ARTICLE 1

COMMERCE AND OFFICE OF CANNABIS MANAGEMENT FINANCE

Section 1. **APPROPRIATIONS.**

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	APPROPRIATIONS Available for the Year Ending June 30	
	2026	**2027**
Sec. 2. **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**		
Subdivision 1. **Total Appropriation**	**$ 42,250,000**	**$ 42,901,000**

Appropriations by Fund

	2026	2027
General	39,342,000	39,993,000
Workers' Compensation Fund	815,000	815,000
Special Revenue	2,093,000	2,093,000

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

Subd. 2. **Financial Institutions**	3,035,000	3,035,000

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	APPROPRIATIONS Available for the Year Ending June 30	
	2026	**2027**
Sec. 2. **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**		
Subdivision 1. **Total Appropriation**	**$ 41,339,000**	**$ 41,302,000**

Appropriations by Fund

	2026	2027
General	38,646,000	38,609,000
Workers' Compensation Fund	600,000	600,000
Special Revenue	2,093,000	2,093,000

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

Subd. 2. **Financial Institutions**	2,954,000	2,954,000

House Language UES2216-1			Senate Language S2216-3		
(a) $400,000 each year is for a grant to Prepare and Prosper to develop, market, evaluate, and distribute a financial services inclusion program that (1) assists low-income and financially underserved populations to build savings and strengthen credit, and (2) provides services to assist low-income and financially underserved populations to become more financially stable and secure. Money remaining after the first year is available for the second year.			(a) $400,000 each year is for a grant to Prepare and Prosper to develop, market, evaluate, and distribute a financial services inclusion program that (1) assists low-income and financially underserved populations to build savings and strengthen credit, and (2) provides services to assist low-income and financially underserved populations to become more financially stable and secure. Money remaining after the first year is available for the second year.		
			(b) $254,000 each year is to administer Minnesota Statutes, chapter 58B.		
(b) $543,000 each year is for additional adviser and broker-dealer examiners.			(c) $462,000 each year is for additional securities unit staffing.		
Subd. 3. **Administrative Services**	11,643,000	12,321,000	Subd. 3. **Administrative Services**	12,143,000	12,133,000
(a) $401,000 each year is for unclaimed property compliance.					
(b) $353,000 each year is for information technology systems and cybersecurity upgrades for the unclaimed property program.			(a) $353,000 each year is for system modernization and cybersecurity upgrades for the unclaimed property program.		
(c) $564,000 each year is for modernization initiatives for the unclaimed property program.					
(d) $5,000 each year is for compensating the Real Estate Appraisal Advisory Board under Minnesota Statutes, section 82B.073.					
(e) $23,000 each year is for preliminary licensing applications.					
(f) $249,000 each year is for the senior safe fraud prevention program.			(b) $249,000 each year is for the senior safe fraud prevention program.		
(g) $500,000 each year is to operate the Prescription Drug Affordability Board established under Minnesota Statutes, section 62J.87.			(c) $500,000 each year is to create and maintain the Prescription Drug Affordability Board established under Minnesota Statutes, section 62J.87.		

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(h) $75,000 each year is for copper metal licensing and enforcement under Minnesota Statutes, section 325E.21.	(g) $75,000 each year is for copper metal licensing and enforcement under Minnesota Statutes, section 325E.21.
(i) $12,000 each year is for the intermediate blends of gasoline and biofuels report under Minnesota Statutes, section 239.791, subdivision 8.	(d) $12,000 each year is for the intermediate blends of gasoline and biofuels report under Minnesota Statutes, section 239.791, subdivision 8.
(j) $343,000 each year is for the common interest community ombudsperson established under Minnesota Statutes, section 45.0137.	(f) $348,000 each year is for the common interest community ombudsperson and related staff under Minnesota Statutes, section 45.0137.
	(e) $657,000 the first year and $62,000 the second year are for the development, maintenance, and staff costs of the common interest community register under Minnesota Statutes, section 515B.5-101.
	The base for administrative services is $12,411,000 in each of fiscal years 2028 and 2029.
Subd. 4. **Enforcement** 7,751,000 7,751,000	Subd. 4. **Enforcement** 6,421,000 6,421,000
Appropriations by Fund	
General 7,536,000 7,536,000	
Workers' Compensation 215,000 215,000	
(a) $215,000 each year is from the workers' compensation fund.	
(b) $225,000 each year is to operate the Mental Health Parity and Substance Abuse Accountability Office under Minnesota Statutes, section 62Q.465.	(a) $225,000 each year is to create and maintain the Mental Health Parity and Substance Abuse Accountability Office under Minnesota Statutes, section 62Q.465.
(c) $197,000 each year is to maintain a student loan advocate position under Minnesota Statutes, section 58B.011.	(b) $197,000 each year is to create and maintain a student loan advocate position under Minnesota Statutes, section 58B.011.

