Section 1. APPROPRIATIONS.

The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the general fund, or another named fund, and are available for the fiscal years indicated for each purpose. The figures "2024" and "2025" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed under them are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, or June 30, 2025, respectively. The first year is fiscal year 2024. "The second year" is fiscal year 2025. "The biennium" is fiscal years 2024 and 2025. If an appropriation in this article is enacted more than once in the 2023 legislative session, the appropriation must be given effect only once.

Appropriations by Fund

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

Subd. 2. Energy Resources

(a) $4,417,000 each year is to the division of energy resources for operating expenses.
(b) $150,000 the first year and $150,000 the second year is to remediate vermiculite.
insulation from households that are eligible for weatherization assistance under Minnesota’s weatherization assistance program, state plan under Minnesota Statutes, section 216C.254. Remediation must be done in conjunction with federal weatherization assistance program services.

(c) $1,138,000 the first year is to provide financial assistance to state colleges and universities to purchase and install solar energy generating systems under Minnesota Statutes, section 216C.375. This appropriation and is available until June 30, 2031.

(d) $189,000 the first year and $189,000 the second year are for activities associated with a utility’s implementation of a natural gas innovation plan under Minnesota Statutes, section 216B.2427.

(e) $1,444,000 the first year and $1,621,000 the second year are to maintain the current level of service delivery in the division of energy resources. The base in fiscal year 2026 and beyond is $1,621,000.

(f) $20,000,000 in the first year is transferred to the solar for schools program account established under Minnesota Statutes, section 216C.375, to provide financial assistance to schools to purchase and install solar energy generating systems under Minnesota Statutes, section 216C.375. The appropriations under this section must be expended on schools in the electric service territory of the public utility that is subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 116C.779. This is a one-time appropriation and is available until June 30, 2031. Any money remaining on June 30, 2034, cancels to the general fund.

(b) $15,000,000 in the first year is transferred from the general fund to the solar for schools program account in the special revenue fund established under Minnesota Statutes, section 216C.375. The money under this paragraph must be expended on schools located outside the electric service territory of the public utility that is subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 116C.779. Money under this paragraph is available until June 30, 2034. Any money remaining on June 30, 2034, cancels to the general fund.

(d) $189,000 each year is for activities associated with a utility’s implementation of a natural gas innovation plan under Minnesota Statutes, section 216B.2427.
located outside the electric service territory of the public utility that is subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 116C.779. This is a one-time appropriation.

50.32 (f) $3,739,000 each year is for the strengthen Minnesota homes program established under Minnesota Statutes, section 65A.299, subdivision 4. Money under this paragraph is transferred from the general fund to strengthen Minnesota homes program account in the special revenue fund. The base in fiscal year 2026 and later is $1,239,000.

51.5 (g) $300,000 the first year is to conduct an advanced nuclear study. This is a one-time appropriation.

50.19 (e) $2,630,000 the first year and $21,018,000 the second year are for preweatherization work to serve additional households and allow for services that would otherwise be denied due to current federal limitations related to the federal weatherization assistance program. Money under this paragraph is transferred from the general fund to the preweatherization account in the special revenue fund under Minnesota Statutes, section 216C.264, subdivision 1c. The base in fiscal year 2026 is $1,012,000 and the base in fiscal year 2027 is $690,000.

50.21 Of the amount appropriated under this paragraph:

50.22 (1) up to ten percent may be used to supplement utility spending on preweatherization measures as part of a low-income conservation program; and

50.24 (2) up to ten percent may be used to:

50.26 (i) recruit and train energy auditors and installers of weatherization services; and

51.6 The base in fiscal year 2026 and beyond is $1,239,000.

51.24 Of the amount appropriated under this paragraph:

51.26 (1) up to ten percent may be used to supplement utility spending on preweatherization measures as part of a low-income conservation program; and

51.28 (2) up to ten percent may be used to:

51.30 (i) recruit and train energy auditors and installers of weatherization services; and
(ii) provide financial incentives to contractors and workers to install weatherization services. The base in fiscal year 2026 is $720,000 and the base in fiscal year 2027 is $3,000,000.

