deceased's estate. Except  
 40.29 as provided in paragraph (c), severance pay provided for a highly compensated employee  
 40.30 leaving employment may not exceed ~~an amount equivalent to six months of pay~~ the lesser  
 40.31 of:

40.32 (1) six months pay; or



41.1 (2) the highly compensated employee's regular rate of pay multiplied by 35 percent of  
 41.2 the highly compensated employee's accumulated but unused sick leave hours.

41.3 (c) Severance pay for a highly compensated employee may exceed ~~an amount equivalent~~  
 41.4 ~~to six months of pay~~ the limit prescribed in paragraph (b) if the severance pay is part of an  
 41.5 early retirement incentive offer approved by the state and the same early retirement incentive  
 41.6 offer is also made available to all other employees of the appointing authority who meet  
 41.7 generally defined criteria relative to age or length of service.

41.8 (d) An appointing authority may make severance payments to a highly compensated  
 41.9 employee, up to the limits prescribed in this subdivision, only if doing so is authorized by  
 41.10 a compensation plan under section 43A.18 that governs the employee, provided that the  
 41.11 following highly compensated employees are not eligible for severance pay:

41.12 (1) a commissioner, deputy commissioner, or assistant commissioner of any state  
 41.13 department or agency as listed in section 15.01 or 15.06, including the state chief information  
 41.14 officer; and

41.15 (2) any unclassified employee who is also a public official, as defined in section 10A.01,  
 41.16 subdivision 35.

41.17 (e) Severance pay shall not be paid to a highly compensated employee who has been  
 41.18 employed by the appointing authority for less than six months or who voluntarily terminates  
 41.19 employment.

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

41.21 Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 43A.24, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
 41.22 read:

41.23 Subd. 1a. **Opt out.** (a) An individual eligible for state-paid hospital, medical, and dental  
 41.24 benefits under this section has the right to decline those benefits, provided the individual  
 41.25 declining the benefits can prove health insurance coverage from another source. Any  
 41.26 individual declining benefits must do so in writing, signed and dated, on a form provided  
 41.27 by the commissioner.

41.28 (b) The commissioner must create, and make available in hard copy and online a form  
 41.29 for individuals to use in declining state-paid hospital, medical, and dental benefits. The form  
 41.30 must, at a minimum, include notice to the declining individual of the next available  
 41.31 opportunity and procedure to re-enroll in the benefits.

42.1 (c) No later than January 15 of each year, the commissioner of management and budget  
 42.2 must provide a report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative  
 42.3 committees with jurisdiction over state government finance on the number of employees  
 42.4 choosing to opt-out of state employee group insurance coverage under this section. The  
 42.5 report must provide itemized statistics, by agency, and include the total amount of savings  
 42.6 accrued to each agency resulting from the opt-outs.

42.7 Sec. 28. [118A.09] ADDITIONAL LONG-TERM EQUITY INVESTMENT  
 42.8 AUTHORITY.

42.9 Subdivision 1. Definition; qualifying government. "Qualifying government" means:  
 42.10 (1) a county or statutory or home rule charter city with a population of more than 100,000;  
 42.11 (2) a county or statutory or home rule charter city which had its most recently issued  
 42.12 general obligation bonds rated in the highest category by a national bond rating agency; or  
 42.13 (3) a self-insurance pool listed in section 471.982, subdivision 3.

42.14 A county or statutory or home rule charter city with a population of 100,000 or less that is  
 42.15 a qualifying government, but is subsequently rated less than the highest category by a  
 42.16 national bond rating agency on a general obligation bond issue, may not invest additional  
 42.17 funds under this section but may continue to manage funds previously invested under  
 42.18 subdivision 2.

42.19 Subd. 2. Additional investment authority. Qualifying governments may invest the  
 42.20 amount described in subdivision 3:

42.21 (1) in index mutual funds based in the United States and indexed to a broad market  
 42.22 United States equity index; or

42.23 (2) with the Minnesota State Board of Investment subject to such terms and minimum  
 42.24 amounts as may be adopted by the board. Index mutual fund investments must be made  
 42.25 directly with the main sales office of the fund.

42.26 Subd. 3. Funds. (a) Qualifying governments may only invest under subdivision 2  
 42.27 according to the limitations in this subdivision. A qualifying government under subdivision  
 42.28 1, clause (1) or (2), may only invest its funds that are held for long-term capital plans  
 42.29 authorized by the city council or county board, or long-term obligations of the qualifying  
 42.30 government. Long-term obligations of the qualifying government include long-term capital  
 42.31 plan reserves, funds held to offset long-term environmental exposure, other postemployment

43.1 benefit liabilities, compensated absences, and other long-term obligations established by  
 43.2 applicable accounting standards.

43.3 (b) Qualifying governments under subdivision 1, clause (1) or (2), may invest up to 15  
 43.4 percent of the sum of:

43.5 (1) unassigned cash;

43.6 (2) cash equivalents;

43.7 (3) deposits; and

43.8 (4) investments.

43.9 This calculation must be based on the qualifying government's most recent audited statement  
 43.10 of net position, which must be compliant and audited pursuant to governmental accounting  
 43.11 and auditing standards. Once the amount invested reaches 15 percent of the sum of  
 43.12 unassigned cash, cash equivalents, deposits, and investments, no further funds may be  
 43.13 invested under this section; however, a qualifying government may continue to manage the  
 43.14 funds previously invested under this section even if the total amount subsequently exceeds  
 43.15 15 percent of the sum of unassigned cash, cash equivalents, deposits, and investments.

43.16 (c) A qualified government under subdivision 1, clause (3), may invest up to the lesser  
 43.17 of:

43.18 (1) 15 percent of the sum of its cash, cash equivalents, deposits, and investments; or

43.19 (2) 25 percent of its net assets as reported on the pool's most recent audited statement  
 43.20 of net position, which must be compliant and audited pursuant to governmental accounting  
 43.21 and auditing standards.

43.22 Subd. 4. **Approval.** Before investing pursuant to this section, the governing body of the  
 43.23 qualifying government must adopt a resolution that includes the following statements:

43.24 (1) the governing body understands that investments under subdivision 2 have a risk of  
 43.25 loss;

43.26 (2) the governing body understands the type of funds that are being invested and the  
 43.27 specific investment itself; and

43.28 (3) the governing body certifies that all funds designated for investment through the  
 43.29 State Board of Investment meet the requirements of this section and the policies and  
 43.30 procedures established by the State Board of Investment.

44.1 Subd. 5. **Public Employees Retirement Association to act as account administrator.**  
44.2 A qualifying government exercising authority under this section to invest amounts with the  
44.3 State Board of Investment shall establish an account with the Public Employees Retirement  
44.4 Association (PERA), which shall act as the account administrator.

44.5 Subd. 6. **Purpose of account.** The account established under subdivision 5 may only  
44.6 be used for the purposes provided under subdivision 3. PERA may rely on representations  
44.7 made by the qualifying government in exercising its duties as account administrator and  
44.8 has no duty to further verify qualifications, use, or intended use of the funds that are invested  
44.9 or withdrawn.

44.10 Subd. 7. **Account maintenance.** (a) A qualifying government may establish an account  
44.11 to be held under the supervision of PERA for the purposes of investing funds with the State  
44.12 Board of Investment under subdivision 2. PERA shall establish a separate account for each  
44.13 qualifying government. PERA may charge participating qualifying governments a fee for  
44.14 reasonable administrative costs. The amount of any fee charged by PERA is annually  
44.15 appropriated to the association from the account. PERA may establish other reasonable  
44.16 terms and conditions for creation and maintenance of these accounts.

44.17 (b) PERA must report to the qualifying government on the investment returns of invested  
44.18 funds and on all investment fees or costs incurred by the account.

44.19 Subd. 8. **Investment.** (a) The assets of an account shall be invested and held as required  
44.20 by this subdivision.

44.21 (b) PERA must certify all money in the accounts for which it is account administrator  
44.22 to the State Board of Investment for investment under section 11A.14, subject to the policies  
44.23 and procedures established by the State Board of Investment. Investment earnings must be  
44.24 credited to the account of the individual qualifying government.

44.25 (c) For accounts invested by the State Board of Investment, the investment restrictions  
44.26 shall be the same as those generally applicable to the State Board of Investment.

44.27 (d) A qualifying government may provide investment direction to PERA, subject to the  
44.28 policies and procedures established by the State Board of Investment.

44.29 Subd. 9. **Withdrawal of funds and termination of account.** (a) A government may  
44.30 withdraw some or all of its money or terminate the account.

44.31 (b) A government requesting withdrawal of money from an account created under this  
44.32 section must do so at a time and in the manner required by the executive director of PERA,  
44.33 subject to the policies and procedures established by the State Board of Investment.

45.1 Sec. 29. [134A.17] TRANSFERS TO COUNTY.

45.2 If the Sherburne County law library, through its trustees, has a fiscal reserve that is  
45.3 projected to sustain its operations for a period of over five years, the Sherburne County law  
45.4 library may transfer up to half of the money in its fiscal reserve, but not to exceed \$200,000,  
45.5 to Sherburne County to defray costs of constructing a new building to house the law library  
45.6 and courts.

45.7 Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 138.081, is amended to read:

45.8 **138.081 FEDERAL FUNDS, ACTS.**

45.9 Subdivision 1. ~~Executive Council~~ Department of Administration as agency to accept  
45.10 **federal funds.** The ~~Executive Council of the Minnesota Historical Society~~ Department of  
45.11 Administration is hereby designated the state agency with power to accept any and all money  
45.12 provided for or made available to this state by the United States of America or any department  
45.13 or agency thereof for surveys, restoration, construction, equipping, or other purposes relating  
45.14 to the state historic sites program in accordance with the provisions of federal law and any  
45.15 rules or regulations promulgated thereunder and are further authorized to do any and all  
45.16 things required of this state by such federal law and the rules and regulations promulgated  
45.17 thereunder in order to obtain such federal money.

45.18 Subd. 2. ~~Director's~~ Commissioner's responsibilities. The ~~director of the Minnesota~~  
45.19 ~~Historical Society, as state historic preservation officer,~~ commissioner shall be responsible  
45.20 for the preparation, implementation and administration of the State Historic Preservation  
45.21 Plan and shall administer the State Historic Preservation Program authorized by the National  
45.22 Historic Preservation Act (United States Code, title 16, section 470 et seq. as amended).  
45.23 The ~~director of the Minnesota Historical Society~~ commissioner shall review and approve  
45.24 in writing all grants-in-aid for architectural, archaeological and historic preservation made  
45.25 by state agencies and funded by the state or a combination of state and federal funds in  
45.26 accordance with the State Historic Preservation Program.

45.27 Subd. 3. **Administration of federal act.** The ~~Minnesota Historical Society~~ Department  
45.28 of Administration is designated as the state agency to administer the provisions of the federal  
45.29 act providing for the preservation of historical and archaeological data, United States Code,  
45.30 title 16, sections 469 to 469C, insofar as the provisions of the act provide for implementation  
45.31 by the state.

45.32 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective March 1, 2018.

46.1 Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 138.69, is amended to read:

46.2 **138.69 PUBLIC AREAS OF THE CAPITOL.**

46.3 The Minnesota State Historical Society is designated the research agency and is  
 46.4 responsible for the interpretation of the public areas for visitors to the Capitol. This involves  
 46.5 conducting or approving public programs and tours in the Capitol and State Office Building,  
 46.6 including exhibits held in the Capitol, providing informational services, acting as ~~advisor~~  
 46.7 adviser on preservation, recommending appropriate custodial policies, and maintaining and  
 46.8 repairing all works of art. Notwithstanding section 138.668, the society may not charge a  
 46.9 fee for general tours at the Capitol but may charge fees for special programs other than  
 46.10 general tours.

