

32.1 **ARTICLE 4**

32.2 **ACCESS TO COURTS; DISTRIBUTION OF FEES; DEADLINES**

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32.9 and one other shall be maintained at the place designated by the chief judge of the district;

32.10 2. Ramsey; 26 judges;

32.11 3. Wabasha, Winona, Houston, Rice, Olmsted, Dodge, Steele, Waseca, Freeborn, Mower,

32.12 and Fillmore; 23 judges; and permanent chambers shall be maintained in Faribault, Albert

32.13 Lea, Austin, Rochester, and Winona;

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SECTION 260C.163 IS AMENDED IN THE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
OMNIBUS BILL S2360-2, ARTICLE 11, SECTION 18

33.1 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 260C.163, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

33.2 Subd. 3. **Appointment of counsel.** (a) The child, parent, guardian or custodian has the  
33.3 right to effective assistance of counsel in connection with a proceeding in juvenile court as  
33.4 provided in this subdivision.

33.5 (b) Except in proceedings where the sole basis for the petition is habitual truancy, if the  
33.6 child desires counsel but is unable to employ it, the court shall appoint counsel to represent  
33.7 the child who is ten years of age or older under section 611.14, clause (4), or other counsel  
33.8 at public expense.

33.9 ~~(c) Except in proceedings where the sole basis for the petition is habitual truancy, if the~~  
33.10 ~~parent, guardian, or custodian desires counsel but is unable to employ it, the court shall~~  
33.11 ~~appoint counsel to represent the parent, guardian, or custodian in any case in which it feels~~  
33.12 ~~that such an appointment is appropriate if the person would be financially unable to obtain~~  
33.13 ~~counsel under the guidelines set forth in section 611.17. In all juvenile protection proceedings~~  
33.14 ~~where a child risks removal from the care of the child's parent, guardian, or custodian,~~  
33.15 ~~including a child in need of protection or services petition, an action pursuing removal of~~  
33.16 ~~a child from the child's home, a termination of parental rights petition, or a petition for any~~  
33.17 ~~other permanency disposition under section 260C.515, if the parent, guardian, or custodian~~  
33.18 ~~desires counsel and is eligible for counsel under section 611.17, the court shall appoint~~  
33.19 ~~counsel to represent each parent, guardian, or custodian at the first hearing on the petition~~  
33.20 ~~and at all stages of the proceedings. Court appointed counsel shall be at county expense as~~  
33.21 ~~outlined in paragraph (h).~~

33.22 (d) In any proceeding where the subject of a petition for a child in need of protection or  
33.23 services is ten years of age or older, the responsible social services agency shall, within 14  
33.24 days after filing the petition or at the emergency removal hearing under section 260C.178,  
33.25 subdivision 1, if the child is present, fully and effectively inform the child of the child's  
33.26 right to be represented by appointed counsel upon request and shall notify the court as to  
33.27 whether the child desired counsel. Information provided to the child shall include, at a  
33.28 minimum, the fact that counsel will be provided without charge to the child, that the child's  
33.29 communications with counsel are confidential, and that the child has the right to participate  
33.30 in all proceedings on a petition, including the opportunity to personally attend all hearings.  
33.31 The responsible social services agency shall also, within 14 days of the child's tenth birthday,  
33.32 fully and effectively inform the child of the child's right to be represented by counsel if the  
33.33 child reaches the age of ten years while the child is the subject of a petition for a child in  
33.34 need of protection or services or is a child under the guardianship of the commissioner.

34.1 (e) In any proceeding where the sole basis for the petition is habitual truancy, the child,  
34.2 parent, guardian, and custodian do not have the right to appointment of a public defender  
34.3 or other counsel at public expense. However, before any out-of-home placement, including  
34.4 foster care or inpatient treatment, can be ordered, the court must appoint a public defender  
34.5 or other counsel at public expense in accordance with this subdivision.

34.6 (f) Counsel for the child shall not also act as the child's guardian ad litem.

34.7 (g) In any proceeding where the subject of a petition for a child in need of protection or  
34.8 services is not represented by an attorney, the court shall determine the child's preferences  
34.9 regarding the proceedings, including informing the child of the right to appointed counsel  
34.10 and asking whether the child desires counsel, if the child is of suitable age to express a  
34.11 preference.

