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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-THIRD SESSION

H. F. No. **1830**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Finance and Policy

04/11/2023 Adoption of Report: Amended and re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to state government; appropriating money for the legislature, certain

1.3 constitutional offices, and certain boards, offices, agencies, councils, departments,

1.4 commissions, societies, centers, Minnesota State Retirement System, retirement

1.5 plans, retirement associations, retirement fund; making appropriation reductions

1.6 and cancellations; making deficiency appropriations; providing for revenue

1.7 recovery; providing a statutory appropriation of funds to the legislature for sums

1.8 sufficient to operate the house of representatives, senate, and Legislative

1.9 Coordinating Commission; changing provisions for the legislative audit

1.10 commission; making budget provisions; requiring Compensation Council to

1.11 prescribe salaries for constitutional officers; requiring accountability and

1.12 performance management measures; establishing the Office of Enterprise

1.13 Translation; providing for grant administration and grant agreements; making

1.14 county and local cybersecurity grants; changing human burial provisions;

1.15 establishing the public land survey system monument grant program, the legislative

1.16 task force on aging, the State Emblems Redesign Commission, and the

1.17 infrastructure resilience advisory task force; requiring mixed-use Ford Building

1.18 Site Redevelopment; providing for the Capitol Mall Design Framework; requiring

1.19 the legislature to certify appropriation amounts for fiscal years 2026 and 2027;

1.20 requiring a study of issues facing small agencies; making technical changes;

1.21 requiring reports; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 1.135, subdivisions

1.22 2, 4, 6, by adding a subdivision; 1.141, subdivision 1; 3.099, subdivision 3; 3.97,

1.23 subdivision 2; 3.972, subdivision 3; 3.978, subdivision 2; 3.979, subdivisions 2,

1.24 3, by adding a subdivision; 4.045; 10.44; 10.45; 15A.0815, subdivisions 1, 2;

1.25 15A.082, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4; 16A.122, subdivision 2; 16A.126, subdivision

1.26 1; 16A.1286, subdivision 2; 16A.152, subdivision 4; 16B.97, subdivisions 2, 3, 4;

1.27 16B.98, subdivisions 5, 6, 8, by adding subdivisions; 16B.991; 16E.14, subdivision

1.28 4; 16E.21, subdivisions 1, 2; 43A.08, subdivision 1; 138.912, subdivisions 1, 2;

1.29 145.951; 307.08; 349A.02, subdivision 1; 381.12, subdivision 2; 462A.22,

1.30 subdivision 10; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 3;

1.31 16A; 16B; 16E; 381; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 1.135,

1.32 subdivisions 3, 5; 1.141, subdivisions 3, 4, 6; 4A.01; 4A.04; 4A.06; 4A.07; 4A.11;

1.33 15A.0815, subdivisions 3, 4, 5; 124D.23, subdivision 9; 383C.806; Laws 2014,

1.34 chapter 287, section 25, as amended.

2.1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

2.2 **ARTICLE 1**

2.3 **STATE GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS**

2.4 Section 1. STATE GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS.

2.5 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies  
2.6 and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the general fund,  
2.7 or another named fund, and are available for the fiscal years indicated for each purpose.

2.8 The figures "2024" and "2025" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed under  
2.9 them are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, or June 30, 2025, respectively.

2.10 "The first year" is fiscal year 2024. "The second year" is fiscal year 2025. "The biennium"  
2.11 is fiscal years 2024 and 2025.

2.12 APPROPRIATIONS

2.13 Available for the Year

2.14 Ending June 30

2.15 2024

2025

2.16 Sec. 2. LEGISLATURE

2.17 Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation                     \$ 151,648,000   \$ 123,297,000

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

2.21 Subd. 2. Senate   41,045,000             43,845,000

2.22 Subd. 3. House of Representatives                     48,046,000             48,558,000

2.23 Subd. 4. Legislative Coordinating Commission             62,557,000             30,894,000

2.24 \$15,000 each year is for purposes of the  
2.25 legislators' forum, through which Minnesota  
2.26 legislators meet with counterparts from South  
2.27 Dakota, North Dakota, and Manitoba to  
2.28 discuss issues of mutual concern.

2.29 \$148,000 in the first year and \$104,000 in the  
2.30 second year are for the Legislative Task Force  
2.31 on Aging. This is a onetime appropriation.

3.1 \$500,000 each year is to provide translation  
 3.2 services for legislative business. This is a  
 3.3 onetime appropriation and is available until  
 3.4 June 30, 2027.

3.5 **Legislative Auditor.** \$10,459,000 in the first  
 3.6 year and \$11,526,000 in the second year are  
 3.7 for the Office of the Legislative Auditor.

3.8 **Revisor of Statutes.** \$22,250,000 in the first  
 3.9 year and \$8,714,000 in the second year are for  
 3.10 the Office of the Revisor of Statutes. Of these  
 3.11 amounts, \$14,000,000 in the first year is  
 3.12 available until June 30, 2027.

3.13 **Legislative Reference Library.** \$2,055,000  
 3.14 in the first year and \$2,184,000 in the second  
 3.15 year are for the Legislative Reference Library.

3.16 **Legislative Budget Office.** \$2,454,000 in the  
 3.17 first year and \$2,669,000 in the second year  
 3.18 are for the Legislative Budget Office.

