

## CHAPTER 474A

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#### 474A.01 CITATION.

Sections 474A.01 to 474A.21 may be cited as the "Minnesota Bond Allocation Act."

**History:** 1986 c 465 art 1 s 9

#### 474A.02 DEFINITIONS.

Subdivision 1. **Terms defined.** For the purposes of this chapter, the terms defined in this section shall have the meanings given them.

Subd. 2. **Annual volume cap.** "Annual volume cap" means the aggregate dollar amount of obligations constituting "private activity bonds" under federal tax law and bearing interest excluded from gross income for purposes of federal income taxation which, under the provisions of federal tax law, may be issued in one year by issuers. The commissioner shall administer the volume cap allocations for obligations permitted under the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, whether taxable or tax-exempt, in accordance with orders of the commissioner.

Subd. 2a. **Bonding authority.** "Bonding authority" means all or a portion of the annual volume cap.

Subd. 2b. **Carryforward.** "Carryforward" means the ability to issue obligations in a year subsequent to the year in which an allocation of bonding authority was obtained under this chapter as provided in section 146(f) of federal tax law.

Subd. 3. [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32]

Subd. 4. **City.** "City" means a statutory or home rule charter city.

Subd. 5. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 5a. **Commissioner.** "Commissioner" means the commissioner of management and budget.

Subd. 6. **Department; Department of Management and Budget.** "Department" means the Department of Management and Budget.

Subd. 7. **Entitlement issuer.** "Entitlement issuer" means an issuer to which an allocation is made under section 474A.03, subdivision 2a.

Subd. 8. **Federal tax law.** "Federal tax law" means those provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, that limit the aggregate amount of obligations of a specified type or types which may be issued by an issuer during a calendar year whose interest is excluded from gross income for purposes of federal income taxation.

Subd. 8a. **Housing pool.** "Housing pool" means the amount of the annual volume cap allocated under section 474A.061 which is available for mortgage credit certificates or the issuance of residential rental project bonds or mortgage bonds.

Subd. 9. [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 10. [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 11. [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 12. **Issuer.** "Issuer" means any entitlement issuer, state issuer, or other issuer.

Subd. 13. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 13a. **Small issue pool.** "Small issue pool" means the amount of the annual volume cap allocated under section 474A.061, that is available for the issuance of enterprise zone facility bonds authorized under Public Law 103-66, section 13301, small issue bonds to finance manufacturing projects, the agricultural development bond beginning farmer and agricultural business enterprise loan program authorized in sections 41C.01 to 41C.13, and student loan bonds issued by the Minnesota Office of Higher Education.

Subd. 14. **Manufacturing project.** "Manufacturing project" means any facility which is used in the manufacturing or production of tangible personal property, including the processing resulting in a change in the condition of the property, or in the manufacturing, creation, or production of intangible property, including any patent, copyright, formula, process, design, know-how, format, or other similar item.

Subd. 15. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 16. [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32]

Subd. 17. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 18. **Notice of entitlement allocation.** "Notice of entitlement allocation" means a notice provided to an entitlement issuer under section 474A.04, subdivision 5.

Subd. 19. **Other issuer.** "Other issuer" means an entity other than an entitlement issuer or state issuer which may issue obligations subject to an annual volume cap, including the University of Minnesota, a city, town, federally recognized American Indian tribe or subdivision located in Minnesota, housing and redevelopment authority referred to in sections 469.001 to 469.047, or a body authorized to exercise the powers of a housing and redevelopment authority, a port authority referred to in sections 469.048 to 469.089, or a body authorized to exercise the powers of a port authority, an economic development authority referred to in sections 469.090 to 469.108, an area or municipal redevelopment agency referred to in sections 469.109 to 469.123, a county, or municipal authority or agency established under special law, or an entity issuing on behalf of the foregoing.

Subd. 20. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 20a. **Permanently issued.** Obligations are "permanently issued" if either (1) the obligations have been issued under terms and conditions such that the proceeds are available for the purpose for which they

were issued, or (2) ten percent of the proceeds of the obligations, excluding costs of issuance, have been disbursed for the purpose for which they were issued.

Subd. 21. **Preliminary resolution.** "Preliminary resolution" means a resolution adopted by the governing body or board of the issuer, or by the commissioner of Iron Range resources and rehabilitation. The resolution must express a preliminary intention of the issuer to issue obligations for a specific project, identify the proposed project, and disclose the proposed amount of qualified bonds to be issued. Preliminary resolutions for mortgage bonds and student loan bonds need not identify a specific project.

Subd. 22. [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 22a. **Public facilities pool.** "Public facilities pool" means the amount of the annual volume cap allocated under section 474A.061, which is available for the issuance of public facility bonds.

Subd. 22b. **Public facilities project.** "Public facilities project" means any publicly owned facility, or facility owned by a nonprofit organization that is used for district heating or cooling, that is eligible to be financed with the proceeds of public facilities bonds as defined under section 474A.02, subdivision 23a.

Subd. 23. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 23a. **Qualified bonds.** "Qualified bonds" means the specific type or types of obligations that are subject to the annual volume cap. Qualified bonds include the following types of obligations as defined in federal tax law:

(a) "public facility bonds" means "exempt facility bonds" as defined in federal tax law, except for residential rental project bonds, which are those obligations issued to finance airports, docks and wharves, mass commuting facilities, facilities for the furnishing of water, sewage facilities, solid waste disposal facilities, facilities for the local furnishing of electric energy or gas, local district heating or cooling facilities, and qualified hazardous waste facilities. New bonds and other obligations are ineligible to receive state allocations or entitlement authority for public facility projects under this section if they have been issued:

(1) for the purpose of refinancing, refunding, or otherwise defeasing existing debt; and

(2) more than one calendar year prior to the date of application;

(b) "residential rental project bonds" which are those obligations issued to finance qualified residential rental projects;

(c) "mortgage bonds";

(d) "small issue bonds" issued to finance manufacturing projects and the acquisition or improvement of agricultural real or personal property under sections 41C.01 to 41C.13;

(e) "student loan bonds" issued by or on behalf of the Minnesota Office of Higher Education;

(f) "redevelopment bonds";

(g) "governmental bonds" with a nonqualified amount in excess of \$15,000,000 as set forth in section 141(b)5 of federal tax law; and

(h) "enterprise zone facility bonds" issued to finance facilities located within empowerment zones or enterprise communities, as authorized under Public Law 103-66, section 13301.

Subd. 23b. **Rent.** "Rent" means the total monthly cost of occupancy payable directly by the tenant and the cost of any utilities, other than telephone. It does not include a charge for a service that is not required as a condition of occupancy.