46.11 Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 155A.30, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

46.12 Subd. 5. **Conditions precedent to issuance.** A license must not be issued unless the  
 46.13 board first determines that the applicant has met the requirements in clauses (1) to ~~(8)~~ (9):

46.14 (1) the applicant must have a sound financial condition with sufficient resources available  
 46.15 to meet the school's financial obligations; to refund all tuition and other charges, within a  
 46.16 reasonable period of time, in the event of dissolution of the school or in the event of any  
 46.17 justifiable claims for refund against the school; to provide adequate service to its students  
 46.18 and prospective students; and to maintain proper use and support of the school;

46.19 (2) the applicant must have satisfactory training facilities with sufficient tools and  
 46.20 equipment and the necessary number of work stations to adequately train the students  
 46.21 currently enrolled, and those proposed to be enrolled;

46.22 (3) the applicant must employ a sufficient number of qualified instructors trained by  
 46.23 experience and education to give the training contemplated;

46.24 (4) the premises and conditions under which the students work and study must be sanitary,  
 46.25 healthful, and safe according to modern standards;

46.26 (5) each occupational course or program of instruction or study must be of such quality  
 46.27 and content as to provide education and training that will adequately prepare enrolled  
 46.28 students for testing, licensing, and entry level positions ~~as a cosmetologist, esthetician, or~~  
 46.29 ~~nail technician~~;

46.30 (6) the school must have coverage by professional liability insurance of at least \$25,000  
 46.31 per incident and an accumulation of \$150,000 for each premium year;

46.32 (7) the applicant shall provide evidence of the school's compliance with section 176.182;

47.1 (8) the applicant, except the state and its political subdivisions as described in section  
 47.2 ~~471.617~~ 13.02, subdivision ~~1~~ 11, ~~shall~~ must file with the board a continuous corporate surety  
 47.3 bond in the amount of no less than ten percent of the preceding year's gross income from  
 47.4 student tuition, fees, and other required institutional charges, but in no event less than  
 47.5 \$10,000, conditioned upon the faithful performance of all contracts and agreements with  
 47.6 students made by the applicant. New schools must base the bond amount on the anticipated  
 47.7 gross income from student tuition, fees, and other required institutional charges for the third  
 47.8 year of operation, but in no event less than \$10,000. The applicant must compute the amount  
 47.9 of the surety bond and verify that the amount of the surety bond complies with this  
 47.10 subdivision. The bond shall run to the ~~state of Minnesota~~ board and to any person who may  
 47.11 have a cause of action against the applicant arising at any time after the bond is filed and  
 47.12 before it is canceled for breach of any contract or agreement made by the applicant with  
 47.13 any student. ~~The aggregate liability of the surety for all breaches of the conditions of the~~  
 47.14 ~~bond shall not exceed \$10,000.~~ The surety of the bond may cancel it upon giving 60 days'  
 47.15 notice in writing to the board and shall be relieved of liability for any breach of condition  
 47.16 occurring after the effective date of cancellation; and

47.17 (9) the applicant must, ~~at all times during the term of the license, employ~~ appoint a  
 47.18 designated ~~licensed~~ school manager ~~who maintains a cosmetology salon manager license.~~

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

47.20 Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 270.44, is amended to read:

47.21 **270.44 CHARGES FOR COURSES, EXAMINATIONS OR MATERIALS.**

47.22 The board shall charge the following fees:

47.23 (1) ~~\$105~~ \$150 for a senior accredited Minnesota assessor license;

47.24 (2) ~~\$80~~ \$125 for an accredited Minnesota assessor license;

47.25 (3) ~~\$65~~ \$95 for a certified Minnesota assessor specialist license;

47.26 (4) ~~\$55~~ \$85 for a certified Minnesota assessor license;

47.27 (5) ~~\$35~~ \$85 for a temporary license;

47.28 (6) \$50 for a trainee registration;

47.29 (7) \$80 for grading a form appraisal;

47.30 ~~(6)~~ ~~\$60~~ (8) \$140 for grading a narrative appraisal;

47.31 ~~(7)~~ ~~\$30~~ (9) \$50 for a reinstatement fee; and

48.1 ~~(8) \$25 (10) \$20~~ for a record retention fee; and

48.2 ~~(9) \$20 for an educational transcript.~~

48.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective beginning with licenses issued after June  
48.4 30, 2018.

48.5 Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 270.45, is amended to read:

48.6 **270.45 DISPOSITION OF FEES AND FINES.**

48.7 All fees and fines so established and collected shall under section 270.44 must be paid  
48.8 to the commissioner of management and budget for deposit deposited in the general a  
48.9 dedicated account within the special revenue fund. The expenses of carrying Fees collected  
48.10 under this section are appropriated to the Department of Revenue to carry out the provisions  
48.11 of sections 270.41 to 270.50 shall be paid from appropriations made to the board.

48.12 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2017.

48.13 Sec. 35. **[270.455] REFUNDS OF FEES.**

48.14 When the board determines that a fee or any part of a fee was erroneously paid to the  
48.15 board, the board may refund or credit the amount of fees that was paid in error. These refunds  
48.16 or credits shall be paid out of the dedicated account within the special revenue fund where  
48.17 the fees were originally deposited.

48.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2017.

48.19 Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 349A.08, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

48.20 Subd. 2. **Prizes not assignable.** A prize in the state lottery is not assignable ~~except as~~  
48.21 ~~provided in subdivision 3 and~~ except that:

48.22 (1) if a prize winner dies before the prize is paid, the director shall pay the prize to the  
48.23 prize winner's estate; and

48.24 (2) the director may pay a prize to a person other than the winner of that prize under an  
48.25 appropriate court order.

48.26 Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 349A.10, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

48.27 Subd. 6. **Budget; plans.** (a) The director shall prepare and submit a biennial budget plan  
48.28 to the commissioner of management and budget. The governor shall recommend the  
48.29 maximum amount available for the lottery in the budget the governor submits to the



49.1 legislature under section 16A.11. The maximum amount available to the lottery for operating  
 49.2 expenses and capital expenditures shall be determined by law. In addition, the director shall  
 49.3 appear at least once each fiscal year before the senate and house of representatives committees  
 49.4 having jurisdiction over gambling policy to present and explain the lottery's plans for future  
 49.5 games and the related advertising and promotions and spending plans for the next fiscal  
 49.6 year.

49.7 (b) For purposes of this section, operating expenses shall not include:

49.8 (1) expenses that are a direct function of lottery sales, which include the cost of lottery  
 49.9 prizes, amounts paid to lottery retailers as sales commissions or other compensation, amounts  
 49.10 paid to produce and deliver scratch lottery games, and amounts paid to an outside vendor  
 49.11 to operate and maintain an online gaming system. ~~In addition, the director shall appear at~~  
 49.12 ~~least once each fiscal year before the senate and house of representatives committees having~~  
 49.13 ~~jurisdiction over gambling policy to present and explain the lottery's plans for future games~~  
 49.14 ~~and the related advertising and promotions and spending plans for the next fiscal year.; and~~

49.15 (2) expenses related solely to the noncash year-end adjustment required for government  
 49.16 agencies to adjust the net actuarially determined pension liability which includes deferred  
 49.17 inflows, deferred outflows, noncash pension expense, unrestricted net deficit, and net pension  
 49.18 liability, in accordance with Statement 68 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

49.19 Sec. 38. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 352D.06, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

49.20 Subdivision 1. **Annuity; reserves.** (a) When a participant attains at least age 55,  
 49.21 terminates from covered service, and applies for a retirement annuity, the cash value of the  
 49.22 participant's shares must be transferred to the general state employees retirement fund and  
 49.23 ~~must~~ be used to provide an annuity for the retired-employee participant based upon the  
 49.24 participant's age when the benefit begins to accrue according to the reserve basis used by  
 49.25 ~~the general state employees retirement plan in determining pensions and reserves.~~

49.26 (b) Except for participants described in paragraph (c), the monthly amount of the annuity  
 49.27 must be determined using the actuarial assumptions in effect for the general state employees  
 49.28 retirement plan under section 356.215 on the accrual date.

49.29 (c) For any participant who retires on or after July 1, 2017, and before July 1, 2020,  
 49.30 when the participant is at least age 63 or has had at least 26 years of covered service, the  
 49.31 monthly amount of the annuity must be determined using the actuarial assumptions in effect  
 49.32 for the general state employees retirement plan under section 356.215 on June 30, 2016.

50.1 Subd. 1a. Postretirement adjustments. The annuity under ~~this~~ subdivision 1 is eligible  
50.2 for postretirement adjustments under section 356.415.

50.3 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2017.

50.4 Sec. 39. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 353.27, subdivision 3c, is amended to read:

50.5 Subd. 3c. **Former MERF members; member and employer contributions.** (a) For  
50.6 the period July 1, 2015, through December 31, 2031, the member contributions for former  
50.7 members of the Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund and by the former Minneapolis  
50.8 Employees Retirement Fund-covered employing units are governed by this subdivision.

50.9 (b) The member contribution for a public employee who was a member of the former  
50.10 Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund on June 29, 2010, is 9.75 percent of the salary of  
50.11 the employee.

50.12 (c) The employer regular contribution with respect to a public employee who was a  
50.13 member of the former Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund on June 29, 2010, is 9.75  
50.14 percent of the salary of the employee.

50.15 (d) ~~For calendar years 2015 and 2016,~~ The annual employer supplemental contribution  
50.16 is the employing unit's share of \$31,000,000. For calendar years 2017 ~~through 2031~~ and  
50.17 2018, the employer supplemental contribution is the employing unit's share of \$21,000,000.

50.18 (e) Each employing unit's share under paragraph (d) is the amount determined from an  
50.19 allocation between each employing unit in the portion equal to the unit's employer  
50.20 supplemental contribution paid or payable under Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 353.50,  
50.21 during calendar year 2014.

50.22 (f) The employer supplemental contribution amount under paragraph (d) for calendar  
50.23 year 2015 must be invoiced by the executive director of the Public Employees Retirement  
50.24 Association by July 1, 2015. The calendar year 2015 payment is payable in a single amount  
50.25 on or before September 30, 2015. For subsequent calendar years, the employer supplemental  
50.26 contribution under paragraph (d) must be invoiced on January 31 of each year and is payable  
50.27 in two parts, with the first half payable on or before July 31 and with the second half payable  
50.28 on or before December 15. Late payments are payable with compound interest at the rate  
50.29 of 0.71 percent per month for each month or portion of a month that has elapsed after the  
50.30 due date.

50.31 (g) The employer supplemental contribution under paragraph (d) terminates on December  
50.32 31, 2031.

51.1 Sec. 40. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 353.505, is amended to read:

51.2 **353.505 STATE CONTRIBUTIONS; FORMER MERF DIVISION.**

51.3 (a) On September 15, 2015, and September 15, 2016 2019, and annually thereafter, the  
 51.4 state shall pay to the general employees retirement plan of the Public Employees Retirement  
 51.5 Association, with respect to the former MERF division, \$6,000,000. ~~By September 15 of~~  
 51.6 ~~each year after 2016,~~

51.7 (b) On September 15, 2017, and September 15, 2018, the state shall pay to the general  
 51.8 employees retirement plan of the Public Employees Retirement Association, with respect  
 51.9 to the former MERF division, \$16,000,000.

51.10 ~~(b)~~ (c) State contributions under this section end on September 15, 2031.

51.11 Sec. 41. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 508.12, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

51.12 Subdivision 1. **Examiner and deputy examiner.** The judges of the district court shall  
 51.13 appoint a competent attorney in each county within their respective districts to be an examiner  
 51.14 of titles and legal adviser to the registrar in said county, to which examiner all applications  
 51.15 to register title to land are referred without further order, and may appoint attorneys to serve  
 51.16 as deputy examiners who shall act in the name of the examiner and under the examiner's  
 51.17 supervision and control, and the deputy's acts shall be the acts of the examiners. The examiner  
 51.18 of titles and deputy examiners shall hold office subject to the will and discretion of the  
 51.19 district court by whom appointed. The examiner's compensation and that of the examiner's  
 51.20 deputies shall be fixed and determined by the court and paid in the same manner as the  
 51.21 compensation of other county employees is paid except that in all counties having fewer  
 51.22 than 75,000 inhabitants, and in Stearns, Dakota, Scott, Wright, Sherburne, and Olmsted  
 51.23 Counties the fees and compensation of the examiners for services as legal adviser to the  
 51.24 registrar shall be determined by the judges of the district court and paid in the same manner  
 51.25 as the compensation of other county employees is paid, but in every other instance shall be  
 51.26 paid by the person applying to have the person's title registered or for other action or relief  
 51.27 which requires the services, certification or approval of the examiner.

51.28 Sec. 42. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 518A.79, is amended by adding a subdivision  
 51.29 to read:

51.30 Subd. 3a. **Open meetings.** Except as otherwise provided in this section, the task force  
 51.31 is subject to chapter 13D. A meeting of the task force occurs when a quorum is present and  
 51.32 the members receive information, discuss, or take action on any matter relating to the duties

52.1 of the task force. The task force may conduct meetings as provided in section 13D.015 or  
 52.2 13D.02. The task force may conduct meetings at any location in the state that is appropriate  
 52.3 for the purposes of the task force as long as the location is open and accessible to the public.  
 52.4 For legislative members of the task force, enforcement of this subdivision is governed by  
 52.5 section 3.055, subdivision 2. For nonlegislative members of the task force, enforcement of  
 52.6 this subdivision is governed by section 13D.06, subdivisions 1 and 2.

52.7 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2018.

52.8 Sec. 43. Laws 2016, chapter 127, section 8, is amended to read:

52.9 **Sec. 8. EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.**

52.10 Sections 1 to 7 are effective the day following final enactment. With respect to eyelash  
 52.11 technicians, the Board of Cosmetologist Examiners must not enforce sections 1 to 7 until  
 52.12 ~~July 1, 2017~~ February 1, 2018. Any educational or training requirements developed by the  
 52.13 board regarding eyelash technicians must be 14 hours.

52.14 Sec. 44. Laws 2017, chapter 21, section 1, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

52.15 **Subd. 2. Exemption; legislature may waive.** (a) This section does not apply to contracts  
 52.16 with a value of less than ~~\$1,000~~ \$50,000.

52.17 (b) The legislature may waive application of this section on a contract if the legislature  
 52.18 determines that compliance is not practicable or in the best interests of the state.

52.19 Sec. 45. Laws 2017, chapter 21, section 3, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

52.20 **Subd. 2. Exemption; commissioner may waive.** (a) This section does not apply to  
 52.21 contracts with a value of less than ~~\$1,000~~ \$50,000.

52.22 (b) The commissioner may waive application of this section on a contract if the  
 52.23 commissioner determines that compliance is not practicable or in the best interests of the  
 52.24 state.

52.25 **Sec. 46. SMALL AGENCY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR**  
 52.26 **REVIEW.**

52.27 No later than February 1, 2018, the legislative auditor is requested to conduct a program  
 52.28 evaluation of the small agency assistance program authorized under Minnesota Statutes,  
 52.29 section 16B.371. The program evaluation must be conducted according to the standards  
 52.30 provided for a program evaluation in Minnesota Statutes, section 3.971, subdivision 7.