3.19 **Sec. 3. GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT**  
 3.20 **GOVERNOR**

\$ 9,258,000 \$ 9,216,000

3.21 (a) This appropriation is to fund the Office of  
 3.22 the Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

3.23 (b) \$19,000 each year is for necessary  
 3.24 expenses in the normal performance of the  
 3.25 governor's and lieutenant governor's duties for  
 3.26 which no other reimbursement is provided.

3.27 (c) By September 1 of each year, the  
 3.28 commissioner of management and budget shall  
 3.29 report to the chairs and ranking minority  
 3.30 members of the legislative committees with  
 3.31 jurisdiction over state government finance any  
 3.32 personnel costs incurred by the Offices of the  
 3.33 Governor and Lieutenant Governor that were  
 3.34 supported by appropriations to other agencies

4.1 during the previous fiscal year. The Office of  
 4.2 the Governor shall inform the chairs and  
 4.3 ranking minority members of the committees  
 4.4 before initiating any interagency agreements.

4.5 **Sec. 4. STATE AUDITOR** **\$ 15,809,000 \$ 14,254,000**

4.6 The base for this appropriation is \$14,268,000  
 4.7 in fiscal year 2026 and \$14,278,000 in fiscal  
 4.8 year 2027.

4.9 \$500,000 the first year is for assistance and  
 4.10 grants to towns to facilitate use of the Small  
 4.11 City and Town Accounting System.

4.12 \$500,000 the first year is to provide a  
 4.13 regulatory compliance and oversight  
 4.14 dashboard.

4.15 **Sec. 5. ATTORNEY GENERAL** **\$ 56,296,000 \$ 43,825,000**

4.16	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
4.17	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
4.18	<u>General</u>	<u>53,380,000</u> <u>40,909,000</u>
4.19	<u>State Government</u>	
4.20	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>2,521,000</u> <u>2,521,000</u>
4.21	<u>Environmental</u>	<u>145,000</u> <u>145,000</u>
4.22	<u>Remediation</u>	<u>250,000</u> <u>250,000</u>

4.23 \$2,500,000 from the general fund the first year  
 4.24 is for antitrust and nonprofit oversight.

4.25 **Sec. 6. SECRETARY OF STATE** **\$ 10,267,000 \$ 10,379,000**

4.26 The base for this appropriation is \$10,247,000  
 4.27 in fiscal year 2026 and \$10,379,000 in fiscal  
 4.28 year 2027.

4.29 **Sec. 7. CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND PUBLIC**  
 4.30 **DISCLOSURE BOARD** **\$ 800,000 \$ 800,000**

4.31 These amounts are for information technology  
 4.32 project costs, including enhanced  
 4.33 cybersecurity, geospatial coding, and cloud  
 4.34 integration. This is a onetime appropriation.

5.1	Sec. 8. <u>STATE BOARD OF INVESTMENT</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>139,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>139,000</u>
5.2	Sec. 9. <u>ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>12,512,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>10,260,000</u>

5.3	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
5.4	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
5.5	<u>General</u>	<u>2,744,000</u> <u>444,000</u>
5.6	<u>Workers'</u>	
5.7	<u>Compensation</u>	<u>9,768,000</u> <u>9,816,000</u>

5.8 \$263,000 each year is for municipal boundary  
 5.9 adjustments.

5.10 The base for the general fund appropriation is  
 5.11 \$559,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$459,000 in  
 5.12 fiscal year 2027.

5.13	Sec. 10. <u>INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY</u>				
5.14	<u>SERVICES</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>79,415,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>79,840,000</u>

5.15 The base for this appropriation is \$10,553,000  
 5.16 in fiscal year 2026 and \$10,572,000 in fiscal  
 5.17 year 2027.

5.18 During the biennium ending June 30, 2025,  
 5.19 the Office of MN.IT Services must not charge  
 5.20 fees to a public noncommercial educational  
 5.21 television broadcast station eligible for funding  
 5.22 under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 129D, for  
 5.23 access to the state broadcast infrastructure. If  
 5.24 the access fees not charged to public  
 5.25 noncommercial educational television  
 5.26 broadcast stations total more than \$400,000  
 5.27 for the biennium, the office may charge for  
 5.28 access fees in excess of these amounts.

5.29 (a) **Cybersecurity Grant Program.**  
 5.30 \$2,204,000 the first year and \$3,521,000 the  
 5.31 second year are for a state and local  
 5.32 cybersecurity improvement grant program for  
 5.33 political subdivisions and Minnesota Tribal  
 5.34 governments, as established in Minnesota

6.1 Statutes, section 16E.35. This is a onetime  
6.2 appropriation and is available until June 30,  
6.3 2027.

6.4 **(b) Statewide Cybersecurity Enhancements.**  
6.5 \$10,280,000 the first year and \$16,875,000  
6.6 the second year are to procure, implement,  
6.7 and support advanced cybersecurity tools that  
6.8 combat persistent and evolving cybersecurity  
6.9 threats. This is a onetime appropriation and is  
6.10 available until June 30, 2027.

6.11 **(c) Executive Branch Cloud**  
6.12 **Transformation.** \$10,685,000 the first year  
6.13 and \$22,910,000 the second year are to  
6.14 support planning, migration, modernization,  
6.15 infrastructure, training, and services required  
6.16 for executive branch cloud transformation to  
6.17 modernize enterprise information technology  
6.18 delivery for state agency business partners.  
6.19 This is a onetime appropriation and is  
6.20 available until June 30, 2027.