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Subd. 5. **Telecommunications**	3,235,000	3,235,000

Appropriations by Fund		
General	1,142,000	1,142,000
Special Revenue	2,093,000	2,093,000

$2,093,000 each year is from the telecommunications access Minnesota fund under Minnesota Statutes, section 237.52, subdivision 1, in the special revenue fund for the following transfers:

(1) $1,620,000 each year is to the commissioner of human services to supplement the ongoing operational expenses of the Commission of Deaf, DeafBlind, and Hard-of-Hearing Minnesotans. This transfer is subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.281;

(2) $290,000 each year is to the chief information officer to coordinate technology accessibility and usability;

(3) $133,000 each year is to the Legislative Coordinating Commission for captioning legislative coverage. This transfer is subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.281; and

(4) $50,000 each year is to the Office of MN.IT Services for a consolidated access fund to provide grants or services to other state agencies related to accessibility of web-based services.

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Subd. 6. **Insurance** 13,689,000 13,483,000

Appropriations by Fund		
General	13,089,000	12,883,000
Workers' Compensation	600,000	600,000

(a) $600,000 each year is from the workers' compensation fund.

(b) $136,000 each year is to advance standardized health plan options.

(c) $105,000 each year is to evaluate legislation for new mandated health benefits under Minnesota Statutes, section 62J.26.

(d) $42,000 each year is to ensure health plan company compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 62Q.47, paragraph (h).

(e) $432,000 each year is for pharmacy benefit manager licensing and enforcement under Minnesota, Statutes, chapter 62W.

(f) $25,000 each year is to evaluate existing statutory health benefit mandates.

Subd. 7. **Weights and Measures Division** 2,897,000 3,076,000

Sec. 3. **LEGISLATIVE COORDINATING COMMISSION** **$ 200,000 $ -0-**

$200,000 in fiscal year 2025 is to the Legislative Coordinating Commission to provide administrative support to the task force on homeowners and commercial property insurance under article 2, section 5. Upon request of the task force, the

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$1,341,000 the first year and $1,520,000 the second year are for cannabis scale and packaging inspections.

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commissioners of the Department of Commerce, Minnesota Housing and Finance Agency, and the Department of Employment and Economic Development must provide technical support and expertise. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2026.	
Sec. 4. **OFFICE OF CANNABIS MANAGEMENT** **$ 36,454,000 $ 39,347,000**	Sec. 3. **OFFICE OF CANNABIS MANAGEMENT** **$ 37,150,000 $ 40,017,000**
	$690,000 each year is for testing products regulated under Minnesota Statutes, section 151.72, and chapter 342.
	$632,000 the first year and $696,000 the second year is for operating a state reference laboratory.
(a) $14,258,000 each year is for cannabis industry community renewal grants under Minnesota Statutes, section 342.70. Of these amounts, up to three percent may be used for administrative expenses incurred by the Office of Cannabis Management. The base is $7,500,000 each year beginning in fiscal year 2028.	$15,000,000 each year is for cannabis industry community renewal grants under Minnesota Statutes, section 342.70. Of this amount, up to three percent may be used to pay for administrative expenses incurred by the Office of Cannabis Management.
(b) $1,000,000 each year is for transfer to the CanGrow revolving loan account established under Minnesota Statutes, section 342.73, subdivision 4. Of these amounts, up to three percent may be used for administrative expenses incurred by the Office of Cannabis Management.	$1,000,000 each year is for transfer to the CanGrow revolving loan account established under Minnesota Statutes, section 342.73, subdivision 4. Of this amount, up to three percent may be used to pay for administrative expenses incurred by the Office of Cannabis Management.
	The base is $40,103,000 in each of fiscal years 2028 and 2029.
Sec. 5. Laws 2023, chapter 63, article 9, section 5, is amended to read:	Sec. 4. Laws 2023, chapter 63, article 9, section 5, is amended to read:
Sec. 5. **OFFICE OF CANNABIS MANAGEMENT** **$ 21,614,000 $ 17,953,000**	Sec. 5. **OFFICE OF CANNABIS MANAGEMENT** **$ 21,614,000 $ 17,953,000**

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The base for this appropriation is $35,587,000 in fiscal year 2026 and $38,144,000 in fiscal year 2027.

$1,000,000 the second year is for cannabis industry community renewal grants under Minnesota Statutes, section 342.70. Of these amounts, up to three percent may be used for administrative expenses. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, the amount appropriated in fiscal year 2025 does not cancel and is available until June 30, 2026. The base for this appropriation is $15,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and each fiscal year thereafter.

$1,000,000 each year is for transfer to the CanGrow revolving loan account established under Minnesota Statutes, section 342.73, subdivision 4. Of these amounts, up to three percent may be used for administrative expenses.

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

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Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, subdivision 3, of the appropriation in fiscal year 2025, $6,000,000 is available until June 30, 2027.

The base for this appropriation is $35,587,000 in fiscal year 2026 and $38,144,000 in fiscal year 2027.

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