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H. F. No. 707

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Legacy Funding Finance
03/28/2017 Adoption of Report: Amended and re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to state government; appropriating money from outdoor heritage fund,
1.3 clean water fund, parks and trails fund, and arts and cultural heritage fund; providing
1.4 for riparian protection aid; modifying requirements for expending money from
1.5 legacy funds; modifying and extending prior appropriations; requiring reports;
1.6 amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, sections 85.53, by adding a subdivision;
1.7 97A.056, subdivision 3, by adding subdivisions; 114D.50, subdivision 4, by adding
1.8 a subdivision; 129D.17, subdivision 4, by adding a subdivision; Laws 2012, chapter
1.9 264, article 1, section 2, subdivision 5, as amended; Laws 2015, First Special
1.10 Session chapter 2, article 1, section 2, subdivision 2, as amended; Laws 2016,
1.11 chapter 172, article 1, section 2, subdivisions 2, 4; proposing coding for new law
1.12 in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 477A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2016, section
1.13 97A.056, subdivision 8.

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

1.15 ARTICLE 1

1.16 OUTDOOR HERITAGE FUND

1.17 Section 1. APPROPRIATIONS.

1.18 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies
1.19 and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the outdoor heritage
1.20 fund for the fiscal year indicated for each purpose. The figures "2018" and "2019" used in
1.21 this article mean that the appropriations listed under the figure are available for the fiscal
1.22 year ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, respectively. The "first year" is fiscal year
1.23 2018. The "second year" is fiscal year 2019. The "biennium" is fiscal years 2018 and 2019,
1.24 respectively. The appropriations in this article are onetime appropriations.

Table with 2 columns: 2018, 2019. Header: APPROPRIATIONS Available for the Year Ending June 30

3.1 to acquiring lands that are eligible for the
3.2 native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes,
3.3 section 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected
3.4 native prairie. A list of proposed land
3.5 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
3.6 required accomplishment plan.

3.7 **(c) Minnesota Prairie Recovery Project - Phase**
3.8 **VII**

3.9 \$1,901,000 the first year is to the
3.10 commissioner of natural resources for an
3.11 agreement with The Nature Conservancy to
3.12 acquire land in fee for native prairie, wetland,
3.13 and savanna and to restore and enhance
3.14 grasslands, wetlands, and savanna. Subject to
3.15 evaluation criteria in Minnesota Rules, part
3.16 6136.0900, priority must be given to acquiring
3.17 lands that are eligible for the native prairie
3.18 bank under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96,
3.19 or lands adjacent to protected native prairie.
3.20 No later than 180 days after The Nature
3.21 Conservancy's fiscal year ends, The Nature
3.22 Conservancy must submit to the Lessard-Sams
3.23 Outdoor Heritage Council annual income
3.24 statements and balance sheets for income and
3.25 expenses from land acquired with this
3.26 appropriation. A list of proposed land
3.27 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
3.28 required accomplishment plan and must be
3.29 consistent with the priorities identified in
3.30 Minnesota Prairie Conservation Plan.

3.31 **(d) Northern Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife**
3.32 **Refuge Land Acquisition - Phase VIII**

3.33 \$2,683,000 the first year is to the
3.34 commissioner of natural resources for an
3.35 agreement with The Nature Conservancy in
3.36 cooperation with the United States Fish and

- 4.1 Wildlife Service to acquire land in fee or
4.2 permanent conservation easements and restore
4.3 lands in the Northern Tallgrass Prairie Habitat
4.4 Preservation Area in western Minnesota for
4.5 addition to the Northern Tallgrass Prairie
4.6 National Wildlife Refuge. Subject to
4.7 evaluation criteria in Minnesota Rules, part
4.8 6136.0900, priority must be given to acquiring
4.9 lands that are eligible for the native prairie
4.10 bank under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96,
4.11 or lands adjacent to protected native prairie.
4.12 A list of proposed land acquisitions must be
4.13 provided as part of the required
4.14 accomplishment plan, and the acquisitions
4.15 must be consistent with the priorities in
4.16 Minnesota Prairie Conservation Plan.
- 4.17 **(e) Cannon River Headwaters Habitat Complex**
4.18 **- Phase VII**
- 4.19 \$1,436,000 the first year is to the
4.20 commissioner of natural resources for an
4.21 agreement with The Trust for Public Land to
4.22 acquire in fee and restore lands in the Cannon
4.23 River watershed for wildlife management
4.24 purposes under Minnesota Statutes, section
4.25 86A.05, subdivision 8. Subject to evaluation
4.26 criteria in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900,
4.27 priority must be given to acquiring lands that
4.28 are eligible for the native prairie bank under
4.29 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
4.30 adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of
4.31 proposed land acquisitions must be provided
4.32 as part of the required accomplishment plan.
- 4.33 **(f) Accelerated Native Prairie Bank Protection**
4.34 **- Phase VI**
- 4.35 \$2,481,000 the first year is to the
4.36 commissioner of natural resources to acquire

5.1 permanent conservation easements to
5.2 implement the strategies in Minnesota Prairie
5.3 Conservation Plan to protect and restore native
5.4 prairie. Of this amount, up to \$140,000 is for
5.5 establishing monitoring and enforcement funds
5.6 as approved in the accomplishment plan and
5.7 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
5.8 97A.056, subdivision 17. Subject to evaluation
5.9 criteria in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900,
5.10 priority must be given to acquiring lands that
5.11 are eligible for the native prairie bank under
5.12 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
5.13 adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of
5.14 permanent conservation easements must be
5.15 provided as part of the final report.

5.16 **(g) Reinvest In Minnesota (RIM) Buffers for**
5.17 **Wildlife and Water - Phase VII**

5.18 \$5,333,000 the first year is to the Board of
5.19 Water and Soil Resources to restore habitat
5.20 and acquire permanent conservation easements
5.21 under Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.515,
5.22 to protect, restore, and enhance habitat by
5.23 expanding the riparian-buffer program of the
5.24 clean water fund for at least equal wildlife
5.25 benefits from buffers on private land. Of this
5.26 amount, up to \$858,000 is for establishing a
5.27 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
5.28 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
5.29 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
5.30 subdivision 17. A list of permanent
5.31 conservation easements must be provided as
5.32 part of the final report.

5.33 **(h) Prairie Chicken Habitat Partnership of the**
5.34 **Southern Red River Valley - Phase III**

5.35 \$1,908,000 the first year is to the
5.36 commissioner of natural resources for an

6.1 agreement with Pheasants Forever in
6.2 cooperation with the Minnesota Prairie
6.3 Chicken Society to acquire land in fee and
6.4 restore and enhance lands in the southern Red
6.5 River valley for wildlife management purposes
6.6 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
6.7 subdivision 8, or to be designated and
6.8 managed as waterfowl-production areas in
6.9 Minnesota in cooperation with the United
6.10 States Fish and Wildlife Service. Subject to
6.11 evaluation criteria in Minnesota Rules, part
6.12 6136.0900, priority must be given to acquiring
6.13 lands that are eligible for the native prairie
6.14 bank under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96,
6.15 or lands adjacent to protected native prairie.
6.16 A list of proposed land acquisitions must be
6.17 provided as part of the required
6.18 accomplishment plan.

6.19 **(i) Accelerated Prairie Restoration and**
6.20 **Enhancement on DNR Lands - Phase IX**
6.21 \$3,950,000 the first year is to the
6.22 commissioner of natural resources to
6.23 accelerate restoration and enhancement of
6.24 prairies, grasslands, and savannas on wildlife
6.25 management areas, scientific and natural areas,
6.26 native prairie bank land, bluff prairies on state
6.27 forest land in southeastern Minnesota, and
6.28 United States Fish and Wildlife Service
6.29 waterfowl-production area and refuge lands.

6.30 A list of proposed land restorations and
6.31 enhancements must be provided as part of the
6.32 required accomplishment plan.

6.33 **(j) Anoka Sandplain Habitat Restoration and**
6.34 **Enhancement - Phase V**
6.35 \$1,130,000 the first year is to the
6.36 commissioner of natural resources for

7.1 agreements to acquire permanent conservation
 7.2 easements and to restore and enhance wildlife
 7.3 habitat on public lands in Anoka, Benton,
 7.4 Isanti, Morrison, and Stearns Counties as
 7.5 follows: \$41,000 is to the Anoka Conservation
 7.6 District, \$231,000 is to the Isanti County Soil
 7.7 and Water Conservation District, \$345,000 is
 7.8 to Great River Greening, \$163,000 is to the
 7.9 Stearns County Soil and Water Conservation
 7.10 District, and \$350,000 is to Minnesota Land
 7.11 Trust. Up to \$40,000 to Minnesota Land Trust
 7.12 is for establishing monitoring and enforcement
 7.13 funds as approved in the accomplishment plan
 7.14 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
 7.15 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed
 7.16 permanent conservation easements,
 7.17 restorations, and enhancements must be
 7.18 provided as part of the required
 7.19 accomplishment plan.

7.20 **Subd. 3. Forests** 16,824,000 -0-

7.21 **(a) Carnelian Creek Conservation Corridor**

7.22 \$2,458,000 the first year is to the
 7.23 commissioner of natural resources for an
 7.24 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to
 7.25 acquire permanent conservation easements in
 7.26 Washington County. Of this amount, up to
 7.27 \$30,000 is for establishing a monitoring and
 7.28 enforcement fund as approved in the
 7.29 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
 7.30 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A
 7.31 list of proposed permanent conservation
 7.32 easements must be provided as part of the
 7.33 required accomplishment plan.

7.34 **(b) Laurentian Forest - St. Louis County Habitat**
 7.35 **Project**

8.1 \$2,400,000 the first year is to the
8.2 commissioner of natural resources for
8.3 agreements with the Minnesota Deer Hunters
8.4 Association in cooperation with The
8.5 Conservation Fund and St. Louis County to
8.6 acquire land in fee to be transferred to St.
8.7 Louis County for wildlife habitat purposes.
8.8 The amount is for agreements as follows:
8.9 \$2,292,000 to the Minnesota Deer Hunter
8.10 Association and \$108,000 to The Conservation
8.11 Fund. A list of proposed land acquisitions
8.12 must be provided as part of the required
8.13 accomplishment plan.

8.14 **(c) Southeast Minnesota Protection and**
8.15 **Restoration - Phase V**

8.16 \$2,375,000 the first year is to the
8.17 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
8.18 land in fee for wildlife management purposes
8.19 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
8.20 subdivision 8; to acquire land in fee for
8.21 scientific and natural areas under Minnesota
8.22 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 5; to
8.23 acquire land in fee for state forest purposes
8.24 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
8.25 subdivision 7; to acquire permanent
8.26 conservation easements; and to restore and
8.27 enhance prairie, grassland, forest, and savanna.
8.28 The amount is for agreements as follows:
8.29 \$1,000,000 to The Nature Conservancy,
8.30 \$675,000 to The Trust for Public Land, and
8.31 \$700,000 to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to
8.32 \$80,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is for
8.33 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
8.34 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
8.35 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
8.36 97A.056, subdivision 17. No later than 180

9.1 days after the The Nature Conservancy's fiscal
9.2 year ends, The Nature Conservancy must
9.3 submit to the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage
9.4 Council annual income statements and balance
9.5 sheets for income and expenses from land
9.6 acquired in fee with this appropriation and not
9.7 transferred to the state or a local governmental
9.8 unit. A list of proposed land acquisitions must
9.9 be provided as part of the required
9.10 accomplishment plan.

9.11 **(d) Minnesota Forests for the Future - Phase V**

9.12 \$2,291,000 the first year is to the
9.13 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
9.14 easements for forest, wetland, and shoreline
9.15 habitat through working forest permanent
9.16 conservation easements under the Minnesota
9.17 forests for the future program pursuant to
9.18 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.66. A
9.19 conservation easement acquired with money
9.20 appropriated under this paragraph must
9.21 comply with Minnesota Statutes, section
9.22 97A.056, subdivision 13. The accomplishment
9.23 plan must include an easement monitoring and
9.24 enforcement plan. Of this amount, up to
9.25 \$72,000 is for establishing a monitoring and
9.26 enforcement fund as approved in the
9.27 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
9.28 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A
9.29 list of permanent conservation easements must
9.30 be provided as part of the final report.

9.31 **(e) State Forest Acquisitions - Phase IV**

9.32 \$1,000,000 the first year is to the
9.33 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
9.34 lands in fee for wildlife habitat purposes in
9.35 the Richard J. Dorer Memorial Hardwood

10.1 State Forest under Minnesota Statutes, section
 10.2 86A.05, subdivision 7. A list of proposed land
 10.3 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
 10.4 required accomplishment plan.

10.5 **(f) Critical Shoreland Protection Program -**
 10.6 **Phase IV**

10.7 \$1,700,000 the first year is to the
 10.8 commissioner of natural resources for an
 10.9 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to
 10.10 acquire permanent conservation easements
 10.11 along rivers and lakes in the northern forest
 10.12 region. Of this amount, up to \$120,000 is for
 10.13 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
 10.14 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
 10.15 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
 10.16 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed
 10.17 permanent conservation easements must be
 10.18 provided as part of the required
 10.19 accomplishment plan.

10.20 **(g) Bushmen Lake**

10.21 \$4,600,000 the first year is to the
 10.22 commissioner of natural resources for an
 10.23 agreement with The Conservation Fund in
 10.24 cooperation with the United States Forest
 10.25 Service to acquire lands in fee adjacent to
 10.26 Bushmen Lake in St. Louis County to be
 10.27 managed for wildlife habitat purposes. A list
 10.28 of proposed land acquisitions must be
 10.29 provided as part of the required
 10.30 accomplishment plan.

10.31 **Subd. 4. Wetlands**

31,744,000

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10.32 **(a) Accelerating Waterfowl-Production Area**
 10.33 **Acquisition - Phase IX**

10.34 \$5,500,000 the first year is to the
 10.35 commissioner of natural resources for an
 10.36 agreement with Pheasants Forever to acquire

11.1 land in fee and restore and enhance wetlands
11.2 and grasslands to be designated and managed
11.3 as waterfowl-production areas in Minnesota
11.4 in cooperation with the United States Fish and
11.5 Wildlife Service. A list of proposed land
11.6 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
11.7 required accomplishment plan.

11.8 **(b) Shallow Lakes and Wetland Protection**
11.9 **Program - Phase VI**

11.10 \$3,625,000 the first year is to the
11.11 commissioner of natural resources for an
11.12 agreement with Ducks Unlimited to acquire
11.13 land in fee and restore prairie lands, wetlands,
11.14 and land-buffering shallow lakes for wildlife
11.15 management purposes under Minnesota
11.16 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8. A list
11.17 of proposed acquisitions must be provided as
11.18 part of the required accomplishment plan.

11.19 **(c) RIM Wetlands Partnership - Phase VIII**

11.20 \$15,398,000 the first year is to the Board of
11.21 Water and Soil Resources to acquire
11.22 permanent conservation easements and to
11.23 restore wetlands and native grassland habitat
11.24 under Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.515.
11.25 Of this amount, up to \$306,000 is for
11.26 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
11.27 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
11.28 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
11.29 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent
11.30 conservation easements must be provided as
11.31 part of the final report.

11.32 **(d) Wild-Rice Shoreland Protection Program -**
11.33 **Phase V**

11.34 \$750,000 the first year is to the Board of
11.35 Water and Soil Resources to acquire
11.36 permanent conservation easements on

12.1 wild-rice lake shoreland habitat for native
 12.2 wild-rice bed protection. Of this amount, up
 12.3 to \$59,000 is for establishing a monitoring and
 12.4 enforcement fund as approved in the
 12.5 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
 12.6 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A
 12.7 list of permanent conservation easements must
 12.8 be provided as part of the final report by the
 12.9 Board of Water and Soil Resources.

12.10 **(e) Accelerated Shallow Lakes and Wetlands**
 12.11 **Enhancement - Phase IX**

12.12 \$1,755,000 the first year is to the
 12.13 commissioner of natural resources to enhance
 12.14 and restore shallow lakes and wetland habitat
 12.15 statewide. A list of proposed land restorations
 12.16 and enhancements must be provided as part
 12.17 of the required accomplishment plan.