6.21 **(d) Targeted Application Modernization.**  
6.22 \$25,000,000 the first year and \$20,000,000  
6.23 the second year are to modernize targeted  
6.24 applications to improve user experiences with  
6.25 digital services provided by state agencies,  
6.26 enable service delivery transformation, and  
6.27 systematically address aging technology. This  
6.28 is a onetime appropriation and is available  
6.29 until June 30, 2027.

6.30 **(e) Children's Cabinet IT Innovation.**  
6.31 \$3,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000 the  
6.32 second year are to provide technology  
6.33 capabilities that support centering Minnesota  
6.34 children and their families over agency  
6.35 structures and provide dedicated information

7.1 technology resources to deliver innovative  
 7.2 digital services to children and families. This  
 7.3 is a onetime appropriation and is available  
 7.4 until June 30, 2027.

7.5 **(f) MnGeo; Expanding Data-Driven**  
 7.6 **Decision Making with GIS Data. \$358,000**  
 7.7 **the first year and \$376,000 the second year**  
 7.8 **are to enhance the state's ability to lead**  
 7.9 **collaborative geographic data collection and**  
 7.10 **to produce additional publicly available data.**  
 7.11 **The base for this appropriation is \$395,000 in**  
 7.12 **fiscal year 2026 and \$414,000 in fiscal year**  
 7.13 **2027.**

7.14 **(g) Supporting Accessible Technology in**  
 7.15 **State Government. \$1,200,000 the first year**  
 7.16 **is to support accessible government in**  
 7.17 **Minnesota. This is a onetime appropriation**  
 7.18 **and is available until June 30, 2027.**

7.19 **(h) Public Land Survey System. \$16,000,000**  
 7.20 **the first year and \$4,000,000 the second year**  
 7.21 **are for the grant program authorized by**  
 7.22 **Minnesota Statutes, section 381.125. Up to**  
 7.23 **four percent of this appropriation may be used**  
 7.24 **by the chief geospatial information officer for**  
 7.25 **the administration of the grant program. This**  
 7.26 **is a onetime appropriation and is available**  
 7.27 **until June 30, 2027.**

7.28 **\$1,000,000 each year is for grants to counties**  
 7.29 **to employ county technical staff to aid**  
 7.30 **surveyors marking public land survey corners.**  
 7.31 **This a onetime appropriation.**

7.32 **Sec. 11. ADMINISTRATION**

7.33 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation**                    **\$**                    **77,765,000** **\$**                    **47,756,000**

8.1 The base for this appropriation is \$33,581,000  
 8.2 in fiscal year 2026 and \$33,343,000 in fiscal  
 8.3 year 2027.

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

8.7	<b><u>Subd. 2. Government and Citizen Services</u></b>	<u>43,918,000</u>	<u>19,188,000</u>
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8.8 The base for this appropriation is \$15,513,000  
 8.9 in fiscal year 2026 and \$15,525,000 in fiscal  
 8.10 year 2027.

8.11 \$5,000,000 the first year is to implement the  
 8.12 updated Capitol Mall Design Framework,  
 8.13 prioritizing the framework plans identified in  
 8.14 article 2, section 54. This appropriation is  
 8.15 available until December 31, 2024.

8.16 **Council on Developmental Disabilities.**  
 8.17 \$222,000 each year is for the Council on  
 8.18 Developmental Disabilities.

8.19 **State Agency Accommodation**  
 8.20 **Reimbursement.** \$200,000 each year may be  
 8.21 transferred to the accommodation account  
 8.22 established in Minnesota Statutes, section  
 8.23 16B.4805.

8.24 **Procurement Technical Assistance Center.**  
 8.25 \$350,000 each year is for the Procurement  
 8.26 Technical Assistance Center.

8.27 **Office of the State Archaeologist.** \$806,000  
 8.28 the first year and \$822,000 the second year  
 8.29 are for the Office of the State Archaeologist.  
 8.30 The base for this appropriation is \$773,000 in  
 8.31 fiscal year 2026. The base for this  
 8.32 appropriation in fiscal year 2027 and each year  
 8.33 thereafter is \$785,000.



9.1 Of these amounts, \$236,000 the first year and  
9.2 \$242,000 the second year are for the  
9.3 Archaeological and Cemetery Site Inventory  
9.4 Portal. The base in fiscal year 2026 is  
9.5 \$193,000 and \$205,000 in fiscal year 2027  
9.6 and each year thereafter.

9.7 **Disparity Study.** \$500,000 the first year and  
9.8 \$1,000,000 the second year are to conduct a  
9.9 disparity study required under Minnesota  
9.10 Statutes, section 16C.16, subdivision 5. This  
9.11 is a onetime appropriation.

9.12 **Grants Administration Oversight.**  
9.13 \$7,405,000 the first year and \$1,771,000 the  
9.14 second year are for the Office of Grant  
9.15 Management, including grant administration  
9.16 oversight, systems, and equity. This  
9.17 appropriation is available until June 30, 2027.  
9.18 The base for this appropriation in fiscal year  
9.19 2026 and each year thereafter is \$570,000.