Subd. 23c. **Single-room occupancy unit.** "Single-room occupancy unit" means an enclosed dwelling space which does not include within the space a separate bedroom and is suitable for occupancy by one individual person capable of independent living.

Subd. 24. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 25. [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 26. **State issuer.** "State issuer" means the state of Minnesota; the commissioner of Iron Range resources and rehabilitation; or other agency, department, board, or commission of the state, that is authorized to issue obligations and has statewide jurisdiction.

Subd. 26a. **Unified pool.** "Unified pool" means the amount of the annual volume cap allocated under section 474A.091 that is available for the issuance of qualified bonds.

Subd. 27. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 28. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 29. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

**History:** 1986 c 465 art 1 s 10; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 1-21; 1987 c 312 art 1 s 26 subd 2; 1989 c 209 art 2 s 46; 1989 c 335 art 1 s 250; 1990 c 552 s 2-4; 1991 c 332 s 19,20; 1991 c 346 s 3-10; 1994 c 527 s 1-3; 1999 c 189 s 1; 2001 c 214 s 13-17; 2005 c 107 art 2 s 60; 2009 c 88 art 6 s 21,22; 2009 c 101 art 2 s 109; 2017 c 94 art 7 s 56

#### **474A.025 DEADLINE DATES AND TIMES.**

All applications, notices, and other materials required to be filed or submitted to the department pursuant to this chapter must be received by the department no later than 4:30 p.m. on the deadline day or date. When an application, notice, or other required material is required to be filed or submitted to the department on or before a prescribed day or date and the prescribed day or date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, it is timely filed or submitted if it is received by the department by 4:30 p.m. on the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday.

**History:** 1996 c 362 s 7

#### **474A.03 DETERMINATION OF ANNUAL VOLUME CAP.**

Subdivision 1. **Under federal tax law; allocations.** At the beginning of each calendar year after December 31, 2001, the commissioner shall determine the aggregate dollar amount of the annual volume cap under federal tax law for the calendar year, and of this amount the commissioner shall make the following allocation:

- (1) \$74,530,000 to the small issue pool;
- (2) \$122,060,000 to the housing pool, of which 31 percent of the adjusted allocation is reserved until the last Monday in July for single-family housing programs;
- (3) \$12,750,000 to the public facilities pool; and
- (4) amounts to be allocated as provided in subdivision 2a.

If the annual volume cap is greater or less than the amount of bonding authority allocated under clauses (1) to (4) and subdivision 2a, paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (4), the allocation must be adjusted so that each adjusted allocation is the same percentage of the annual volume cap as each original allocation is of the total bonding authority originally allocated.

Subd. 2. [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 2a. **Entitlement issuer allocation.** (a) The commissioner shall make the following allocation to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency and the following cities and county:

(1) \$84,940,000 per year to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency;

(2) \$33,190,000 per year to the city of Minneapolis;

(3) \$24,890,000 per year to the city of Saint Paul; and

(4) \$16,600,000 per year to the Dakota County Community Development Agency for the county of Dakota and all political subdivisions located within the county.

(b) Entitlement allocations provided under this subdivision must be used for mortgage bonds, mortgage credit certificates, public facility bonds, or residential rental project bonds, except that entitlement issuers may carry forward their allocations for any qualified bond as defined under section 474A.02, subdivision 23a.

(c) Data on the home purchase price amount, mortgage amount, income, household size, and race of the households served with the proceeds of mortgage revenue bonds and mortgage credit certificates in the previous year must be submitted by each entitlement issuer to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency by December 31 of each year. Compliance by the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency with the provisions of section 462A.073, subdivision 5, shall be deemed compliance with the reporting requirements of this subdivision.

Subd. 3. [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 4. **Application fee.** Every entitlement issuer and other issuer shall pay to the commissioner a nonrefundable application fee to offset the state cost of program administration. The application fee is \$20 for each \$100,000 of entitlement or allocation requested, with the request rounded to the nearest \$100,000. The minimum fee is \$20. Fees received by the commissioner must be credited to the general fund. Each entitlement issuer must pay its application fee in full for that calendar year to the commissioner no later than when the first notice of issuance of bonds, notice of use of mortgage credit certificates, or notice of carry forward is submitted to the commissioner by that issuer.

**History:** 1986 c 465 art 1 s 11; 1Sp1986 c 3 art 2 s 33; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 22,23; 1990 c 552 s 5; 1991 c 332 s 21; 1991 c 345 art 1 s 96; 1991 c 346 s 11; 1992 c 545 art 1 s 3; 1994 c 527 s 4; 1995 c 167 s 6,7; 1997 c 169 s 1,2; 1999 c 248 s 25; 2001 c 214 s 18-20

#### 474A.04 ENTITLEMENT ALLOCATIONS UNDER EXISTING FEDERAL TAX LAW.

Subdivision 1. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 1a. **Entitlement reservations.** Any amount returned by an entitlement issuer before July 15 shall be reallocated through the housing pool. Any amount returned on or after July 15 shall be reallocated through the unified pool. An amount returned after the last Monday in November shall be reallocated to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency.

Subd. 2. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 3. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 4. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 5. **Notice of entitlement allocation.** As soon as possible in each calendar year, the commissioner shall post on the department's website the amount of each entitlement allocation.

Subd. 6. **Entitlement transfers.** An entitlement issuer may enter into an agreement with another entitlement issuer whereby the recipient entitlement issuer issues obligations pursuant to bonding authority allocated to the original entitlement issuer under this section. An entitlement issuer may enter into an agreement with an issuer which is not an entitlement issuer whereby the recipient issuer issues qualified mortgage bonds, up to \$100,000 of which are issued pursuant to bonding authority allocated to the original entitlement issuer under this section. The agreement may be approved and executed by the mayor of the entitlement issuer with or without approval or review by the city council. Notwithstanding section 474A.091, subdivision 4, prior to December 1, the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, Minnesota Office of Higher Education, and Minnesota Rural Finance Authority may transfer allocated bonding authority made available under this chapter to one another under an agreement by each agency and the commissioner.