12.18 **(f) Living Shallow Lakes and Wetland Initiative**
 12.19 **- Phase VI**

12.20 \$4,716,000 the first year is to the
 12.21 commissioner of natural resources for an
 12.22 agreement with Ducks Unlimited to restore
 12.23 and enhance shallow lakes and wetlands on
 12.24 public lands and wetlands under permanent
 12.25 conservation easement for wildlife
 12.26 management purposes. A list of proposed
 12.27 shallow-lake enhancements and wetland
 12.28 restorations must be provided as part of the
 12.29 required accomplishment plan.

12.30 **Subd. 5. Habitats** 26,544,000 -0-

12.31 **(a) Mississippi Headwaters Habitat Corridor**
 12.32 **Partnership - Phase III**

12.33 \$1,617,000 the first year is to the
 12.34 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
 12.35 lands in fee and restore wildlife habitat in the
 12.36 Mississippi headwaters and for agreements as

- 13.1 follows: \$60,000 to the Mississippi
13.2 Headwaters Board and \$1,557,000 to The
13.3 Trust for Public Land. \$779,000 the first year
13.4 is to the Board of Water and Soil Resources
13.5 to acquire lands in permanent conservation
13.6 easements and to restore wildlife habitat. Up
13.7 to \$59,000 to the Board of Water and Soil
13.8 Resources is for establishing a monitoring and
13.9 enforcement fund as approved in the
13.10 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
13.11 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A
13.12 list of proposed acquisitions must be included
13.13 as part of the required accomplishment plan.
- 13.14 **(b) Fisheries Habitat Protection on Strategic**
13.15 **North-Central Minnesota Lakes - Phase III**
- 13.16 \$1,716,000 the first year is to the
13.17 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
13.18 land in permanent conservation easements to
13.19 sustain healthy fish habitat on coldwater lakes
13.20 in Aitkin, Cass, Crow Wing, and Hubbard
13.21 Counties for agreements as follows: \$113,000
13.22 to the Leech Lake Area Watershed Foundation
13.23 and \$1,603,000 to Minnesota Land Trust. Up
13.24 to \$120,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is for
13.25 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
13.26 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
13.27 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
13.28 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent
13.29 conservation easements must be provided as
13.30 part of the required accomplishment plan.
- 13.31 **(c) Goose Prairie**
- 13.32 \$600,000 the first year is to the commissioner
13.33 of natural resources for an agreement with the
13.34 Wild Rice Watershed District, in cooperation
13.35 with the Department of Natural Resources, to
13.36 enhance aquatic and upland habitat in and

14.1 adjacent to the Goose Prairie Marsh Wildlife
14.2 Management Area in Clay County. A list of
14.3 proposed land enhancements must be provided
14.4 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

14.5 **(d) Minnesota Trout Unlimited Coldwater Fish**
14.6 **Habitat Enhancement and Restoration - Phase**
14.7 **IX**

14.8 \$2,403,000 the first year is to the
14.9 commissioner of natural resources for an
14.10 agreement with Minnesota Trout Unlimited
14.11 to restore or enhance habitat for trout and other
14.12 species in and along coldwater rivers, lakes,
14.13 and streams in Minnesota. A list of proposed
14.14 restorations and enhancements must be
14.15 provided as part of the required
14.16 accomplishment plan.

14.17 **(e) DNR Stream Habitat - Phase II**

14.18 \$2,166,000 the first year is to the
14.19 commissioner of natural resources to restore
14.20 and enhance habitat in degraded streams and
14.21 critical aquatic-species habitat and to facilitate
14.22 fish passage. A list of proposed land
14.23 restorations and enhancements must be
14.24 provided as part of the required
14.25 accomplishment plan.

14.26 **(f) St. Louis River Restoration Initiative - Phase**
14.27 **IV**

14.28 \$3,392,000 the first year is to the
14.29 commissioner of natural resources to restore
14.30 aquatic habitats in the St. Louis River estuary.
14.31 Of this appropriation, up to \$226,000 is for an
14.32 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust. A list
14.33 of proposed restorations must be provided as
14.34 part of the required accomplishment plan.

14.35 **(g) Shell Rock River Watershed Habitat**
14.36 **Restoration Program - Phase VI**

15.1 \$1,779,000 the first year is to the
15.2 commissioner of natural resources for an
15.3 agreement with the Shell Rock River
15.4 Watershed District to acquire land in fee and
15.5 restore and enhance aquatic habitat in the Shell
15.6 Rock River watershed. A list of proposed
15.7 acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements
15.8 must be provided as part of the required
15.9 accomplishment plan.

15.10 **(h) Lake Wakanda Enhancement Project**

15.11 \$921,000 the first year is to the commissioner
15.12 of natural resources for an agreement with
15.13 Kandiyohi County to enhance aquatic habitat
15.14 in and adjacent to Lake Wakanda in Kandiyohi
15.15 County. A list of proposed land enhancements
15.16 must be provided as part of the required
15.17 accomplishment plan.

15.18 **(i) Wolverton Creek Habitat Restoration**

15.19 \$1,877,000 the first year is to the
15.20 commissioner of natural resources for an
15.21 agreement with the Buffalo-Red River
15.22 Watershed District to acquire permanent
15.23 conservation easements and restore and
15.24 enhance aquatic and upland habitat associated
15.25 with Wolverton Creek in the Buffalo-Red
15.26 River watershed. A list of proposed
15.27 acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements
15.28 must be provided as part of the required
15.29 accomplishment plan.

15.30 **(j) Conservation Partners Legacy Grant**
15.31 **Program: Statewide and Metro Habitat - Phase**
15.32 **IX**

15.33 \$9,294,000 the first year is to the
15.34 commissioner of natural resources for a
15.35 program to provide competitive matching
15.36 grants of up to \$400,000 to local, regional,

16.1 state, and national organizations for enhancing,
16.2 restoring, or protecting forests, wetlands,
16.3 prairies, or habitat for fish, game, or wildlife
16.4 in Minnesota. Of this amount, up to
16.5 \$2,660,000 is for grants in the seven-county
16.6 metropolitan area and cities with a population
16.7 of 50,000 or greater. Grants must not be made
16.8 for activities required to fulfill the duties of
16.9 owners of lands subject to conservation
16.10 easements. Grants must not be for projects
16.11 that have a total project cost exceeding
16.12 \$575,000. Of the total appropriation, \$634,000
16.13 may be spent for personnel costs and other
16.14 direct and necessary administrative costs.
16.15 Grantees may acquire land or interests in land.
16.16 Easements must be permanent. Grants may
16.17 not be used to establish easement stewardship
16.18 accounts. The program must require a match
16.19 of at least ten percent from nonstate sources
16.20 for all grants. The match may be cash or
16.21 in-kind resources. For grant applications of
16.22 \$25,000 or less, the commissioner must
16.23 provide a separate, simplified application
16.24 process. Subject to Minnesota Statutes, the
16.25 commissioner must, when evaluating projects
16.26 of equal value, give priority to organizations
16.27 that have a history of receiving or a charter to
16.28 receive private contributions for local
16.29 conservation or habitat projects. If acquiring
16.30 land in fee or a conservation easement, priority
16.31 must be given to projects associated with or
16.32 within one mile of existing wildlife
16.33 management areas under Minnesota Statutes,
16.34 section 86A.05, subdivision 8; scientific and
16.35 natural areas under Minnesota Statutes,
16.36 sections 84.033 and 86A.05, subdivision 5; or

17.1 aquatic management areas under Minnesota
 17.2 Statutes, sections 86A.05, subdivision 14, and
 17.3 97C.02. All restoration or enhancement
 17.4 projects must be on land permanently
 17.5 protected by a permanent covenant ensuring
 17.6 perpetual maintenance and protection of
 17.7 restored and enhanced habitat, by a
 17.8 conservation easement, or by public
 17.9 ownership, or must be in public waters as
 17.10 defined in Minnesota Statutes, section
 17.11 103G.005, subdivision 15. Priority must be
 17.12 given to restoration and enhancement projects
 17.13 on public lands. Minnesota Statutes, section
 17.14 97A.056, subdivision 13, applies to grants
 17.15 awarded under this paragraph. This
 17.16 appropriation is available until June 30, 2021.
 17.17 No less than five percent of the amount of each
 17.18 grant must be held back from reimbursement
 17.19 until the grant recipient has completed a grant
 17.20 accomplishment report by the deadline and in
 17.21 the form prescribed by and satisfactory to the
 17.22 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council. The
 17.23 commissioner must provide notice of the grant
 17.24 program in the game and fish law summary
 17.25 prepared under Minnesota Statutes, section
 17.26 97A.051, subdivision 2.

17.27 **Subd. 6. Administration**

879,000

585,000

17.28 **(a) Contract Management**

17.29 \$150,000 the first year is to the commissioner
 17.30 of natural resources for contract management
 17.31 duties assigned in this section. The
 17.32 commissioner must provide an
 17.33 accomplishment plan in the form specified by
 17.34 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council
 17.35 for expending this appropriation. The
 17.36 accomplishment plan must include a copy of

18.1 the grant contract template and reimbursement
18.2 manual. No money may be expended before
18.3 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council
18.4 approves the accomplishment plan.

18.5 **(b) Legislative Coordinating Commission**

18.6 \$571,000 the first year and \$578,000 the
18.7 second year is to the Legislative Coordinating
18.8 Commission for Lessard-Sams Outdoor
18.9 Heritage Council administrative expenses and
18.10 for compensating and reimbursing expenses
18.11 of council members. This appropriation is
18.12 available until June 30, 2019. Minnesota
18.13 Statutes, section 16A.281, applies to this
18.14 appropriation.

18.15 **(c) Technical Evaluation Panel**

18.16 \$150,000 the first year is to the commissioner
18.17 of natural resources for a technical evaluation
18.18 panel to conduct up to 20 restoration and
18.19 enhancement evaluations under Minnesota
18.20 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 10.

18.21 **(d) Legacy Web site**

18.22 \$8,000 the first year and \$7,000 the second
18.23 year is to the Legislative Coordinating
18.24 Commission for the Web site required in
18.25 Minnesota Statutes, section 3.303, subdivision
18.26 10.

18.27 **Subd. 7. Appropriation Availability**

18.28 Money appropriated in this section may not
18.29 be spent on activities unless they are directly
18.30 related to and necessary for a specific
18.31 appropriation and are specified in the
18.32 accomplishment plan approved by the
18.33 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council.
18.34 Money appropriated in this section must not
18.35 be spent on institutional overhead charges that

19.1 are not directly related to and necessary for a
19.2 specific appropriation. Unless otherwise
19.3 provided, the amounts in this section are
19.4 available until June 30, 2020. For acquiring
19.5 real property, the amounts in this section are
19.6 available until June 30, 2021, if a binding
19.7 agreement with a landowner or purchase
19.8 agreement is entered into by June 30, 2020,
19.9 and closed no later than June 30, 2021.

19.10 Appropriations for restoration or enhancement
19.11 are available until June 30, 2022, or five years
19.12 after acquisition, whichever is later, so that
19.13 initial restoration or enhancement work can
19.14 be completed. If a project receives at least 15
19.15 percent of its funding from federal funds, the
19.16 appropriation period may be extended to equal
19.17 the availability of federal funding to a
19.18 maximum of six years, provided the federal
19.19 funding was confirmed and included in the
19.20 first draft accomplishment plan. Money
19.21 appropriated for fee title acquisition of land
19.22 may be used to restore, enhance, and provide
19.23 for public use of the land acquired with the
19.24 appropriation. Public use facilities must have
19.25 no more than a minimal impact on habitat in
19.26 acquired lands.

19.27 **Subd. 8. Payment Conditions and Capital**
19.28 **Equipment Expenditures**

19.29 All agreements referred to in this section must
19.30 be administered on a reimbursement basis
19.31 unless otherwise provided in this section.

19.32 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
19.33 16A.41, expenditures directly related to each
19.34 appropriation's purpose made on or after July
19.35 1, 2017, or the date of accomplishment plan
19.36 approval, whichever is later, are eligible for

20.1 reimbursement unless otherwise provided in
20.2 this section. For the purposes of administering
20.3 appropriations and legislatively authorized
20.4 agreements paid out of the outdoor heritage
20.5 fund, an expense must be considered
20.6 reimbursable by the administering agency
20.7 when the recipient presents the agency with
20.8 an invoice or binding agreement with the
20.9 landowner and the recipient attests that the
20.10 goods have been received or the landowner
20.11 agreement is binding. Periodic reimbursement
20.12 must be made upon receiving documentation
20.13 that the items articulated in the
20.14 accomplishment plan approved by the
20.15 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council have
20.16 been achieved, including partial achievements
20.17 as evidenced by progress reports approved by
20.18 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council.
20.19 Reasonable amounts may be advanced to
20.20 projects to accommodate cash-flow needs,
20.21 support future management of acquired lands,
20.22 or match a federal share. The advances must
20.23 be approved as part of the accomplishment
20.24 plan. Capital equipment expenditures for
20.25 specific items over \$10,000 must be itemized
20.26 in and approved as part of the accomplishment
20.27 plan.

20.28 **Subd. 9. Mapping**

20.29 Each direct recipient of money appropriated
20.30 in this section, as well as each recipient of a
20.31 grant awarded pursuant to this section, must
20.32 provide geographic information to the
20.33 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council for
20.34 mapping any lands acquired in fee with money
20.35 appropriated in this section and open to public
20.36 taking of fish and game. The commissioner

21.1 of natural resources must include the lands
 21.2 acquired in fee with money appropriated in
 21.3 this section on maps showing public recreation
 21.4 opportunities. Maps must include information
 21.5 on and acknowledgment of the outdoor
 21.6 heritage fund, including a notation of any
 21.7 restrictions.

21.8 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 97A.056, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

21.9 Subd. 3. **Council recommendations.** (a) The council shall make recommendations to
 21.10 the legislature on appropriations of money from the outdoor heritage fund that are consistent
 21.11 with the Constitution and state law and that will achieve the outcomes of existing natural
 21.12 resource plans, including, but not limited to, the Minnesota Statewide Conservation and
 21.13 Preservation Plan, that directly relate to the restoration, protection, and enhancement of
 21.14 wetlands, prairies, forests, and habitat for fish, game, and wildlife, and that prevent forest
 21.15 fragmentation, encourage forest consolidation, and expand restored native prairie. In making
 21.16 recommendations, the council shall consider a range of options that would best restore,
 21.17 protect, and enhance wetlands, prairies, forests, and habitat for fish, game, and wildlife.
 21.18 The council's recommendations shall be submitted no later than January 15 each year. The
 21.19 council shall present its recommendations to the senate and house of representatives
 21.20 committees with jurisdiction over the environment and natural resources budget by February
 21.21 15 in odd-numbered years, and within the first four weeks of the legislative session in
 21.22 even-numbered years. The council's budget recommendations to the legislature shall be
 21.23 separate from the Department of Natural Resource's budget recommendations.

21.24 (b) To encourage and support local conservation efforts, the council shall establish a
 21.25 conservation partners program. Local, regional, state, or national organizations may apply
 21.26 for matching grants for restoration, protection, and enhancement of wetlands, prairies,
 21.27 forests, and habitat for fish, game, and wildlife, prevention of forest fragmentation,
 21.28 encouragement of forest consolidation, and expansion of restored native prairie.

21.29 (c) The council may work with the Clean Water Council to identify projects that are
 21.30 consistent with both the purpose of the outdoor heritage fund and the purpose of the clean
 21.31 water fund.

21.32 (d) The council may make recommendations to the Legislative-Citizen Commission on
 21.33 Minnesota Resources on scientific research that will assist in restoring, protecting, and

22.1 enhancing wetlands, prairies, forests, and habitat for fish, game, and wildlife, preventing
 22.2 forest fragmentation, encouraging forest consolidation, and expanding restored native prairie.

22.3 (e) Recommendations of the council, including approval of recommendations for the
 22.4 outdoor heritage fund, require an affirmative vote of at least nine members of the council.