9.20 Of these amounts, \$735,000 the first year and  
9.21 \$201,000 the second year are for a study to  
9.22 develop a road map on the need for an  
9.23 enterprise grants management system and to  
9.24 implement the study's recommendation. This  
9.25 is a onetime appropriation.

9.26 **Small Agency Resource Team.** \$940,000 the  
9.27 first year and \$856,000 the second year are  
9.28 for the Small Agency Resource Team.

9.29 Of these amounts, \$102,000 the first year is  
9.30 to complete the small agency study required  
9.31 by article 2, section 56.

9.32 **State Historic Preservation Office.**  
9.33 \$1,274,000 the first year and \$1,352,000 the  
9.34 second year are for the State Historic

10.1 Preservation Office. The base for this  
 10.2 appropriation in fiscal year 2026 and each year  
 10.3 thereafter is \$1,012,000.

10.4 Of these amounts, \$485,000 the first year and  
 10.5 \$500,000 the second year are for electronic  
 10.6 project systems and critical database  
 10.7 integration and are available through June 30,  
 10.8 2027. The base for this appropriation in fiscal  
 10.9 year 2026 and each year thereafter is  
 10.10 \$160,000.

10.11 **Risk Management Fund Property**  
 10.12 **Self-Insurance.** \$12,500,000 the first year is  
 10.13 for transfer to the risk management fund under  
 10.14 Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.85. This is a  
 10.15 onetime appropriation.

10.16 **Office of Enterprise Translations.**  
 10.17 \$1,306,000 the first year and \$1,159,000 the  
 10.18 second year are to establish the Office of  
 10.19 Enterprise Translations. \$250,000 each year  
 10.20 may be transferred to the language access  
 10.21 service account established in Minnesota  
 10.22 Statutes, section 16B.373.

10.23 **Parking Fund.** \$3,255,000 the first year and  
 10.24 \$1,085,000 the second year are for a transfer  
 10.25 to the state parking account to maintain the  
 10.26 operations of the parking and transit program  
 10.27 on the Capitol complex.

10.28	<b><u>Subd. 3. Strategic Management Services</u></b>	<u>2,414,000</u>	<u>2,485,000</u>
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10.29	<b><u>Subd. 4. Fiscal Agent</u></b>	<u>31,433,000</u>	<u>26,083,000</u>
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10.30 The base for this appropriation is \$15,583,000  
 10.31 in fiscal year 2026 and \$15,333,000 in fiscal  
 10.32 year 2027.

11.1 The appropriations under this subdivision are  
11.2 to the commissioner of administration for the  
11.3 following purposes specified.

11.4 **In-Lieu of Rent.** \$11,129,000 each year is for  
11.5 space costs of the legislature and veterans  
11.6 organizations, ceremonial space, and  
11.7 statutorily free space.

11.8 **Public Television.** (a) \$1,550,000 each year  
11.9 is for matching grants for public television.

11.10 (b) \$250,000 each year is for public television  
11.11 equipment grants under Minnesota Statutes,  
11.12 section 129D.13.

11.13 (c) \$1,500,000 each year is for block grants  
11.14 to public television stations under Minnesota  
11.15 Statutes, section 129D.13, for operational  
11.16 costs. The base for this appropriation is  
11.17 \$500,000 in fiscal year 2026 and thereafter.  
11.18 Of this amount, up to three percent is for the  
11.19 commissioner of administration to administer  
11.20 the grants.

11.21 (d) The commissioner of administration must  
11.22 consider the recommendations of the  
11.23 Minnesota Public Television Association  
11.24 before allocating the amounts appropriated in  
11.25 paragraphs (a) to (c) for equipment or  
11.26 matching grants.

11.27 **Public Radio.** (a) \$1,742,000 the first year  
11.28 and \$1,492,000 the second year are for  
11.29 community service grants to public  
11.30 educational radio stations. This appropriation  
11.31 may be used to disseminate emergency  
11.32 information in foreign languages. The base  
11.33 for this appropriation is \$992,000 in fiscal year  
11.34 2026 and \$742,000 in fiscal year 2027.

- 12.1 (b) \$142,000 each year is for equipment grants  
12.2 to public educational radio stations. This  
12.3 appropriation may be used for the repair,  
12.4 rental, and purchase of equipment, including  
12.5 equipment under \$500.
- 12.6 (c) \$850,000 the first year and \$1,000,000 the  
12.7 second year are for grants to public  
12.8 educational radio stations for the purchase of  
12.9 emergency equipment and increased  
12.10 cybersecurity and broadcast technology. This  
12.11 is a onetime appropriation.
- 12.12 (d) \$1,250,000 the first year is for grants to  
12.13 public educational radio stations to provide a  
12.14 diverse community radio news service. This  
12.15 appropriation is available until June 30, 2027.
- 12.16 (e) \$1,020,000 each year is for equipment  
12.17 grants to Minnesota Public Radio, Inc.,  
12.18 including upgrades to Minnesota's Emergency  
12.19 Alert and AMBER Alert Systems.
- 12.20 (f) The appropriations in paragraphs (a) to (e)  
12.21 may not be used for indirect costs claimed by  
12.22 an institution or governing body.
- 12.23 (g) The commissioner of administration must  
12.24 consider the recommendations of the  
12.25 Association of Minnesota Public Educational  
12.26 Radio Stations before awarding grants under  
12.27 Minnesota Statutes, section 129D.14, using  
12.28 the appropriations in paragraphs (a) to (d). No  
12.29 grantee is eligible for a grant unless they are  
12.30 a member of the Association of Minnesota  
12.31 Public Educational Radio Stations on or before  
12.32 July 1, 2023.
- 12.33 (h) Any unencumbered balance remaining the  
12.34 first year for grants to public television or

13.1 public radio stations does not cancel and is  
 13.2 available for the second year.