**History:** 1986 c 465 art 1 s 12; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 24-26; 1988 c 586 s 1; 1988 c 702 s 8; 1991 c 346 s 12; 1992 c 545 art 1 s 4; 1994 c 527 s 5; 1997 c 169 s 3; 2001 c 214 s 21,22; 2010 c 364 s 24; 2010 c 389 art 7 s 9; 2013 c 143 art 12 s 12

#### **474A.045 SCORING; ENTERPRISE ZONE FACILITY, MANUFACTURING PROJECT.**

The following criteria must be used in determining the allocation of enterprise zone facility bonds and small issue bonds for manufacturing projects. The issuer must prepare and submit to the commissioner a public purpose scoring worksheet that presents the data and methods used in determining the total score under this section. The total score is the sum of the following:

(1) the number of direct new jobs in the state generated by the proposed project for the next two years per \$100,000 of proposed allocation multiplied by 15;

(2) the number of direct existing jobs in the state multiplied by .625 due to the proposed project for the next two years per \$100,000 of proposed allocation multiplied by 15;

(3) the average hourly wage paid to employees by the proposed project for the next two years, exclusive of benefits mandated by law, based on the following scale:

Wages paid per hour	\$8	\$10	\$12	\$15
Non-Metro area points awarded	10	15	20	20
Seven-County Metro Area points awarded	0	10	15	20

For purposes of this section, the seven-county metropolitan area includes Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington Counties;

(4) the quotient of the estimated total net increase in property taxes generated in the state by the project in the first full year of operation divided by the proposed bond allocation, multiplied by 500;

(5) the seasonally unadjusted unemployment rate in the community where the proposed project is located measured as a percent of the state's unemployment rate, multiplied by ten.

The community seasonally unadjusted unemployment rate used in determining the points under clause (5) must be the most recent rate for the city or county in which the proposed project is located, as provided by the commissioner of employment and economic development;

(6) 20 points for projects that locate in an incorporated area or a planned urban growth area as defined by section 462.352, subdivision 18;

(7) 20 points for brownfield projects located in a state or federal Superfund site, a voluntary investigation and cleanup site, or a brownfield site, all as defined by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency; and

(8) 20 points for projects with favorable environmental citizenship as evidenced by no nonforgivable or combination administrative penalty orders, stipulation agreements, consent decrees, or other enforcement orders containing a monetary penalty by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency over the past three years or pending at the time of application.

**History:** 1990 c 552 s 6; 1994 c 483 s 1; 1998 c 363 s 3; 1999 c 189 s 2; 2001 c 214 s 23; 2009 c 86 art 1 s 89

#### **474A.047 RESIDENTIAL RENTAL BONDS; LIMITATIONS.**

Subdivision 1. **Eligibility.** (a) An issuer may only use the proceeds from residential rental bonds if the proposed project meets the following requirements:

(1) the proposed residential rental project meets the requirements of section 142(d) of the Internal Revenue Code regarding the incomes of the occupants of the housing; and

(2) the maximum rent for at least 20 percent of the units in the proposed residential rental project do not exceed the area fair market rent or exception fair market rents for existing housing, if applicable, as established by the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development. The rental rates of units in a residential rental project for which project-based federal assistance payments are made are deemed to be within the rent limitations of this clause.

(b) The proceeds from residential rental bonds may be used for a project for which project-based federal rental assistance payments are made only if:

(1) the owner of the project enters into a binding agreement with the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency under which the owner is obligated to extend any existing low-income affordability restrictions and any contract or agreement for rental assistance payments for the maximum term permitted, including any renewals thereof; and

(2) the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency certifies that project reserves will be maintained at closing of the bond issue and budgeted in future years at the lesser of:

(i) the level described in Minnesota Rules, part 4900.0010, subpart 7, item A, subitem (2), effective May 1, 1997; or

(ii) the level of project reserves available prior to the bond issue, provided that additional money is available to accomplish repairs and replacements needed at the time of bond issue.

Subd. 2. **15-year agreement.** Prior to the issuance of residential rental bonds, the developer of the project for which the bond proceeds will be used must enter into a 15-year agreement with the issuer that specifies the maximum rental rates of the rent-restricted units in the project and the income levels of the residents of the project occupying income-restricted units. Such rental rates and income levels must be within the limitations established under subdivision 1. The developer must annually certify to the issuer over the term of the agreement that the rental rates for the rent-restricted units are within the limitations under subdivision 1. The issuer may request individual certification of the income of residents of the income-restricted units. The commissioner may request from the issuer a copy of the annual certification prepared by the developer. The commissioner may require the issuer to request individual certification of all residents of the income-restricted units.

Subd. 3. **Penalty.** The issuer shall monitor project compliance with the rental rate and income level requirements under subdivision 1. The issuer may issue an order of noncompliance if a project is found by the issuer to be out of compliance with the rental rate or income level requirements under subdivision 1. The owner or owners of the project shall pay a penalty to the issuer equal to one-half of one percent of the total amount of bonds issued for the project under this chapter if the issuer issues an order of noncompliance. For each additional year a project is out of compliance, the annual penalty must be increased by one-half of one percent of the total amount of bonds issued under this chapter for the project. The issuer may waive insubstantial violations.

**History:** 1990 c 552 s 7; 1991 c 346 s 13,14; 1992 c 545 art 1 s 5; 1993 c 164 s 4; 1994 c 527 s 6; 1997 c 169 s 4; 2000 c 493 s 15; 2001 c 214 s 24,25; 2008 c 366 art 5 s 19

**474A.048** [Repealed, 1991 c 346 s 29]

**474A.05** [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

**474A.06** [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

#### **474A.061 MANUFACTURING, HOUSING, AND PUBLIC FACILITIES POOLS.**

Subdivision 1. **Allocation application.** (a) An issuer may apply for an allocation under this section by submitting to the department an application on forms provided by the department, accompanied by (1) a preliminary resolution, (2) a statement of bond counsel that the proposed issue of obligations requires an allocation under this chapter and the Internal Revenue Code, (3) the type of qualified bonds to be issued, (4) an application deposit in the amount of one percent of the requested allocation before the last Monday in July, or in the amount of two percent of the requested allocation on or after the last Monday in July, (5) a public purpose scoring worksheet for manufacturing project and enterprise zone facility project applications, and (6) for residential rental projects, a statement from the applicant or bond counsel as to whether the project preserves existing federally subsidized housing for residential rental project applications and whether the project is restricted to persons who are 55 years of age or older. The issuer must pay the application deposit by a check made payable to the Department of Management and Budget. The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, the Minnesota Rural Finance Authority, and the Minnesota Office of Higher Education may apply for and receive an allocation under this section without submitting an application deposit.

(b) An entitlement issuer may not apply for an allocation from the public facilities pool unless it has either permanently issued bonds equal to the amount of its entitlement allocation for the current year plus any amount of bonding authority carried forward from previous years or returned for reallocation all of its unused entitlement allocation. An entitlement issuer may not apply for an allocation from the housing pool unless it either has permanently issued bonds equal to any amount of bonding authority carried forward from a previous year or has returned for reallocation any unused bonding authority carried forward from a previous



year. For purposes of this subdivision, its entitlement allocation includes an amount obtained under section 474A.04, subdivision 6. This paragraph does not apply to an application from the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency for an allocation under subdivision 2a for cities who choose to have the agency issue bonds on their behalf.