53.1 Sec. 47. **HISTORIC PRESERVATION; LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR REVIEW.**

53.2 The legislative auditor is requested to conduct a program evaluation of the State Historic  
53.3 Preservation Office no later than January 1, 2018. The program evaluation must be consistent  
53.4 with the standards provided in Minnesota Statutes, section 3.971, subdivision 7, and include  
53.5 consideration of the office's consistency in its responsiveness to project proposals, and in  
53.6 its treatment of historic sites in the state, including those that are listed on the national  
53.7 register, those that are eligible for the national register, and those that are registered as state  
53.8 historic sites by the Minnesota Historical Society. The evaluation should also include a  
53.9 review of approaches to state historic preservation governance in other states, in comparison  
53.10 to Minnesota's governance structure, with emphasis on the impact of those approaches on  
53.11 the timeliness and consistency of preservation work in those states.

53.12 Sec. 48. **HISTORIC PRESERVATION; TRANSFER.**

53.13 (a) The powers, duties, responsibilities, personnel, and assets relating to functions  
53.14 assigned to the Minnesota State Historic Preservation Office are transferred to the Department  
53.15 of Administration on March 1, 2018. All of the provisions in Minnesota Statutes, section  
53.16 15.039, apply to the transfer under this section.

53.17 (b) The commissioner of the Department of Administration in consultation with the  
53.18 Minnesota Historical Society must develop a plan to transfer functions from the Minnesota  
53.19 Historical Preservation Office to the Department of Administration. The transfer plan must  
53.20 provide for the full transition of all state historic preservation office functions to the  
53.21 Department of Administration.

53.22 (c) The commissioner must submit a report to the chairs and ranking minority members  
53.23 of the committees with jurisdiction over the Department of Administration and the Minnesota  
53.24 Historical Society by January 15, 2019, on the status of the transfer.

53.25 Sec. 49. **OFFICE OF MN.IT SERVICES; IT OPTIMIZATION REPORT**  
53.26 **REQUIRED.**

53.27 The chief information officer shall report by December 31, 2018, on the progress of  
53.28 executive branch information technology optimization, including the status of data center  
53.29 consolidation, the status and plans for use of public cloud technology, and the status of state  
53.30 agency transition to enterprise information technology services.

54.1 **Sec. 50. INITIAL TRANSIT FINANCIAL ACTIVITY REPORTING.**

54.2 (a) The first transit financial activity review and report submitted under Minnesota  
54.3 Statutes, section 3.972, subdivision 4, must include financial information from the period  
54.4 beginning on January 1, 2016, and through the end of the fiscal quarter immediately preceding  
54.5 the date of the report.

54.6 (b) The legislative auditor must provide a copy of the review under paragraph (a) to  
54.7 each county that is party to the joint powers agreement under Minnesota Statutes, section  
54.8 297A.992.

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

54.10 **Sec. 51. TRANSITION; STATE AUDITOR ENTERPRISE FUND.**

54.11 Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, receipts received by the state auditor on or  
54.12 after July 1, 2017, from examinations conducted by the state auditor under Minnesota  
54.13 Statutes, chapter 6, must be credited to the general fund. Amounts in the state auditor  
54.14 enterprise fund at the end of fiscal year 2017 are transferred to the general fund.

54.15 **Sec. 52. RETENTION OF FISCAL NOTE SYSTEM; LEGISLATIVE BUDGET**  
54.16 **OFFICE ACCESS.**

54.17 The commissioner of management and budget must maintain and, as needed, upgrade  
54.18 the fiscal note tracking system funded under Laws 2013, chapter 142, article 1, section 13.  
54.19 The commissioner must provide the Legislative Budget Office established under this act  
54.20 with complete access to, and use of, the system.

54.21 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 8, 2019.

54.22 **Sec. 53. LEGISLATIVE BUDGET OFFICE TRANSITION PLANNING TASK**  
54.23 **FORCE.**

54.24 Subdivision 1. **Membership.** The Legislative Budget Office Transition Planning Task  
54.25 Force is established. The task force consists of the following members:

54.26 (1) two members of the house of representatives, one appointed by the speaker of the  
54.27 house, and one appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives;

54.28 (2) two members of the senate appointed by the senate Subcommittee on Committees  
54.29 of the Committee on Rules and Administration, one of whom must represent the majority  
54.30 caucus of the senate, and one of whom must represent the minority caucus of the senate;

55.1 (3) the legislative auditor;

55.2 (4) the commissioner of management and budget; and

55.3 (5) the state budget director.

55.4 The chief nonpartisan fiscal analyst of the house of representatives, and the lead  
 55.5 nonpartisan fiscal analyst of the senate, shall serve as ex-officio, nonvoting members of the  
 55.6 task force. Appointments required by this section must be made no later than July 15, 2017.  
 55.7 The chair of the Legislative Coordinating Commission shall designate one member of the  
 55.8 task force to serve as its chair.

55.9 Subd. 2. **Duties; report required.** (a) The task force must develop a plan for the orderly  
 55.10 transition of fiscal note and local impact note responsibilities from Minnesota Management  
 55.11 and Budget to the Legislative Budget Office, as required by this act. At a minimum, the  
 55.12 plan must consider the scope of the office's responsibilities, the duties of state agencies and  
 55.13 departments and local governments in facilitating the office's work, and any other issues  
 55.14 relevant to the transition of duties to the office, as determined by the task force. The plan  
 55.15 may include recommendations for additional legislation as necessary to implement the task  
 55.16 force's transition plan, or to further clarify or structure the office's responsibilities.

55.17 (b) The task force must submit an interim report no later than January 15, 2018, and a  
 55.18 final report no later than December 1, 2018, to the chairs and ranking minority members of  
 55.19 the house of representatives Ways and Means Committee and the senate Finance Committee.  
 55.20 The report must describe the task force's work, including recommendations for a transition  
 55.21 plan and any recommendations for legislation developed under paragraph (a).

55.22 Subd. 3. **Staff.** The Legislative Coordinating Commission must provide research and  
 55.23 administrative assistance to support the work of the task force.

55.24 Subd. 4. **Expiration.** The task force expires upon submission of its final report to the  
 55.25 legislature under subdivision 2.

55.26 Sec. 54. **MINNESOTA ADMINISTRATIVE RULES STATUS SYSTEM (MARSS)**  
 55.27 **WORKING GROUP.**

55.28 Subdivision 1. **Creation.** The MARSS working group consists of the following nine  
 55.29 members:

55.30 (1) the chief judge of the Office of Administrative Hearings, or a designee;

55.31 (2) the secretary of state, or a designee;

56.1 (3) a representative from the Interagency Rules Committee (IRC) appointed by the  
 56.2 committee;

56.3 (4) a representative from each of the following agencies with rulemaking experience  
 56.4 appointed by the appropriate commissioner:

56.5 (i) the Department of Health;

56.6 (ii) the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency;

56.7 (iii) the Department of Transportation; and

56.8 (iv) the Department of Labor and Industry;

56.9 (5) as designated by the IRC, a representative from a health-related board; and

56.10 (6) as designated by the IRC, a representative from a non-health-related board.

56.11 Subd. 2. **MARSS description.** The Minnesota Administrative Rules Status System  
 56.12 (MARSS) is a concept for a new software application. The application would be built and  
 56.13 maintained by the Revisor's Office. Executive branch agencies and others would upload  
 56.14 official rulemaking record documents to the system. The goal is to improve public access,  
 56.15 security, preservation, and transparency of state agencies' official rulemaking records through  
 56.16 the creation of a single online records system. The system would serve as a single Internet  
 56.17 location for the public to track rulemaking progress and access the official rulemaking  
 56.18 record. Agencies would fulfill their requirement to maintain and preserve the official  
 56.19 rulemaking record by submitting required documents to the revisor for inclusion in the  
 56.20 online records system.

56.21 Subd. 3. **Duties.** The working group must report by February 1, 2018, to the chairs and  
 56.22 ranking minority members of the committees in the house of representatives and senate  
 56.23 with jurisdiction over policy and finance for the legislature. The report must identify the  
 56.24 functional and nonfunctional requirements of the MARSS system. The working group must  
 56.25 define a funding mechanism to share the cost to build and maintain the MARSS system  
 56.26 among state agencies and departments.

56.27 Subd. 4. **Administration provisions.** (a) The revisor of statutes or the revisor's designee  
 56.28 must convene the initial meeting of the working group by August 1, 2017. Upon request of  
 56.29 the working group, the revisor must provide meeting space and administrative services for  
 56.30 the group.

56.31 (b) The working group must elect a chair from among its members at the first meeting.

56.32 (c) Members serve without compensation and without reimbursement for expenses.



57.1 (d) The working group expires on February 1, 2018, or upon submission of documents  
 57.2 fulfilling its duties, whichever is earlier.

57.3 Subd. 5. **Deadline for appointments and designations.** The appointments and  
 57.4 designations authorized by this section must be completed by July 1, 2017.

57.5 Sec. 55. **ICE PALACE ON CAPITOL GROUNDS AUTHORIZED.**

57.6 Subdivision 1. **Use agreement; terms required.** The commissioner of administration  
 57.7 may enter a use agreement with the St. Paul Festival and Heritage Foundation for the  
 57.8 construction, operation, and removal of an ice palace and related temporary structures on  
 57.9 the grounds of the State Capitol complex. If a use agreement for this purpose is entered, the  
 57.10 terms must include the following:

57.11 (1) mutually agreed upon beginning and end dates for access to the grounds for  
 57.12 construction, operation, and removal of the ice palace and related temporary structures;

57.13 (2) notwithstanding Minnesota Rules, part 7525.0400, an allowance for the St. Paul  
 57.14 Festival and Heritage Foundation to establish fees for admission to the ice palace and for  
 57.15 participation in related activities, and for vendors to sell concessions subject to terms  
 57.16 negotiated in the use agreement. Any fees established must allow a reasonable opportunity  
 57.17 for all Minnesotans, regardless of income, to access the palace and participate in related  
 57.18 activities, and must allow free or discounted admission to members of the military, military  
 57.19 veterans, and their families. A fee may not be charged for general admission to the Capitol  
 57.20 grounds or, to the extent practicable, for access to public memorials and monuments located  
 57.21 on the Capitol grounds;

57.22 (3) notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 15B.28, and related rules of the Capitol  
 57.23 Area Architectural and Planning Board, an allowance for the St. Paul Festival and Heritage  
 57.24 Foundation to erect advertising devices promoting the ice palace and its sponsors and donors,  
 57.25 subject to terms negotiated in the use agreement;

57.26 (4) a restriction on private events that limit public access to the ice palace or surrounding  
 57.27 Capitol grounds, without prior approval of the commissioner of administration; and

57.28 (5) a requirement that, following removal of the ice palace and related temporary  
 57.29 structures, the St. Paul Festival and Heritage Foundation restore the Capitol grounds to the  
 57.30 same condition as existed prior to their construction.

57.31 Subd. 2. **Additional terms.** In addition to the terms required by subdivision 1, a use  
 57.32 agreement authorized by this section may include additional terms as necessary to preserve  
 57.33 the integrity, dignity, and security of the State Capitol building, the Capitol grounds, and

58.1 the surrounding public buildings, memorials, and monuments, and to ensure compliance  
58.2 with other applicable laws governing commercial activity on public property.

58.3 Subd. 3. **Costs, expenses, and liabilities.** Unless expressly provided in the use agreement,  
58.4 any costs or expenses incurred by the state or the city of St. Paul in implementing a use  
58.5 agreement entered under this section must be paid or reimbursed by the St. Paul Festival  
58.6 and Heritage Foundation. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 3.736, subdivision  
58.7 1, and Minnesota Statutes, section 466.02, the state, the city of St. Paul, and their employees  
58.8 are not liable for losses incurred during the construction, operation, or removal of an ice  
58.9 palace or related temporary structures, or losses incurred by a person while visiting the ice  
58.10 palace or participating in related activities.

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

58.12 Sec. 56. **WAITE PARK; HOTEL INSPECTION.**

58.13 (a) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary and in addition to any other requirement  
58.14 in law, the city of Waite Park may adopt an ordinance to require a hotel, motel, or lodging  
58.15 establishment operating within the city's jurisdiction to have a valid license issued by the  
58.16 city. The license may prohibit the licensee from:

58.17 (1) knowingly allowing a room to be occupied for purposes of sex trafficking;

58.18 (2) knowingly allowing a room to be occupied for the purposes of illegal drug activity;

58.19 (3) knowingly allowing a room to be occupied by a minor for the consumption of  
58.20 alcoholic beverages;

58.21 (4) prohibiting the inspection of the licensed premises;

58.22 (5) failing to report observed or suspected illegal activity to the police in a reasonable  
58.23 period of time; and

58.24 (6) failure to maintain the licensed premises to all building, fire, mechanical, zoning or  
58.25 licensing codes.

58.26 The ordinance may provide for inspections related to the activities the license addresses.

58.27 The city may collect a reasonable fee related to the cost of issuing the license and conducting  
58.28 inspections.

58.29 (b) "Hotel," "motel," and "lodging establishment" are as defined in Minnesota Statutes,  
58.30 section 157.15.

59.1 (c) The authority in this section does not replace or diminish the authority of the  
 59.2 community health board to inspect and license any hotel, motel, or lodging establishment  
 59.3 in the city.