22.5 (f) The council may work with the Clean Water Council, the Legislative-Citizen
 22.6 Commission on Minnesota Resources, the Board of Water and Soil Resources, soil and
 22.7 water conservation districts, and experts from Minnesota State Colleges and Universities
 22.8 and the University of Minnesota in developing the council's recommendations.

22.9 (g) The council shall develop and implement a process that ensures that citizens and
 22.10 potential recipients of funds are included throughout the process, including the development
 22.11 and finalization of the council's recommendations. The process must include a fair, equitable,
 22.12 and thorough process for reviewing requests for funding and a clear and easily understood
 22.13 process for ranking projects.

22.14 (h) The council shall use the regions of the state based upon the ecological sections and
 22.15 subsections developed by the Department of Natural Resources and establish objectives for
 22.16 each region and subregion to achieve the purposes of the fund outlined in the state
 22.17 constitution.

22.18 (i) The council shall develop and submit to the Legislative Coordinating Commission
 22.19 plans for the first ten years of funding, and a framework for 25 years of funding, consistent
 22.20 with statutory and constitutional requirements. The council may use existing plans from
 22.21 other legislative, state, and federal sources, as applicable.

22.22 (j) When making recommendations, the council must prioritize projects that restore and
 22.23 enhance wetlands, prairies, forests, and habitat for fish, game, and wildlife over projects
 22.24 that acquire land.

22.25 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 97A.056, is amended by adding a subdivision to
 22.26 read:

22.27 Subd. 22. **Revenues.** (a) A recipient must disclose to the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage
 22.28 Council and the commissioner all revenues that are received by the recipient before the
 22.29 availability of the appropriation ends and that are generated from activities on land acquired
 22.30 in fee title or easement, restored, or enhanced with money from the outdoor heritage fund.
 22.31 The revenues must be disclosed to the council and commissioner no later than 60 days after
 22.32 the availability of the appropriation ends.

22.33 (b) For all revenues disclosed under paragraph (a), a recipient must:

23.1 (1) use the revenues to protect, restore, or enhance wetlands, prairies, forests, or habitat
23.2 for fish, game, or wildlife according to the appropriation purposes and the approved
23.3 accomplishment plan;

23.4 (2) use the revenues for other purposes as approved in the accomplishment plan by the
23.5 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council; or

23.6 (3) transfer the revenues to the outdoor heritage fund no later than 60 days after the
23.7 availability of the appropriation ends, unless otherwise approved by the council.

23.8 (c) Paragraph (b), clause (3), does not apply to the state and its departments and agencies.

23.9 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 97A.056, is amended by adding a subdivision to
23.10 read:

23.11 Subd. 23. **Trails.** Forest lands acquired with money from the outdoor heritage fund must
23.12 be open to all recreational trail uses unless the land does not support the recreational trail
23.13 use or the constitutional requirements as determined by the commissioner of natural
23.14 resources. A recipient of an appropriation from the outdoor heritage fund establishing or
23.15 maintaining trails on forest lands acquired with that appropriation must provide equal
23.16 opportunities for motorized and nonmotorized users on lands acquired in accordance with
23.17 the Department of Natural Resources and county forest best management practices.

23.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2017, and applies to forest lands
23.19 acquired with an appropriation enacted on or after that date.

23.20 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 97A.056, is amended by adding a subdivision to
23.21 read:

23.22 Subd. 24. **Reserve requirement.** In any fiscal year, at least five percent of that year's
23.23 projected tax receipts determined by the most recent forecast for the outdoor heritage fund
23.24 must not be appropriated.

23.25 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 97A.056, is amended by adding a subdivision to
23.26 read:

23.27 Subd. 25. **Previous funding notification requirement.** Any state agency or organization
23.28 requesting a direct appropriation from the outdoor heritage fund must inform the
23.29 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council and the house of representatives and senate
23.30 committees having jurisdiction over the outdoor heritage fund, at the time the request for

24.1 funding is made, whether the request is supplanting or is a substitution for any previous
 24.2 funding that was not from a legacy fund and was used for the same purpose.

24.3 Sec. 8. Laws 2012, chapter 264, article 1, section 2, subdivision 5, as amended by Laws
 24.4 2015, First Special Session chapter 2, article 1, section 7, is amended to read:

24.5 Subd. 5. **Habitats** -0- 28,620,000

24.6 **(a) DNR Aquatic Habitat - Phase IV**

24.7 \$3,480,000 in the second year is to the
 24.8 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
 24.9 interests in land in fee or permanent
 24.10 conservation easements for aquatic
 24.11 management areas under Minnesota Statutes,
 24.12 sections 86A.05, subdivision 14, and 97C.02,
 24.13 and to restore and enhance aquatic habitat. A
 24.14 list of proposed land acquisitions must be
 24.15 provided as part of the required
 24.16 accomplishment plan. The accomplishment
 24.17 plan must include an easement stewardship
 24.18 plan. Up to \$25,000 is for establishing a
 24.19 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
 24.20 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
 24.21 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
 24.22 subdivision 17. An annual financial report is
 24.23 required for any monitoring and enforcement
 24.24 fund established, including expenditures from
 24.25 the fund and a description of annual
 24.26 monitoring and enforcement activities.

24.27 **(b) Metro Big Rivers Habitat - Phase III**

24.28 \$3,680,000 in the second year is to the
 24.29 commissioner of natural resources for
 24.30 agreements to acquire interests in land in fee
 24.31 or permanent conservation easements and to
 24.32 restore and enhance natural systems associated
 24.33 with the Mississippi, Minnesota, and St. Croix
 24.34 Rivers as follows: \$1,000,000 to the

25.1 Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge
25.2 Trust, Inc.; \$375,000 to the Friends of the
25.3 Mississippi; \$375,000 to Great River
25.4 Greening; \$930,000 to The Minnesota Land
25.5 Trust; and \$1,000,000 to The Trust for Public
25.6 Land. A list of proposed acquisitions,
25.7 restorations, and enhancements must be
25.8 provided as part of the required
25.9 accomplishment plan. The accomplishment
25.10 plan must include an easement stewardship
25.11 plan. Up to \$51,000 is for establishing a
25.12 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
25.13 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
25.14 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
25.15 subdivision 17. An annual financial report is
25.16 required for any monitoring and enforcement
25.17 fund established, including expenditures from
25.18 the fund and a description of annual
25.19 monitoring and enforcement activities.

25.20 **(c) Dakota County Riparian and Lakeshore**
25.21 **Protection and Management - Phase III**

25.22 \$480,000 in the second year is to the
25.23 commissioner of natural resources for an
25.24 agreement with Dakota County to acquire
25.25 permanent conservation easements and restore
25.26 and enhance habitats along the Mississippi,
25.27 Cannon, and Vermillion Rivers. A list of
25.28 proposed acquisitions, restorations, and
25.29 enhancements must be provided as part of the
25.30 required accomplishment plan. The
25.31 accomplishment plan must include an
25.32 easement stewardship plan. Up to \$20,000 is
25.33 for establishing a monitoring and enforcement
25.34 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
25.35 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
25.36 97A.056, subdivision 17. An annual financial

26.1 report is required for any monitoring and
26.2 enforcement fund established, including
26.3 expenditures from the fund and a description
26.4 of annual monitoring and enforcement
26.5 activities.

26.6 **(d) Lower St. Louis River Habitat Restoration**

26.7 \$3,670,000 in the second year is to the
26.8 commissioner of natural resources to restore
26.9 habitat in the lower St. Louis River estuary.

26.10 A list of proposed projects must be provided
26.11 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

26.12 **(e) Coldwater Fish Habitat Enhancement - Phase**
26.13 **IV**

26.14 \$2,120,000 in the second year is to the
26.15 commissioner of natural resources for an
26.16 agreement with Minnesota Trout Unlimited
26.17 to restore and enhance coldwater fish lake,
26.18 river, and stream habitats in Minnesota. A list
26.19 of proposed restorations and enhancements
26.20 must be provided as part of the required
26.21 accomplishment plan.

26.22 **(f) Grand Marais Creek Outlet Restoration**

26.23 \$2,320,000 in the second year is to the
26.24 commissioner of natural resources for an
26.25 agreement with the Red Lake Watershed
26.26 District to restore and enhance stream and
26.27 related habitat in Grand Marais Creek. A list
26.28 of proposed restorations and enhancements
26.29 must be provided as part of the required
26.30 accomplishment plan.

26.31 **(g) Knife River Habitat Restoration**

26.32 \$380,000 in the second year is to the
26.33 commissioner of natural resources for an
26.34 agreement with the Lake Superior Steelhead
26.35 Association to restore trout habitat in the

27.1 Upper Knife River Watershed. A list of
27.2 proposed restorations must be provided as part
27.3 of the required accomplishment plan.
27.4 Notwithstanding rules of the commissioner of
27.5 natural resources, restorations conducted
27.6 pursuant to this paragraph may be
27.7 accomplished by excavation.

27.8 **(h) Protect Aquatic Habitat from Invasive Carp**

27.9 \$7,500,000 in the second year is to the
27.10 commissioner of natural resources for design
27.11 construction, including acquisition, operation,
27.12 and evaluation of structural deterrents for
27.13 invasive carp to protect Minnesota's aquatic
27.14 habitat. Use of this money requires a
27.15 one-to-one match for projects on state
27.16 boundary waters. A match is not required for
27.17 design or feasibility studies. This appropriation
27.18 is available until June 30, 2019.

27.19 **(i) Outdoor Heritage Conservation Partners**
27.20 **Grant Program - Phase IV**

27.21 \$4,990,000 in the second year is to the
27.22 commissioner of natural resources for a
27.23 program to provide competitive, matching
27.24 grants of up to \$400,000 to local, regional,
27.25 state, and national organizations for enhancing,
27.26 restoring, or protecting forests, wetlands,
27.27 prairies, and habitat for fish, game, or wildlife
27.28 in Minnesota. Grants shall not be made for
27.29 activities required to fulfill the duties of
27.30 owners of lands subject to conservation
27.31 easements. Grants shall not be made from
27.32 appropriations in this paragraph for projects
27.33 that have a total project cost exceeding
27.34 \$575,000. \$366,000 of this appropriation may
27.35 be spent for personnel costs and other direct

28.1 and necessary administrative costs. Grantees
28.2 may acquire land or interests in land.
28.3 Easements must be permanent. Land acquired
28.4 in fee must be open to hunting and fishing
28.5 during the open season unless otherwise
28.6 provided by state law. The program shall
28.7 require a match of at least ten percent from
28.8 nonstate sources for all grants. The match may
28.9 be cash or in-kind resources. For grant
28.10 applications of \$25,000 or less, the
28.11 commissioner shall provide a separate,
28.12 simplified application process. Subject to
28.13 Minnesota Statutes, the commissioner of
28.14 natural resources shall, when evaluating
28.15 projects of equal value, give priority to
28.16 organizations that have a history of receiving
28.17 or charter to receive private contributions for
28.18 local conservation or habitat projects. If
28.19 acquiring land or a conservation easement,
28.20 priority shall be given to projects associated
28.21 with existing wildlife management areas under
28.22 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
28.23 subdivision 8; scientific and natural areas
28.24 under Minnesota Statutes, sections 84.033 and
28.25 86A.05, subdivision 5; and aquatic
28.26 management areas under Minnesota Statutes,
28.27 sections 86A.05, subdivision 14, and 97C.02.
28.28 All restoration or enhancement projects must
28.29 be on land permanently protected by a
28.30 conservation easement or public ownership or
28.31 in public waters as defined in Minnesota
28.32 Statutes, section 103G.005, subdivision 15.
28.33 Priority shall be given to restoration and
28.34 enhancement projects on public lands.
28.35 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
28.36 subdivision 13, applies to grants awarded

29.1 under this paragraph. This appropriation is
 29.2 available until June 30, 2016. No less than five
 29.3 percent of the amount of each grant must be
 29.4 held back from reimbursement until the grant
 29.5 recipient has completed a grant
 29.6 accomplishment report by the deadline and in
 29.7 the form prescribed by and satisfactory to the
 29.8 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council. The
 29.9 commissioner shall provide notice of the grant
 29.10 program in the game and fish law summaries
 29.11 that are prepared under Minnesota Statutes,
 29.12 section 97A.051, subdivision 2.

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

29.14 Sec. 9. Laws 2015, First Special Session chapter 2, article 1, section 2, subdivision 2, as
 29.15 amended by Laws 2016, chapter 172, article 1, section 5, is amended to read:

29.16 Subd. 2. **Prairies** 40,948,000 -0-

29.17 **(a) DNR Wildlife Management Area and**
 29.18 **Scientific and Natural Area Acquisition - Phase**
 29.19 **VII**

29.20 \$4,570,000 in the first year is to the
 29.21 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
 29.22 land in fee for wildlife management purposes
 29.23 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
 29.24 subdivision 8, and to acquire land in fee for
 29.25 scientific and natural area purposes under
 29.26 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
 29.27 subdivision 5. Subject to evaluation criteria
 29.28 in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority
 29.29 must be given to acquisition of lands that are
 29.30 eligible for the native prairie bank under
 29.31 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
 29.32 adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of
 29.33 proposed land and permanent conservation
 29.34 easement acquisitions must be provided as
 29.35 part of the required accomplishment plan.

30.1 **(b) Accelerating Wildlife Management Area**
30.2 **Acquisition - Phase VII**

30.3 \$7,452,000 in the first year is to the
30.4 commissioner of natural resources for an
30.5 agreement with Pheasants Forever to acquire
30.6 land in fee for wildlife management area
30.7 purposes under Minnesota Statutes, section
30.8 86A.05, subdivision 8. Subject to evaluation
30.9 criteria in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900,
30.10 priority must be given to acquisition of lands
30.11 that are eligible for the native prairie bank
30.12 under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or
30.13 lands adjacent to protected native prairie. A
30.14 list of proposed land acquisitions must be
30.15 provided as part of the required
30.16 accomplishment plan.

30.17 **(c) Minnesota Prairie Recovery Project - Phase**
30.18 **VI**

30.19 \$4,032,000 in the first year is to the
30.20 commissioner of natural resources for an
30.21 agreement with The Nature Conservancy to
30.22 acquire native prairie, wetlands, and savanna
30.23 and restore and enhance grasslands, wetlands,
30.24 and savanna. Subject to evaluation criteria in
30.25 Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority
30.26 must be given to acquisition of lands that are
30.27 eligible for the native prairie bank under
30.28 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
30.29 adjacent to protected native prairie. Annual
30.30 income statements and balance sheets for
30.31 income and expenses from land acquired with
30.32 this appropriation must be submitted to the
30.33 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council no
30.34 later than 180 days following the close of The
30.35 Nature Conservancy's fiscal year. A list of
30.36 proposed land acquisitions must be provided

31.1 as part of the required accomplishment plan
31.2 and must be consistent with the priorities
31.3 identified in the Minnesota Prairie
31.4 Conservation Plan.

31.5 **(d) Northern Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife**
31.6 **Refuge Land Acquisition - Phase VI**

31.7 \$3,430,000 in the first year is to the
31.8 commissioner of natural resources for an
31.9 agreement with The Nature Conservancy in
31.10 cooperation with the United States Fish and
31.11 Wildlife Service to acquire land in fee or
31.12 permanent conservation easements within the
31.13 Northern Tallgrass Prairie Habitat Preservation
31.14 Area in western Minnesota for addition to the
31.15 Northern Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife
31.16 Refuge. Subject to evaluation criteria in
31.17 Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority
31.18 must be given to acquisition of lands that are
31.19 eligible for the native prairie bank under
31.20 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
31.21 adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of
31.22 proposed land acquisitions must be provided
31.23 as part of the required accomplishment plan
31.24 and must be consistent with the priorities in
31.25 the Minnesota Prairie Conservation Plan.