(c) If an application is rejected under this section, the commissioner must notify the applicant and return the application deposit to the applicant within 30 days unless the applicant requests in writing that the application be resubmitted. The granting of an allocation of bonding authority under this section must be evidenced by a certificate of allocation.

Subd. 2. [Repealed, 1990 c 552 s 24]

Subd. 2a. **Housing pool allocation.** (a) Commencing on the second Tuesday in January and continuing on each Monday through July 15, the commissioner shall allocate available bonding authority from the housing pool to applications received on or before the Monday of the preceding week for residential rental projects that meet the eligibility criteria under section 474A.047. Allocations of available bonding authority from the housing pool for eligible residential rental projects shall be awarded in the following order of priority: (1) projects that preserve existing federally subsidized housing; (2) projects that are not restricted to persons who are 55 years of age or older; and (3) other residential rental projects. Prior to May 15, no allocation shall be made to a project restricted to persons who are 55 years of age or older. If an issuer that receives an allocation under this paragraph does not issue obligations equal to all or a portion of the allocation received within 120 days of the allocation or returns the allocation to the commissioner, the amount of the allocation is canceled and returned for reallocation through the housing pool or to the unified pool after July 15.

(b) After January 1, and through January 15, the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency may accept applications from cities for single-family housing programs which meet program requirements as follows:

(1) the housing program must meet a locally identified housing need and be economically viable;

(2) the adjusted income of home buyers may not exceed 80 percent of the greater of statewide or area median income as published by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, adjusted for household size;

(3) house price limits may not exceed the federal price limits established for mortgage revenue bond programs. Data on the home purchase price amount, mortgage amount, income, household size, and race of the households served in the previous year's single-family housing program, if any, must be included in each application; and

(4) for applicants who choose to have the agency issue bonds on their behalf, an application fee pursuant to section 474A.03, subdivision 4, and an application deposit equal to one percent of the requested allocation must be submitted to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency before the agency forwards the list specifying the amounts allocated to the commissioner under paragraph (d). The agency shall submit the city's application fee and application deposit to the commissioner when requesting an allocation from the housing pool.

Applications by a consortium shall include the name of each member of the consortium and the amount of allocation requested by each member.

(c) Any amounts remaining in the housing pool after July 15 are available for single-family housing programs for cities that applied in January and received an allocation under this section in the same calendar year. For a city that chooses to issue bonds on its own behalf or pursuant to a joint powers agreement, the agency must allot available bonding authority based on the formula in paragraphs (d) and (f). Allocations

will be made loan by loan, on a first-come, first-served basis among cities on whose behalf the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency issues bonds.

Any city that received an allocation pursuant to paragraph (f) in the same calendar year that wishes to issue bonds on its own behalf or pursuant to a joint powers agreement for an amount becoming available for single-family housing programs after July 15 shall notify the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency by July 15. The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency shall notify each city making a request of the amount of its allocation within three business days after July 15. The city must comply with paragraph (f).

For purposes of paragraphs (a) to (h), "city" means a county or a consortium of local government units that agree through a joint powers agreement to apply together for single-family housing programs, and has the meaning given it in section 462C.02, subdivision 6. "Agency" means the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency.

(d) The total amount of allocation for mortgage bonds for one city is limited to the lesser of: (i) the amount requested, or (ii) the product of the total amount available for mortgage bonds from the housing pool, multiplied by the ratio of each applicant's population as determined by the most recent estimate of the city's population released by the state demographer's office to the total of all the applicants' population, except that each applicant shall be allocated a minimum of \$100,000 regardless of the amount requested or the amount determined under the formula in clause (ii). If a city applying for an allocation is located within a county that has also applied for an allocation, the city's population will be deducted from the county's population in calculating the amount of allocations under this paragraph.

Upon determining the amount of each applicant's allocation, the agency shall forward to the commissioner a list specifying the amounts allotted to each application with all application fees and deposits from applicants who choose to have the agency issue bonds on their behalf.

Total allocations from the housing pool for single-family housing programs may not exceed 31 percent of the adjusted allocation to the housing pool until after July 15.

(e) The agency may issue bonds on behalf of participating cities. The agency shall request an allocation from the commissioner for all applicants who choose to have the agency issue bonds on their behalf and the commissioner shall allocate the requested amount to the agency. The agency may request an allocation at any time after the second Tuesday in January and through the last Monday in July. After awarding an allocation and receiving a notice of issuance for the mortgage bonds issued on behalf of the participating cities, the commissioner shall transfer the application deposits to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency to be returned to the participating cities. The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency shall return any application deposit to a city that paid an application deposit under paragraph (b), clause (4), but was not part of the list forwarded to the commissioner under paragraph (d).

(f) A city may choose to issue bonds on its own behalf or through a joint powers agreement and may request an allocation from the commissioner by forwarding an application with an application fee pursuant to section 474A.03, subdivision 4, and a one percent application deposit to the commissioner no later than the Monday of the week preceding an allocation. If the total amount requested by all applicants exceeds the amount available in the pool, the city may not receive a greater allocation than the amount it would have received under the list forwarded by the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency to the commissioner. No city may request or receive an allocation from the commissioner until the list under paragraph (d) has been forwarded to the commissioner. A city must request an allocation from the commissioner no later than the last Monday in July. No city may receive an allocation from the housing pool for mortgage bonds which

has not first applied to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency. The commissioner shall allocate the requested amount to the city or cities subject to the limitations under this paragraph.

If a city issues mortgage bonds from an allocation received under this paragraph, the issuer must provide for the recycling of funds into new loans. If the issuer is not able to provide for recycling, the issuer must notify the commissioner in writing of the reason that recycling was not possible and the reason the issuer elected not to have the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency issue the bonds. "Recycling" means the use of money generated from the repayment and prepayment of loans for further eligible loans or for the redemption of bonds and the issuance of current refunding bonds.

(g) No entitlement city or county or city in an entitlement county may apply for or be allocated authority to issue mortgage bonds or use mortgage credit certificates from the housing pool. No city in an entitlement county may apply for or be allocated authority to issue residential rental bonds from the housing pool or the unified pool.

(h) A city that does not use at least 50 percent of its allotment by the date applications are due for the first allocation that is made from the housing pool for single-family housing programs in the immediately succeeding calendar year may not apply to the housing pool for a single-family mortgage bond or mortgage credit certificate program allocation that exceeds the amount of its allotment for the preceding year that was used by the city in the immediately preceding year or receive an allotment from the housing pool in the succeeding calendar year that exceeds the amount of its allotment for the preceding year that was used in the preceding year. The minimum allotment is \$100,000 for an allocation made prior to July 15, regardless of the amount used in the preceding calendar year, except that a city whose allocation in the preceding year was the minimum amount of \$100,000 and who did not use at least 50 percent of its allocation from the preceding year is ineligible for an allocation in the immediate succeeding calendar year. Each local government unit in a consortium must meet the requirements of this paragraph.