13.3 **Real Estate and Construction Services.**  
 13.4 \$12,000,000 the first year and \$8,000,000 the  
 13.5 second year are to facilitate space  
 13.6 consolidation and the transition to a hybrid  
 13.7 work environment, including but not limited  
 13.8 to the design, remodel, equipping, and  
 13.9 furnishing of the space. This appropriation  
 13.10 may also be used for relocation and rent loss.  
 13.11 This is a onetime appropriation and is  
 13.12 available through June 30, 2027.

13.13	<b><u>Sec. 12. CAPITOL AREA ARCHITECTURAL</u></b>			
13.14	<b><u>AND PLANNING BOARD</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>1,070,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>
				<b><u>510,000</u></b>

13.15 The base for this appropriation in fiscal year  
 13.16 2026 and each year thereafter is \$455,000.  
 13.17 \$500,000 the first year is to support  
 13.18 commemorative artwork activities. This is a  
 13.19 onetime appropriation and is available until  
 13.20 June 30, 2028.

13.21 \$130,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$55,000 in  
 13.22 fiscal year 2025 are for mandatory zoning and  
 13.23 design rules. This is a onetime appropriation.

13.24	<b><u>Sec. 13. MINNESOTA MANAGEMENT AND</u></b>			
13.25	<b><u>BUDGET</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>52,558,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>
				<b><u>52,856,000</u></b>

13.26 The base for this appropriation is \$49,356,000  
 13.27 in fiscal year 2026 and thereafter.

13.28 (a) \$466,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$622,000  
 13.29 in fiscal year 2025 are for the establishment  
 13.30 of a statewide internal audit office.

13.31 (b) \$2,700,000 each year is for the  
 13.32 establishment of an enterprise accountability  
 13.33 and performance unit.

14.1 (c) \$1,000,000 each year is for administration  
14.2 and staffing of the Children's Cabinet  
14.3 established in Minnesota Statutes, section  
14.4 4.045.

14.5 (d) \$317,000 each year is to increase the  
14.6 agency's capacity to proactively raise  
14.7 awareness about the capital budget process  
14.8 and provide technical assistance around the  
14.9 requirements associated with the capital  
14.10 budget process and receiving general fund or  
14.11 general obligation bond funding for capital  
14.12 projects, including compliance requirements  
14.13 that must be met at various stages of capital  
14.14 project development, with particular focus on  
14.15 nonprofits, American Indian communities, and  
14.16 communities of color that have traditionally  
14.17 not participated in the state capital budget  
14.18 process. This appropriation may also be used  
14.19 to increase the agency's capacity to coordinate  
14.20 with other state agencies regarding the  
14.21 administration of grant agreements, programs,  
14.22 and technical assistance related to capital  
14.23 projects governed by the provisions of  
14.24 Minnesota Statutes, chapter 16A, and other  
14.25 applicable laws and statutes.

14.26 **Sec. 14. REVENUE**

14.27 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation**                      **\$    194,566,000 \$    203,778,000**

14.28 The base for this appropriation is  
14.29 \$203,728,000 in fiscal year 2026 and  
14.30 thereafter.

14.31	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
14.32		<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
14.33	<u>General</u>	<u>190,306,000</u>	<u>199,518,000</u>
14.34	<u>Health Care Access</u>	<u>1,760,000</u>	<u>1,760,000</u>

15.1	<u>Highway User Tax</u>			
15.2	<u>Distribution</u>	<u>2,195,000</u>	<u>2,195,000</u>	
15.3	<u>Environmental</u>	<u>305,000</u>	<u>305,000</u>	
15.4	<b><u>Subd. 2. Tax System Management</u></b>			<u>161,715,000</u> <u>168,851,000</u>
15.5	<u>The base for this appropriation is</u>			
15.6	<u>\$168,749,000 in fiscal year 2026 and</u>			
15.7	<u>\$168,823,000 in fiscal year 2027.</u>			
15.8	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>			
15.9	<u>General</u>	<u>157,455,000</u>	<u>164,591</u>	
15.10	<u>Health Care Access</u>	<u>1,760,000</u>	<u>1,760,000</u>	
15.11	<u>Highway User Tax</u>			
15.12	<u>Distribution</u>	<u>2,195,000</u>	<u>2,195,000</u>	
15.13	<u>Environmental</u>	<u>305,000</u>	<u>305,000</u>	
15.14	<b><u>Taxpayer Assistance.</u></b> (a) <u>\$750,000 each year</u>			
15.15	<u>is for the commissioner of revenue to make</u>			
15.16	<u>grants to one or more eligible organizations,</u>			
15.17	<u>qualifying under section 7526A(e)(2)(B) of</u>			
15.18	<u>the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to</u>			
15.19	<u>coordinate, facilitate, encourage, and aid in</u>			
15.20	<u>the provision of taxpayer assistance services.</u>			
15.21	<u>The unencumbered balance in the first year</u>			
15.22	<u>does not cancel but is available for the second</u>			
15.23	<u>year.</u>			
15.24	<u>(b) For purposes of this section, "taxpayer</u>			
15.25	<u>assistance services" means accounting and tax</u>			
15.26	<u>preparation services provided by volunteers</u>			
15.27	<u>to low-income, elderly, and disadvantaged</u>			
15.28	<u>Minnesota residents to help them file federal</u>			
15.29	<u>and state income tax returns and Minnesota</u>			
15.30	<u>property tax refund claims and to provide</u>			
15.31	<u>personal representation before the Department</u>			
15.32	<u>of Revenue and Internal Revenue Service.</u>			
15.33	<b><u>Subd. 3. Debt Collection Management</u></b>			<u>32,851,000</u> <u>34,927,000</u>