(h) $850,000 the first year is for a grant to the Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission to replace the roof on the ice rink and a maintenance facility at the National Sports Center in Blaine in order to install solar arrays. This is a one-time appropriation.

(j) $17,500,000 the first year is for a grant to an investor-owned electric utility that has at least 50,000 retail electric customers, but no more than 200,000 retail electric customers, to increase the capacity and improve the reliability of an existing high-voltage direct current transmission line that runs between North Dakota and Minnesota. This is a one-time appropriation and must be used to support the cost-share component of a federal grant application to a program enacted in the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Public Law 117-58, and may otherwise be used to reduce the cost of the high-voltage direct current transmission project upgrade. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2034.

(k) $2,410,000 the first year and $2,410,000 the second year are for grants for the development of clean energy projects by Tribal nations or Tribal communities sharing geographic borders with Minnesota. Of this amount, $2,000,000 each year is for grants and $410,000 each year is for technical assistance and administrative support for the Tribal Advocacy Council on Energy under article 7, section 52. As part of the technical assistance and administrative support for the program, the commissioner must hire a Tribal liaison to support the Tribal Advocacy Council.
on Energy and advise the department on the
development of a culturally responsive clean
ergy grants program based on the priorities
identified by the Tribal Advocacy Council on
Energy.

52.21 (l) $3,000,000 the first year is for a grant to
Clean Energy Economy Minnesota for the
Minnesota Energy Alley initiative to secure
the state's energy and economic development
future. The appropriation may be used to
establish and support the initiative, provide
seed funding for businesses, develop a training
and development program, support recruitment
of entrepreneurs to Minnesota, and secure
funding from federal programs and corporate
partners to establish a self-sustaining,
long-term revenue model. This is a onetime
appropriation and is available until June 30,
2027.

55.22 (u) $2,000,000 the first year is to award
rebates to purchase or lease eligible electric
vehicles under Minnesota Statutes, section
216C.401. Rebates must be awarded under
this paragraph only to eligible purchasers
located outside the retail electric service area
of the public utility that is subject to
Minnesota Statutes, section 116C.779. This is
a onetime appropriation and is available until
June 30, 2027.

54.32 (i) $5,500,000 the first year is to award grants
to automobile dealers seeking certification to

54.33 under Minnesota Statutes, section 216C.402.

54.34 to automobile dealers seeking certification to
sell electric vehicles. Grants must only be awarded under this paragraph to eligible dealers located outside the retail electric service area of the public utility that is subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 116C.779. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2025.

(5) $164,000 the second year is for activities associated with a public utility's filing a transportation electrification plan under Minnesota Statutes, section 216B.1615. The base in fiscal year 2026 and beyond is $164,000.

(n) $3,500,000 the first year is for awarding electric panel upgrade grants under Minnesota Statutes, section 216C.377, and to reimburse the reasonable costs of the department to administer the program. Grants awarded with funds appropriated under this subdivision must be awarded only to owners of single-family homes or multifamily buildings that are located outside the electric service area of the public utility subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 116C.779. This is a onetime appropriation and remains available until June 30, 2032. Any money that remains unexpended on June 30, 2027, cancels to the general fund.

(w) $2,000,000 the first year is for grants to install on-site energy storage systems, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 216B.2422, subdivision 1, paragraph (f), with the reasonable cost of the department to administer the program. Grants awarded with funds appropriated under this subdivision must be awarded only to owners of single-family homes or multifamily buildings that are located outside the electric service area of the public utility subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 116C.779. This is a onetime appropriation and remains available until June 30, 2027. Any money that remains unexpended on June 30, 2027, cancels to the general fund.
a capacity of 50 kilowatt hours or less and that are located outside the electric service area of the electric utility subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 116C.779. To receive a grant under this subdivision, an owner of the energy storage system must be operating or have filed an application with a utility to interconnect a solar energy generating system at the same site as the energy storage system. The grant amount must be based on the number of watt-hours that reflects the duration of the energy storage system at the system's rated capacity, up to a maximum of $5,000. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027.