31.26 **(e) Accelerated Native Prairie Bank Protection**
31.27 **- Phase IV**

31.28 \$3,740,000 in the first year is to the
31.29 commissioner of natural resources to
31.30 implement the Minnesota Prairie Conservation
31.31 Plan through the acquisition of permanent
31.32 conservation easements to protect native
31.33 prairie and grasslands. Up to \$165,000 is for
31.34 establishing monitoring and enforcement funds
31.35 as approved in the accomplishment plan and
31.36 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section

32.1 97A.056, subdivision 17. Subject to evaluation
32.2 criteria in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900,
32.3 priority must be given to acquisition of lands
32.4 that are eligible for the native prairie bank
32.5 under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or
32.6 lands adjacent to protected native prairie. A
32.7 list of permanent conservation easements must
32.8 be provided as part of the final report.

32.9 **(f) Minnesota Buffers for Wildlife and Water -**
32.10 **Phase V**

32.11 \$4,544,000 in the first year is to the Board of
32.12 Water and Soil Resources to acquire
32.13 permanent conservation easements to protect
32.14 and enhance habitat by expanding the clean
32.15 water fund riparian buffer program for at least
32.16 equal wildlife benefits from buffers on private
32.17 land. Up to ~~\$72,500~~ \$728,000 is for
32.18 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
32.19 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
32.20 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
32.21 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent
32.22 conservation easements must be provided as
32.23 part of the final report.

32.24 **(g) Cannon River Headwaters Habitat Complex**
32.25 **- Phase V**

32.26 \$1,380,000 in the first year is to the
32.27 commissioner of natural resources for an
32.28 agreement with The Trust for Public Land to
32.29 acquire and restore lands in the Cannon River
32.30 watershed for wildlife management purposes
32.31 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
32.32 subdivision 8. Subject to evaluation criteria
32.33 in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority
32.34 must be given to acquisition of lands that are
32.35 eligible for the native prairie bank under
32.36 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands

33.1 adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of
33.2 proposed land acquisitions must be provided
33.3 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

33.4 **(h) Prairie Chicken Habitat Partnership of the**
33.5 **Southern Red River Valley**

33.6 \$1,800,000 in the first year is to the
33.7 commissioner of natural resources for an
33.8 agreement with Pheasants Forever in
33.9 cooperation with the Minnesota Prairie
33.10 Chicken Society to acquire and restore lands
33.11 in the southern Red River Valley for wildlife
33.12 management purposes under Minnesota
33.13 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8, or for
33.14 designation and management as waterfowl
33.15 production areas in Minnesota, in cooperation
33.16 with the United States Fish and Wildlife
33.17 Service. A list of proposed land acquisitions
33.18 must be provided as part of the required
33.19 accomplishment plan.

33.20 **(i) Protecting and Restoring Minnesota's**
33.21 **Important Bird Areas**

33.22 \$1,730,000 in the first year is to the
33.23 commissioner of natural resources for
33.24 agreements to acquire conservation easements
33.25 within important bird areas identified in the
33.26 Minnesota Prairie Conservation Plan, to be
33.27 used as follows: \$408,000 is to Audubon
33.28 Minnesota and \$1,322,000 is to Minnesota
33.29 Land Trust, of which up to \$100,000 is for
33.30 establishing monitoring and enforcement funds
33.31 as approved in the accomplishment plan and
33.32 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
33.33 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent
33.34 conservation easements must be provided as
33.35 part of the final report.

33.36 **(j) Wild Rice River Corridor Habitat**
33.37 **Restoration**

34.1 \$2,270,000 in the first year is to the
 34.2 commissioner of natural resources for an
 34.3 agreement with the Wild Rice Watershed
 34.4 District to acquire land in fee and permanent
 34.5 conservation easement and to `restore river
 34.6 and related habitat in the Wild Rice River
 34.7 corridor. A list of proposed acquisitions and
 34.8 restorations must be provided as part of the
 34.9 required accomplishment plan.

34.10 **(k) Accelerated Prairie Restoration and**
 34.11 **Enhancement on DNR Lands - Phase VII**

34.12 \$4,880,000 in the first year is to the
 34.13 commissioner of natural resources to
 34.14 accelerate the restoration and enhancement of
 34.15 prairie communities on wildlife management
 34.16 areas, scientific and natural areas, state forest
 34.17 land, and land under native prairie bank
 34.18 easements. A list of proposed land restorations
 34.19 and enhancements must be provided as part
 34.20 of the required accomplishment plan.

34.21 **(l) Enhanced Public Land Grasslands - Phase**
 34.22 **II**

34.23 \$1,120,000 in the first year is to the
 34.24 commissioner of natural resources for an
 34.25 agreement with Pheasants Forever to enhance
 34.26 and restore habitat on public lands. A list of
 34.27 proposed land restorations and enhancements
 34.28 must be provided as part of the final report.

34.29 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively from July 1, 2015.

34.30 Sec. 10. Laws 2016, chapter 172, article 1, section 2, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

34.31 Subd. 2. **Prairies** -0- 31,000,000

34.32 **(a) DNR Wildlife Management Area and**
 34.33 **Scientific and Natural Area Acquisition - Phase**
 34.34 **VIII**

35.1 \$3,250,000 the second year is to the
35.2 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
35.3 land in fee for wildlife management purposes
35.4 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
35.5 subdivision 8, and to acquire land in fee for
35.6 scientific and natural area purposes under
35.7 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
35.8 subdivision 5. Subject to evaluation criteria
35.9 in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority
35.10 must be given to acquisition of lands that are
35.11 eligible for the native prairie bank under
35.12 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
35.13 adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of
35.14 proposed land acquisitions must be provided
35.15 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

35.16 **(b) Accelerating Wildlife Management Area**
35.17 **Acquisition - Phase VIII**

35.18 \$5,229,000 the second year is to the
35.19 commissioner of natural resources for an
35.20 agreement with Pheasants Forever to acquire
35.21 in fee and restore lands for wildlife
35.22 management area purposes under Minnesota
35.23 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8.
35.24 Subject to evaluation criteria in Minnesota
35.25 Rules, part 6136.0900, priority must be given
35.26 to acquisition of lands that are eligible for the
35.27 native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes,
35.28 section 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected
35.29 native prairie. A list of proposed land
35.30 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
35.31 required accomplishment plan.

35.32 **(c) Martin County/Fox Lake Wildlife**
35.33 **Management Area Acquisition**

35.34 \$1,000,000 the second year is to the
35.35 commissioner of natural resources for an
35.36 agreement with Fox Lake Conservation

36.1 League, Inc. to acquire land in fee and restore
36.2 strategic prairie grassland, wetland, and other
36.3 wildlife habitat for wildlife management area
36.4 purposes under Minnesota Statutes, section
36.5 86A.05, subdivision 8. A list of proposed
36.6 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
36.7 required accomplishment plan.

36.8 **(d) Northern Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife**
36.9 **Refuge Land Acquisition - Phase VII**

36.10 \$2,754,000 the second year is to the
36.11 commissioner of natural resources for an
36.12 agreement with The Nature Conservancy in
36.13 cooperation with the United States Fish and
36.14 Wildlife Service to acquire land in fee or
36.15 permanent conservation easements and restore
36.16 lands within the Northern Tallgrass Prairie
36.17 Habitat Preservation Area in western
36.18 Minnesota for addition to the Northern
36.19 Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife Refuge.
36.20 Subject to evaluation criteria in Minnesota
36.21 Rules, part 6136.0900, priority must be given
36.22 to acquisition of lands that are eligible for the
36.23 native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes,
36.24 section 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected
36.25 native prairie. A list of proposed land
36.26 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
36.27 required accomplishment plan and must be
36.28 consistent with the priorities in the Minnesota
36.29 Prairie Conservation Plan.

36.30 **(e) Cannon River Headwaters Habitat Complex**
36.31 **- Phase VI**

36.32 \$583,000 the second year is to the
36.33 commissioner of natural resources for an
36.34 agreement with The Trust for Public Land to
36.35 acquire land in fee and restore lands in the
36.36 Cannon River watershed for wildlife

37.1 management purposes under Minnesota
37.2 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8.
37.3 Subject to evaluation criteria in Minnesota
37.4 Rules, part 6136.0900, priority must be given
37.5 to acquisition of lands that are eligible for the
37.6 native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes,
37.7 section 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected
37.8 native prairie. A list of proposed land
37.9 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
37.10 required accomplishment plan.

37.11 **(f) Accelerated Native Prairie Bank Protection**
37.12 **- Phase V**

37.13 \$2,541,000 the second year is to the
37.14 commissioner of natural resources to
37.15 implement the Minnesota Prairie Conservation
37.16 Plan through the acquisition of permanent
37.17 conservation easements to protect and restore
37.18 native prairie. Of this amount, up to \$120,000
37.19 is for establishing monitoring and enforcement
37.20 funds as approved in the accomplishment plan
37.21 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
37.22 97A.056, subdivision 17. Subject to evaluation
37.23 criteria in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900,
37.24 priority must be given to acquisition of lands
37.25 that are eligible for the native prairie bank
37.26 under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or
37.27 lands adjacent to protected native prairie. A
37.28 list of permanent conservation easements must
37.29 be provided as part of the final report.

37.30 **(g) Reinvest In Minnesota (RIM) Buffers for**
37.31 **Wildlife and Water - Phase VI**

37.32 \$6,708,000 the second year is to the Board of
37.33 Water and Soil Resources to acquire
37.34 permanent conservation easements and restore
37.35 habitat under Minnesota Statutes, section
37.36 103F.515, to protect, restore, and enhance

38.1 habitat by expanding the clean water fund
38.2 riparian buffer program for at least equal
38.3 wildlife benefits from buffers on private land.
38.4 Of this amount, up to ~~\$130,000~~ \$1,079,000 is
38.5 to establish a monitoring and enforcement
38.6 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
38.7 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
38.8 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent
38.9 conservation easements must be provided as
38.10 part of the final report.

38.11 **(h) Prairie Chicken Habitat Partnership of the**
38.12 **Southern Red River Valley - Phase II**

38.13 \$2,269,000 the second year is to the
38.14 commissioner of natural resources for an
38.15 agreement with Pheasants Forever, in
38.16 cooperation with the Minnesota Prairie
38.17 Chicken Society, to acquire land in fee and
38.18 restore and enhance lands in the southern Red
38.19 River Valley for wildlife management
38.20 purposes under Minnesota Statutes, section
38.21 86A.05, subdivision 8, or for designation and
38.22 management as waterfowl production areas
38.23 in Minnesota, in cooperation with the United
38.24 States Fish and Wildlife Service. Subject to
38.25 evaluation criteria in Minnesota Rules, part
38.26 6136.0900, priority must be given to
38.27 acquisition of lands that are eligible for the
38.28 native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes,
38.29 section 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected
38.30 native prairie. A list of proposed land
38.31 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
38.32 required accomplishment plan.

38.33 **(i) Grassland Conservation Partnership - Phase**
38.34 **II**

38.35 \$1,475,000 the second year is to the
38.36 commissioner of natural resources for an

39.1 agreement with The Conservation Fund, in
39.2 cooperation with Minnesota Land Trust, to
39.3 acquire permanent conservation easements
39.4 and restore high priority grassland, prairie,
39.5 and wetland habitats as follows: \$64,000 to
39.6 The Conservation Fund; and \$1,411,000 to
39.7 Minnesota Land Trust, of which up to
39.8 \$100,000 is for establishing a monitoring and
39.9 enforcement fund, as approved in the
39.10 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
39.11 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17.
39.12 Subject to evaluation criteria in Minnesota
39.13 Rules, part 6136.0900, priority must be given
39.14 to acquisition of lands that are eligible for the
39.15 native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes,
39.16 section 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected
39.17 native prairie. A list of proposed acquisitions
39.18 must be provided as part of the required
39.19 accomplishment plan and must be consistent
39.20 with the priorities in the Minnesota Prairie
39.21 Conservation Plan.

39.22 **(j) Accelerated Prairie Restoration and**
39.23 **Enhancement on DNR Lands - Phase VIII**

39.24 \$3,983,000 the second year is to the
39.25 commissioner of natural resources to
39.26 accelerate restoration and enhancement of
39.27 prairies, grasslands, and savannas on wildlife
39.28 management areas, scientific and natural areas,
39.29 native prairie bank land, and bluff prairies on
39.30 state forest land in southeastern Minnesota. A
39.31 list of proposed land restorations and
39.32 enhancements must be provided as part of the
39.33 required accomplishment plan.

39.34 **(k) Anoka Sandplain Habitat Restoration and**
39.35 **Enhancement - Phase IV**

40.1 \$1,208,000 the second year is to the
 40.2 commissioner of natural resources for
 40.3 agreements to restore and enhance wildlife
 40.4 habitat on public lands in Anoka, Isanti,
 40.5 Morrison, Sherburne, and Todd Counties as
 40.6 follows: \$93,000 to Anoka Conservation
 40.7 District; \$25,000 to Isanti County Parks and
 40.8 Recreation Department; \$813,000 to Great
 40.9 River Greening; and \$277,000 to the National
 40.10 Wild Turkey Federation. A list of proposed
 40.11 land restorations and enhancements must be
 40.12 provided as part of the required
 40.13 accomplishment plan.

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

40.15 Sec. 11. Laws 2016, chapter 172, article 1, section 2, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

40.16 Subd. 4. **Wetlands** -0- 31,055,000

40.17 **(a) Accelerating the Waterfowl Production Area**
 40.18 **Acquisition - Phase VIII**

40.19 \$5,650,000 the second year is to the
 40.20 commissioner of natural resources for an
 40.21 agreement with Pheasants Forever to acquire
 40.22 in fee and restore and enhance wetlands and
 40.23 grasslands to be designated and managed as
 40.24 waterfowl production areas in Minnesota, in
 40.25 cooperation with the United States Fish and
 40.26 Wildlife Service. A list of proposed land
 40.27 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
 40.28 required accomplishment plan.

40.29 **(b) Shallow Lake and Wetland Protection**
 40.30 **Program - Phase V**

40.31 \$5,801,000 the second year is to the
 40.32 commissioner of natural resources for an
 40.33 agreement with Ducks Unlimited to acquire
 40.34 in fee and restore prairie lands, wetlands, and
 40.35 land buffering shallow lakes for wildlife

41.1 management purposes under Minnesota
41.2 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8. A list
41.3 of proposed acquisitions must be provided as
41.4 part of the required accomplishment plan.

41.5 **(c) RIM Wetlands Partnership - Phase VII**

41.6 \$13,808,000 the second year is to the Board
41.7 of Water and Soil Resources to acquire lands
41.8 in permanent conservation easements and to
41.9 restore wetlands and native grassland habitat
41.10 under Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.515.
41.11 Of this amount, up to ~~\$195,000~~ \$410,000 is
41.12 to establish a monitoring and enforcement
41.13 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
41.14 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
41.15 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent
41.16 conservation easements must be provided as
41.17 part of the final report.

41.18 **(d) Wetland Habitat Protection Program - Phase**
41.19 **II**

41.20 \$1,629,000 the second year is to the
41.21 commissioner of natural resources for an
41.22 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to
41.23 acquire permanent conservation easements in
41.24 high-priority wetland habitat complexes in the
41.25 prairie and forest/prairie transition regions. Of
41.26 this amount, up to \$180,000 is to establish a
41.27 monitoring and enforcement fund, as approved
41.28 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
41.29 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
41.30 subdivision 17. A list of proposed easement
41.31 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
41.32 final report.

41.33 **(e) Accelerated Shallow Lakes and Wetlands**
41.34 **Enhancement - Phase VIII**

41.35 \$2,167,000 the second year is to the
41.36 commissioner of natural resources to enhance

43.1 The amounts that may be spent for each
 43.2 purpose are specified in the following sections.

43.3 **Subd. 2. Availability of Appropriation**

43.4 Money appropriated in this article may not be
 43.5 spent on activities unless they are directly
 43.6 related to and necessary for a specific
 43.7 appropriation. Money appropriated in this
 43.8 article must be spent in accordance with
 43.9 Minnesota Management and Budget's
 43.10 Guidance to Agencies on Legacy Fund
 43.11 Expenditure. Notwithstanding Minnesota
 43.12 Statutes, section 16A.28, and unless otherwise
 43.13 specified in this article, fiscal year 2018
 43.14 appropriations are available until June 30,
 43.15 2019, and fiscal year 2019 appropriations are
 43.16 available until June 30, 2020. If a project
 43.17 receives federal funds, the period of the
 43.18 appropriation is extended to equal the
 43.19 availability of federal funding.