16.1 The base for this appropriation is \$34,979,000  
 16.2 in fiscal year 2026 and \$34,905,000 in fiscal  
 16.3 year 2027.

16.4 **Sec. 15. GAMBLING CONTROL BOARD**      \$      **6,362,000** \$      **6,331,000**

16.5 These appropriations are from the lawful  
 16.6 gambling regulation account in the special  
 16.7 revenue fund.

16.8 **Sec. 16. RACING COMMISSION**      \$      **1,933,000** \$      **954,000**

16.9                                      Appropriations by Fund

16.10 <u>General</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>
16.11 <u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>933,000</u>	<u>954,000</u>

16.12 The special revenue fund appropriations are  
 16.13 from the racing and card playing regulation  
 16.14 accounts in the special revenue fund.

16.15 \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 from the  
 16.16 general fund is for costs related to the federal  
 16.17 Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act.

16.18 **Sec. 17. STATE LOTTERY**

16.19 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section  
 16.20 349A.10, subdivision 3, the State Lottery's  
 16.21 operating budget must not exceed \$40,000,000  
 16.22 in fiscal year 2024 and \$40,000,000 in fiscal  
 16.23 year 2025.

16.24 **Sec. 18. AMATEUR SPORTS COMMISSION**      \$      **1,229,000** \$      **391,000**

16.25 \$850,000 the first year is for upgrades  
 16.26 necessary to support the installation of solar  
 16.27 panels on the roof of the ice arena complex at  
 16.28 the National Sports Center.

16.29 **Sec. 19. COUNCIL FOR MINNESOTANS OF**  
 16.30 **AFRICAN HERITAGE**      \$      **795,000** \$      **816,000**

16.31 **Sec. 20. COUNCIL ON LATINO AFFAIRS**      \$      **664,000** \$      **680,000**

16.32 **Sec. 21. COUNCIL ON ASIAN-PACIFIC**  
 16.33 **MINNESOTANS**      \$      **623,000** \$      **645,000**



17.1	Sec. 22. <u>INDIAN AFFAIRS COUNCIL</u>	\$	<u>1,337,000</u>	\$	<u>1,360,000</u>
17.2	Sec. 23. <u>MINNESOTA HISTORICAL</u>				
17.3	<u>SOCIETY</u>				
17.4	<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	\$	<u>26,001,000</u>	\$	<u>26,957,000</u>
17.5	<u>The base for this appropriation in fiscal year</u>				
17.6	<u>2026 and each year thereafter is \$26,457,000.</u>				
17.7	<u>The amounts that may be spent for each</u>				
17.8	<u>purpose are specified in the following</u>				
17.9	<u>subdivisions.</u>				
17.10	<u>Subd. 2. Operations and Programs</u>		<u>25,680,000</u>		<u>26,636,000</u>
17.11	<u>Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section</u>				
17.12	<u>138.668, the Minnesota Historical Society may</u>				
17.13	<u>not charge a fee for its general tours at the</u>				
17.14	<u>Capitol, but may charge fees for special</u>				
17.15	<u>programs other than general tours.</u>				
17.16	<u>(a) \$375,000 each year is to support statewide</u>				
17.17	<u>historic sites and museums and enhance</u>				
17.18	<u>in-person school programs.</u>				
17.19	<u>(b) \$45,000 the first year is for the State</u>				
17.20	<u>Emblems Redesign Commission.</u>				
17.21	<u>(c) The base for this appropriation in fiscal</u>				
17.22	<u>year 2026 and each year thereafter is</u>				
17.23	<u>\$26,136,000.</u>				
17.24	<u>Subd. 3. Fiscal Agent</u>		<u>321,000</u>		<u>321,000</u>
17.25	<u>(a) Global Minnesota</u>		<u>39,000</u>		<u>39,000</u>
17.26	<u>(b) Minnesota Air National Guard Museum</u>		<u>17,000</u>		<u>17,000</u>
17.27	<u>(c) Hockey Hall of Fame</u>		<u>100,000</u>		<u>100,000</u>
17.28	<u>(d) Farmamerica</u>		<u>115,000</u>		<u>115,000</u>
17.29	<u>(e) Minnesota Military Museum</u>		<u>50,000</u>		<u>50,000</u>
17.30	<u>Any unencumbered balance remaining in this</u>				
17.31	<u>subdivision the first year does not cancel but</u>				

18.1 is available for the second year of the  
 18.2 biennium.

18.3 **Sec. 24. BOARD OF THE ARTS**

18.4 <b><u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>7,774,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>7,787,000</u></b>
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18.5 The amounts that may be spent for each  
 18.6 purpose are specified in the following  
 18.7 subdivisions.