Subd. 2b. **Small issue pool allocation.** Commencing on the second Tuesday in January and continuing on each Monday through the last Monday in July, the commissioner shall allocate available bonding authority from the small issue pool to applications received on or before the Monday of the preceding week for manufacturing projects and enterprise zone facility projects. From the second Tuesday in January through the last Monday in July, the commissioner shall reserve \$5,000,000 of the available bonding authority from the small issue pool for applications for agricultural development bond loan projects of the Minnesota Rural Finance Authority.

Beginning in calendar year 2002, on the second Tuesday in January through the last Monday in July, the commissioner shall reserve \$10,000,000 of available bonding authority in the small issue pool for applications for student loan bonds of or on behalf of the Minnesota Office of Higher Education. The total amount of allocations for student loan bonds from the small issue pool may not exceed \$10,000,000 per year.

The commissioner shall reserve \$10,000,000 until the day after the last Monday in February, \$10,000,000 until the day after the last Monday in April, and \$10,000,000 until the day after the last Monday in June in the small issue pool for enterprise zone facility projects and manufacturing projects. The amount of allocation provided to an issuer for a specific enterprise zone facility project or manufacturing project will be based on the number of points received for the proposed project under the scoring system under section 474A.045.

If there are two or more applications for manufacturing and enterprise zone facility projects from the small issue pool and there is insufficient bonding authority to provide allocations for all projects in any one week, the available bonding authority shall be awarded based on the number of points awarded a project

under section 474A.045, with those projects receiving the greatest number of points receiving allocation first. If two or more applications receive an equal number of points, available bonding authority shall be awarded by lot unless otherwise agreed to by the respective issuers.

**Subd. 2c. Public facilities pool allocation.** From the beginning of the calendar year and continuing for a period of 120 days, the commissioner shall reserve \$5,000,000 of the available bonding authority from the public facilities pool for applications for public facilities projects to be financed by the Western Lake Superior Sanitary District. Commencing on the second Tuesday in January and continuing on each Monday through the last Monday in July, the commissioner shall allocate available bonding authority from the public facilities pool to applications for eligible public facilities projects received on or before the Monday of the preceding week. If there are two or more applications for public facilities projects from the pool and there is insufficient available bonding authority to provide allocations for all projects in any one week, the available bonding authority shall be awarded by lot unless otherwise agreed to by the respective issuers.

Subd. 3. [Repealed, 1998 c 363 s 9]

**Subd. 4. Return of allocation; deposit refund.** (a) If an issuer that receives an allocation under this section determines that it will not issue obligations equal to all or a portion of the allocation received under this section within 120 days of allocation or within the time period permitted by federal tax law, whichever is less, the issuer must notify the department. If the issuer notifies the department or the 120-day period since allocation has expired prior to the last Monday in July, the amount of allocation is canceled and returned for reallocation through the pool from which it was originally allocated. If the issuer notifies the department or the 120-day period since allocation has expired on or after the last Monday in July, the amount of allocation is canceled and returned for reallocation through the unified pool. If the issuer notifies the department after the last Monday in November, the amount of allocation is canceled and returned for reallocation to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency. To encourage a competitive application process, the commissioner shall reserve, for new applications, the amount of allocation that is canceled and returned for reallocation under this section for a minimum of seven calendar days.

(b) An issuer that returns for reallocation all or a portion of an allocation received under this section within 120 days of allocation shall receive within 30 days a refund equal to:

(1) one-half of the application deposit for the amount of bonding authority returned within 30 days of receiving allocation;

(2) one-fourth of the application deposit for the amount of bonding authority returned between 31 and 60 days of receiving allocation; and

(3) one-eighth of the application deposit for the amount of bonding authority returned between 61 and 120 days of receiving allocation.

(c) No refund shall be available for allocations returned 120 or more days after receiving the allocation or beyond the last Monday in November.

Subd. 5. [Repealed, 1988 c 586 s 5]

Subd. 6. [Repealed, 2001 c 214 s 49]

**History:** 1987 c 268 art 16 s 27; 1988 c 586 s 2,3; 1Sp1989 c 1 art 17 s 16-18; 1990 c 552 s 9-14; 1991 c 332 s 22-25; 1991 c 346 s 15-20; 1992 c 545 art 1 s 6,7; 1993 c 164 s 5; 1994 c 527 s 7,8; 1995 c 167 s 8-11; 1995 c 186 s 93; 1995 c 212 art 3 s 59; 1996 c 362 s 8-10; 1997 c 169 s 5; 1998 c 363 s 4-6; 1999 c

*189 s 3-5; 2001 c 214 s 26-30; 2003 c 127 art 12 s 22; 1Sp2003 c 21 art 10 s 9,11; 2005 c 107 art 2 s 60; 2005 c 152 art 1 s 21; 2009 c 101 art 2 s 109*

#### **474A.062 MINNESOTA OFFICE OF HIGHER EDUCATION 120-DAY ISSUANCE EXEMPTION.**

The Minnesota Office of Higher Education is exempt from the 120-day issuance requirements in this chapter and may carry forward allocations for student loan bonds, subject to carryforward notice requirements of section 474A.131, subdivision 2.

**History:** *2001 c 214 s 31; 2005 c 107 art 2 s 60; 2006 c 259 art 9 s 10; 2013 c 143 art 12 s 13*

**474A.07** Subdivision 1. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 2. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 3. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 4. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 5. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 6. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 7. [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

**474A.08** [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

**474A.081** Subdivision 1. [Repealed, 1991 c 199 art 1 s 78; 1991 c 346 s 29]

Subd. 2. [Repealed, 1991 c 199 art 1 s 78; 1991 c 346 s 29]

Subd. 3. [Repealed, 1989 c 328 art 1 s 21]

Subd. 4. [Repealed, 1991 c 199 art 1 s 78; 1991 c 346 s 29]

**474A.09** [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

#### **474A.091 ALLOCATION OF UNIFIED POOL.**

Subdivision 1. **Unified pool amount.** On the day after the last Monday in July any bonding authority remaining unallocated from the small issue pool, the housing pool, and the public facilities pool is transferred to the unified pool and must be reallocated as provided in this section.