(o) $164,000 each year is for activities required under Minnesota Statutes, sections 216B.1616 and 216B.1697, to review energy storage proposals made by utilities and to establish a docket to develop an energy storage peak shaving tariff.

(p) $3,000,000 the first year is for grants to the clean energy resource teams partnerships under Minnesota Statutes, section 216C.385, subdivision 2, to provide additional capacity to perform the duties specified under Minnesota Statutes, section 216C.385, subdivision 3. This appropriation is onetime and is available until June 30, 2029.

(q) $2,500,000 the first year and $1,000,000 the second year are to implement energy benchmarking under Minnesota Statutes, section 216C.331. The base in fiscal year 2026 is $226,000 and the base in fiscal year 2027 is $742,000.

Of the amount appropriated under this paragraph, $750,000 the first year is to award grants to qualifying utilities that are not investor-owned utilities to support the development of technology for implementing energy generating systems at the same site as the energy storage system. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027.
energy benchmarking under Minnesota Statutes, section 216C.331. This is a onetime appropriation.

54.26 appropriation and is available until June 30, 2026.

56.24 $500,000 the first year is for a feasibility study to identify and process Minnesota iron resources that could be suitable for upgrading to long-term battery storage specifications. The results of the feasibility study must be submitted to the commissioner of commerce and to the chairs and ranking minority members of the house of representatives and senate committees with jurisdiction over energy policy no later than February 1, 2025.

56.25 (x) $500,000 the first year is for a feasibility study to identify and process Minnesota iron resources that could be suitable for upgrading to long-term battery storage specifications. The results of the feasibility study must be submitted to the commissioner of commerce and to the chairs and ranking minority members of the house of representatives and senate committees with jurisdiction over energy policy no later than February 1, 2025.

56.26 This is a onetime appropriation.

56.27 and is available until June 30, 2026.

56.28 (x) $500,000 the first year is for a feasibility study to identify and process Minnesota iron resources that could be suitable for upgrading to long-term battery storage specifications. The results of the feasibility study must be submitted to the commissioner of commerce and to the chairs and ranking minority members of the house of representatives and senate committees with jurisdiction over energy policy no later than February 1, 2025.

57.5 (z) $2,000,000 the first year is for electric school bus grants under Minnesota Statutes, section 216C.374.

57.6 (r) $7,000,000 the first year is for transfer to the electric school bus program account section 216B.1616. Money under this paragraph is transferred from the general fund to the electric school bus program account.

57.7 This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027. Any unencumbered money remaining after that date cancels to the general fund.

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57.10 (y) $15,000,000 the first year is for electric grid resiliency grants under article 7, section 53. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2028.

58.1 (i) $10,000,000 the first year is for transfer to the heat pump rebate program account established under Minnesota Statutes, section 216C.46. To award grants to school districts, and to transportation service providers and electric utilities on behalf of school districts, to purchase electric school buses and related infrastructure. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027. Any unencumbered money remaining after that date cancels to the general fund.

58.2 This is a onetime appropriation.

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58.8 (1) up to $1,400,000 the first year is to contract with an energy coordinator under

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subdivision 6. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027.

(2) $1,400,000 the first year is to conduct contractor training and support under Minnesota Statutes, section 216C.46, subdivision 6.

(1) $1,000,000 the first year is to award air ventilation pilot program grants under Minnesota Statutes, section 123B.663, for assessments, testing, and equipment upgrades in schools, and for the department's costs to administer the program. This is a onetime appropriation.

$77,000 each year is for activities associated with appeals of consumer complaints to the commission under Minnesota Statutes, section 216B.172.