18.8 <b><u>Subd. 2. Operations and Services</u></b>		<u>835,000</u>		<u>848,000</u>
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18.9 <b><u>Subd. 3. Grants Program</u></b>		<u>4,800,000</u>		<u>4,800,000</u>
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18.10 <b><u>Subd. 4. Regional Arts Councils</u></b>		<u>2,139,000</u>		<u>2,139,000</u>
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18.11 Any unencumbered balance remaining in this  
 18.12 section the first year does not cancel, but is  
 18.13 available for the second year.

18.14 Money appropriated in this section and  
 18.15 distributed as grants may only be spent on  
 18.16 projects located in Minnesota. A recipient of  
 18.17 a grant funded by an appropriation in this  
 18.18 section must not use more than ten percent of  
 18.19 the total grant for costs related to travel outside  
 18.20 the state of Minnesota.

18.21 <b>Sec. 25. <u>MINNESOTA HUMANITIES</u></b>				
18.22 <b><u>CENTER</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>3,470,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>3,470,000</u></b>

18.23 \$500,000 each year is for Healthy Eating, Here  
 18.24 at Home grants under Minnesota Statutes,  
 18.25 section 138.912. No more than three percent  
 18.26 of the appropriation may be used for the  
 18.27 nonprofit administration of the program. The  
 18.28 base for this appropriation in fiscal year 2026  
 18.29 and each year thereafter is \$631,000.

18.30 \$2,500,000 each year is for civility and  
 18.31 cultural awareness programs and grants. If the  
 18.32 center awards grants, it may retain up to five  
 18.33 percent of the amount allocated to grants for

19.1 administrative costs associated with the grants.  
 19.2 This is a onetime appropriation and is  
 19.3 available until June 30, 2027.

19.4 Sec. 26. **BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY** \$ **844,000** \$ **859,000**

19.5 Sec. 27. **BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE**  
 19.6 **ENGINEERING, LAND SURVEYING,**  
 19.7 **LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE,**  
 19.8 **GEOSCIENCE, AND INTERIOR DESIGN** \$ **893,000** \$ **913,000**

19.9 Sec. 28. **BOARD OF COSMETOLOGIST**  
 19.10 **EXAMINERS** \$ **3,379,000** \$ **3,599,000**

19.11 Sec. 29. **BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS** \$ **442,000** \$ **452,000**

19.12 Sec. 30. **GENERAL CONTINGENT**  
 19.13 **ACCOUNTS** \$ **2,500,000** \$ **2,000,000**

19.14	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
19.15	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
19.16	<u>General</u>	<u>1,500,000</u>
19.17	<u>State Government</u>	
19.18	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>400,000</u>
19.19	<u>Workers'</u>	
19.20	<u>Compensation</u>	<u>100,000</u>

19.21 (a) The appropriations in this section may only  
 19.22 be spent with the approval of the governor  
 19.23 after consultation with the Legislative  
 19.24 Advisory Commission pursuant to Minnesota  
 19.25 Statutes, section 3.30. The general fund base  
 19.26 is \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and  
 19.27 \$1,500,000 in fiscal year 2027.

19.28 (b) If an appropriation in this section for either  
 19.29 year is insufficient, the appropriation for the  
 19.30 other year is available for it.

19.31 (c) If a contingent account appropriation is  
 19.32 made in one fiscal year, it should be  
 19.33 considered a biennial appropriation.

19.34 Sec. 31. **TORT CLAIMS** \$ **161,000** \$ **161,000**

19.35 These appropriations are to be spent by the  
 19.36 commissioner of management and budget

20.1 according to Minnesota Statutes, section  
 20.2 3.736, subdivision 7. If the appropriation for  
 20.3 either year is insufficient, the appropriation  
 20.4 for the other year is available both years.

20.5 **Sec. 32. MINNESOTA STATE RETIREMENT**  
 20.6 **SYSTEM**

20.7 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation**                     **\$        14,543,000 \$        14,372,000**

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

20.11 **Subd. 2. Combined Legislators and**  
 20.12 **Constitutional Officers Retirement Plan**                     **8,543,000                 8,372,000**

20.13 Under Minnesota Statutes, sections 3A.03,  
 20.14 subdivision 2; 3A.04, subdivisions 3 and 4;  
 20.15 and 3A.115.

20.16 If an appropriation in this section for either  
 20.17 year is insufficient, the appropriation for the  
 20.18 other year is available for it.

20.19 **Subd. 3. Judges Retirement Plan**                     **6,000,000                 6,000,000**

20.20 For transfer to the judges retirement fund  
 20.21 under Minnesota Statutes, section 490.123.  
 20.22 This transfer continues each fiscal year until  
 20.23 the judges retirement plan reaches 100 percent  
 20.24 funding as determined by an actuarial  
 20.25 valuation prepared according to Minnesota  
 20.26 Statutes, section 356.214.

20.27 **Sec. 33. PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT**  
 20.28 **ASSOCIATION**   **\$        25,000,000 \$        25,000,000**

20.29 (a) \$9,000,000 the first year and \$9,000,000  
 20.30 the second year are for direct state aid to the  
 20.31 public employees police and fire retirement  
 20.32 plan authorized under Minnesota Statutes,  
 20.33 section 353.65, subdivision 3b.