59.4 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment without  
 59.5 local approval, as provided in Minnesota Statutes, section 645.023, subdivision 1, paragraph  
 59.6 (a).

59.7 **Sec. 57. EYELASH TECHNICIAN GRANDFATHERING.**

59.8 (a) The board must issue grandfathered eyelash technician licenses no later than February  
 59.9 1, 2018, under the conditions in this section.

59.10 (b) A complete grandfathering application for an eyelash technician license must be  
 59.11 received in the board office between August 1, 2017, and January 31, 2018, and must contain:

59.12 (1) proof of a high school diploma or equivalent;

59.13 (2) proof of completion of an eyelash extension training course before July 1, 2017;

59.14 (3) proof of completion of a six-hour board-approved public health and safety course  
 59.15 provided by a board-licensed school or a board-recognized professional association organized  
 59.16 under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 317A. Four hours must be related to health, safety, and  
 59.17 infection control and two hours must be related to Minnesota laws and rules governing  
 59.18 cosmetology;

59.19 (4) original passing results no more than one year old of board-approved laws and rules  
 59.20 test and theory tests; and

59.21 (5) the practitioner fees required under Minnesota Statutes, section 155A.25.

59.22 (c) A complete grandfathering application for an eyelash salon manager license must  
 59.23 be received in the board office between August 1, 2017, and January 31, 2018, and must  
 59.24 contain:

59.25 (1) proof of a high school diploma or equivalent;

59.26 (2) proof of completion of an eyelash extension training course before July 1, 2017;

59.27 (3) documentation of at least 2,700 hours of experience performing eyelash extensions  
 59.28 within the last three years;

59.29 (4) original passing results no more than one year old of board-approved laws and rules  
 59.30 test and theory tests;

60.1 (5) original passing results no more than one year old of board-approved salon manager  
 60.2 test;

60.3 (6) proof of a six-hour board-approved public health and safety course provided by a  
 60.4 board-licensed school or a board-recognized professional association organized under  
 60.5 Minnesota Statutes, chapter 317A. Four hours must be related to infection control and two  
 60.6 hours must be related to Minnesota laws and rules; and

60.7 (7) the practitioner fees required under Minnesota Statutes, section 155A.25.

60.8 (d) Grandfathered licenses must not be expedited under Minnesota Statutes, section  
 60.9 155A.25, subdivision 7. The application timelines under Minnesota Statutes, section 155A.25,  
 60.10 subdivisions 5, 6, and 8, do not apply to grandfathered licenses.

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

60.12 **Sec. 58. EYELASH TECHNICIAN RULEMAKING.**

60.13 The Board of Cosmetologist Examiners shall adopt rules governing the eyelash technician  
 60.14 and salon licenses, which must include scope of practice, the conditions and process of  
 60.15 issuing and renewing the license, requirements related to education and testing, and 14 hours  
 60.16 of training regarding application of eyelash extensions in a board-licensed school. The board  
 60.17 may use the expedited rule process in Minnesota Statutes, section 14.389. The grant of  
 60.18 rulemaking authority under this section expires May 31, 2019.

60.19 **Sec. 59. EYELASH TECHNICIAN LICENSING.**

60.20 The Board of Cosmetologist Examiners must not issue an eyelash practitioner license  
 60.21 before February 1, 2018, except for grandfathered licenses issued under section 59. The  
 60.22 Board of Cosmetologist Examiners must not require a person to have an eyelash practitioner  
 60.23 license for eyelash extensions before February 1, 2018.

60.24 **Sec. 60. REPEALER.**

60.25 Minnesota Statutes 2016, sections 6.581, subdivision 1; and 349A.08, subdivision 3,  
 60.26 are repealed.

## 60.27 **ARTICLE 3**

### 60.28 **CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND ELECTIONS**

60.29 **Section 1.** Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 10A.01, subdivision 12, is amended to read:

61.1 Subd. 12. **Depository.** "Depository" means a bank, savings association, or credit union  
 61.2 organized under federal or state law and transacting business within this state. The  
 61.3 depositories of a political committee or political fund include any depository in which the  
 61.4 committee or fund has a savings, checking, or similar account, or purchases a money market  
 61.5 certificate or certificate of deposit.

61.6 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 10A.01, subdivision 16, is amended to read:

61.7 Subd. 16. **Election cycle.** "Election cycle" means the period from January 1 following  
 61.8 a general election for an office to December 31 following the next general election for that  
 61.9 office, except that "election cycle" for a special election means the period from the date the  
 61.10 special election writ is issued to ~~60~~ 15 days after the special election is held. For a regular  
 61.11 election, the period from January 1 of the year prior to an election year through December  
 61.12 31 of the election year is the "election segment" of the election cycle. Each other two-year  
 61.13 segment of an election cycle is a "nonelection segment" of the election cycle. An election  
 61.14 cycle that consists of two calendar years has only an election segment. The election segment  
 61.15 of a special election cycle includes the entire special election cycle.

61.16 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and  
 61.17 applies to any special election cycle that starts on or after that date.

61.18 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 10A.025, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

61.19 Subd. 1a. **Electronic filing.** (a) A report or statement required to be filed under this  
 61.20 chapter may be filed electronically. The board shall adopt rules to regulate electronic filing  
 61.21 and to ensure that the electronic filing process is secure.

61.22 (b) A document filed by facsimile transmission or electronic filing system has the same  
 61.23 force and effect as filing an original paper document.

61.24 (c) In order to provide a secure environment for the submission of electronic files, the  
 61.25 board must require that a filer use a personal identification code when submitting an  
 61.26 electronic file. The board may also request the filer to provide a valid e-mail address in  
 61.27 order to receive confirmation and verification messages from the board.

61.28 (d) After an electronic file is processed by the board, the information contained in the  
 61.29 electronic file becomes the property of the state subject to the terms of the Data Practices  
 61.30 Act under chapter 13.

61.31 (e) In the case of a filing by facsimile transmission, the filer must retain the original of  
 61.32 the filed document and a record of the date and time of the transmission. If an electronic

62.1 filing system is used to submit an electronic file to the board, the filer must retain as  
62.2 documentation the database and information on which the electronic submission of data is  
62.3 based. The database and records are subject to audit as provided in this chapter.

62.4 (f) Within five days of a request by the board, any person filing a document by facsimile  
62.5 transmission or electronic filing system shall refile the document by one of the other filing  
62.6 methods provided in Minnesota Rules, part 4501.0500, subpart 1.

62.7 (g) Technical problems that prevent the successful submission of a facsimile transmission  
62.8 or electronic file do not relieve the filer of the responsibility of meeting the requirements  
62.9 of this chapter. An audit trail that demonstrates that the facsimile transmission or electronic  
62.10 file was successfully submitted in a timely fashion may be used by the board to waive late  
62.11 filing fees.

62.12 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 10A.04, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
62.13 read:

62.14 Subd. 9. **Reporting by multiple lobbyists representing the same entity.** Clauses (1)  
62.15 to (6) apply when a single individual, association, political subdivision, or public higher  
62.16 education system is represented by more than one lobbyist.

62.17 (1) The entity must appoint one designated lobbyist to report lobbyist disbursements  
62.18 made by the entity. The designated lobbyist must indicate that status on the periodic reports  
62.19 of lobbyist disbursements.

62.20 (2) A reporting lobbyist may consent to report on behalf of one or more other lobbyists  
62.21 for the same entity, in which case, the other lobbyists are persons whose activities the  
62.22 reporting lobbyist must disclose and are subject to the disclosure requirements of subdivision  
62.23 3. Lobbyist disbursement reports filed by a reporting lobbyist must include the names and  
62.24 registration numbers of the other lobbyists whose activities are included in the report.

62.25 (3) Lobbyists whose activities are accounted for by a reporting lobbyist are not required  
62.26 to file lobbyist disbursement reports.

62.27 (4) A lobbyist whose lobbying disbursements are provided to the board through a  
62.28 reporting lobbyist must supply all relevant information on disbursements to the reporting  
62.29 lobbyist no later than five days before the prescribed filing date.

62.30 (5) The reporting periods and due dates for a reporting lobbyist are those provided in  
62.31 subdivision 2. The late filing provisions in subdivision 5 apply to reports required by this  
62.32 subdivision.

63.1 (6) The reporting lobbyist must indicate the names and registration numbers of any  
 63.2 lobbyists who did not provide their lobbying disbursements for inclusion in a report. The  
 63.3 late filing provisions in subdivision 5 apply to lobbyists who fail to report information to  
 63.4 the reporting lobbyist.

63.5 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 10A.071, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

63.6 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) The definitions in this subdivision apply to this section.

63.7 (b) "Gift" means money, real or personal property, a service, a loan, a forbearance or  
 63.8 forgiveness of indebtedness, or a promise of future employment, that is given and received  
 63.9 without the giver receiving consideration of equal or greater value in return.

63.10 (c) "Official" means a public official, an employee of the legislature, or a local official  
 63.11 of a metropolitan governmental unit.

63.12 (d) "Plaque" means a decorative item with an inscription recognizing an individual for  
 63.13 an accomplishment.

63.14 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 10A.09, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

63.15 Subd. 5. **Form.** (a) A statement of economic interest required by this section must be  
 63.16 on a form prescribed by the board. The individual filing must provide the following  
 63.17 information:

63.18 (1) name, address, occupation, and principal place of business;

63.19 (2) the name of each associated business and the nature of that association;

63.20 (3) a listing of all real property within the state, excluding homestead property, in which  
 63.21 the individual holds: (i) a fee simple interest, a mortgage, a contract for deed as buyer or  
 63.22 seller, or an option to buy, whether direct or indirect, if the interest is valued in excess of  
 63.23 \$2,500; or (ii) an option to buy, if the property has a fair market value of more than \$50,000;

63.24 (4) a listing of all real property within the state in which a partnership of which the  
 63.25 individual is a member holds: (i) a fee simple interest, a mortgage, a contract for deed as  
 63.26 buyer or seller, or an option to buy, whether direct or indirect, if the individual's share of  
 63.27 the partnership interest is valued in excess of \$2,500; or (ii) an option to buy, if the property  
 63.28 has a fair market value of more than \$50,000. A listing under this clause or clause (3) must  
 63.29 indicate the street address and the municipality or the section, township, range and  
 63.30 approximate acreage, whichever applies, and the county in which the property is located;

64.1 (5) a listing of any investments, ownership, or interests in property connected with  
64.2 pari-mutuel horse racing in the United States and Canada, including a racehorse, in which  
64.3 the individual directly or indirectly holds a partial or full interest or an immediate family  
64.4 member holds a partial or full interest;

64.5 (6) a listing of the principal business or professional activity category of each business  
64.6 from which the individual receives more than \$50 in any month as an employee, if the  
64.7 individual has an ownership interest of 25 percent or more in the business; ~~and~~

64.8 (7) a listing of each principal business or professional activity category from which the  
64.9 individual received compensation of more than \$2,500 in the past 12 months as an  
64.10 independent contractor; and

64.11 (8) the full name of each security with a value of more than \$2,500 owned in part or in  
64.12 full by the public official at any time during the reporting period.

64.13 (b) The business or professional categories for purposes of paragraph (a), clauses (6)  
64.14 and (7), must be the general topic headings used by the federal Internal Revenue Service  
64.15 for purposes of reporting self-employment income on Schedule C. This paragraph does not  
64.16 require an individual to report any specific code number from that schedule. Any additional  
64.17 principal business or professional activity category may only be adopted if the category is  
64.18 enacted by law.

64.19 (c) For the purpose of an original statement of economic interest, "compensation in any  
64.20 month" includes only compensation received in the calendar month immediately preceding  
64.21 the date of appointment as a public official or filing as a candidate.

64.22 (d) For the purpose of calculating the amount of compensation received from any single  
64.23 source in a single month, the amount shall include the total amount received from the source  
64.24 during the month, whether or not the amount covers compensation for more than one month.

64.25 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 10A.09, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

64.26 Subd. 6. **Annual statement.** (a) Each individual who is required to file a statement of  
64.27 economic interest must also file an annual statement by the last Monday in January of each  
64.28 year that the individual remains in office. The annual statement must cover the period  
64.29 through December 31 of the year prior to the year when the statement is due. The annual  
64.30 statement must include the amount of each honorarium in excess of \$50 received since the  
64.31 previous statement and the name and address of the source of the honorarium. The board  
64.32 must maintain each annual statement of economic interest submitted by an officeholder in  
64.33 the same file with the statement submitted as a candidate.



65.1 (b) For the purpose of annual statements of economic interest to be filed, "compensation  
65.2 in any month" includes compensation and honoraria received in any month between the  
65.3 end of the period covered in the preceding statement of economic interest and the end of  
65.4 the current period.

65.5 (c) An individual must file the annual statement of economic interest required by this  
65.6 subdivision to cover the period for which the individual served as a public official even  
65.7 though at the time the statement was filed, the individual is no longer holding that office as  
65.8 a public official.

65.9 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 10A.15, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
65.10 read:

65.11 Subd. 6. **Contributions from Hennepin County registered associations.** In lieu of  
65.12 registration with the board, an association registered with the Hennepin County filing officer  
65.13 under sections 383B.041 to 383B.058 that makes contributions of more than \$500 to a  
65.14 committee or fund in a calendar year may notify the recipient committee of its registration  
65.15 with Hennepin County, including its registration number, and instruct the recipient committee  
65.16 to include the notice when the recipient committee discloses receipt of the contribution.