34.12 (h) Court-appointed counsel for the parent, guardian, or custodian under this subdivision  
34.13 is at county expense. If the county has contracted with counsel ~~meeting qualifications under~~  
34.14 ~~paragraph (i)~~, the court shall appoint the counsel retained by the county, unless a conflict  
34.15 of interest exists. If a conflict exists, after consulting with the chief judge of the judicial  
34.16 district or the judge's designee, the county shall contract with competent counsel to provide  
34.17 the necessary representation. ~~The court may appoint only one counsel at public expense for~~  
34.18 ~~the first court hearing to represent the interests of the parents, guardians, and custodians,~~  
34.19 ~~unless, at any time during the proceedings upon petition of a party, the court determines~~  
34.20 ~~and makes written findings on the record that extraordinary circumstances exist that require~~  
34.21 ~~counsel to be appointed to represent a separate interest of other parents, guardians, or~~  
34.22 ~~custodians subject to the jurisdiction of the juvenile court.~~

34.23 (i) ~~Counsel retained by the county under paragraph (h) must meet the qualifications~~  
34.24 ~~established by the Judicial Council in at least one of the following: (1) has a minimum of~~  
34.25 ~~two years' experience handling child protection cases; (2) has training in handling child~~  
34.26 ~~protection cases from a course or courses approved by the Judicial Council; or (3) is~~  
34.27 ~~supervised by an attorney who meets the minimum qualifications under clause (1) or (2).~~

34.28 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2022, except the amendment  
34.29 striking paragraph (i) is effective the day following final enactment.

36.15 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 477A.03, subdivision 2b, is amended to read:

36.16 Subd. 2b. **Counties.** (a) For aids payable in 2018 and 2019, the total aid payable under  
36.17 section 477A.0124, subdivision 3, is \$103,795,000, of which \$3,000,000 shall be allocated  
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36.31 ~~expended or encumbered in a fiscal year shall be certified by the Board of Public Defense~~  
36.32 ~~to the commissioner of revenue on or before October 1 and shall be included in the next~~  
37.1 ~~distribution certification of county need aid that is certified to the county auditors for the~~  
37.2 ~~purpose of property tax reduction for the next taxes payable year.~~

37.3 (b) For aids payable in 2018 and 2019, the total aid under section 477A.0124, subdivision  
37.4 4, is \$130,873,444. For aids payable in 2020, the total aid under section 477A.0124,  
37.5 subdivision 4, is \$143,873,444. For aids payable in 2021 and thereafter, the total aid under  
37.6 section 477A.0124, subdivision 4, is \$145,873,444. The commissioner of revenue shall  
37.7 transfer to the commissioner of management and budget \$207,000 annually for the cost of  
37.8 preparation of local impact notes as required by section 3.987, and other local government  
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37.10 \$7,000 annually for the cost of preparation of local impact notes for school districts as  
37.11 required by section 3.987. The commissioner of revenue shall deduct the amounts transferred  
37.12 under this paragraph from the appropriation under this paragraph. The amounts transferred  
37.13 are appropriated to the commissioner of management and budget and the commissioner of  
37.14 education respectively.

37.15 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 484.85, is amended to read:

37.16 **484.85 DISPOSITION OF FINES, FEES, AND OTHER MONEY; ACCOUNTS;**  
37.17 **RAMSEY COUNTY DISTRICT COURT.**

37.18 (a) In all cases prosecuted in Ramsey County District Court by an attorney for a  
37.19 municipality or subdivision of government within Ramsey County for violation of a statute;  
37.20 an ordinance; or a charter provision, rule, or regulation of a city; all fines, penalties, and  
37.21 forfeitures collected by the court administrator shall be deposited in the state treasury and  
37.22 distributed according to this paragraph. Except where a different disposition is provided by  
37.23 section 299D.03, subdivision 5, or other law, on or before the last day of each month, the  
37.24 court shall pay over all fines, penalties, and forfeitures collected by the court administrator  
37.25 during the previous month as follows:

37.26 ~~(1) for offenses committed within the city of St. Paul, two-thirds paid to the treasurer~~  
37.27 ~~of the city of St. Paul municipality or subdivision of government within Ramsey County~~  
37.28 ~~and one-third credited to the state general fund; and.~~

37.29 ~~(2) for offenses committed within any other municipality or subdivision of government~~  
37.30 ~~within Ramsey County, one-half paid to the treasurer of the municipality or subdivision of~~  
37.31 ~~government and one-half credited to the state general fund.~~

37.32 All other fines, penalties, and forfeitures collected by the district court shall be distributed  
37.33 by the courts as provided by law.