43.20 **Subd. 3. Disability Access**

43.21 Where appropriate, grant recipients of clean
 43.22 water funds, in consultation with the Council
 43.23 on Disability and other appropriate
 43.24 governor-appointed disability councils, boards,
 43.25 committees, and commissions, should make
 43.26 progress toward providing greater access to
 43.27 programs, print publications, and digital media
 43.28 for people with disabilities related to the
 43.29 programs the recipient funds using
 43.30 appropriations made in this article.

43.31 **Sec. 3. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE** **\$** **7,482,000** **\$** **7,484,000**

43.32 (a) \$350,000 the first year and \$350,000 the
 43.33 second year are to increase monitoring for
 43.34 pesticides and pesticide degradates in surface

- 44.1 water and groundwater and to use data
44.2 collected to assess pesticide use practices.
- 44.3 (b) \$2,085,000 the first year and \$2,086,000
44.4 the second year are for monitoring and
44.5 evaluating trends in the concentration of
44.6 nitrate in groundwater in areas vulnerable to
44.7 groundwater degradation; promoting,
44.8 developing, and evaluating regional and
44.9 crop-specific nutrient best management
44.10 practices; assessing best management practice
44.11 adoption; education and technical support from
44.12 University of Minnesota Extension; grants to
44.13 support agricultural demonstration and
44.14 implementation activities; and other actions
44.15 to protect groundwater from degradation from
44.16 nitrate. This appropriation is available until
44.17 June 30, 2022.
- 44.18 (c) \$75,000 the first year and \$75,000 the
44.19 second year are for administering clean water
44.20 funds managed through the agriculture best
44.21 management practices loan program. Any
44.22 unencumbered balance at the end of the second
44.23 year shall be added to the corpus of the loan
44.24 fund.
- 44.25 (d) \$1,125,000 the first year and \$1,125,000
44.26 the second year are for technical assistance,
44.27 research, and demonstration projects on proper
44.28 implementation of best management practices
44.29 and more precise information on nonpoint
44.30 contributions to impaired waters and for grants
44.31 to support on-farm demonstration of
44.32 agricultural practices. This appropriation is
44.33 available until June 30, 2022.
- 44.34 (e) \$662,000 the first year and \$663,000 the
44.35 second year are for research to quantify and

45.1 reduce agricultural contributions to impaired
45.2 waters and for development and evaluation of
45.3 best management practices to protect and
45.4 restore water resources. This appropriation is
45.5 available until June 30, 2022.

45.6 (f) \$50,000 the first year and \$50,000 the
45.7 second year are for a research inventory
45.8 database containing water-related research
45.9 activities. Costs for information technology
45.10 development or support for this research
45.11 inventory database may be paid to the Office
45.12 of MN.IT Services. This appropriation is
45.13 available until June 30, 2022.

45.14 (g) \$1,500,000 the first year and \$1,500,000
45.15 the second year are to implement the
45.16 Minnesota agricultural water-quality
45.17 certification program statewide. Funds
45.18 appropriated in this paragraph are available
45.19 until June 30, 2021.

45.20 (h) \$110,000 the first year and \$110,000 the
45.21 second year are to provide funding for a
45.22 regional irrigation water quality specialist
45.23 through University of Minnesota Extension.

45.24 (i) \$450,000 the first year and \$450,000 the
45.25 second year are for grants to the Board of
45.26 Regents of the University of Minnesota to
45.27 fund the Forever Green Agriculture Initiative
45.28 and to protect the state's natural resources
45.29 while increasing the efficiency, profitability,
45.30 and productivity of Minnesota farmers by
45.31 incorporating perennial and winter-annual
45.32 crops into existing agricultural practices. This
45.33 appropriation is available until June 30, 2022.

46.1 (j) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000
 46.2 the second year are for pesticide testing of
 46.3 private wells where nitrate is detected, as part
 46.4 of the Township Testing Program. This
 46.5 appropriation is available until June 30, 2022.

46.6 (k) \$75,000 the first year and \$75,000 the
 46.7 second year are to evaluate market
 46.8 opportunities and develop markets for crops
 46.9 that can be profitable for farmers and
 46.10 beneficial for water quality and soil health.

46.11 (l) A portion of the funds in this section may
 46.12 be used for programs to train state and local
 46.13 outreach staff in the intersection between
 46.14 agricultural economics and agricultural
 46.15 conservation.

46.16 **Sec. 4. PUBLIC FACILITIES AUTHORITY \$ 6,300,000 \$ 10,100,000**

46.17 (a) \$6,175,000 the first year and \$9,975,000
 46.18 the second year are for the point source
 46.19 implementation grants program under
 46.20 Minnesota Statutes, section 446A.073. This
 46.21 appropriation is available until June 30, 2022.

46.22 (b) \$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the
 46.23 second year are for small community
 46.24 wastewater treatment grants and loans under
 46.25 Minnesota Statutes, section 446A.075. This
 46.26 appropriation is available until June 30, 2022.

46.27 (c) If there are any uncommitted funds at the
 46.28 end of each fiscal year under paragraph (a) or
 46.29 (b), the Public Facilities Authority may
 46.30 transfer the remaining funds to eligible
 46.31 projects under any of the programs listed in
 46.32 this section based on their priority rank on the
 46.33 Pollution Control Agency's project priority
 46.34 list.

47.1 **Sec. 5. POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY** **\$ 25,286,000 \$ 25,514,000**

47.2 (a) \$8,275,000 the first year and \$8,275,000

47.3 the second year are for completion of needed

47.4 statewide assessments of surface water quality

47.5 and trends according to Minnesota Statutes,

47.6 chapter 114D. Of this amount, \$150,000 the

47.7 first year and \$150,000 the second year are

47.8 for grants to the Red River Watershed

47.9 Management Board to enhance and expand

47.10 the existing water quality and watershed

47.11 monitoring river watch activities in the schools

47.12 in the Red River of the North. The Red River

47.13 Watershed Management Board shall provide

47.14 a report to the commissioner of the Pollution

47.15 Control Agency and the legislative committees

47.16 and divisions with jurisdiction over

47.17 environment and natural resources finance and

47.18 policy and the clean water fund by February

47.19 15, 2019, on the expenditure of these funds.

47.20 (b) \$9,409,000 the first year and \$9,638,000

47.21 the second year are to develop watershed

47.22 restoration and protection strategies (WRAPS),

47.23 which include total maximum daily load

47.24 (TMDL) studies and TMDL implementation

47.25 plans for waters listed on the United States

47.26 Environmental Protection Agency approved

47.27 impaired waters list in accordance with

47.28 Minnesota Statutes, chapter 114D. The agency

47.29 shall complete an average of ten percent of

47.30 the TMDLs each year over the biennium.

47.31 (c) \$1,181,000 the first year and \$1,182,000

47.32 the second year are for groundwater

47.33 assessment, including enhancing the ambient

47.34 monitoring network, modeling, and evaluating

47.35 trends, including the reassessment of

48.1 groundwater that was assessed ten to 15 years
48.2 ago and found to be contaminated.

48.3 (d) \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000 the
48.4 second year are for implementation of the St.
48.5 Louis River System Area of Concern
48.6 Remedial Action Plan. This appropriation
48.7 must be matched at a rate of 65 percent
48.8 nonstate money to 35 percent state money.

48.9 (e) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000
48.10 the second year are for TMDL research and
48.11 database development.

48.12 (f) \$900,000 the first year and \$900,000 the
48.13 second year are for national pollutant
48.14 discharge elimination system wastewater and
48.15 storm water TMDL implementation efforts.

48.16 (g) \$3,442,000 the first year and \$3,441,000
48.17 the second year are for enhancing the
48.18 county-level delivery systems for subsurface
48.19 sewage treatment system (SSTS) activities
48.20 necessary to implement Minnesota Statutes,
48.21 sections 115.55 and 115.56, for protection of
48.22 groundwater, including base grants for all
48.23 counties with SSTS programs and competitive
48.24 grants to counties with specific plans to
48.25 significantly reduce water pollution by
48.26 reducing the number of systems that are an
48.27 imminent threat to public health or safety or
48.28 are otherwise failing. Counties that receive
48.29 base grants must report the number of sewage
48.30 noncompliant properties upgraded through
48.31 SSTS replacement, connection to a centralized
48.32 sewer system, or other means, including
48.33 property abandonment or buy-out. Counties
48.34 also must report the number of existing SSTS
48.35 compliance inspections conducted in areas

49.1 under county jurisdiction. These required
49.2 reports are to be part of established annual
49.3 reporting for SSTS programs. Counties that
49.4 conduct SSTS inventories or those with an
49.5 ordinance in place that requires an SSTS to
49.6 be inspected as a condition of transferring
49.7 property or as a condition of obtaining a local
49.8 permit must be given priority for competitive
49.9 grants under this paragraph. Of this amount,
49.10 \$1,000,000 each year is available to counties
49.11 for grants to low-income landowners to
49.12 address systems that pose an imminent threat
49.13 to public health or safety or fail to protect
49.14 groundwater. A grant awarded under this
49.15 paragraph may not exceed \$40,000 for the
49.16 biennium. A county receiving a grant under
49.17 this paragraph must submit a report to the
49.18 agency listing the projects funded, including
49.19 an account of the expenditures.

49.20 (h) \$279,000 the first year and \$278,000 the
49.21 second year are for accelerated implementation
49.22 of MS4 permit requirements including
49.23 additional technical assistance to
49.24 municipalities experiencing difficulties
49.25 understanding and implementing the basic
49.26 requirements of the municipal storm water
49.27 program.

49.28 (i) \$50,000 the first year and \$50,000 the
49.29 second year are to support activities of the
49.30 Clean Water Council according to Minnesota
49.31 Statutes, section 114D.30, subdivision 1.

49.32 (j) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes,
49.33 section 16A.28, the appropriations in this
49.34 section are available until June 30, 2022.

50.1	Sec. 6. <u>DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL</u>			
50.2	<u>RESOURCES</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>8,671,000</u>	<u>\$</u>
50.3	<u>(a) \$1,900,000 the first year and \$2,000,000</u>			
50.4	<u>the second year are for stream flow</u>			
50.5	<u>monitoring.</u>			
50.6	<u>(b) \$1,200,000 the first year and \$1,300,000</u>			
50.7	<u>the second year are for lake Index of</u>			
50.8	<u>Biological Integrity (IBI) assessments.</u>			
50.9	<u>(c) \$135,000 the first year and \$135,000 the</u>			
50.10	<u>second year are for assessing mercury and</u>			
50.11	<u>other contaminants of fish, including</u>			
50.12	<u>monitoring to track the status of impaired</u>			
50.13	<u>waters over time.</u>			
50.14	<u>(d) \$1,886,000 the first year and \$1,886,000</u>			
50.15	<u>the second year are for developing targeted,</u>			
50.16	<u>science-based watershed restoration and</u>			
50.17	<u>protection strategies.</u>			
50.18	<u>(e) \$1,700,000 the first year and \$1,700,000</u>			
50.19	<u>the second year are for water supply planning,</u>			
50.20	<u>aquifer protection, and monitoring activities.</u>			
50.21	<u>(f) \$950,000 the first year and \$950,000 the</u>			
50.22	<u>second year are for technical assistance to</u>			
50.23	<u>support local implementation of nonpoint</u>			
50.24	<u>source restoration and protection activities.</u>			
50.25	<u>(g) \$675,000 the first year and \$675,000 the</u>			
50.26	<u>second year are for applied research and tools,</u>			
50.27	<u>including watershed hydrologic modeling;</u>			
50.28	<u>maintaining and updating spatial data for</u>			
50.29	<u>watershed boundaries, streams, and water</u>			
50.30	<u>bodies and integrating high-resolution digital</u>			
50.31	<u>elevation data; and assessing effectiveness of</u>			
50.32	<u>forestry best management practices for water</u>			
50.33	<u>quality.</u>			

51.1 (h) \$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the
 51.2 second year are for developing county
 51.3 geologic atlases.

51.4 (i) \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the
 51.5 second year are for maintenance and updates
 51.6 to buffer maps and for technical guidance on
 51.7 buffer map interpretation to local units of
 51.8 government for implementation of buffer
 51.9 requirements. Maps must be provided to local
 51.10 units of government and made available to
 51.11 landowners on the Department of Natural
 51.12 Resources' Web site.

51.13 **Sec. 7. BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL**
 51.14 **RESOURCES**

\$ 43,677,000 \$ 50,081,000

51.15 (a) \$2,925,000 the first year and \$7,525,000
 51.16 the second year are for a pilot program to
 51.17 provide performance-based grants to local
 51.18 government units. The grants may be used to
 51.19 implement projects that protect, enhance, and
 51.20 restore surface water quality in lakes, rivers,
 51.21 and streams; protect groundwater from
 51.22 degradation; and protect drinking water
 51.23 sources. Projects must be identified in a
 51.24 comprehensive watershed plan developed
 51.25 under the One Watershed, One Plan or
 51.26 metropolitan surface water management
 51.27 frameworks or groundwater plans. Grant
 51.28 recipients must identify a nonstate match and
 51.29 may use other legacy funds to supplement
 51.30 projects funded under this paragraph.

51.31 (b) \$11,923,000 the first year and \$12,577,000
 51.32 the second year are for grants to protect and
 51.33 restore surface water and drinking water; to
 51.34 keep water on the land; to protect, enhance,
 51.35 and restore water quality in lakes, rivers, and

52.1 streams; and to protect groundwater and
52.2 drinking water, including feedlot water quality
52.3 and subsurface sewage treatment system
52.4 projects and stream bank, stream channel,
52.5 shoreline restoration, and ravine stabilization
52.6 projects. The projects must use practices
52.7 demonstrated to be effective, be of long-lasting
52.8 public benefit, include a match, and be
52.9 consistent with total maximum daily load
52.10 (TMDL) implementation plans, watershed
52.11 restoration and protection strategies (WRAPS),
52.12 or local water management plans or their
52.13 equivalents. A portion of these funds may be
52.14 used to seek administrative efficiencies
52.15 through shared resources by multiple local
52.16 governmental units.

52.17 (c) \$3,325,000 the first year and \$4,275,000
52.18 the second year are for accelerated
52.19 implementation, including local resource
52.20 protection and enhancement grants and
52.21 statewide program enhancements of
52.22 supplements for technical assistance, citizen
52.23 and community outreach, compliance, and
52.24 training and certification.

52.25 (d) \$950,000 the first year and \$950,000 the
52.26 second year are to provide state oversight and
52.27 accountability, evaluate results, provide
52.28 implementation tools, and measure the value
52.29 of conservation program implementation by
52.30 local governments, including submission to
52.31 the legislature by March 1 each
52.32 even-numbered year a biennial report prepared
52.33 by the board, in consultation with the
52.34 commissioners of natural resources, health,
52.35 agriculture, and the Pollution Control Agency,

53.1 detailing the recipients, the projects funded
53.2 under this section, and the amount of pollution
53.3 reduced.

53.4 (e) \$3,400,000 the first year and \$3,400,000
53.5 the second year are to provide assistance,
53.6 oversight, and grants for supporting local
53.7 governments in implementing and complying
53.8 with riparian protection and excessive soil loss
53.9 requirements.

53.10 (f) \$6,000,000 the first year and \$6,000,000
53.11 the second year are to restore or preserve
53.12 permanent conservation on riparian buffers
53.13 adjacent to lakes, rivers, streams, and
53.14 tributaries, to keep water on the land in order
53.15 to decrease sediment, pollutant, and nutrient
53.16 transport; reduce hydrologic impacts to surface
53.17 waters; and increase infiltration for
53.18 groundwater recharge. This appropriation may
53.19 be used for restoration of riparian buffers
53.20 permanently protected by easements purchased
53.21 with this appropriation or contracts to achieve
53.22 permanent protection for riparian buffers or
53.23 stream bank restorations when the riparian
53.24 buffers have been restored. Up to \$1,920,000
53.25 is for deposit in a monitoring and enforcement
53.26 account.