$500,000 the first year is for a grant to the city of Anoka for feasibility studies as described in this paragraph and design, engineering, and environmental analysis related to the repair and reconstruction of the Rum River Dam.

Findings from the feasibility studies must be incorporated into the design and engineering funded by this appropriation under this paragraph. This appropriation is onetime and is available until June 30, 2027.

The appropriation under this paragraph includes money for the following feasibility studies:

(1) to assess the feasibility of adding a lock or other means for boats to traverse the dam to navigate between the lower Rum River and upper Rum River;

(2) to assess the feasibility of constructing the dam in a manner that would facilitate recreational river surfing at the dam site; and

(3) a study to assess the feasibility of constructing the dam in a manner to generate hydroelectric power.
289.13 (3) to assess the feasibility of constructing the
289.14 dam in a manner to generate hydroelectric
289.15 power.

289.16 Subd. 3. Petroleum Tank Release Compensation
289.17 Board
289.18 $1,076,000 $1,097,000
289.19 Subd. 3. Petroleum Tank Release Compensation
289.20 Board
289.21 $1,076,000 $1,097,000

289.22 Sec. 3. PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
289.23 (a) $8,202,000 each year is to the Public
289.24 Utilities Commission for operating expenses.
289.25 (b) $112,000 each year is for activities
289.26 associated with a utility's implementation of
289.27 a natural gas innovation plan under Minnesota
289.28 Statutes, section 216B.2427.
289.29 (c) $96,000 the second year is for activities
289.30 associated with a public utility's filing a
289.31 transportation electrification plan under
289.32 Minnesota Statutes, section 216B.1615. The
289.33 base in fiscal year 2026 and beyond is
289.34 $96,000.
289.35 (d) $32,000 each year is for activities
289.36 associated with determining compensation for
289.37 participants in commission proceedings under
289.38 Minnesota Statutes, section 216B.631.
289.39 (e) $236,000 the first year and $229,000 the
289.40 second year are for activities associated with
289.41 appeals of consumer complaints to the
289.42 commission under Minnesota Statutes, section
289.43 216B.172.
289.44 (f) $1,522,000 the first year and $1,791,000
289.45 the second year are to maintain the current
289.46 level of service delivery in the Public Utilities
289.47 Commission. The base in fiscal year 2026 and
289.48 beyond is $1,791,000.
289.49 (g) $227,000 each year is for activities
289.50 required under Minnesota Statutes, sections

57.13 Subd. 3. Petroleum Tank Release Compensation
57.14 Board
57.15 $1,076,000 $1,097,000
57.16 fund.
57.17 Sec. 3. PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
57.18 $ 10,383,000 $ 10,645,000
290.17 216B.1616 and 216B.1697, to review energy
290.18 storage proposals made by utilities and to
290.19 establish a docket to develop an energy storage
290.20 peak shaving tariff.

290.21 Sec. 4. POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY

290.22 $2,000,000 is for transfer to the local climate
290.23 action grant program account established in
290.24 the special revenue fund to:

290.25 (1) award grants to eligible applicants;
290.26 (2) provide technical assistance to applicants;
290.27 (3) pay a contractor to provide greenhouse gas
290.28 emissions data to grantees; and
290.29 (4) reimburse the reasonable costs of the
290.30 agency to administer the program.

290.31 Of this amount, 65 percent is available the first
290.32 year, of which half is reserved for applicants
290.33 located outside the counties of Hennepin,
290.34 Ramsey, Anoka, Dakota, Scott, Carver, and
290.35 Washington. In the second year, any
290.36 unencumbered first year money and the
290.37 balance of the appropriation are available to
290.38 all eligible applicants, and remain available
290.39 until June 30, 2025. The base in fiscal year
290.40 2026 is $0.