Subd. 2. **Application.** Issuers may apply for an allocation under this section by submitting to the department an application on forms provided by the department accompanied by (1) a preliminary resolution, (2) a statement of bond counsel that the proposed issue of obligations requires an allocation under this chapter and the Internal Revenue Code, (3) the type of qualified bonds to be issued, (4) an application deposit in the amount of two percent of the requested allocation, (5) a public purpose scoring worksheet for manufacturing and enterprise zone applications, and (6) for residential rental projects, a statement from the applicant or bond counsel as to whether the project preserves existing federally subsidized housing and whether the project is restricted to persons who are 55 years of age or older. The issuer must pay the application deposit by check. An entitlement issuer may not apply for an allocation for public facility bonds, residential rental project bonds, or mortgage bonds under this section unless it has either permanently issued bonds equal to the amount of its entitlement allocation for the current year plus any amount carried forward from previous

years or returned for reallocation all of its unused entitlement allocation. For purposes of this subdivision, its entitlement allocation includes an amount obtained under section 474A.04, subdivision 6.

Notwithstanding the restrictions imposed on entitlement issuers under this subdivision, the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency may not receive an allocation for mortgage bonds under this section prior to the first Monday in October, but may be awarded allocations for mortgage bonds from the unified pool on or after the first Monday in October. The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, the Minnesota Office of Higher Education, and the Minnesota Rural Finance Authority may apply for and receive an allocation under this section without submitting an application deposit.

Subd. 3. **Allocation procedure.** (a) The commissioner shall allocate available bonding authority under this section on the Monday of every other week beginning with the first Monday in August through and on the last Monday in November. Applications for allocations must be received by the department by 4:30 p.m. on the Monday preceding the Monday on which allocations are to be made. If a Monday falls on a holiday, the allocation will be made or the applications must be received by the next business day after the holiday.

(b) Prior to October 1, only the following applications shall be awarded allocations from the unified pool. Allocations shall be awarded in the following order of priority:

- (1) applications for residential rental project bonds;
- (2) applications for small issue bonds for manufacturing projects; and
- (3) applications for small issue bonds for agricultural development bond loan projects.

(c) On the first Monday in October through the last Monday in November, allocations shall be awarded from the unified pool in the following order of priority:

- (1) applications for student loan bonds issued by or on behalf of the Minnesota Office of Higher Education;
- (2) applications for mortgage bonds;
- (3) applications for public facility projects funded by public facility bonds;
- (4) applications for small issue bonds for manufacturing projects;
- (5) applications for small issue bonds for agricultural development bond loan projects;
- (6) applications for residential rental project bonds;
- (7) applications for enterprise zone facility bonds;
- (8) applications for governmental bonds; and
- (9) applications for redevelopment bonds.

(d) If there are two or more applications for manufacturing projects from the unified pool and there is insufficient bonding authority to provide allocations for all manufacturing projects in any one allocation period, the available bonding authority shall be awarded based on the number of points awarded a project under section 474A.045 with those projects receiving the greatest number of points receiving allocation first. If two or more applications for manufacturing projects receive an equal amount of points, available bonding authority shall be awarded by lot unless otherwise agreed to by the respective issuers.

(e) If there are two or more applications for enterprise zone facility projects from the unified pool and there is insufficient bonding authority to provide allocations for all enterprise zone facility projects in any one allocation period, the available bonding authority shall be awarded based on the number of points awarded a project under section 474A.045 with those projects receiving the greatest number of points receiving allocation first. If two or more applications for enterprise zone facility projects receive an equal amount of points, available bonding authority shall be awarded by lot unless otherwise agreed to by the respective issuers.

(f) If there are two or more applications for residential rental projects from the unified pool and there is insufficient bonding authority to provide allocations for all residential rental projects in any one allocation period, the available bonding authority shall be awarded in the following order of priority: (1) projects that preserve existing federally subsidized housing; (2) projects that are not restricted to persons who are 55 years of age or older; and (3) other residential rental projects.

(g) From the first Monday in August through the last Monday in November, \$20,000,000 of bonding authority or an amount equal to the total annual amount of bonding authority allocated to the small issue pool under section 474A.03, subdivision 1, less the amount allocated to issuers from the small issue pool for that year, whichever is less, is reserved within the unified pool for small issue bonds to the extent such amounts are available within the unified pool.

(h) The total amount of allocations for mortgage bonds from the housing pool and the unified pool may not exceed:

- (1) \$10,000,000 for any one city; or
- (2) \$20,000,000 for any number of cities in any one county.

(i) The total amount of allocations for student loan bonds from the unified pool may not exceed \$25,000,000 per year.

(j) If there is insufficient bonding authority to fund all projects within any qualified bond category other than enterprise zone facility projects, manufacturing projects, and residential rental projects, allocations shall be awarded by lot unless otherwise agreed to by the respective issuers.

(k) If an application is rejected, the commissioner must notify the applicant and return the application deposit to the applicant within 30 days unless the applicant requests in writing that the application be resubmitted.

(l) The granting of an allocation of bonding authority under this section must be evidenced by issuance of a certificate of allocation.

**Subd. 3a. Mortgage bonds.** (a) Bonding authority remaining in the unified pool on October 1 is available for single-family housing programs for cities that applied in January and received an allocation under section 474A.061, subdivision 2a, in the same calendar year. The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency shall receive an allocation for mortgage bonds pursuant to this section, minus any amounts for a city or consortium that intends to issue bonds on its own behalf under paragraph (c).

(b) The agency may issue bonds on behalf of participating cities. The agency shall request an allocation from the commissioner for all applicants who choose to have the agency issue bonds on their behalf and the commissioner shall allocate the requested amount to the agency. Allocations shall be awarded by the commissioner each Monday commencing on the first Monday in October through the last Monday in November for applications received by 4:30 p.m. on the Monday of the week preceding an allocation.

For cities who choose to have the agency issue bonds on their behalf, allocations will be made loan by loan, on a first-come, first-served basis among the cities. The agency shall submit an application fee pursuant to section 474A.03, subdivision 4, and an application deposit equal to two percent of the requested allocation to the commissioner when requesting an allocation from the unified pool. After awarding an allocation and receiving a notice of issuance for mortgage bonds issued on behalf of the participating cities, the commissioner shall transfer the application deposit to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency.

For purposes of paragraphs (a) to (d), "city" means a county or a consortium of local government units that agree through a joint powers agreement to apply together for single-family housing programs, and has the meaning given it in section 462C.02, subdivision 6. "Agency" means the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency.