65.17 Sec. 9. [10A.155] VALUE OF CONTRIBUTIONS OF AUTOMOBILE USE.

65.18 Automobile use provided to a committee by an individual may be valued at the lowest  
65.19 rate used by the state to reimburse its employees for automobile use. Alternatively, the value  
65.20 of the automobile may be calculated as the actual cost of fuel, maintenance, repairs, and  
65.21 insurance directly related to the use of the automobile. An automobile provided by an  
65.22 association must be valued at the fair market value for renting an equivalent automobile.

65.23 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 10A.20, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

65.24 Subd. 3. **Contents of report.** (a) The report required by this section must include each  
65.25 of the items listed in paragraphs (b) to ~~(o)~~ (q) that are applicable to the filer. The board shall  
65.26 prescribe forms based on filer type indicating which of those items must be included on the  
65.27 filer's report.

65.28 (b) The report must disclose the amount of liquid assets on hand at the beginning of the  
65.29 reporting period.

65.30 (c) The report must disclose the name, address, employer, or occupation if self-employed,  
65.31 and registration number if registered with the board, of each individual or association that  
65.32 has made one or more contributions to the reporting entity, including the purchase of tickets

66.1 for a fund-raising effort, that in aggregate within the year exceed \$200 for legislative or  
66.2 statewide candidates or more than \$500 for ballot questions, together with the amount and  
66.3 date of each contribution, and the aggregate amount of contributions within the year from  
66.4 each source so disclosed. A donation in kind must be disclosed at its fair market value. An  
66.5 approved expenditure must be listed as a donation in kind. A donation in kind is considered  
66.6 consumed in the reporting period in which it is received. The names of contributors must  
66.7 be listed in alphabetical order. Contributions from the same contributor must be listed under  
66.8 the same name. When a contribution received from a contributor in a reporting period is  
66.9 added to previously reported unitemized contributions from the same contributor and the  
66.10 aggregate exceeds the disclosure threshold of this paragraph, the name, address, and  
66.11 employer, or occupation if self-employed, of the contributor must then be listed on the  
66.12 report.

66.13 (d) The report must disclose the sum of contributions to the reporting entity during the  
66.14 reporting period.

66.15 (e) The report must disclose each loan made or received by the reporting entity within  
66.16 the year in aggregate in excess of \$200, continuously reported until repaid or forgiven,  
66.17 together with the name, address, occupation, principal place of business, if any, and  
66.18 registration number if registered with the board of the lender and any endorser and the date  
66.19 and amount of the loan. If a loan made to the principal campaign committee of a candidate  
66.20 is forgiven or is repaid by an entity other than that principal campaign committee, it must  
66.21 be reported as a contribution for the year in which the loan was made.

66.22 (f) The report must disclose each receipt over \$200 during the reporting period not  
66.23 otherwise listed under paragraphs (c) to (e).

66.24 (g) The report must disclose the sum of all receipts of the reporting entity during the  
66.25 reporting period.

66.26 (h) The report must disclose the name, address, and registration number if registered  
66.27 with the board of each individual or association to whom aggregate expenditures, approved  
66.28 expenditures, independent expenditures, and ballot question expenditures have been made  
66.29 by or on behalf of the reporting entity within the year in excess of \$200, together with the  
66.30 amount, date, and purpose of each expenditure and the name and address of, and office  
66.31 sought by, each candidate on whose behalf the expenditure was made, identification of the  
66.32 ballot question that the expenditure was intended to promote or defeat and an indication of  
66.33 whether the expenditure was to promote or to defeat the ballot question, and in the case of  
66.34 independent expenditures made in opposition to a candidate, the candidate's name, address,

67.1 and office sought. A reporting entity making an expenditure on behalf of more than one  
67.2 candidate for state or legislative office must allocate the expenditure among the candidates  
67.3 on a reasonable cost basis and report the allocation for each candidate.

67.4 (i) The report must disclose the sum of all expenditures made by or on behalf of the  
67.5 reporting entity during the reporting period.

67.6 (j) The report must disclose the amount and nature of an advance of credit incurred by  
67.7 the reporting entity, continuously reported until paid or forgiven. If an advance of credit  
67.8 incurred by the principal campaign committee of a candidate is forgiven by the creditor or  
67.9 paid by an entity other than that principal campaign committee, it must be reported as a  
67.10 donation in kind for the year in which the advance of credit was made.

67.11 (k) The report must disclose the name, address, and registration number if registered  
67.12 with the board of each political committee, political fund, principal campaign committee,  
67.13 or party unit to which contributions have been made that aggregate in excess of \$200 within  
67.14 the year and the amount and date of each contribution.

67.15 (l) The report must disclose the sum of all contributions made by the reporting entity  
67.16 during the reporting period.

67.17 (m) The report must disclose the name, address, and registration number if registered  
67.18 with the board of each individual or association to whom noncampaign disbursements have  
67.19 been made that aggregate in excess of \$200 within the year by or on behalf of the reporting  
67.20 entity and the amount, date, and purpose of each noncampaign disbursement.

67.21 (n) The report must disclose the sum of all noncampaign disbursements made within  
67.22 the year by or on behalf of the reporting entity.

67.23 (o) The report must disclose the name and address of a nonprofit corporation that provides  
67.24 administrative assistance to a political committee or political fund as authorized by section  
67.25 211B.15, subdivision 17, the type of administrative assistance provided, and the aggregate  
67.26 fair market value of each type of assistance provided to the political committee or political  
67.27 fund during the reporting period.

67.28 (p) Legislative, statewide, and judicial candidates, party units, and political committees  
67.29 and funds must itemize contributions that in aggregate within the year exceed \$200 for  
67.30 legislative or statewide candidates or more than \$500 for ballot questions on reports submitted  
67.31 to the board. The itemization must include the date on which the contribution was received,  
67.32 the individual or association that provided the contribution, and the address of the contributor.  
67.33 Additionally, the itemization for a donation in kind must provide a description of the item

68.1 or service received. Contributions that are less than the itemization amount must be reported  
68.2 as an aggregate total.

68.3 (q) Legislative, statewide, and judicial candidates, party units, political committees and  
68.4 funds, and committees to promote or defeat a ballot question must itemize expenditures and  
68.5 noncampaign disbursements that in aggregate exceed \$200 in a calendar year on reports  
68.6 submitted to the board. The itemization must include the date on which the committee made  
68.7 or became obligated to make the expenditure or disbursement, the name and address of the  
68.8 vendor that provided the service or item purchased, and a description of the service or item  
68.9 purchased. Expenditures and noncampaign disbursements must be listed on the report  
68.10 alphabetically by vendor.

68.11 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 10A.25, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

68.12 Subd. 2. **Amounts.** (a) In a segment of an election cycle, the principal campaign  
68.13 committee of the candidate must not make campaign expenditures nor permit approved  
68.14 expenditures to be made on behalf of the candidate that result in aggregate expenditures in  
68.15 excess of the following:

68.16 (1) for governor and lieutenant governor, running together, \$3,651,200 in the election  
68.17 segment and \$1,564,800 in the nonelection segment;

68.18 (2) for attorney general, \$626,000 in the election segment and \$208,700 in the nonelection  
68.19 segment;

68.20 (3) for secretary of state and state auditor, separately, \$417,300 in the election segment  
68.21 and \$104,400 in the nonelection segment;

68.22 (4) for state senator, \$94,700 in the election segment and \$31,600 in a nonelection  
68.23 segment;

68.24 (5) for state representative, \$63,100 in the election segment.

68.25 (b) In addition to the amount in paragraph (a), clause (1), a candidate for endorsement  
68.26 for the office of lieutenant governor at the convention of a political party may make campaign  
68.27 expenditures and approved expenditures of five percent of that amount to seek endorsement.

68.28 (c) If a special election cycle occurs during a general election cycle, expenditures by or  
68.29 on behalf of a candidate in the special election do not count as expenditures by or on behalf  
68.30 of the candidate in the general election.

68.31 (d) The expenditure limits in this subdivision for an office are increased by ten percent  
68.32 for a candidate who has not previously held the same office, whose name has not previously

69.1 been on the primary or general election ballot for that office, and who has not in the past  
69.2 ten years raised or spent more than \$750 in a run for any other office whose territory now  
69.3 includes a population that is more than one-third of the population in the territory of the  
69.4 new office. Candidates who qualify for first-time candidate status receive a ten percent  
69.5 increase in the campaign expenditure limit in all segments of the applicable election cycle.  
69.6 In the case of a legislative candidate, the office is that of a member of the house of  
69.7 representatives or senate without regard to any specific district.

69.8 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 10A.27, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
69.9 read:

69.10 Subd. 16a. **Return of contributions after merger of governor and lieutenant governor**  
69.11 **funds.** Funds transferred to the joint committee for candidates for governor and lieutenant  
69.12 governor that result in aggregate contributions in excess of the applicable limits may be  
69.13 returned to the contributor within 90 days of the transfer of funds to the joint committee.

69.14 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 10A.27, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
69.15 read:

69.16 Subd. 16b. **Special election contribution limits.** Election segment contribution limits  
69.17 set forth in this section apply to a special election cycle.

69.18 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 10A.27, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
69.19 read:

69.20 Subd. 16c. **Contribution limits apply independently.** Contribution limits apply  
69.21 independently for election segments, nonelection segments, and special election cycles.

69.22 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 10A.31, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
69.23 read:

69.24 Subd. 7b. **Failure to repay.** A candidate who fails to repay money required by the  
69.25 agreement cannot be paid additional public subsidy funds during the current or future election  
69.26 cycles until the entirety of the unexpended funds and any associated collection fees are  
69.27 either repaid to the board or discharged by court action.

69.28 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 10A.323, is amended to read:

69.29 **10A.323 AFFIDAVIT OF CONTRIBUTIONS.**

70.1 (a) In addition to the requirements of section 10A.322, to be eligible to receive a public  
70.2 subsidy under section 10A.31 a candidate or the candidate's treasurer must:

70.3 (1) between January 1 of the previous year and the cutoff date for transactions included  
70.4 in the report of receipts and expenditures due before the primary election, accumulate  
70.5 contributions from individuals eligible to vote in this state in at least the amount indicated  
70.6 for the office sought, counting only the first \$50 received from each contributor, excluding  
70.7 in-kind contributions:

70.8 (i) candidates for governor and lieutenant governor running together, \$35,000;

70.9 (ii) candidates for attorney general, \$15,000;

70.10 (iii) candidates for secretary of state and state auditor, separately, \$6,000;

70.11 (iv) candidates for the senate, \$3,000; and

70.12 (v) candidates for the house of representatives, \$1,500;

70.13 (2) file an affidavit with the board stating that the principal campaign committee has  
70.14 complied with this paragraph. The affidavit must state the total amount of contributions that  
70.15 have been received from individuals eligible to vote in this state, excluding:

70.16 (i) the portion of any contribution in excess of \$50;

70.17 (ii) any in-kind contribution; and

70.18 (iii) any contribution for which the name and address of the contributor is not known  
70.19 and recorded; and

70.20 (3) submit the affidavit required by this section to the board in writing by the deadline  
70.21 for reporting of receipts and expenditures before a primary under section 10A.20, subdivision  
70.22 4.

70.23 (b) A candidate for a vacancy to be filled at a special election for which the filing period  
70.24 does not coincide with the filing period for the general election must accumulate the  
70.25 contributions specified in paragraph (a) and must submit the affidavit required by this section  
70.26 to the board within five days after the close of the filing period for the special election for  
70.27 which the candidate filed.

70.28 (c) A candidate or the candidate's treasurer must be able to electronically file the affidavit  
70.29 required under this section in the same manner as other reports required by this chapter.  
70.30 The board must not require the candidate or candidate's treasurer to notarize the affidavit  
70.31 of contribution.

71.1 **Sec. 17. [206.95] VOTING EQUIPMENT GRANT ACCOUNT.**

71.2 **Subdivision 1. Voting equipment grant account.** A voting equipment grant account is  
 71.3 established in the special revenue fund. Funds in the account are appropriated to the secretary  
 71.4 of state to provide grants to political subdivisions as authorized by this section. Funds in  
 71.5 the account are available until expended.

71.6 **Subd. 2. Authorized equipment.** A political subdivision may apply to receive a grant  
 71.7 under this section for the purchase or lease of the following:

71.8 (1) an electronic voting system, or any individual components of an electronic voting  
 71.9 system as provided in section 206.56, subdivision 8;

71.10 (2) assistive voting technology;

71.11 (3) an electronic roster system meeting the technology requirements of section 201.225,  
 71.12 subdivision 2; and

71.13 (4) any other equipment or technology approved by the secretary of state for use in  
 71.14 conducting a state or local election in Minnesota consistent with the requirements of law.

71.15 **Subd. 3. Application.** (a) The secretary of state may make a grant from the account to  
 71.16 a political subdivision only after receiving an application from the political subdivision.  
 71.17 The application must contain the following information:

71.18 (1) the date the application is submitted;

71.19 (2) the name of the political subdivision;

71.20 (3) the name and title of the individual who prepared the application;

71.21 (4) the type of voting system currently used in each precinct in the political subdivision;

71.22 (5) the date the system currently used was acquired and at what cost;

71.23 (6) the total number of registered voters, as of the date of the application, in each precinct  
 71.24 in the political subdivision;

71.25 (7) the total amount of the grant requested;

71.26 (8) the total amount and source of the political subdivision's money to be used to match  
 71.27 a grant from the account;

71.28 (9) the type of voting system to be acquired with the grant money and whether the voting  
 71.29 system will permit individuals with disabilities to cast a secret ballot;

72.1 (10) the proposed schedule for purchasing and implementing the new voting system and  
 72.2 the precincts in which the new voting system would be used;

72.3 (11) whether the political subdivision has previously applied for a grant from the account  
 72.4 and the disposition of that application;

72.5 (12) a certified statement by the political subdivision that the grant will be used only to  
 72.6 purchase authorized equipment under subdivision 2 of this section and that the political  
 72.7 subdivision has insufficient resources to purchase the voting system without obtaining a  
 72.8 grant from the account; and

72.9 (13) any other information required by the secretary of state.