291.8 Sec. 5. HIGHER EDUCATION

291.9 Of the amount appropriated in the first year
291.10 under section 2, subdivision 2, paragraph
291.11 (q), $750,000 the first year is for a grant to
291.12 Building Owners and Managers Association
291.13 Greater Minneapolis to establish partnerships
291.14 with three technical colleges and high school
291.15 career counselors with a goal of increasing the
291.16 number of building engineers across
291.17 Minnesota. This is a one-time appropriation
291.18 and is available until June 30, 2026. The grant
291.19 recipient must provide a detailed report

291.20 describing how the grant funds were used to
the chairs and ranking minority members of
the legislative committees having jurisdiction
over higher education by January 15 of each
year until 2028. The report must describe the
progress made toward the goal of increasing
the number of building engineers and
strategies used.

Sec. 6. CLIMATE INNOVATION FINANCE
AUTHORITY

$20,000,000 the first year is for transfer to the
climate innovation finance authority account
for purposes of Minnesota Statutes, section
216C.441. This is a onetime appropriation.

Of this amount, the commissioner of
management and budget may make up to
$500,000 available to the commissioner of
commerce, at the request of the commissioner
of commerce, to conduct necessary start-up
activities before the authority has sufficient
staff resources to do so.

Sec. 7. UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

$1,000,000 the first year and $1,000,000 the
second year are for a program in the
University of Minnesota Extension Service
that enhances the capacity of the state's
agricultural sector, land and resource
managers, and communities to plan for and
adapt to weather extremes, including but not
limited to droughts and floods. This is a
onetime appropriation and is available until
June 30, 2030. The base in fiscal year 2026
and beyond is $1,000,000.

The appropriation under this section must be
used to support existing extension service staff
members and to hire additional staff members.
for a program with broad geographic reach throughout the state. The program must:

(1) identify, develop, implement, and evaluate educational programs that increase the capacity of Minnesota's agricultural sector, land and resource managers, and communities to be prepared for and adapt to projected physical changes in temperature, precipitation, and other weather parameters that affect crops, lands, horticulture, pests, and wildlife in ways that present challenges to the state's agricultural sector and the communities that depend on the agricultural sector; and

(2) communicate and interpret the latest research on critical weather trends and the scientific basis for critical weather trends to further prepare extension service staff throughout the state to educate and provide technical assistance to the agricultural sector, land and resource managers, and community members at the local level regarding technical information on water resource management, agriculture and forestry, engineering and infrastructure design, and emergency management that is necessary to develop strategies to mitigate the effects of extreme weather change.

Sec. 5. ADMINISTRATION

1. $1,512,000 the first year is for grants and activities regarding environmental analysis of construction materials under Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.312. Of this amount, $300,000 is transferred to the Department of Transportation.

2. Of the first year amount, $200,000 is for activities regarding environmental analysis of construction materials under Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.312.
3. Of this amount, up to ten percent may be used by the commissioner of administration to

4. $1,022,000 the first year and $367,000 the second year are for grants and activities regarding environmental analysis of construction materials under Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.312. Of this amount, $300,000 is transferred to the Department of Transportation.
administer this section. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2027.

(a) $690,000 the first year is for a contract with the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota for the Institute on the Environment to research and provide recommendations for establishing new energy guidelines for state buildings under Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.325, subdivision 2. The grant agreement must require the director of the Institute on the Environment to submit a written report that summarizes the findings and recommendations, including changes, to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees in the house of representatives and the senate with primary jurisdiction over energy policy and capital investment.

(c) $322,000 the first year is for a grant to Lake of the Woods County to demolish the abandoned state-owned Williams School building in the city of Williams and to abate and remediate petroleum, pollutants, or contaminants at the school site. This is a onetime appropriation.

Sec. 9. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

$310,000 the first year is for awarding grants to assist manufacturers to obtain environmental product declarations for certain construction materials used to build roads and other transportation infrastructure under Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.312. Of this amount, up to $10,000 is for the reasonable costs of the department to administer that section. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2027.
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