(c) Any city that received an allocation pursuant to section 474A.061, subdivision 2a, paragraph (f), in the current year that wishes to receive an additional allocation from the unified pool and issue bonds on its own behalf or pursuant to a joint powers agreement shall notify the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency by the third Monday in September. The total amount of allocation for mortgage bonds for a city choosing to issue bonds on its own behalf or through a joint powers agreement is limited to the lesser of: (i) the amount requested, or (ii) the product of the total amount available for mortgage bonds from the unified pool, multiplied by the ratio of the population of each city that applied in January and received an allocation under section 474A.061, subdivision 2a, in the same calendar year, as determined by the most recent estimate of the city's population released by the state demographer's office to the total of the population of all the cities that applied in January and received an allocation under section 474A.061, subdivision 2a, in the same calendar year. If a city choosing to issue bonds on its own behalf or through a joint powers agreement is located within a county that has also chosen to issue bonds on its own behalf or through a joint powers agreement, the city's population will be deducted from the county's population in calculating the amount of allocations under this paragraph.

The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency shall notify each city choosing to issue bonds on its own behalf or pursuant to a joint powers agreement of the amount of its allocation by October 15. Upon determining the amount of the allocation of each choosing to issue bonds on its own behalf or through a joint powers agreement, the agency shall forward a list specifying the amounts allotted to each city.

A city that chooses to issue bonds on its own behalf or through a joint powers agreement may request an allocation from the commissioner by forwarding an application with an application fee pursuant to section 474A.03, subdivision 4, and an application deposit equal to two percent of the requested amount to the commissioner no later than 4:30 p.m. on the Monday of the week preceding an allocation. Allocations to cities that choose to issue bonds on their own behalf shall be awarded by the commissioner on the first Monday after October 15 through the last Monday in November. No city may receive an allocation from the commissioner after the last Monday in November. The commissioner shall allocate the requested amount to the city or cities subject to the limitations under this subdivision.

If a city issues mortgage bonds from an allocation received under this paragraph, the issuer must provide for the recycling of funds into new loans. If the issuer is not able to provide for recycling, the issuer must notify the commissioner in writing of the reason that recycling was not possible and the reason the issuer elected not to have the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency issue the bonds. "Recycling" means the use of money generated from the repayment and prepayment of loans for further eligible loans or for the redemption of bonds and the issuance of current refunding bonds.

(d) No entitlement city or county or city in an entitlement county may apply for or be allocated authority to issue mortgage bonds or use mortgage credit certificates from the unified pool.



(e) An allocation awarded to the agency for mortgage bonds under this section may be carried forward by the agency subject to notice requirements under section 474A.131.

Subd. 4. **Remaining bonding authority.** All remaining bonding authority available for allocation under this section on December 1, is allocated to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency.

Subd. 4a. [Repealed, 1990 c 552 s 24]

Subd. 5. **Return of allocation; deposit refund.** (a) If an issuer that receives an allocation under this section determines that it will not issue obligations equal to all or a portion of the allocation received under this section within 120 days of the allocation or within the time period permitted by federal tax law, whichever is less, the issuer must notify the department. If the issuer notifies the department or the 120-day period since allocation has expired prior to the last Monday in November, the amount of allocation is canceled and returned for reallocation through the unified pool. If the issuer notifies the department on or after the last Monday in November, the amount of allocation is canceled and returned for reallocation to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency. To encourage a competitive application process, the commissioner shall reserve, for new applications, the amount of allocation that is canceled and returned for reallocation under this section for a minimum of seven calendar days.

(b) An issuer that returns for reallocation all or a portion of an allocation received under this section within 120 days of the allocation shall receive within 30 days a refund equal to:

(1) one-half of the application deposit for the amount of bonding authority returned within 30 days of receiving the allocation;

(2) one-fourth of the application deposit for the amount of bonding authority returned between 31 and 60 days of receiving the allocation; and

(3) one-eighth of the application deposit for the amount of bonding authority returned between 61 and 120 days of receiving the allocation.

(c) No refund of the application deposit shall be available for allocations returned on or after the last Monday in November.

Subd. 6. **Final allocation; carryforward.** Notwithstanding the notice requirements of section 474A.131, subdivision 2, any bonding authority remaining unissued by the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency on the last business day in December shall be carried forward into the next calendar year by the commissioner for the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency.

**History:** 1987 c 268 art 16 s 29; 1987 c 312 art 1 s 26 subd 2; 1988 c 586 s 4; 1Sp1989 c 1 art 17 s 19,20; 1990 c 552 s 15-19; 1991 c 332 s 26; 1991 c 346 s 21-24; 1992 c 545 art 1 s 8,9; 1994 c 527 s 9,10; 1995 c 167 s 12,13; 1995 c 212 art 3 s 59; 1996 c 362 s 11; 1997 c 169 s 6,7; 1998 c 363 s 7,8; 1999 c 189 s 6; 2001 c 214 s 32-37; 2005 c 107 art 2 s 60; 2010 c 364 s 25; 2010 c 389 art 7 s 10; 2013 c 143 art 12 s 14

**474A.10** [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

**474A.11** [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

**474A.12** [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

**474A.13** Subdivision 1. [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32]

Subd. 2. [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 3. [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 4. [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32]

Subd. 5. [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32]

#### **474A.131 NOTICE OF ISSUE AND NOTICE OF CARRYFORWARD.**

Subdivision 1. **Notice of issue.** Each issuer that issues bonds with an allocation received under this chapter shall provide a notice of issue to the department on forms provided by the department stating:

(1) the date of issuance of the bonds;

(2) the title of the issue;

(3) the principal amount of the bonds;

(4) the type of qualified bonds under federal tax law;

(5) the dollar amount of the bonds issued that were subject to the annual volume cap; and

(6) for entitlement issuers, whether the allocation is from current year entitlement authority or is from carryforward authority.

For obligations that are issued as a part of a series of obligations, a notice must be provided for each series. A penalty of one-half of the amount of the application deposit not to exceed \$5,000 shall apply to any issue of obligations for which a notice of issue is not provided to the department within five business days after issuance or before 4:30 p.m. on the last business day in December, whichever occurs first. Within 30 days after receipt of a notice of issue the department shall refund a portion of the application deposit equal to one percent of the amount of the bonding authority actually issued if a one percent application deposit was made, or equal to two percent of the amount of the bonding authority actually issued if a two percent application deposit was made, less any penalty amount.

Subd. 1a. **Certificate of notice.** If an allocation received under this chapter is used for mortgage credit certificates, a certificate notice must be submitted to the department on forms provided by the department stating the date of the filing of the election not to issue bonds as provided under section 25, paragraph (c), of the Internal Revenue Code and the amount of allocation authority to be used under the program.