72.10 (b) The secretary of state must establish a deadline for receipt of grant applications, a  
 72.11 procedure for awarding and distributing grants, and a process for verifying the proper use  
 72.12 of the grants after distribution.

72.13 Subd. 4. **Amount of grant.** A political subdivision is eligible to receive a grant of no  
 72.14 more than 75 percent of the total cost of electronic roster equipment and 50 percent of the  
 72.15 total cost of all other equipment or technology authorized for a grant under subdivision 2.  
 72.16 In evaluating the application, the secretary of state shall consider only the information set  
 72.17 forth in the application and is not subject to chapter 14. If the secretary of state determines  
 72.18 that the application has been fully and properly completed, and that there is a sufficient  
 72.19 balance in the account to fund the grant, either in whole or in part, the secretary of state  
 72.20 may approve the application.

72.21 Subd. 5. **Report to legislature.** No later than January 15, 2018, and annually thereafter  
 72.22 until the appropriations provided for grants under this section have been exhausted, the  
 72.23 secretary of state must submit a report to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over  
 72.24 elections policy on grants awarded by this section. The report must detail each grant awarded,  
 72.25 including the jurisdiction, the amount of the grant, and the type of equipment purchased.

72.26 Sec. 18. **REPEALER.**

72.27 (a) Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 204B.48, is repealed.

72.28 (b) Minnesota Rules, parts 4501.0300, subpart 3; 4501.0500, subpart 2; 4503.0200,  
 72.29 subpart 6; 4503.0300, subpart 4; 4503.0400, subpart 1; 4503.0500, subparts 5 and 8;  
 72.30 4503.0700, subparts 2 and 3; 4503.1300, subpart 5; 4503.1400, subparts 8 and 9; 4503.1450,  
 72.31 subparts 1 and 3; 4503.1600; 4503.1700; 4503.1800; 4505.0100, subpart 3; 4505.0900,  
 72.32 subparts 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7; 4511.0500, subpart 2; 4512.0100, subparts 2, 4, and 5; and  
 72.33 4525.0210, subpart 1, are repealed.



73.1

**ARTICLE 4**

73.2

**MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS AFFAIRS**

73.3 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 190.19, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

73.4 Subd. 2. **Uses.** (a) Money appropriated from the Minnesota "Support Our Troops" account  
73.5 to the Department of Military Affairs may be used for:

73.6 (1) grants directly to eligible individuals;

73.7 (2) grants to one or more eligible foundations for the purpose of making grants to eligible  
73.8 individuals, as provided in this section;

73.9 (3) veterans' services; or

73.10 (4) grants to family readiness groups chartered by the adjutant general.

73.11 (b) As used in paragraph (a), the term "eligible individual" includes any person who is:

73.12 (1) a member in good standing of the Minnesota National Guard or a reserve unit based  
73.13 in Minnesota ~~who has been called to active service as defined in section 190.05, subdivision~~  
73.14 ~~5;~~

73.15 (2) a Minnesota resident who is a member of a military reserve unit not based in  
73.16 Minnesota, if the member is called to active service as defined in section 190.05, subdivision  
73.17 5;

73.18 (3) any other Minnesota resident performing active service for any branch of the military  
73.19 of the United States;

73.20 (4) a person who honorably served in one of the capacities listed in clause (1), (2), or  
73.21 (3) who has current financial needs ~~directly related to that service~~; and

73.22 (5) a member of the immediate family of an individual identified in clause (1), (2), (3),  
73.23 or (4). For purposes of this clause, "immediate family" means the individual's spouse and  
73.24 minor children and, if they are dependents of the member of the military, the member's  
73.25 parents, grandparents, siblings, stepchildren, and adult children.

73.26 (c) As used in paragraph (a), the term "eligible foundation" includes any organization  
73.27 that:

73.28 (1) is a tax-exempt organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code;

73.29 (2) has articles of incorporation under chapter 317A specifying the purpose of the  
73.30 organization as including the provision of financial assistance to members of the Minnesota

74.1 National Guard and other United States armed forces reserves and their families and  
74.2 survivors; and

74.3 (3) agrees in writing to distribute any grant money received from the adjutant general  
74.4 under this section to eligible individuals as defined in this section and in accordance with  
74.5 any written policies and rules the adjutant general may impose as conditions of the grant to  
74.6 the foundation.

74.7 (d) The maximum grant awarded to an eligible individual under paragraph (a) in a  
74.8 calendar year with funds from the Minnesota "Support Our Troops" account, either through  
74.9 an eligible institution or directly from the adjutant general, may not exceed ~~\$2,000~~ \$4,000.

74.10 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 190.19, subdivision 2a, is amended to read:

74.11 Subd. 2a. **Uses; veterans.** (a) Money appropriated to the Department of Veterans Affairs  
74.12 from the Minnesota "Support Our Troops" account may be used for:

74.13 (1) grants to veterans service organizations;

74.14 (2) outreach to underserved veterans;

74.15 (3) providing services and programs for veterans and their families;

74.16 (4) transfers to the vehicle services account for Gold Star license plates under section  
74.17 168.1253;

74.18 (5) grants of up to \$100,000 to any organization approved by the commissioner of  
74.19 veterans affairs for the purpose of supporting and improving the lives of veterans and their  
74.20 families; ~~and~~

74.21 (6) grants to an eligible foundation-; and

74.22 (7) the agency's uncompensated burial costs for eligible dependents to whom the  
74.23 commissioner grants a no-fee or reduced-fee burial in the state's veteran cemeteries pursuant  
74.24 to section 197.236, subdivision 9, paragraph (b).

74.25 (b) For purposes of this subdivision, "eligible foundation" includes any organization  
74.26 that:

74.27 (1) is a tax-exempt organization under section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code; and

74.28 (2) is a nonprofit corporation under chapter 317A and the organization's articles of  
74.29 incorporation specify that a purpose of the organization includes: (i) providing assistance  
74.30 to veterans and their families; or (ii) enhancing the lives of veterans and their families.

75.1 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 196.05, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

75.2 Subdivision 1. **General duties.** The commissioner shall:

75.3 (1) act as the agent of a resident of the state having a claim against the United States for  
75.4 benefits arising out of or by reason of service in the armed forces and prosecute the claim  
75.5 without charge;

75.6 (2) act as custodian of veterans' bonus records;

75.7 (3) administer the laws relating to the providing of bronze flag holders at veterans' graves  
75.8 for memorial purposes;

75.9 (4) administer the laws relating to recreational or rest camps for veterans so far as  
75.10 applicable to state agencies;

75.11 (5) administer the state soldiers' assistance fund and veterans' relief fund and other funds  
75.12 appropriated for the payment of bonuses or other benefits to veterans or for the rehabilitation  
75.13 of veterans;

75.14 (6) cooperate with national, state, county, municipal, and private social agencies in  
75.15 securing to veterans and their dependents the benefits provided by national, state, and county  
75.16 laws, municipal ordinances, or public and private social agencies;

75.17 (7) provide necessary assistance where other adequate aid is not available to the dependent  
75.18 family of a veteran while the veteran is hospitalized and after the veteran is released for as  
75.19 long a period as is necessary as determined by the commissioner;

75.20 (8) cooperate with United States governmental agencies providing compensation,  
75.21 pensions, insurance, or other benefits provided by federal law, by supplementing the benefits  
75.22 prescribed therein, when conditions in an individual case make it necessary;

75.23 (9) assist dependent family members of military personnel who are called from reserve  
75.24 status to extended federal active duty during a time of war or national emergency through  
75.25 the state soldiers' assistance fund provided by section 197.03;

75.26 (10) exercise other powers as may be authorized and necessary to carry out the provisions  
75.27 of this chapter and chapter 197, consistent with that chapter; ~~and~~

75.28 (11) provide information, referral, and counseling services to those veterans who may  
75.29 have suffered adverse health conditions as a result of possible exposure to chemical agents;  
75.30 and

75.31 (12) in coordination with the Minnesota Association of County Veterans Service Officers,  
75.32 develop a written disclosure statement for use by private providers of veterans benefits

76.1 services as required under section 197.6091. At a minimum, the written disclosure statement  
 76.2 shall include a signature line, contact information for the department, and a statement that  
 76.3 veterans benefits services are offered at no cost by federally chartered veterans service  
 76.4 organizations and by county veterans service officers.

76.5 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 197.236, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

76.6 Subd. 9. **Burial fees.** (a) The commissioner of veterans affairs shall establish a fee  
 76.7 schedule, which may be adjusted from time to time, for the interment of eligible spouses  
 76.8 and dependent children. The fees shall cover as nearly as practicable the actual costs of  
 76.9 interment, excluding the value of the plot.

76.10 (b) Upon application, the commissioner may waive or reduce the burial fee in the ease  
 76.11 of for an indigent eligible person. The commissioner shall develop a policy, eligibility  
 76.12 standards, and application form for requests to waive or reduce the burial fee to indigent  
 76.13 eligible applicants.

76.14 (c) No plot or interment fees may be charged for the burial of service members who die  
 76.15 on active duty or eligible veterans, as defined in United States Code, title 38, section 101,  
 76.16 paragraph (2).

76.17 Sec. 5. **[197.6091] VETERANS BENEFITS SERVICES; DISCLOSURE**  
 76.18 **REQUIREMENTS.**

76.19 Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have  
 76.20 the meanings given.

76.21 (b)(1) "Advertising" or "advertisement" means any of the following:

76.22 (i) any written or printed communication made for the purpose of soliciting business for  
 76.23 veterans benefits appeal services, including but not limited to a brochure, letter, pamphlet,  
 76.24 newspaper, telephone listing, periodical, or other writing;

76.25 (ii) any directory listing caused or permitted by a person and made available by that  
 76.26 person indicating that veterans benefits appeal services are being offered; or

76.27 (iii) any radio, television, computer network, or similar airwave or electronic transmission  
 76.28 that solicits business for or promotes a person offering veterans benefits appeal services.

76.29 (2) "Advertising" or "advertisement" does not include any of the following:

76.30 (i) any printing or writing used on buildings, uniforms, or badges, where the purpose of  
 76.31 the writing is for identification; or

77.1 (ii) any printing or writing in a memorandum or other communication used in the ordinary  
77.2 course of business where the sole purpose of the writing is other than soliciting business  
77.3 for veterans benefits appeal services.

77.4 (c) "Veterans benefits appeal services" means services that a veteran might reasonably  
77.5 require in order to appeal a denial of federal or state veterans benefits, including but not  
77.6 limited to denials of disability, limited income, home loan, insurance, education and training,  
77.7 burial and memorial, and dependent and survivor benefits.

77.8 (d) "Veterans benefits services" means services that a veteran or a family member of a  
77.9 veteran might reasonably use in order to obtain federal, state, or county veterans benefits.

77.10 (e) "Written disclosure statement" means the written disclosure statement developed by  
77.11 the commissioner of veterans affairs pursuant to section 196.05, subdivision 1.

77.12 Subd. 2. **Advertising disclosure requirements.** A person advertising veterans benefits  
77.13 appeal services must conspicuously disclose in the advertisement, in similar type size or  
77.14 voice-over, that veterans benefits appeal services are also offered at no cost by county  
77.15 veterans service officers under sections 197.603 and 197.604.

77.16 Subd. 3. **Veterans benefits services disclosure requirements.** A person who provides  
77.17 veterans benefits services in exchange for compensation shall provide a written disclosure  
77.18 statement to each client or prospective client. Before a person enters into an agreement to  
77.19 provide veterans benefits services or accepts money or any other thing of value for the  
77.20 provision of veterans benefits services, the person must obtain the signature of the client  
77.21 on a written disclosure statement containing an attestation by the client that the client has  
77.22 read and understands the written disclosure statement.

77.23 Subd. 4. **Violations; penalties.** A person who fails to comply with this section is subject  
77.24 to a civil penalty not to exceed \$1,000 for each violation. Civil penalties shall be assessed  
77.25 by the district court in an action initiated by the attorney general. For the purposes of  
77.26 computing the amount of each civil penalty, each day of a continuing violation constitutes  
77.27 a separate violation. Additionally, the attorney general may accept a civil penalty as  
77.28 determined by the attorney general in settlement of an investigation of a violation of this  
77.29 section regardless of whether an action has been filed under this section. Any civil penalty  
77.30 recovered shall be deposited in the Support Our Troops account established under section  
77.31 190.19.

77.32 Subd. 5. **Nonapplicability.** This section does not apply to the owner or personnel of any  
77.33 medium in which an advertisement appears or through which an advertisement is  
77.34 disseminated.

78.1 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 197.791, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

78.2 Subd. 2. **Program established.** The Minnesota GI Bill program is established to provide  
78.3 postsecondary educational assistance, apprenticeship and on-the-job training benefits, and  
78.4 other professional and educational benefits to eligible Minnesota veterans and to the children  
78.5 and spouses of deceased and severely disabled Minnesota veterans.