53.27 (g) \$84,000 the first year and \$84,000 the
53.28 second year are for a technical evaluation
53.29 panel to conduct ten restoration evaluations
53.30 under Minnesota Statutes, section 114D.50,
53.31 subdivision 6.

53.32 (h) \$1,995,000 the first year and \$1,995,000
53.33 the second year are for assistance, oversight,
53.34 and grants to local governments to transition
53.35 local water management plans to a watershed

- 54.1 approach as provided for in Minnesota
54.2 Statutes, chapters 103B, 103C, 103D, and
54.3 114D.
- 54.4 (i) \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000 the
54.5 second year are for technical assistance and
54.6 grants for the conservation drainage program
54.7 in consultation with the Drainage Work Group,
54.8 coordinated under Minnesota Statutes, section
54.9 103B.101, subdivision 13, that includes
54.10 projects to improve multipurpose water
54.11 management under Minnesota Statutes, section
54.12 103E.015.
- 54.13 (j) \$900,000 the first year and \$1,100,000 the
54.14 second year are to purchase permanent
54.15 conservation easements to protect lands
54.16 adjacent to public waters with good water
54.17 quality but threatened with degradation. Up
54.18 to \$60,000 is for deposit in a monitoring and
54.19 enforcement account.
- 54.20 (k) \$425,000 the first year and \$425,000 the
54.21 second year are for a program to
54.22 systematically collect data and produce
54.23 county, watershed, and statewide estimates of
54.24 soil erosion caused by water and wind along
54.25 with tracking adoption of conservation
54.26 measures, including cover crops, to address
54.27 erosion.
- 54.28 (l) \$11,000,000 the first year and \$11,000,000
54.29 the second year are for grants to soil and water
54.30 conservation districts to implement riparian
54.31 protection requirements under Minnesota
54.32 Statutes, section 103F.48.
- 54.33 (m) The board shall contract for delivery of
54.34 services with Conservation Corps Minnesota

57.1 threats, provide cost-effective regional
 57.2 solutions, leverage interjurisdictional
 57.3 coordination, support local implementation of
 57.4 water supply reliability projects, and prevent
 57.5 degradation of groundwater resources in the
 57.6 metropolitan area. These projects will provide
 57.7 to communities:

57.8 (1) potential solutions to leverage regional
 57.9 water use through use of surface water, storm
 57.10 water, wastewater, and groundwater;

57.11 (2) an analysis of infrastructure requirements
 57.12 for different alternatives;

57.13 (3) development of planning level cost
 57.14 estimates, including capital cost and operation
 57.15 cost;

57.16 (4) identification of funding mechanisms and
 57.17 an equitable cost-sharing structure for
 57.18 regionally beneficial water supply
 57.19 development projects; and

57.20 (5) development of subregional groundwater
 57.21 models.

57.22 (b) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the
 57.23 second year are for the water demand
 57.24 reduction grant program to encourage
 57.25 implementation of water demand reduction
 57.26 measures by municipalities in the metropolitan
 57.27 area to ensure the reliability and protection of
 57.28 drinking water supplies.

57.29 **Sec. 10. UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA \$ 1,008,000 \$ 1,007,000**

57.30 (a) \$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the
 57.31 second year are for developing county
 57.32 geologic atlases. This appropriation is
 57.33 available until June 30, 2022.

58.1 (b) \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000 the
 58.2 second year are for a performance evaluation
 58.3 and technology transfer program for storm
 58.4 water best management practices to enhance
 58.5 data and information management of storm
 58.6 water best management practices; evaluate
 58.7 best management performance and
 58.8 effectiveness to support meeting total
 58.9 maximum daily loads; develop standards and
 58.10 incorporate state-of-the-art guidance using
 58.11 minimal impact design standards as the model;
 58.12 and implement a knowledge and technology
 58.13 transfer system across local government,
 58.14 industry, and regulatory sectors. This
 58.15 appropriation is available until June 30, 2020.

58.16 (c) \$133,000 the first year and \$132,000 the
 58.17 second year are to provide guidance
 58.18 documents and tools evaluating the clean
 58.19 water fund's return on investment to measure
 58.20 impacts on water quality and human
 58.21 well-being as well as assist in future funding
 58.22 decisions.

58.23 **Sec. 11. REVENUE** **\$ 2,000,000 \$ 2,000,000**

58.24 \$2,000,000 the first year and \$2,000,000 the
 58.25 second year are for riparian protection aid
 58.26 payments under Minnesota Statutes, section
 58.27 477A.21.

58.28 **Sec. 12. LEGISLATURE** **\$ 15,000**

58.29 \$15,000 the first year is for the Legislative
 58.30 Coordinating Commission for the Web site
 58.31 required in Minnesota Statutes, section 3.303,
 58.32 subdivision 10.

59.1 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 114D.50, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

59.2 Subd. 4. **Expenditures; accountability.** (a) A project receiving funding from the clean
59.3 water fund must meet or exceed the constitutional requirements to protect, enhance, and
59.4 restore water quality in lakes, rivers, and streams and to protect groundwater and drinking
59.5 water from degradation. Priority may be given to projects that meet more than one of these
59.6 requirements. A project receiving funding from the clean water fund shall include measurable
59.7 outcomes, as defined in section 3.303, subdivision 10, and a plan for measuring and
59.8 evaluating the results. A project must be consistent with current science and incorporate
59.9 state-of-the-art technology.

59.10 (b) Money from the clean water fund shall be expended to balance the benefits across
59.11 all regions and residents of the state.

59.12 (c) A state agency or other recipient of a direct appropriation from the clean water fund
59.13 must compile and submit all information for proposed and funded projects or programs,
59.14 including the proposed measurable outcomes and all other items required under section
59.15 3.303, subdivision 10, to the Legislative Coordinating Commission as soon as practicable
59.16 or by January 15 of the applicable fiscal year, whichever comes first. The Legislative
59.17 Coordinating Commission must post submitted information on the Web site required under
59.18 section 3.303, subdivision 10, as soon as it becomes available. Information classified as not
59.19 public under section 13D.05, subdivision 3, paragraph (d), is not required to be placed on
59.20 the Web site.

59.21 (d) Grants funded by the clean water fund must be implemented according to section
59.22 16B.98 and must account for all expenditures. Proposals must specify a process for any
59.23 regranting envisioned. Priority for grant proposals must be given to proposals involving
59.24 grants that will be competitively awarded.

59.25 (e) Money from the clean water fund may only be spent on projects that benefit Minnesota
59.26 waters.

59.27 (f) When practicable, a direct recipient of an appropriation from the clean water fund
59.28 shall prominently display on the recipient's Web site home page the legacy logo required
59.29 under Laws 2009, chapter 172, article 5, section 10, as amended by Laws 2010, chapter
59.30 361, article 3, section 5, accompanied by the phrase "Click here for more information."
59.31 When a person clicks on the legacy logo image, the Web site must direct the person to a
59.32 Web page that includes both the contact information that a person may use to obtain
59.33 additional information, as well as a link to the Legislative Coordinating Commission Web
59.34 site required under section 3.303, subdivision 10.

60.1 (g) Future eligibility for money from the clean water fund is contingent upon a state
60.2 agency or other recipient satisfying all applicable requirements in this section, as well as
60.3 any additional requirements contained in applicable session law. If the Office of the
60.4 Legislative Auditor, in the course of an audit or investigation, publicly reports that a recipient
60.5 of money from the clean water fund has not complied with the laws, rules, or regulations
60.6 in this section or other laws applicable to the recipient, the recipient must be listed in an
60.7 annual report to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over the legacy funds. The list
60.8 must be publicly available. The legislative auditor shall remove a recipient from the list
60.9 upon determination that the recipient is in compliance. A recipient on the list is not eligible
60.10 for future funding from the clean water fund until the recipient demonstrates compliance
60.11 to the legislative auditor.

60.12 (h) Money from the clean water fund may be used to leverage federal funds through
60.13 execution of formal project partnership agreements with federal agencies consistent with
60.14 respective federal agency partnership agreement requirements.

60.15 (i) Any state agency or organization requesting a direct appropriation from the clean
60.16 water fund must inform the Clean Water Council and the house of representatives and senate
60.17 committees having jurisdiction over the clean water fund, at the time the request for funding
60.18 is made, whether the request is supplanting or is a substitution for any previous funding that
60.19 was not from a legacy fund and was used for the same purpose.

60.20 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 114D.50, is amended by adding a subdivision
60.21 to read:

60.22 Subd. 7. **Reserve requirement.** In any fiscal year, at least five percent of that year's
60.23 projected tax receipts determined by the most recent forecast for the clean water fund must
60.24 not be appropriated.

60.25 Sec. 15. [477A.21] RIPARIAN PROTECTION AID.

60.26 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** For purposes of this section, the following terms have the
60.27 meanings given:

60.28 (1) "buffer protection map" has the meaning given under section 103F.48, subdivision
60.29 1; and

60.30 (2) "public watercourses" means public waters and public drainage systems subject to
60.31 riparian protection requirements under section 103F.48.

61.1 Subd. 2. **Certifications to commissioner.** (a) The Board of Water and Soil Resources
61.2 must certify to the commissioner of revenue, on or before July 1 each year, which counties
61.3 and watershed districts have affirmed their jurisdiction under section 103F.48 and the
61.4 proportion of centerline miles of public watercourses, and miles of public drainage system
61.5 ditches on the buffer protection map, within each county and each watershed district within
61.6 the county with affirmed jurisdiction.

61.7 (b) On or before July 1 each year, the commissioner of natural resources shall certify to
61.8 the commissioner of revenue the statewide and countywide number of centerline miles of
61.9 public watercourses and miles of public drainage system ditches on the buffer protection
61.10 map.

61.11 Subd. 3. **Distribution.** (a) A county that is certified under subdivision 2, or that portion
61.12 of a county containing a watershed district certified under subdivision 2, is eligible to receive
61.13 aid under this section to enforce and implement the riparian protection and water quality
61.14 practices under section 103F.48. Each county's preliminary aid amount is equal to the
61.15 proportion calculated under paragraph (b) multiplied by the appropriation received each
61.16 year by the commissioner for purposes of payments under this section.

61.17 (b) The commissioner must compute each county's proportion. A county's proportion is
61.18 equal to the ratio of the sum in clause (1) to the sum in clause (2):

61.19 (1) the sum of the total number of acres in the county classified as class 2a under section
61.20 273.13, subdivision 23, the countywide number of centerline miles of public watercourses
61.21 on the buffer protection map, and the countywide number of miles of public drainage system
61.22 ditches on the buffer protection map; and

61.23 (2) the sum of the statewide total number of acres classified as class 2a under section
61.24 273.13, subdivision 23, the statewide total number of centerline miles of public watercourses
61.25 on the buffer protection map, and the statewide total number of public drainage system
61.26 miles on the buffer protection map.

61.27 (c) Aid to a county must not be greater than \$200,000 or less than \$50,000. If the sum
61.28 of the preliminary aids payable to counties under paragraph (a) is greater or less than the
61.29 appropriation under subdivision 5, the commissioner of revenue must calculate the percentage
61.30 of adjustment necessary so that the total of the aid under paragraph (a) equals the total
61.31 amount available for aid under subdivision 5, subject to the minimum and maximum amounts
61.32 specified in this paragraph. The minimum and maximum amounts under this paragraph
61.33 must be adjusted by the ratio of the actual amount appropriated to \$10,000,000.

62.1 (d) If only a portion of a county is certified as eligible to receive aid under subdivision
 62.2 2, the aid otherwise payable to that county under this section must be multiplied by a fraction,
 62.3 the numerator of which is the buffer protection map miles of the certified watershed districts
 62.4 contained within the county and the denominator of which is the total buffer protection map
 62.5 miles of the county.

62.6 (e) Any aid that would otherwise be paid to a county or portion of a county that is not
 62.7 certified under subdivision 2 shall be paid to the Board of Water and Soil Resources for
 62.8 enforcing and implementing the riparian protection and water quality practices under section
 62.9 103F.48.

62.10 Subd. 4. **Payments.** The commissioner of revenue must compute the amount of riparian
 62.11 protection aid payable to each eligible county and to the Board of Water and Soil Resources
 62.12 under this section. On or before August 1 each year, the commissioner must certify the
 62.13 amount to be paid to each county and the Board of Water and Soil Resources in the following
 62.14 year, except that the payments for 2017 must be certified by July 15, 2017. The commissioner
 62.15 must pay riparian protection aid to counties and to the Board of Water and Soil Resources
 62.16 in the same manner and at the same time as aid payments under section 477A.015.

62.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and
 62.18 applies to aids payable in 2017 and thereafter.

62.19 **ARTICLE 3**

62.20 **PARKS AND TRAILS FUND**

62.21 Section 1. **PARKS AND TRAILS FUND APPROPRIATIONS.**

62.22 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies
 62.23 and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the parks and
 62.24 trails fund and are available for the fiscal years indicated for each purpose. The figures
 62.25 "2018" and "2019" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed under them are
 62.26 available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, or June 30, 2019, respectively. "The first
 62.27 year" is fiscal year 2018. "The second year" is fiscal year 2019. "The biennium" is fiscal
 62.28 years 2018 and 2019. All appropriations in this article are onetime.

62.29 **APPROPRIATIONS**

62.30 **Available for the Year**

62.31 **Ending June 30**

62.32 **2018**

2019

64.1 (a) \$16,584,000 the first year and \$18,891,000
64.2 the second year are for state parks, recreation
64.3 areas, and trails to:
64.4 (1) connect people to the outdoors;
64.5 (2) acquire land and create opportunities;
64.6 (3) maintain existing holdings; and
64.7 (4) improve cooperation by coordinating with
64.8 partners to implement the 25-year long-range
64.9 parks and trails legacy plan.
64.10 (b) \$8,292,000 the first year and \$9,445,000
64.11 the second year are for grants for parks and
64.12 trails of regional significance outside the
64.13 seven-county metropolitan area under
64.14 Minnesota Statutes, section 85.535. The grants
64.15 must be based on the recommendations to the
64.16 commissioner from the Greater Minnesota
64.17 Regional Parks and Trails Commission
64.18 established under Minnesota Statutes, section
64.19 85.536. Grants funded under this paragraph
64.20 must support parks and trails of regional or
64.21 statewide significance that meet the applicable
64.22 definitions and criteria for regional parks and
64.23 trails contained in the Greater Minnesota
64.24 Regional Parks and Trails Strategic Plan
64.25 adopted by the Greater Minnesota Regional
64.26 Parks and Trails Commission on April 22,
64.27 2015. Grant recipients identified under this
64.28 paragraph must submit a grant application to
64.29 the commissioner of natural resources. Up to
64.30 2.5 percent of the appropriation may be used
64.31 by the commissioner for the actual cost of
64.32 issuing and monitoring the grants for the
64.33 commission. Of the amount appropriated,
64.34 \$424,000 the first year and \$399,000 the

65.1 second year are for the Greater Minnesota
65.2 Regional Parks and Trails Commission to
65.3 carry out its duties under Minnesota Statutes,
65.4 section 85.536, including the continued
65.5 development of a statewide system plan for
65.6 regional parks and trails outside the
65.7 seven-county metropolitan area.

65.8 (c) By January 15, 2018, the Greater
65.9 Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails
65.10 Commission shall submit a list of projects,
65.11 ranked in priority order, that contains the
65.12 commission's recommendations for funding
65.13 from the parks and trails fund for fiscal year
65.14 2019 to the chairs and ranking minority
65.15 members of the house of representatives and
65.16 senate committees and divisions with
65.17 jurisdiction over the environment and natural
65.18 resources and the parks and trails fund.

65.19 (d) By January 15, 2018, the Greater
65.20 Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails
65.21 Commission shall submit a report that contains
65.22 the commission's criteria for funding from the
65.23 parks and trails fund, including the criteria
65.24 used to determine if a park or trail is of
65.25 regional significance, to the chairs and ranking
65.26 minority members of the house of
65.27 representatives and senate committees and
65.28 divisions with jurisdiction over the
65.29 environment and natural resources and the
65.30 parks and trails fund.