38.1 (b) Fines, penalties, and forfeitures shall be distributed as provided in paragraph (a)  
38.2 when:

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22.14 education respectively.

38.3 (1) a city contracts with the county attorney for prosecutorial services under section  
38.4 484.87, subdivision 3; or

38.5 (2) the attorney general provides assistance to the city attorney under section 484.87,  
38.6 subdivision 5.

38.7 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2022.

38.8 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 590.01, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

38.9 Subd. 4. **Time limit.** (a) No petition for postconviction relief may be filed more than  
38.10 two years after the later of:

38.11 (1) the entry of judgment of conviction or sentence if no direct appeal is filed; or

38.12 (2) an appellate court's disposition of petitioner's direct appeal.

38.13 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), a court may hear a petition for postconviction relief  
38.14 if:

38.15 (1) the petitioner establishes that a physical disability or mental disease precluded a  
38.16 timely assertion of the claim;

38.17 (2) the petitioner alleges the existence of newly discovered evidence, including scientific  
38.18 evidence, that could not have been ascertained by the exercise of due diligence by the  
38.19 petitioner or petitioner's attorney within the two-year time period for filing a postconviction  
38.20 petition, and the evidence is not cumulative to evidence presented at trial, is not for  
38.21 impeachment purposes, and establishes by a clear and convincing standard that the petitioner  
38.22 is innocent of the offense or offenses for which the petitioner was convicted;

38.23 (3) the petitioner asserts a new interpretation of federal or state constitutional or statutory  
38.24 law by either the United States Supreme Court or a Minnesota appellate court and the  
38.25 petitioner establishes that this interpretation is retroactively applicable to the petitioner's  
38.26 case;

38.27 (4) the petition is brought pursuant to subdivision 3; ~~or~~

38.28 (5) the petitioner establishes to the satisfaction of the court that the petition is not frivolous  
38.29 and is in the interests of justice; or

38.30 (6) the petitioner is either placed into immigration removal proceedings, or detained for  
38.31 the purpose of removal from the United States, or received notice to report for removal, as  
39.1 a result of a conviction that was obtained by relying on incorrect advice or absent advice  
39.2 from counsel on immigration consequences.

39.3 (c) Any petition invoking an exception provided in paragraph (b) must be filed within  
39.4 two years of the date the claim arises.

39.5 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 611.21, is amended to read:

39.6 **611.21 SERVICES OTHER THAN COUNSEL.**

39.7 (a) Counsel appointed by the court for an indigent defendant, or representing a defendant  
39.8 who, at the outset of the prosecution, has an annual income not greater than 125 percent of  
39.9 the poverty line established under United States Code, title 42, section 9902(2), may file  
39.10 an ex parte application requesting investigative, expert, interpreter, or other services necessary  
39.11 to an adequate defense in the case. Upon finding, after appropriate inquiry in an ex parte  
39.12 proceeding, that the services are necessary and that the defendant is financially unable to  
39.13 obtain them, the court shall authorize counsel to obtain the services on behalf of the  
39.14 defendant. The court may establish a limit on the amount which may be expended or promised  
39.15 for such services. The court may, in the interests of justice, and upon a finding that timely  
39.16 procurement of necessary services could not await prior authorization, ratify such services  
39.17 after they have been obtained, but such ratification shall be given only in unusual situations.  
39.18 The court shall determine reasonable compensation for the services and direct payment by  
39.19 the county in which the prosecution originated, to the organization or person who rendered  
39.20 them, upon the filing of a claim for compensation supported by an affidavit specifying the  
39.21 time expended, services rendered, and expenses incurred on behalf of the defendant, and  
39.22 the compensation received in the same case or for the same services from any other source.

39.23 (b) The compensation to be paid to a person for such service rendered to a defendant  
39.24 under this section, or to be paid to an organization for such services rendered by an employee,  
39.25 may not exceed \$1,000, exclusive of reimbursement for expenses reasonably incurred,  
39.26 unless payment in excess of that limit is certified by the court as necessary to provide fair  
39.27 compensation for services of an unusual character or duration and the amount of the excess  
39.28 payment is approved by the chief judge of the district. The chief judge of the judicial district  
39.29 may delegate approval authority to an active district judge.