78.6 The commissioner, in cooperation with eligible postsecondary educational institutions,  
78.7 shall administer the program for the purpose of providing postsecondary educational  
78.8 assistance to eligible persons in accordance with this section. Each public postsecondary  
78.9 educational institution in the state must participate in the program and each private  
78.10 postsecondary educational institution in the state is encouraged to participate in the program.  
78.11 Any participating private institution may suspend or terminate its participation in the program  
78.12 at the end of any semester or other academic term.

78.13 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 197.791, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

78.14 Subd. 3. **Duties; responsibilities.** (a) The commissioner shall establish policies and  
78.15 procedures including, but not limited to, procedures for student application record keeping,  
78.16 information sharing, payment of educational assistance benefits under subdivision 5, payment  
78.17 of apprenticeship or on-the-job training benefits under subdivision 5a, payment of other  
78.18 educational or professional benefits under subdivision 5, and other procedures the  
78.19 commissioner considers appropriate and necessary for effective and efficient administration  
78.20 of the program established in this section.

78.21 (b) The commissioner may delegate part or all of the administrative procedures for the  
78.22 program to responsible representatives of participating eligible institutions. The commissioner  
78.23 may execute an interagency agreement with the Minnesota Office of Higher Education for  
78.24 services the commissioner determines necessary to administer the program.

78.25 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 197.791, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

78.26 Subd. 4. **Eligibility.** (a) A person is eligible for educational assistance under ~~this section~~  
78.27 subdivisions 5 and 5a if:

78.28 (1) the person is:

78.29 (i) a veteran who is serving or has served honorably in any branch or unit of the United  
78.30 States armed forces at any time;

78.31 (ii) a nonveteran who has served honorably for a total of five years or more cumulatively  
78.32 as a member of the Minnesota National Guard or any other active or reserve component of

79.1 the United States armed forces, and any part of that service occurred on or after September  
79.2 11, 2001;

79.3 (iii) the surviving spouse or child of a person who has served in the military and who  
79.4 has died as a direct result of that military service, only if the surviving spouse or child is  
79.5 eligible to receive federal education benefits under United States Code, title 38, chapter 33,  
79.6 as amended, or United States Code, title 38, chapter 35, as amended; or

79.7 (iv) the spouse or child of a person who has served in the military at any time and who  
79.8 has a total and permanent service-connected disability as rated by the United States Veterans  
79.9 Administration, only if the spouse or child is eligible to receive federal education benefits  
79.10 under United States Code, title 38, chapter 33, as amended, or United States Code, title 38,  
79.11 chapter 35, as amended; and

79.12 (2) the person receiving the educational assistance is a Minnesota resident, as defined  
79.13 in section 136A.101, subdivision 8; and

79.14 (3) the person receiving the educational assistance:

79.15 (i) is an undergraduate or graduate student at an eligible institution;

79.16 (ii) is maintaining satisfactory academic progress as defined by the institution for students  
79.17 participating in federal Title IV programs;

79.18 (iii) is enrolled in an education program leading to a certificate, diploma, or degree at  
79.19 an eligible institution;

79.20 (iv) has applied for educational assistance under this section prior to the end of the  
79.21 academic term for which the assistance is being requested;

79.22 (v) is in compliance with child support payment requirements under section 136A.121,  
79.23 subdivision 2, clause (5); and

79.24 (vi) has completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

79.25 (b) A person's eligibility terminates when the person becomes eligible for benefits under  
79.26 section 135A.52.

79.27 (c) To determine eligibility, the commissioner may require official documentation,  
79.28 including the person's federal form DD-214 or other official military discharge papers;  
79.29 correspondence from the United States Veterans Administration; birth certificate; marriage  
79.30 certificate; proof of enrollment at an eligible institution; signed affidavits; proof of residency;  
79.31 proof of identity; or any other official documentation the commissioner considers necessary  
79.32 to determine eligibility.

80.1 (d) The commissioner may deny eligibility or terminate benefits under this section to  
80.2 any person who has not provided sufficient documentation to determine eligibility for the  
80.3 program. An applicant may appeal the commissioner's eligibility determination or termination  
80.4 of benefits in writing to the commissioner at any time. The commissioner must rule on any  
80.5 application or appeal within 30 days of receipt of all documentation that the commissioner  
80.6 requires. The decision of the commissioner regarding an appeal is final. However, an  
80.7 applicant whose appeal of an eligibility determination has been rejected by the commissioner  
80.8 may submit an additional appeal of that determination in writing to the commissioner at  
80.9 any time that the applicant is able to provide substantively significant additional information  
80.10 regarding the applicant's eligibility for the program. An approval of an applicant's eligibility  
80.11 by the commissioner following an appeal by the applicant is not retroactively effective for  
80.12 more than one year or the semester of the person's original application, whichever is later.

80.13 (e) Upon receiving an application with insufficient documentation to determine eligibility,  
80.14 the commissioner must notify the applicant within 30 days of receipt of the application that  
80.15 the application is being suspended pending receipt by the commissioner of sufficient  
80.16 documentation from the applicant to determine eligibility.

80.17 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 197.791, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

80.18 Subd. 5. **Benefit Educational assistance amount.** (a) On approval by the commissioner  
80.19 of eligibility for the program, the applicant shall be awarded, on a funds-available basis,  
80.20 the educational assistance under the program for use at any time according to program rules  
80.21 at any eligible institution.

80.22 (b) The amount of educational assistance in any semester or term for an eligible person  
80.23 must be determined by subtracting from the eligible person's cost of attendance the amount  
80.24 the person received or was eligible to receive in that semester or term from:

80.25 (1) the federal Pell Grant;

80.26 (2) the state grant program under section 136A.121; and

80.27 (3) any federal military or veterans educational benefits including but not limited to the  
80.28 Montgomery GI Bill, GI Bill Kicker, the federal tuition assistance program, vocational  
80.29 rehabilitation benefits, and any other federal benefits associated with the person's status as  
80.30 a veteran, except veterans disability payments from the United States Veterans Administration  
80.31 and payments made under the Veterans Retraining Assistance Program (VRAP).

80.32 (c) The amount of educational assistance for any eligible person who is a full-time  
80.33 student must not exceed the following:



81.1 ~~(1) \$1,000 per semester or term of enrollment;~~

81.2 ~~(2) (1) \$3,000 per state fiscal year; and~~

81.3 ~~(3) (2) \$10,000 in a lifetime.~~

81.4 (d) A person eligible under this subdivision may use the benefit amounts for the following  
81.5 purposes:

81.6 (1) licensing or certification tests, the successful completion of which demonstrates an  
81.7 individual's possession of the knowledge or skill required to enter into, maintain, or advance  
81.8 in employment in a predetermined and identified vocation or profession, provided that the  
81.9 tests and the licensing or credentialing organizations or entities that offer the tests are  
81.10 approved by the commissioner;

81.11 (2) tests for admission to institutions of higher learning or graduate schools;

81.12 (3) national tests providing an opportunity for course credit at institutions of higher  
81.13 learning;

81.14 (4) a preparatory course for a test that is required or used for admission to an institution  
81.15 of higher education or a graduate program; and

81.16 (5) any fee associated with the pursuit of a professional or educational objective specified  
81.17 in clauses (1) to (4).

81.18 (e) If an eligible person receives benefits under subdivision 5, the eligible person's  
81.19 aggregate benefits under this subdivision and subdivision 5 must not exceed \$10,000 in the  
81.20 eligible person's lifetime.

81.21 (f) If an eligible person receives benefits under subdivision 5a, the eligible person's  
81.22 aggregate benefits under this subdivision and subdivision 5a must not exceed \$10,000 in  
81.23 the eligible person's lifetime.

81.24 For a part-time student, the amount of educational assistance must not exceed \$500 per  
81.25 semester or term of enrollment. For the purpose of this paragraph, a part-time undergraduate  
81.26 student is a student taking fewer than 12 credits or the equivalent for a semester or term of  
81.27 enrollment and a part-time graduate student is a student considered part time by the eligible  
81.28 institution the graduate student is attending. The minimum award for undergraduate and  
81.29 graduate students is \$50 per term.

82.1 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 197.791, subdivision 5a, is amended to read:

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

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

82.9 (c) A person is eligible for apprenticeship and on-the-job training assistance under this  
82.10 subdivision if the person meets the criteria established under subdivision 4, ~~paragraphs~~  
82.11 paragraph (a), clause (1), and (e) to (e). The commissioner may determine eligibility as  
82.12 provided in subdivision 4, paragraph (c), and may deny or terminate benefits as prescribed  
82.13 under subdivision 4, paragraphs (d) and (e). The amount of assistance paid to or on behalf  
82.14 of an eligible individual under this subdivision must not exceed the following:

82.15 (1) ~~\$2,000~~ \$3,000 per fiscal year for apprenticeship expenses;

82.16 (2) ~~\$2,000~~ \$3,000 per fiscal year for on-the-job training;

82.17 (3) \$1,000 for a job placement credit payable to an eligible employer upon hiring and  
82.18 completion of six consecutive months' employment of a person receiving assistance under  
82.19 this subdivision; and

82.20 (4) \$1,000 for a job placement credit payable to an eligible employer after a person  
82.21 receiving assistance under this subdivision has been employed by the eligible employer for  
82.22 at least 12 consecutive months as a full-time employee.

82.23 No more than ~~\$3,000~~ \$5,000 in aggregate benefits under this paragraph may be paid to or  
82.24 on behalf of an individual in one fiscal year, and not more than ~~\$9,000~~ \$10,000 in aggregate  
82.25 benefits under this paragraph may be paid to or on behalf of an individual over any period  
82.26 of time.

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

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

82.30 (2) the training must be documented and reported;

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

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

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**6.581 STATE AUDITOR ENTERPRISE FUND.**

Subdivision 1. **State auditor enterprise fund.** A state auditor enterprise fund is established in the state treasury. All amounts received for the costs and expenses of examinations performed under this chapter shall be credited to the fund. Amounts credited to the fund are annually appropriated to the state auditor to pay the costs and expenses related to the examinations performed, including, but not limited to, salaries, office overhead, equipment, authorized contracts, and other expenses.

**204B.48 VOTING EQUIPMENT GRANT ACCOUNT.**

Subdivision 1. **Account created.** A voting equipment grant account is created in the state treasury to provide grants to political subdivisions to purchase precinct based optical scan ballot tabulation equipment. The equipment must permit the voter to verify and correct any errors on the ballot, including both undervotes and overvotes. Any grants made by the federal government to the state to improve election administration or equipment must be credited to the account.

Subd. 2. **Application.** The commissioner of administration may make a grant from the account to a political subdivision only after receiving an application from the political subdivision and a recommendation from the secretary of state concerning the application. The application must contain the following information:

- (1) the date the application is submitted;
- (2) the name of the political subdivision;
- (3) the name and title of the individual who prepared the application;
- (4) the type of voting system currently used in each precinct in the political subdivision;
- (5) if the current system is an optical scan system, the date the system was acquired and at what cost;
- (6) the total number of registered voters, as of the date of the application, in each precinct in the political subdivision;
- (7) the total amount of the grant requested;
- (8) the total amount and source of the political subdivision's money to be used to match a grant from the account;
- (9) the type of voting system to be acquired with the grant money and whether the voting system will permit individuals with disabilities to cast a secret ballot;
- (10) the proposed schedule for purchasing and implementing the new voting system and the precincts in which the new voting system would be used;
- (11) the proposed schedule for training election administrators and election judges to operate the new voting system;
- (12) a proposed plan to educate voters, the media, and the general public concerning the new voting system;
- (13) the names and contact information for the individuals and offices of the political subdivision responsible for communications and reporting to the commissioner of administration regarding the administration and implementation of the grant by the political subdivision, authorizing the purchase of voting systems, and implementing the training and education plan for the voting system;
- (14) whether the political subdivision has previously applied for a grant from the account and the disposition of that application;
- (15) a certified statement by the political subdivision that the grant will be used only to purchase precinct based optical scan ballot tabulation equipment, that the political subdivision will provide a dollar-for-dollar match that will not come from state or federal money, and that the political subdivision has insufficient resources to purchase the voting system without obtaining a grant from the account.

The commissioner of administration must forward a copy of the application to the secretary of state.

Subd. 3. **Evaluation and approval.** In evaluating the application, the commissioner of administration may consider only the information set forth in the application and is not subject to chapter 14. If the commissioner of administration determines that the application has been fully and properly completed, and that there is a sufficient balance in the account to fund the grant, either in whole or in part, the commissioner, after receiving the recommendation of the secretary of state, may approve the application.

Subd. 4. **Payment.** The commissioner of administration may then pay the grant to the political subdivision after certifying that:

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(1) the grant will be used only to purchase the kind of ballot tabulation equipment prescribed by subdivision 1, which may include equipment that makes it possible for individuals with disabilities to cast a secret ballot;

(2) the political subdivision to receive the grant has insufficient resources available to purchase the equipment; and

(3) the recipient of the grant will provide a dollar-for-dollar match, which may not come from state or federal money.

**349A.08 LOTTERY PRIZES.**

Subd. 3. **Prizes won by persons under age 18.** The following provisions govern the payment of a lottery prize to a person under age 18:

(1) if the prize is less than \$5,000, the director may give a draft, payable to the order of the person under age 18, to the person's parents, custodial parent if one parent has custody, guardian, or other adult member of the person's family; and

(2) if the prize is \$5,000 or more, the director shall deposit the prize with the district court and section 540.08 applies to the investment and distribution of the money.

