

**16B.372 ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS; OFFICE CREATED.**

Subdivision 1. **Enterprise sustainability.** The Office of Enterprise Sustainability is established to assist all state agencies in making measurable progress toward improving the sustainability of government operations by reducing the impact on the environment, controlling unnecessary waste of natural resources and public funds, and spurring innovation. The office shall create new tools and share best practices, assist state agencies to plan for and implement improvements, and monitor progress toward achieving intended outcomes. Specific duties include but are not limited to:

(1) managing a sustainability metrics and reporting system, including a public dashboard that allows Minnesotans to track progress and is updated annually;

(2) assisting agencies in developing and executing sustainability plans; and

(3) implementing the state building energy conservation improvement revolving loan in Minnesota Statutes, sections 16B.86 and 16B.87.

Subd. 2. **State agency responsibilities.** Each cabinet-level agency is required to participate in the sustainability effort by developing a sustainability plan and by making measurable progress toward improving associated sustainability outcomes. State agencies and boards that are not members of the cabinet shall take steps toward improving sustainability outcomes. However, they are not required to participate at the level of cabinet-level agencies.

Subd. 3. **Local governments.** The Office of Enterprise Sustainability shall make reasonable attempts to share tools and best practices with local governments.

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