65.31 (e) \$521,000 the first year and \$548,000 the
65.32 second year are for coordination and projects
65.33 between the department, the Metropolitan
65.34 Council, and the Greater Minnesota Regional
65.35 Parks and Trails Commission; enhanced

66.1 Web-based information for park and trail
 66.2 users; and support of activities of the Parks
 66.3 and Trails Legacy Advisory Committee.

66.4 (f) The commissioner shall contract for
 66.5 services with Conservation Corps Minnesota
 66.6 for restoration, maintenance, and other
 66.7 activities under this section for at least
 66.8 \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000 the
 66.9 second year.

66.10 (g) The implementing agencies receiving
 66.11 appropriations under this section shall give
 66.12 consideration to contracting with Conservation
 66.13 Corps Minnesota for restoration, maintenance,
 66.14 and other activities.

66.15 Sec. 4. **METROPOLITAN COUNCIL** **\$** **16,584,000** **\$** **18,891,000**

66.16 (a) \$16,584,000 the first year and \$18,891,000
 66.17 the second year are for distribution according
 66.18 to Minnesota Statutes, section 85.53,
 66.19 subdivision 3.

66.20 (b) Money appropriated under this section and
 66.21 distributed to implementing agencies must be
 66.22 used to fund the list of recommended projects
 66.23 in the report submitted pursuant to Laws 2013,
 66.24 chapter 137, article 3, section 4, paragraph (o).
 66.25 Projects funded by the money appropriated
 66.26 under this section must be substantially
 66.27 consistent with the project descriptions and
 66.28 dollar amounts in the report. Any funds
 66.29 remaining after completion of the listed
 66.30 projects may be spent by the implementing
 66.31 agencies on projects to support parks and
 66.32 trails.

66.33 (c) Grant agreements entered into by the
 66.34 Metropolitan Council and recipients of money

67.1 appropriated under this section must ensure
 67.2 that the funds are used to supplement and not
 67.3 substitute for traditional sources of funding.

67.4 (d) The implementing agencies receiving
 67.5 appropriations under this section shall give
 67.6 consideration to contracting with Conservation
 67.7 Corps Minnesota for restoration, maintenance,
 67.8 and other activities.

67.9 **Sec. 5. LEGISLATURE § 7,000**

67.10 \$7,000 the first year is for the Legislative
 67.11 Coordinating Commission for the Web site
 67.12 required in Minnesota Statutes, section 3.303,
 67.13 subdivision 10.

67.14 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 85.53, is amended by adding a subdivision to
 67.15 read:

67.16 Subd. 6. **Reserve requirement.** In any fiscal year, at least five percent of that year's
 67.17 projected tax receipts determined by the most recent forecast for the parks and trails fund
 67.18 must not be appropriated.

67.19 **Sec. 7. SAUK RIVER REGIONAL PARK GRANT EXTENSION.**

67.20 The appropriation in Laws 2013, chapter 137, article 3, section 3, paragraph (c), clause
 67.21 (9), from the parks and trails fund for trail enhancement, land acquisition, and other
 67.22 improvements at Sauk River Regional Park is available until June 30, 2022.

67.23 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively from June 30, 2016.

67.24 **Sec. 8. HYLAND-BUSH-ANDERSON LAKES PARK RESERVE GRANT**
 67.25 **EXTENSION.**

67.26 The appropriations for fiscal years 2014 and 2015 in Laws 2013, chapter 137, article 3,
 67.27 section 4, paragraph (c), from the parks and trails fund for grants to the city of Bloomington
 67.28 to reconstruct parking lots at the Hyland-Bush-Anderson Lakes Park Reserve are available
 67.29 until June 30, 2018.

67.30 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively from June 30, 2016.

68.1 **Sec. 9. ANOKA COUNTY AND DAKOTA COUNTY REALLOCATIONS.**

68.2 Notwithstanding Laws 2013, chapter 137, article 3, section 4, paragraph (o), and Laws
 68.3 2015, First Special Session chapter 2, article 3, section 4, paragraph (b):

68.4 (1) Anoka County may allocate \$438,000 of its share of the distribution for fiscal year
 68.5 2017 funds under Minnesota Statutes, section 85.53, subdivision 3, to Bunker Hills Regional
 68.6 Park in accordance with the most recent priority rankings that Anoka County has submitted
 68.7 to the Metropolitan Council; and

68.8 (2) Dakota County may allocate \$180,000 of its share of the distribution under Minnesota
 68.9 Statutes, section 85.53, subdivision 3, designated for the Vermillion River Regional
 68.10 Greenway to the phase 2 improvement to Whitetail Woods Regional Park in Dakota County.

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

68.12 **ARTICLE 4**

68.13 **ARTS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE FUND**

68.14 **Section 1. ARTS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE FUND APPROPRIATIONS.**

68.15 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the entities
 68.16 and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the arts and cultural
 68.17 heritage fund and are available for the fiscal years indicated for allowable activities under
 68.18 the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 15. The figures "2018" and "2019" used in
 68.19 this article mean that the appropriations listed under the figure are available for the fiscal
 68.20 year ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, respectively. "The first year" is fiscal year
 68.21 2018. "The second year" is fiscal year 2019. "The biennium" is fiscal years 2018 and 2019.
 68.22 All appropriations in this article are onetime.

68.23 **APPROPRIATIONS**

68.24 **Available for the Year**

68.25 **Ending June 30**

68.26 **2018**

2019

68.27 **Sec. 2. ARTS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE**

68.28 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation** **\$ 57,331,000 \$ 66,033,000**

68.29 The amounts that may be spent for each
 68.30 purpose are specified in the following
 68.31 subdivisions.

69.1 **Subd. 2. Availability of Appropriation**

69.2 Money appropriated in this article may not be
69.3 spent on activities unless they are directly
69.4 related to and necessary for a specific
69.5 appropriation. Money appropriated in this
69.6 article must not be spent on institutional
69.7 overhead charges that are not directly related
69.8 to and necessary for a specific appropriation.

69.9 Money appropriated in this article must be
69.10 spent in accordance with the Minnesota
69.11 Management and Budget's Guidance to
69.12 Agencies on Legacy Fund Expenditures.
69.13 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
69.14 16A.28, and unless otherwise specified in this
69.15 article, fiscal year 2018 appropriations are
69.16 available until June 30, 2019, and fiscal year
69.17 2019 appropriations are available until June
69.18 30, 2020. If a project receives federal funds,
69.19 the period of the appropriation is extended to
69.20 equal the availability of federal funding.

69.21 **Subd. 3. Minnesota State Arts Board**

25,855,000

32,112,000

69.22 (a) These amounts are appropriated to the
69.23 Minnesota State Arts Board for arts, arts
69.24 education, arts preservation, and arts access.
69.25 Grant agreements entered into by the
69.26 Minnesota State Arts Board and other
69.27 recipients of appropriations in this subdivision
69.28 must ensure that these funds are used to
69.29 supplement and not substitute for traditional
69.30 sources of funding. Each grant program
69.31 established in this appropriation must be
69.32 separately administered from other state
69.33 appropriations for program planning and
69.34 outcome measurements, but may take into
69.35 consideration other state resources awarded

70.1 in the selection of applicants and grant award
70.2 size.

70.3 **(b) Arts and Arts Access Initiatives**

70.4 \$19,000,000 the first year and \$25,342,000
70.5 the second year are to support Minnesota
70.6 artists and arts organizations in creating,
70.7 producing, and presenting high-quality arts
70.8 activities; to overcome barriers to accessing
70.9 high-quality arts activities; and to instill the
70.10 arts into the community and public life in this
70.11 state.

70.12 **(c) Arts Education**

70.13 \$4,500,000 the first year and \$4,500,000 the
70.14 second year are for high-quality,
70.15 age-appropriate arts education for Minnesotans
70.16 of all ages to develop knowledge, skills, and
70.17 understanding of the arts.

70.18 **(d) Arts and Cultural Heritage**

70.19 \$1,500,000 the first year and \$1,500,000 the
70.20 second year are for events and activities that
70.21 represent the diverse cultural arts traditions,
70.22 including folk and traditional artists and art
70.23 organizations, represented in this state.

70.24 **(e) Grants**

70.25 \$30,000 the first year and \$20,000 the second
70.26 year are for grants to an organization for
70.27 designing, consulting, creating, and
70.28 administering a statewide arts software
70.29 application to be used on electronic and mobile
70.30 electronic devices to locate and access artists,
70.31 arts organizations, and art education programs
70.32 throughout Minnesota. The grantee must work
70.33 in consultation with the Minnesota State Arts
70.34 Board, regional arts councils, private and

- 71.1 nonprofit arts organizations, and the regional
71.2 library system to develop criteria for content
71.3 to import to the software application and must
71.4 make the application free to download. A
71.5 portion of the funding may be used to pay the
71.6 ongoing costs associated with developing
71.7 content and updating the software or with
71.8 contracting to develop and update the software
71.9 and expand electronic content in fiscal years
71.10 2018 and 2019.
- 71.11 \$250,000 each year is for a grant to the
71.12 Minnesota China Friendship Garden Society
71.13 for the Chinese garden in Phalen Park in St.
71.14 Paul to recognize the rich cultural heritage of
71.15 the Chinese and Hmong in Minnesota. Grant
71.16 recipients must provide a funding match of at
71.17 least 25 percent of the total eligible project
71.18 costs.
- 71.19 \$375,000 each year is for a grant to
71.20 Springboard for the Arts to design and
71.21 construct up to two statues of Dan Patch to be
71.22 placed at the Minnesota State Fairgrounds and
71.23 the city of Savage. Grant recipients must
71.24 provide a funding match of at least 25 percent
71.25 of the total eligible project costs.
- 71.26 \$125,000 each year is for a Fanka arts grant
71.27 program to one or more community
71.28 organizations that participate in statewide
71.29 Somali arts and cultural programs that provide
71.30 arts education, workshops, mentor programs,
71.31 or community presentations and community
71.32 engagement events.
- 71.33 \$75,000 the first year is for a grant to the
71.34 Hmong Cultural Center for an interactive
71.35 Hmong Folk Art in Minnesota exhibit.

72.1 (f) Up to 4.5 percent of the funds appropriated
 72.2 in paragraphs (b) to (d) may be used by the
 72.3 board for administering grant programs,
 72.4 delivering technical services, providing fiscal
 72.5 oversight for the statewide system, and
 72.6 ensuring accountability.

72.7 (g) Up to 30 percent of the remaining total
 72.8 appropriation to each of the categories listed
 72.9 in paragraphs (b) to (d) is for grants to the
 72.10 regional arts councils. Notwithstanding any
 72.11 other provision of law, regional arts council
 72.12 grants or other arts council grants for touring
 72.13 programs, projects, or exhibits must ensure
 72.14 the programs, projects, or exhibits are able to
 72.15 tour in their own region as well as all other
 72.16 regions of the state.

72.17 (h) Any unencumbered balance remaining
 72.18 under this subdivision the first year does not
 72.19 cancel but is available the second year.

72.20 <u>Subd. 4. Minnesota Historical Society</u>	<u>12,350,000</u>	<u>14,750,000</u>
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72.21 (a) These amounts are appropriated to the
 72.22 governing board of the Minnesota Historical
 72.23 Society to preserve and enhance access to
 72.24 Minnesota's history and its cultural and
 72.25 historical resources. Grant agreements entered
 72.26 into by the Minnesota Historical Society and
 72.27 other recipients of appropriations in this
 72.28 subdivision must ensure that these funds are
 72.29 used to supplement and not substitute for
 72.30 traditional sources of funding. Funds directly
 72.31 appropriated to the Minnesota Historical
 72.32 Society must be used to supplement and not
 72.33 substitute for traditional sources of funding.
 72.34 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
 72.35 16A.28, for historic preservation projects that

73.1 improve historic structures, the amounts are
73.2 available until June 30, 2020. The Minnesota
73.3 Historical Society or grant recipients of the
73.4 Minnesota Historical Society using arts and
73.5 cultural heritage funds under this subdivision
73.6 must give consideration to Conservation Corps
73.7 Minnesota and Northern Bedrock Historic
73.8 Preservation Corps, or an organization
73.9 carrying out similar work, for projects with
73.10 the potential to need historic preservation
73.11 services.

73.12 **(b) Historical Grants and Programs**

73.13 **(1) Statewide Historic and Cultural Grants**
73.14 \$4,500,000 the first year and \$5,500,000 the
73.15 second year are for history programs and
73.16 projects operated or conducted by or through
73.17 local, county, regional, or other historical or
73.18 cultural organizations or for activities to
73.19 preserve significant historic and cultural
73.20 resources. Funds are to be distributed through
73.21 a competitive grant process. The Minnesota
73.22 Historical Society must administer these funds
73.23 using established grant mechanisms, with
73.24 assistance from the advisory committee
73.25 created under Laws 2009, chapter 172, article
73.26 4, section 2, subdivision 4, paragraph (b), item
73.27 (ii).

73.28 Of this amount, \$300,000 the first year is for
73.29 a grant to the Fairmont Opera House for
73.30 restoration and renovation of historic Fairmont
73.31 Opera House.

73.32 **(2) Statewide History Programs**

73.33 \$4,625,000 the first year and \$6,125,000 the
73.34 second year are for programs and purposes
73.35 related to the historical and cultural heritage

74.1 of the state of Minnesota conducted by the
74.2 Minnesota Historical Society.

74.3 (3) History Partnerships

74.4 \$2,000,000 the first year and \$2,000,000 the
74.5 second year are for partnerships involving
74.6 multiple organizations, which may include the
74.7 Minnesota Historical Society, to preserve and
74.8 enhance access to Minnesota's history and
74.9 cultural heritage in all regions of the state.

74.10 (4) Statewide Survey of Historical and
74.11 Archaeological Sites

74.12 \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the
74.13 second year are for a contract or contracts to
74.14 be awarded on a competitive basis to conduct
74.15 statewide surveys of Minnesota's sites of
74.16 historical, archaeological, and cultural
74.17 significance. Results of the surveys must be
74.18 published in a searchable form and available
74.19 to the public free of cost. The Minnesota
74.20 Historical Society, the Office of the State
74.21 Archaeologist, and the Indian Affairs Council
74.22 must each appoint a representative to an
74.23 oversight board to select contractors and direct
74.24 the conduct of the surveys. The oversight
74.25 board must consult with the Departments of
74.26 Transportation and Natural Resources.

74.27 (5) Digital Library

74.28 \$375,000 the first year and \$375,000 the
74.29 second year are for a digital library project to
74.30 preserve, digitize, and share Minnesota
74.31 images, documents, and historical materials.
74.32 The Minnesota Historical Society must
74.33 cooperate with the Minitex interlibrary loan
74.34 system and must jointly share this
74.35 appropriation for these purposes.

75.1 (6) Grants

75.2 \$125,000 each year is for a grant to the board
 75.3 of directors of the Carver County Historical
 75.4 Society to restore the historic Andrew Peterson
 75.5 farm in Waconia.

75.6 \$125,000 each year is for a grant to the
 75.7 Woodbury Barn Heritage Commission to
 75.8 restore the Miller Barn and historical
 75.9 programming at the Miller Barn in Woodbury.

75.10 \$100,000 the first year is to restore the stained
 75.11 glass in the historic Fort Snelling Memorial
 75.12 Chapel in Bloomington. The historical society
 75.13 may work in collaboration with the Fort
 75.14 Snelling Memorial Chapel Foundation.

75.15 **Subd. 5. Department of Education** 2,750,000 2,500,000

75.16 These amounts are appropriated to the
 75.17 commissioner of education for grants to the
 75.18 12 Minnesota regional library systems to
 75.19 provide educational opportunities in the arts,
 75.20 history, literary arts, and cultural heritage of
 75.21 Minnesota. These funds must be allocated
 75.22 using the formulas in Minnesota Statutes,
 75.23 section 134.355, subdivisions 3, 4, and 5, with
 75.24 the remaining 25 percent to be distributed to
 75.25 all qualifying systems in an amount
 75.26 proportionate to the number of qualifying
 75.27 system entities in each system. For purposes
 75.28 of this subdivision, "qualifying system entity"
 75.29 means a public library, a regional library
 75.30 system, a regional library system headquarters,
 75.31 a county, or an outreach service program.