A penalty of one-half of the amount of the application deposit not to exceed \$5,000 shall apply to any mortgage credit certificate program for which a certificate notice is not provided to the department within five days of the date of the filing of the election not to issue bonds or before the last Monday in December, whichever occurs first. Within 30 days after receipt of a certificate notice the department shall refund a portion of the application deposit equal to one percent of the amount of the bonding authority to be used for the mortgage credit certificate program, less any penalty amount.

Subd. 1b. **Deadline for issuance of qualified bonds.** If an issuer fails to notify the department before 4:30 p.m. on the last business day in December of issuance of obligations pursuant to an allocation received for any qualified bond project or issuance of an entitlement allocation, the allocation is canceled and the bonding authority is allocated to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency for carryforward by the commissioner under section 474A.091, subdivision 6.

Subd. 2. **Carryforward notice.** If an issuer intends to carry forward an allocation received under this chapter, it must notify the department in writing before 4:30 p.m. on the last business day in December. This notice requirement does not apply to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency for the carryforward of unallocated unified pool balances.

Subd. 3. **Irrevocable allocation.** The department may not revoke an allocation received under this chapter after receiving a notice of issue or certificate notice from the issuer.

**History:** 1987 c 268 art 16 s 33; 1990 c 552 s 20; 1991 c 346 s 25; 1994 c 527 s 11,12; 1995 c 167 s 14; 1996 c 362 s 12,13; 1997 c 169 s 8,9; 2001 c 214 s 38-40; 2005 c 152 art 1 s 22

#### **474A.14 NOTICE OF AVAILABLE AUTHORITY.**

The department shall provide at its official website a written notice of the amount of bonding authority in the housing, small issue, and public facilities pools as soon after January 1 as possible. The department shall provide at its official website a written notice of the amount of bonding authority available for allocation in the unified pool as soon after August 1 as possible.

**History:** 1986 c 465 art 1 s 22; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 34; 1990 c 552 s 21; 1991 c 332 s 27; 1996 c 362 s 14; 2001 c 214 s 41

#### **474A.15 STATE HELD HARMLESS.**

The state is not liable in any manner to any issuer, holder of obligations, or other person for carrying out the duties imposed on it under this chapter.

**History:** 1986 c 465 art 1 s 23; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 35; 1991 c 346 s 26

#### **474A.16 EXCLUSIVE METHOD OF ALLOCATION.**

This chapter is the exclusive method for allocating authority to issue obligations for the purposes of complying with the volume limitation of federal tax law.

**History:** 1986 c 465 art 1 s 24; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 36; 1991 c 346 s 27

#### **474A.17 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT NOT APPLICABLE.**

Chapter 14, including section 14.386, does not apply to actions taken by any state agency or entity under this chapter.

**History:** 1986 c 465 art 1 s 25; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 37; 1991 c 346 s 28; 1997 c 187 art 4 s 9

**474A.18** [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32]

**474A.19** [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

**474A.20** [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32]

#### **474A.21 APPROPRIATION; RECEIPTS.**

Any fees collected by the department under sections 474A.01 to 474A.21 must be deposited in a separate account in the general fund. The amount necessary to refund application deposits is appropriated to the department from the separate account in the general fund for that purpose. The interest accruing on application deposits and any application deposit not refunded as provided under section 474A.061, subdivision 4, or

474A.091, subdivision 5, or forfeited as provided under section 474A.131, subdivision 2, must be deposited in the housing trust fund account under section 462A.201.

**History:** 1986 c 465 art 1 s 29; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 40; 1990 c 520 s 5

#### **474A.22 FORT SNELLING NATIONAL LANDMARK REDEVELOPMENT.**

Subdivision 1. **Fort Snelling bonding authority allocation.** Notwithstanding any law, rule, or policy to the contrary, the commissioner shall reserve \$29,000,000 in bonding authority allocated under section 474A.03 to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency and \$29,000,000 in bonding authority allocated under section 474A.03 to the small issue pool in 2019, and in 2020 if bonds are not permanently issued in 2019 subject to subdivision 3, for issuance of residential rental project bonds for purposes of the rehabilitation and renovation of the Fort Snelling Upper Post as a qualified residential rental project as provided in this section and section 474A.047. The qualified residential rental project shall be required to enter into a minimum 25-year agreement with the issuer to provide the applicable rental rates and incomes. Notwithstanding section 474A.091, subdivision 1, the amount reserved from the small issue pool in each year shall not be transferred to the unified pool but shall continue to be available under this section.

Subd. 2. **Issuance; other issuer.** Upon application by an eligible issuer on forms prescribed by the department and payment of the required application fee, the commissioner shall allocate the bonding authority under subdivision 1. An issuer receiving this allocation shall be authorized to act as the issuer regardless of its geographical area. In no event shall the bonds issued under this section be guaranteed as to payment by the state or the issuer. An issuer shall not be required to pay a refundable application deposit.

Subd. 3. **Failure to permanently issue.** In the event the bonds reserved or allocated under this section are not permanently issued by December 1, 2019, or December 1, 2020, as applicable, the bonding authority shall be reallocated to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency for issuance for a qualified residential rental project.

Subd. 4. **Low-income housing tax credits.** The redevelopment of the Fort Snelling Upper Post shall be a strategic priority of the state and the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency. If the allocation of bonding authority under subdivision 2 makes the Fort Snelling Upper Post development preliminarily eligible for an allocation of low-income housing tax credits under section 42(h)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency shall promptly process any application or preapplication for low-income housing tax credits submitted under this subdivision pursuant to the qualified allocation plan and shall not require or impose additional criteria, requirements, regulations, or restrictions upon the Fort Snelling Upper Post project that would otherwise undermine the priorities of this section other than as required under section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The issuer of the bonds under this section and not the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency shall determine the financial feasibility and the reasonableness of the development costs for the project and the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency shall not include in its review of the project any per-unit cost limitations or other similar restrictions. The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency shall consider the legislature's determinations in evaluating the project and granting any requests or making any determinations related to the Fort Snelling Upper Post project to facilitate an allocation of low-income housing tax credits in light of the importance to the state of this unique and historic development.

Subd. 5. **State historic structure rehabilitation tax credit.** Notwithstanding the provisions of section 290.0681 or section 47(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, to the extent the Fort Snelling Upper Post project qualifies for the credit as provided in section 290.0681, the amount of the credit shall be 100 percent of the credit allowed under section 47(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as

amended, but shall be taken in full in the taxable year in which the qualified rehabilitation expenditures are placed in service for the Fort Snelling Upper Post project rather than ratably as described in section 47(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

**History:** *2018 c 214 art 3 s 2*

**NOTE:** This section, as added by Laws 2018, chapter 214, article 3, section 2, expires December 31, 2020. Laws 2018, chapter 214, article 3, section 2, the effective date.