84.0855 SALES; RECEIPTS; APPROPRIATION.

Subdivision 1. **Sales authorized; gift certificates.** The commissioner may sell natural resources-related publications and maps; forest resource assessment products; federal migratory waterfowl, junior duck, and other federal stamps; and other nature-related merchandise, and may rent or sell items for the convenience of persons using Department of Natural Resources facilities or services. The commissioner may sell gift certificates for any items rented or sold. Notwithstanding section 16A.1285, a fee charged by the commissioner under this section may include a reasonable amount in excess of the actual cost to support Department of Natural Resources programs. The commissioner may advertise the availability of a program or item offered under this section.

Subd. 1a. **Software sales.** Notwithstanding section 16E.15, the commissioner may sell or license intellectual property and software products or services developed by the department or custom developed by a vendor for the department.

Subd. 2. **Receipts; appropriation.** Except as provided under section 89.421, money received by the commissioner under this section or to buy supplies for the use of volunteers, may be credited to one or more special accounts in the state treasury and is appropriated to the commissioner for the purposes for which the money was received. Money received from sales at the state fair shall be available for state fair related costs. Money received from sales of intellectual property and software products or services shall be available for development, maintenance, and support of software products and systems.

Subd. 3. **Exemption from rulemaking and legislative approval.** A fee charged under this section is not subject to the rulemaking provisions of chapter 14, and section 14.386 does not apply. The commissioner may establish fees under this section notwithstanding section 16A.1283.

History: *1987 c 404 s 93; 1991 c 254 art 2 s 4; 1992 c 513 art 2 s 19; 1997 c 226 s 6; 1999 c 231 s 84,85; 2004 c 221 s 6; 2005 c 156 art 5 s 23; 2007 c 57 art 1 s 22,23; 2025 c 20 s 17*