75.32 These funds may be used to sponsor programs
 75.33 provided by regional libraries or to provide
 75.34 grants to local arts and cultural heritage
 75.35 programs for programs in partnership with

76.1 regional libraries. These funds must be
 76.2 distributed in ten equal payments per year.
 76.3 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
 76.4 16A.28, the appropriations encumbered on or
 76.5 before June 30, 2019, as grants or contracts in
 76.6 this subdivision are available until June 30,
 76.7 2020.

76.8	<u>Subd. 6. Department of Administration</u>	<u>10,242,000</u>	<u>10,341,000</u>
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76.9 (a) These amounts are appropriated to the
 76.10 commissioner of administration for grants to
 76.11 the named organizations for the purposes
 76.12 specified in this subdivision. The
 76.13 commissioner of administration may use a
 76.14 portion of this appropriation for costs that are
 76.15 directly related to and necessary to the
 76.16 administration of grants in this subdivision.

76.17 (b) Grant agreements entered into by the
 76.18 commissioner and recipients of appropriations
 76.19 under this subdivision must ensure that money
 76.20 appropriated in this subdivision is used to
 76.21 supplement and not substitute for traditional
 76.22 sources of funding.

76.23 **(c) Veterans Rest Camp**
 76.24 \$278,000 the second year is for the Disabled
 76.25 Veterans Rest Camp Association for a
 76.26 welcome center for the veterans rest camp on
 76.27 Big Marine Lake.

76.28 **(d) Minnesota Public Radio**
 76.29 \$1,650,000 each year is for Minnesota Public
 76.30 Radio to create programming and expand news
 76.31 service on Minnesota's cultural heritage and
 76.32 history.

76.33 **(e) Association of Minnesota Public Educational**
 76.34 **Radio Stations**

77.1 \$1,600,000 each year is to the Association of
77.2 Minnesota Public Educational Radio Stations
77.3 for production and acquisition grants in
77.4 accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section
77.5 129D.19.

77.6 **(f) Public Television**

77.7 \$4,000,000 the first year and \$4,000,000 the
77.8 second year are to the Minnesota Public
77.9 Television Association for production and
77.10 acquisition grants according to Minnesota
77.11 Statutes, section 129D.18.

77.12 Of this amount, \$650,000 the first year is for
77.13 Twin Cities Public Television to produce the
77.14 Vietnam: Minnesota Remembers project. Any
77.15 production costs associated with the project
77.16 incurred on or after February 1, 2017, are
77.17 eligible for reimbursement under this section.

77.18 **(g) Wilderness Inquiry**

77.19 \$300,000 each year is to Wilderness Inquiry
77.20 to preserve Minnesota's outdoor history,
77.21 culture, and heritage by connecting Minnesota
77.22 youth to natural resources.

77.23 **(h) Como Park Zoo**

77.24 \$1,400,000 the first year and \$1,500,000 the
77.25 second year are for the Como Park Zoo for
77.26 program development that features education
77.27 programs and habitat enhancement, special
77.28 exhibits, music appreciation programs, and
77.29 historical garden access and preservation.

77.30 **(i) Science Museum of Minnesota**

77.31 \$600,000 each year is to the Science Museum
77.32 of Minnesota for arts, arts education, and arts
77.33 access and to preserve Minnesota's history and
77.34 cultural heritage, including student and teacher

78.1 outreach, statewide educational initiatives, and
 78.2 community-based exhibits that preserve
 78.3 Minnesota's history and cultural heritage.

78.4 **(j) Lake Superior Center Authority**

78.5 \$150,000 each year is to the Lake Superior
 78.6 Center Authority to develop, prepare, and
 78.7 construct an exhibit on river systems.

78.8 **(k) Green Giant Museum**

78.9 \$300,000 the first year is to the city of Blue
 78.10 Earth to predesign, design, construct, furnish,
 78.11 and equip the Green Giant Museum to
 78.12 preserve the culture and history of Minnesota.

78.13 **(l) Lake Superior Zoo**

78.14 \$75,000 each year is to the Lake Superior Zoo
 78.15 to develop educational exhibits and programs.

78.16 **(m) Minnesota State Band**

78.17 \$25,000 each year is to the Minnesota State
 78.18 Band to promote and increase public
 78.19 performances across Minnesota.

78.20 **(n) Rice County Veterans Memorial**

78.21 \$30,000 the first year is to Rice County to
 78.22 complete the Rice County Veterans Memorial
 78.23 in Faribault.

78.24 **(o) Minnesota Square Park Pavilion**

78.25 \$112,000 the first year and \$113,000 the
 78.26 second year are to the city of St. Peter to
 78.27 reconstruct the Minnesota Square Park
 78.28 pavilion in St. Peter.

78.29 **(p) Waseca County Veterans Memorial**

78.30 \$50,000 the second year is to Waseca County
 78.31 to complete the Waseca County Veterans
 78.32 Memorial.

78.33 **Subd. 7. Minnesota Zoo**

1,775,000

1,850,000

79.1 These amounts are appropriated to the
 79.2 Minnesota Zoological Board for programs and
 79.3 development of the Minnesota Zoological
 79.4 Garden and to provide access and education
 79.5 related to programs on the cultural heritage of
 79.6 Minnesota.

79.7 **Subd. 8. Minnesota Humanities Center** 2,575,000 2,705,000

79.8 (a) These amounts are appropriated to the
 79.9 Board of Directors of the Minnesota
 79.10 Humanities Center for the purposes specified
 79.11 in this subdivision. The Minnesota Humanities
 79.12 Center may use up to 4.5 percent of the
 79.13 following grants to cover the cost of
 79.14 administering, planning, evaluating, and
 79.15 reporting these grants. The Minnesota
 79.16 Humanities Center must develop a written
 79.17 plan to issue the grants in this subdivision and
 79.18 must submit the plan for review and approval
 79.19 by the Department of Administration. The
 79.20 written plan must require the Minnesota
 79.21 Humanities Center to create and adhere to
 79.22 grant policies that are similar to those
 79.23 established according to Minnesota Statutes,
 79.24 section 16B.97, subdivision 4, paragraph (a),
 79.25 clause (1).

79.26 No grants awarded in this subdivision may be
 79.27 used for travel outside the state of Minnesota.
 79.28 The grant agreement must specify the
 79.29 repercussions for failing to comply with the
 79.30 grant agreement.

79.31 **(b) Programs and Purposes**
 79.32 \$1,125,000 each year is for programs and
 79.33 purposes of the Minnesota Humanities Center.
 79.34 Of this amount, \$125,000 each year may be
 79.35 used for the Why Treaties Matter exhibit.

80.1 The Minnesota Humanities Center may
80.2 consider museums and organizations
80.3 celebrating the identities of Minnesotans for
80.4 grants from these funds.

80.5 Of this amount, \$55,000 the first year is for a
80.6 grant to the Minnesota Council on Disability
80.7 to enhance and enlarge the historical digital
80.8 archives collection "With An Eye to the Past"
80.9 for oral history interviews and document
80.10 collection, production, consultation,
80.11 transcription, closed captioning, Web site
80.12 administration, and evaluation.

80.13 **(c) Community Identity and Heritage Grant**
80.14 **Program**

80.15 \$100,000 the first year and \$250,000 the
80.16 second year are for a competitive grants
80.17 program to provide grants to preserve and
80.18 promote the cultural heritage of Minnesota.

80.19 Of this amount, up to \$150,000 the second
80.20 year is for a grant to the city of St. Paul or
80.21 Ramsey County to develop and install activity
80.22 facilities in parks for Tawkaw Courts that are
80.23 reflective of the current demographics in
80.24 Ramsey County. This grant is available if the
80.25 recipient provides at least a 25 percent match
80.26 for funding.

80.27 The Minnesota Humanities Center must
80.28 operate a competitive grants program to
80.29 provide grants to programs, including but not
80.30 limited to music, film, television, radio,
80.31 recreation, and design and use of public spaces
80.32 that preserve and honor the cultural heritage
80.33 of Minnesota or that provide education and
80.34 student outreach on cultural diversity or to
80.35 programs that empower communities to build

81.1 their identity and culture. Grants made under
81.2 this paragraph must not be used for travel costs
81.3 inside or outside the state.

81.4 **(d) Children's Museum Grants**

81.5 \$1,030,000 the first year and \$1,110,000 the
81.6 second year are for arts and cultural heritage
81.7 grants to children's museums for arts and
81.8 cultural exhibits and related educational
81.9 outreach programs.

81.10 Of this amount, \$500,000 each year is for the
81.11 Minnesota Children's Museum for interactive
81.12 exhibits and outreach programs on arts and
81.13 cultural heritage, including the Minnesota
81.14 Children's Museum in Rochester; \$150,000
81.15 each year is for the Duluth Children's Museum
81.16 for interactive exhibits and outreach programs
81.17 on arts and cultural heritage; \$150,000 each
81.18 year is for the Grand Rapids Children's
81.19 Museum for interactive exhibits and outreach
81.20 programs on arts and cultural heritage;
81.21 \$150,000 each year is for the Southern
81.22 Minnesota Children's Museum for the Mni
81.23 Wiconi and other arts and cultural exhibits;
81.24 and \$80,000 the second year is for the Wheel
81.25 and Cog Children's Museum of Hutchinson
81.26 for interactive exhibits and outreach programs
81.27 on arts and cultural heritage.

81.28 **(e) Civics Programs**

81.29 \$200,000 each year is for grants to the
81.30 Minnesota Civic Education Coalition;
81.31 Minnesota Civic Youth, the Learning Law and
81.32 Democracy Foundation, and YMCA Youth in
81.33 Government to conduct civics education
81.34 programs for the civic and cultural
81.35 development of Minnesota youth. Civics

82.1 education is the study of constitutional
 82.2 principles and the democratic foundation of
 82.3 our national, state, and local institutions and
 82.4 the study of political processes and structures
 82.5 of government, grounded in the understanding
 82.6 of constitutional government under the rule
 82.7 of law.

82.8 **(f) Somali Museum of Minnesota**

82.9 \$100,000 each year is for a grant to the Somali
 82.10 Museum of Minnesota for the Heritage Arts
 82.11 and Cultural Vitality programs for classes,
 82.12 exhibits, presentations, and outreach about the
 82.13 Somali community and heritage in Minnesota.

82.14 **(g) Rondo Commemorative Plaza**

82.15 \$100,000 the first year is for a grant to Rondo
 82.16 Avenue, Inc. for the Rondo Commemorative
 82.17 Plaza to celebrate the historic Rondo
 82.18 neighborhood.

82.19 **Subd. 9. Indian Affairs Council**

1,275,000

1,275,000

82.20 (a) \$900,000 each year is for the Indian Affairs
 82.21 Council to provide grants to preserve Dakota
 82.22 and Ojibwe Indian language and to foster
 82.23 education programs and immersion programs
 82.24 in Dakota and Ojibwe language.

82.25 (b) \$125,000 each year is to the Indian Affairs
 82.26 Council for a grant to the Niiganne Ojibwe
 82.27 Immersion School.

82.28 (c) \$250,000 each year is to the Indian Affairs
 82.29 Council for a grant to the Wicoie
 82.30 Nandagikendan Urban Immersion Project and
 82.31 potentially Baby's Space and other partners at
 82.32 the Neighborhood Early Learning Center.
 82.33 Wicoie Nandagikendan Urban Immersion
 82.34 Project shall work in coordination with the

83.1 Indian Affairs Council to develop capacity
 83.2 and implement a language immersion program
 83.3 with Baby's Space and other partners.

83.4 **Subd. 10. Department of Agriculture** 500,000 500,000

83.5 These amounts are appropriated to the
 83.6 commissioner of agriculture for grants to
 83.7 county agricultural societies to enhance arts
 83.8 access and education and to preserve and
 83.9 promote Minnesota's history and cultural
 83.10 heritage as embodied in its county fairs. The
 83.11 grants are in addition to the aid distribution to
 83.12 county agricultural societies under Minnesota
 83.13 Statutes, section 38.02. The commissioner of
 83.14 agriculture shall develop grant-making criteria
 83.15 and guidance for expending funds under this
 83.16 subdivision. The commissioner shall seek
 83.17 input from all interested parties.

83.18 Of this amount, \$200,000 each year is
 83.19 distributed in equal amounts to each of the 95
 83.20 county fairs to enhance arts access and
 83.21 education and to preserve and promote
 83.22 Minnesota's history and cultural heritage.

83.23 Of this amount, \$200,000 each year is
 83.24 distributed as competitive grants for
 83.25 developing or enhancing facilities that provide
 83.26 access to arts, arts education, and agriculture
 83.27 or historical and cultural heritage programs.

83.28 Of this amount, \$100,000 each year is
 83.29 distributed as competitive grants for specific
 83.30 projects and events that provide access to the
 83.31 arts or the state's agricultural, historical, and
 83.32 cultural heritage.

83.33 **Subd. 11. Legislative Coordinating Commission** 9,000 -0-

84.1 This amount is for the Legislative
84.2 Coordinating Commission to maintain the
84.3 Web site required under Minnesota Statutes,
84.4 section 3.303, subdivision 10.

84.5 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 129D.17, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

84.6 Subd. 4. **Minnesota State Arts Board allocation.** At least 47 percent of the ~~money~~
84.7 ~~deposited in the~~ total appropriations from the arts and cultural heritage fund in a fiscal
84.8 biennium must be for grants and services awarded through the Minnesota State Arts Board,
84.9 or regional arts councils subject to appropriation.

84.10 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 129D.17, is amended by adding a subdivision to
84.11 read:

84.12 Subd. 5. **Reserve requirement.** In any fiscal year, at least five percent of that year's
84.13 projected tax receipts determined by the most recent forecast for the arts and cultural heritage
84.14 fund must not be appropriated.

84.15 Sec. 5. **ARTS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE FUND RECIPIENT DEDICATED**
84.16 **DISPARITIES ASSISTANCE.**

84.17 (a) Entities receiving \$1,000,000 or more in arts and cultural heritage funds for
84.18 programming or projects in this article must provide a portion of funding, through their own
84.19 operating budget or using the percentage of arts and cultural heritage funds necessary, to
84.20 create measurable goals and outcomes to increase access to programs and reduce disparities
84.21 for access to programs funded by the arts and cultural heritage fund. Each entity required
84.22 to comply with this section shall designate an employee to be responsible for the requirements
84.23 of this section. Measurable goals may include:

84.24 (1) providing outreach or programming in different languages;

84.25 (2) improving access for individuals with disabilities and improving compliance with
84.26 the Americans with Disabilities Act;

84.27 (3) improving access to programs in different regions of the state or assisting community
84.28 members in regions of the state that are traditionally underserved in accessing programs;

84.29 (4) increasing access to individuals of different ages or from different races or cultures
84.30 than have traditionally accessed the programs provided by the entity receiving funds; and

85.1 (5) improving access to low-income individuals and families, including providing free
85.2 and reduced-cost programming to those individuals and families and to schools with a high
85.3 percentage of students who receive free or reduced-price lunch.

85.4 (b) The funding must be used to create measurable goals and outcomes, to measure those
85.5 goals, and to provide a written report to the house of representatives and senate committees
85.6 with jurisdiction over the arts and cultural heritage fund by December 15, 2018.

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97A.056 OUTDOOR HERITAGE FUND; LESSARD-SAMS OUTDOOR HERITAGE COUNCIL.

Subd. 8. **Revenues.** (a) When a parcel of land that was previously purchased with money from the outdoor heritage fund is transferred to the state, the owner of the land shall disclose to the council and commissioner of natural resources:

(1) all revenues generated from activities on the land from the time the land was purchased with money from the outdoor heritage fund until the land was transferred to the state;

(2) all holding costs associated with managing the land between the time of purchase with money from the outdoor heritage fund and the time the land was transferred to the state; and

(3) the total net revenues as determined by subtracting the costs described in clause (2) from the revenues described in clause (1).

(b) The owner of the land shall submit the total net revenues determined under paragraph (a), clause (3), to the state no later than 60 days after the land is transferred to the state.