**4501.0300 CERTIFICATION, SIGNATURES, AND NOTARIZATION.**

Subp. 3. **Notarization.** The only documents that must be notarized are affidavits of contributions filed pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.323, and sworn statements relating to independent expenditures filed pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.20, subdivision 6a.

**4501.0500 FILINGS, SUBMISSIONS, AND DISCLOSURES.**

Subp. 2. **Filing by facsimile transmission or electronic filing system.** A document filed by facsimile transmission or electronic filing system has the same force and effect as filing an original paper document. Facsimile transmissions and the use of an electronic filing system are subject to items A to F.

A. A facsimile transmission or electronic file received after the close of a business day is considered received at the beginning of the next business day.

B. Use of an electronic filing system is optional. In order to provide a secure environment for the submission of electronic files, the board must require that a filer use a personal identification code when submitting an electronic file. The board may also request the filer to provide a valid e-mail address in order to receive confirmation and verification messages from the board.

C. After an electronic file is processed by the board, the information contained in the electronic file becomes the property of the state subject to the terms of the Data Practices Act under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 13.

D. In the case of a filing by facsimile transmission, the filer must retain the original of the filed document and a record of the date and time of the transmission. If an electronic filing system is used to submit an electronic file to the board, the filer must retain as documentation the database and information on which the electronic submission of data is based. The database and records are subject to audit as provided in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 10A.

E. Within five days of a request by the board, any person filing a document by facsimile transmission or electronic filing system shall refile the document by one of the other filing methods provided in subpart 1.

F. Technical problems that prevent the successful submission of a facsimile transmission or electronic file do not relieve the filer of the responsibility of meeting the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 10A. An audit trail that demonstrates that the facsimile transmission or electronic file was successfully submitted in a timely fashion may be used by the board to waive late filing fees.

**4503.0200 ORGANIZATION OF POLITICAL COMMITTEES AND POLITICAL FUNDS.**

Subp. 6. **Depositories.** The depositories of a political committee or political fund include any depository in which the committee or fund has a savings, checking, or similar account, or purchases a money market certificate or certificate of deposit. Before registering, a political committee or political fund which expects to receive money or negotiable instruments must establish a checking, savings, or similar account in the name of "Campaign Fund of (name of candidate, committee, or fund)."

**4503.0300 TERMINATION OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE OR POLITICAL FUND.**

Subp. 4. **Payment plan pending dissolution of inactive political committee or political fund.** An inactive political committee or political fund that must dissolve according to Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.242, and that has liquidated its available assets to pay its debts may submit to the board a proposed payment schedule to settle any remaining debts. Upon approval of the schedule, the board may allow the committee or fund to defer dissolution until all debts are paid.

**4503.0400 DISTRICT COURT JUDICIAL CANDIDATES.**

Subpart 1. **Donations in kind.** Donations in kind to a candidate for district court judge which in aggregate exceed \$100 must be disclosed in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.20, subdivision 3, paragraph (b).

**4503.0500 CONTRIBUTIONS.**

Subp. 5. **Contributions from Hennepin County registered associations.** In lieu of registration with the board, an association registered with the Hennepin County filing officer under Minnesota Statutes, sections 383B.041 to 383B.058, that makes contributions of more than \$100

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to a committee or fund in a calendar year may notify the recipient committee of its registration with Hennepin County, including its registration number, and instruct the recipient committee to include the notice when the recipient committee discloses receipt of the contribution.

**4503.0500 CONTRIBUTIONS.**

Subp. 8. **Value of contributions of automobile use.** Automobile use provided to a committee by an individual may be valued at the lowest rate used by the state to reimburse its employees for automobile use. Alternatively, the value of the automobile may be calculated as the actual cost of fuel, maintenance, repairs, and insurance directly related to the use of the automobile. The use of an automobile that exceeds \$20 in value a day is either an expenditure that must be reimbursed or a donation in kind from the individual who provided the use of the automobile. An automobile provided by an association must be valued at the fair market value for renting an equivalent automobile.

**4503.0700 CONTRIBUTION LIMITS.**

Subp. 2. **Special election contribution limits.** Election year contribution limits set forth in Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.27, apply to a special election cycle.

**4503.0700 CONTRIBUTION LIMITS.**

Subp. 3. **Independent application of limits for special election.** Contribution limits apply independently for election years, other years, and special election cycles.

**4503.1300 GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.**

Subp. 5. **Return of contributions after merger.** Funds transferred to the joint committee which result in aggregate contributions in excess of the applicable limits may be returned to the contributor within 60 days of the transfer of funds to the joint committee.

**4503.1400 PUBLIC SUBSIDY AGREEMENTS.**

Subp. 8. **Affidavit of contributions for special elections.** For a special election for which the filing period does not coincide with a general election, the candidate must submit the affidavit of contributions not later than five days after filing an affidavit of candidacy or nominating petition for the office sought.

**4503.1400 PUBLIC SUBSIDY AGREEMENTS.**

Subp. 9. **Increase for first-time candidates.** Candidates who qualify for first-time candidate status receive a ten percent increase in the campaign expenditure limit in all years of the applicable election cycle.

**4503.1450 DISTRIBUTION OF GENERAL ACCOUNT PUBLIC SUBSIDY FUNDS.**

Subpart 1. **Agreement.** The general account public subsidy agreement required in Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.31, subdivision 7, may be provided to candidates on a separate form, or incorporated into the public subsidy agreement. The agreement must require that the candidate spend or be legally obligated to spend at least 50 percent of the general account public subsidy payment by the end of the reporting period prior to the general election. The agreement must also provide that if the candidate does not meet this requirement, the candidate must repay the board the difference between the candidates general account public subsidy payment and the candidates total campaign expenditures as of the end of the reporting period prior to the general election. The agreement must further provide that the candidate must reimburse the board for any reasonable collection costs incurred in securing the repayment of the unused general account public subsidy payment.

**4503.1450 DISTRIBUTION OF GENERAL ACCOUNT PUBLIC SUBSIDY FUNDS.**

Subp. 3. **Estimate of general account public subsidy payment.** For purposes of determining a candidate's fulfillment of the terms of the agreement, the board must use the September 1 certification of available funds from the commissioner of the Department of Revenue to estimate the general account public subsidy payment for the candidate's office. Using first class mail, the board must inform each candidate eligible for a general account payment of the minimum amount that must be spent to comply with the terms of the agreement.

**4503.1600 CONTRIBUTIONS AND SOLICITATIONS DURING LEGISLATIVE SESSION.**

If the board makes a public finding that there is probable cause to believe a violation of Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.273, has occurred, in lieu of pursuing or enforcing a judgment, the board may accept payment of any fine imposed and thereafter close the matter.

**4503.1700 FILING OF 48-HOUR NOTICE.**

The 48-hour notice required under Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.20, subdivision 5, may be filed by facsimile transmission in addition to the other methods permitted by law.

**4503.1800 REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.**

Subpart 1. **Contributions.** Legislative, statewide, and judicial candidates, party units, political committees and funds, and committees and funds to promote or defeat a ballot question must itemize contributions that in aggregate exceed \$100 in a calendar year on reports submitted to the board. The itemization must include the date on which the contribution was received, the individual or association that provided the contribution, and the address of the contributor. Additionally, the itemization for a donation in kind must provide a description of the item or service received. Contributions that are less than the itemization amount must be reported as an aggregate total.

Subp. 2. **Expenditures and noncampaign disbursements.** Legislative, statewide, and judicial candidates, party units, political committees and funds, and committees to promote or defeat a ballot question must itemize expenditures and noncampaign disbursements that in aggregate exceed \$100 in a calendar year on reports submitted to the board. The itemization must include the date on which the committee made or became obligated to make the expenditure or disbursement, the name and address of the vendor that provided the service or item purchased, and a description of the service or item purchased. Expenditures and noncampaign disbursements must be listed on the report alphabetically by vendor.

**4505.0100 DEFINITIONS.**

Subp. 3. **Compensation in any month.** For the purpose of an original statement of economic interest, "compensation in any month" includes only compensation received in the calendar month immediately preceding the date of appointment as a public official or filing as a candidate.

For the purpose of supplementary statements of economic interest to be filed, "compensation in any month" includes compensation and honorariums received in any month between the end of the period covered in the preceding statement of economic interest and the end of the current period.

For the purpose of calculating the amount of compensation received from any single source in a single month, the amount shall include the total amount received from the source during the month, whether or not the amount covers compensation for more than one month.

**4505.0900 FILING.**

Subp. 2. **Filing of more than one statement in any year.** An individual who has filed a statement of economic interest within the calendar year shall file a supplementary statement within 14 days after filing an affidavit of candidacy or accepting employment or appointment to an office requiring the advice and consent of the senate.

**4505.0900 FILING.**

Subp. 3. **Statement after period when no statement required.** A public official or candidate, who previously filed a statement of economic interest and who is required to file a new statement of economic interest following a period when no statement was required, shall file an original statement.

**4505.0900 FILING.**

Subp. 4. **Termination as a public official.** An individual shall file a statement of economic interest to cover the period for which the individual served as a public official even though at the time the statement is filed, the individual is no longer holding that office as a public official. The statement of economic interest does not need to be filed if there have been no changes from the most recent statement of economic interest filed with the board.



**4505.0900 FILING.**

Subp. 5. **Option.** An individual whose term as a public official has ended after April 1 and before March 31 shall file either a supplementary statement on the next following April 15 through the last date of service or file a statement of termination as a public official through the last date of service. The latter statement may be filed at any time after the term ends and before the next following April 15.

**4505.0900 FILING.**

Subp. 6. **Change of public official position.** A public official who leaves one public official position and is appointed to another public official position within the year between the time when the individual filed either an original statement or a supplementary statement and April 15 of the following year shall file a termination statement for the former office within ten days after leaving that office. The individual shall file an original statement relative to the new office within the time imposed by Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.09, subdivision 1.

**4505.0900 FILING.**

Subp. 7. **Reporting of securities.** A public official must list the full name of each security with a value of \$2,500 or more owned in part or in full by the public official at any time during the reporting period.

**4511.0500 LOBBYIST REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.**

Subp. 2. **Reporting by multiple lobbyists representing the same entity.** Items A to F apply if a single individual, association, political subdivision, or public higher education system is represented by more than one lobbyist.

A. The entity must appoint one designated lobbyist to report lobbyist disbursements made by the entity. The designated lobbyist must indicate that status on the periodic reports of lobbyist disbursements.

B. A reporting lobbyist may consent to report on behalf of one or more other lobbyists for the same entity, in which case, the other lobbyists are persons about whose activities the reporting lobbyist must disclose and are subject to the disclosure requirements of Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.04, subdivision 3. Lobbyist disbursement reports filed by a reporting lobbyist must include the names and registration numbers of the other lobbyists whose activities are included in the report.

C. Lobbyists whose activities are accounted for by a reporting lobbyist are not required to file lobbyist disbursement reports.

D. A lobbyist whose lobbying disbursements are provided to the board through a reporting lobbyist must supply all relevant information on disbursements to the reporting lobbyist no later than five days before the prescribed filing date.

E. The reporting periods and due dates for a reporting lobbyist are those provided in Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.04, subdivision 3. The board must notify by certified mail or personal service each reporting lobbyist that fails to file a required report within seven days of a statutory filing date. Additionally, the board must notify by certified mail or personal service each lobbyist listed on the registration of the reporting lobbyist of the failure of the reporting lobbyist to file in a timely manner. Within ten business days of the date on which the notice was sent, each lobbyist must report disbursements to the board. If a lobbyist fails to file a report within ten business days of the date on which the notice was sent by the board, the board may impose a late filing fee of \$5 per day, not to exceed a maximum of \$100, commencing with the 11th day after the notice was sent.

F. The reporting lobbyist must indicate the names and registration numbers of any lobbyists who did not provide their lobbying disbursements for inclusion in a report. The board must send notice by certified mail or personal service to a lobbyist who failed to provide the required disbursement information to the reporting lobbyist. The notice must require that the lobbyist file an individual lobbyist disbursement report within ten business days of the mailing of the notice. If a lobbyist fails to file a report within ten business days of the mailing of the notice, the board may impose a late filing fee of \$5 per day, not to exceed a maximum of \$100, commencing with the 11th day after receiving notice.

**4512.0100 DEFINITIONS.**

APPENDIX  
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Subp. 2. **Field of specialty.** "Field of specialty" means a vocation, profession, trade, craft, or avocation of the individual.

**4512.0100 DEFINITIONS.**

Subp. 4. **Individual services.** "Individual services" means services performed by an official outside of official duties.

**4512.0100 DEFINITIONS.**

Subp. 5. **Plaque or similar memento.** "Plaque or similar memento" means a decorative item with an inscription recognizing an individual for an accomplishment.

**4525.0210 DETERMINATIONS PRIOR TO FORMAL INVESTIGATION.**

Subpart 1. **Preparation for prima facie determination.** After a complaint is filed, the executive director must follow the notice provisions in Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.022, subdivision 3, with regard to the respondent's right to submit written arguments addressing the prima facie determination.

Upon the expiration of the time provided for the respondent to submit written argument, the executive director must submit the matter to the board member who will make the determination or to all board members if the full board will make the determination. The submission must include the complaint, any response submitted by the respondent, and an analysis of the allegations of the complaint and the violations that it alleges.