39.30 (c) If the court denies authorizing counsel to obtain services on behalf of the defendant,  
39.31 the court shall make written findings of fact and conclusions of law that state the basis for  
39.32 determining that counsel may not obtain services on behalf of the defendant. When the court  
39.33 issues an order denying counsel the authority to obtain services, the defendant may appeal  
39.34 immediately from that order to the court of appeals and may request an expedited hearing.

40.1 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 611.27, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

40.2 Subd. 9. **Request for other appointment of counsel.** The chief district public defender  
40.3 ~~with the approval of~~ may request that the state public defender ~~may request that the chief~~  
40.4 ~~judge of the district court, or a district court judge designated by the chief judge,~~ authorize  
40.5 appointment of counsel other than the district public defender in such cases.

40.6 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 611.27, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

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40.13 ability of the district public defender to provide, the ~~court shall order~~ state public defender  
40.14 may approve counsel to be appointed, with compensation and expenses to be paid under  
40.15 the provisions of this subdivision and subdivision 7. Counsel in such cases shall be appointed  
40.16 by the chief district public defender. ~~If the court issues an order denying the request, the~~  
40.17 ~~court shall make written findings of fact and conclusions of law. Upon denial, the chief~~  
40.18 ~~district public defender may immediately appeal the order denying the request to the court~~  
40.19 ~~of appeals and may request an expedited hearing.~~

40.20 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 611.27, subdivision 13, is amended to read:

40.21 Subd. 13. **Correctional facility inmates.** All billings for services rendered and ordered  
40.22 under subdivision 7 shall require the approval of the chief district public defender before  
40.23 being forwarded ~~on a monthly basis~~ to the state public defender. In cases where adequate  
40.24 representation cannot be provided by the district public defender and where counsel has  
40.25 been ~~appointed under a court order~~ approved by the state public defender, the ~~state public~~  
40.26 ~~defender Board of Public Defense shall forward to the commissioner of management and~~  
40.27 ~~budget pay all billings for services rendered under the court order. The commissioner shall~~  
40.28 ~~pay for services from county program aid~~ retained transferred by the commissioner of  
40.29 revenue for that purpose under section 477A.03, subdivision 2b, paragraph (a).

40.30 The costs of appointed counsel and associated services in cases arising from new criminal  
40.31 charges brought against indigent inmates who are incarcerated in a Minnesota state  
40.32 correctional facility are the responsibility of the state Board of Public Defense. In such cases  
41.1 the state public defender may follow the procedures outlined in this section for obtaining  
41.2 court-ordered counsel.

41.3 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 611.27, subdivision 15, is amended to read:

41.4 Subd. 15. **Costs of transcripts.** In appeal cases and postconviction cases where the  
41.5 appellate public defender's office does not have sufficient funds to pay for transcripts and  
41.6 other necessary expenses because it has spent or committed all of the transcript funds in its  
41.7 annual budget, the ~~state public defender may forward to the commissioner of management~~  
41.8 ~~and budget all billings for transcripts and other necessary expenses. The commissioner shall~~  
41.9 Board of Public Defense may pay for these transcripts and other necessary expenses from  
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23.12 revenue for that purpose under section 477A.03, subdivision 2b, paragraph (a).

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23.14 charges brought against indigent inmates who are incarcerated in a Minnesota state  
23.15 correctional facility are the responsibility of the state Board of Public Defense. In such cases  
23.16 the state public defender may follow the procedures outlined in this section for obtaining  
23.17 court-ordered counsel.

23.18 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 611.27, subdivision 15, is amended to read:

23.19 Subd. 15. **Costs of transcripts.** In appeal cases and postconviction cases where the  
23.20 appellate public defender's office does not have sufficient funds to pay for transcripts and  
23.21 other necessary expenses because it has spent or committed all of the transcript funds in its  
23.22 annual budget, the ~~state public defender may forward to the commissioner of management~~  
23.23 ~~and budget all billings for transcripts and other necessary expenses. The commissioner shall~~  
23.24 Board of Public Defense may pay for these transcripts and other necessary expenses from  
23.25 county program aid ~~retained~~ transferred by the commissioner of revenue for that purpose  
23.26 under section 477A.03, subdivision 2b, paragraph (a).