21.1 (b) State payments from the general fund to  
 21.2 the Public Employees Retirement Association  
 21.3 on behalf of the former MERF division  
 21.4 account are \$16,000,000 on September 15,  
 21.5 2024, and \$16,000,000 on September 15,  
 21.6 2025. These amounts are estimated to be  
 21.7 needed under Minnesota Statutes, section  
 21.8 353.505.

21.9 **Sec. 34. TEACHERS RETIREMENT**  
 21.10 **ASSOCIATION** **\$ 29,831,000 \$ 29,831,000**

21.11 The amounts estimated to be needed are as  
 21.12 follows:

21.13 **Special Direct State Aid.** \$27,331,000 each  
 21.14 year is for special direct state aid authorized  
 21.15 under Minnesota Statutes, section 354.436.

21.16 **Special Direct State Matching Aid.**  
 21.17 \$2,500,000 each year is for special direct state  
 21.18 matching aid authorized under Minnesota  
 21.19 Statutes, section 354.435.

21.20 **Sec. 35. ST. PAUL TEACHERS RETIREMENT**  
 21.21 **FUND** **\$ 14,827,000 \$ 14,827,000**

21.22 The amounts estimated to be needed for  
 21.23 special direct state aid to the first class city  
 21.24 teachers retirement fund association authorized  
 21.25 under Minnesota Statutes, section 354A.12,  
 21.26 subdivisions 3a and 3c.

21.27 **Sec. 36. REDUCTION IN APPROPRIATION AND CANCELLATION; COVID-19**  
 21.28 **MANAGEMENT.**

21.29 The fiscal year 2022 general fund appropriation in Laws 2022, chapter 50, article 3,  
 21.30 section 1, is reduced by \$58,334,000 and that amount is canceled to the general fund.

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

22.1 **Sec. 37. APPROPRIATION REDUCTION FOR EXECUTIVE AGENCIES.**

22.2 (a) The commissioner of management and budget must reduce general fund appropriations  
22.3 to executive agencies for agency operations for the biennium ending June 30, 2025, by  
22.4 \$8,672,000 due to savings from reduced transfers to the Governor's Office account in the  
22.5 special revenue fund.

22.6 (b) If savings are obtained through reduced transfers from nongeneral funds other than  
22.7 those established in the state constitution or protected by federal law, the commissioner of  
22.8 management and budget may transfer the amount of savings to the general fund. The amount  
22.9 transferred to the general fund from other funds reduces the required general fund reduction  
22.10 in this section. Reductions made in 2025 must be reflected as reductions in agency base  
22.11 budgets for fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

22.12 **Sec. 38. CAPITOL MALL DESIGN FRAMEWORK.**

22.13 \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the general fund to the Capitol Area  
22.14 Architectural and Planning Board to update the Capitol Mall Design Framework and for  
22.15 initial implementation of the framework. This is a onetime appropriation and is available  
22.16 until December 31, 2024.

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

22.18 **Sec. 39. SCIENCE MUSEUM OF MINNESOTA REVENUE RECOVERY.**

22.19 \$500,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$250,000 in fiscal year 2025 are appropriated from the  
22.20 general fund to the Science Museum of Minnesota for revenue recovery. This is a onetime  
22.21 appropriation.

22.22 **Sec. 40. OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS; DEFICIENCY**  
22.23 **APPROPRIATION.**

22.24 \$196,000 in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the general fund to the Office of  
22.25 Administrative Hearings to maintain fair, timely, and impartial hearings in campaign and  
22.26 data practices matters. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2025.

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

22.28 **Sec. 41. ST. ANTHONY FALLS STUDY.**

22.29 \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2024 is appropriated from the general fund to the Board of  
22.30 Regents of the University of Minnesota for a geophysical study and hazard assessment of

23.1 the St. Anthony Falls area and St. Anthony Falls cutoff wall. The study must include a  
 23.2 field-based investigation of the cutoff wall and other subsurface structures, modeling of the  
 23.3 surrounding area, examination of public safety and infrastructure risks posed by potential  
 23.4 failure of the cutoff wall or surrounding area, and emergency response plan for identified  
 23.5 risks. By conducting this study, the Board of Regents does not consent to accepting liability  
 23.6 for the current condition or risks posed by a potential failure of the cutoff wall. By July 1,  
 23.7 2025, the Board of Regents must submit a report to the legislative committees with  
 23.8 jurisdiction over state and local government policy and finance. This appropriation is  
 23.9 available until June 30, 2025.

23.10 Sec. 42. **STATE FACILITIES ASSET PRESERVATION.**

23.11 \$7,019,000 is transferred from the general fund to the asset preservation account in the  
 23.12 special revenue fund established in Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.24, subdivision 5,  
 23.13 paragraph (d).

## 23.14 **ARTICLE 2**

### 23.15 **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT POLICY**

23.16 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 1.135, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

23.17 Subd. 2. **Official seal.** The seal described in subdivision ~~3~~ 3a is the "Great Seal of the  
 23.18 State of Minnesota." When the seal, the impression of the seal, the scene within the seal,  
 23.19 or its likeness is reproduced at state expense, it must conform to subdivision 3 and section  
 23.20 4.04. A seal, impression, scene, or likeness which does not conform to these provisions is  
 23.21 not official.

23.22 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective May 11, 2024.

23.23 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 1.135, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
 23.24 read:

23.25 Subd. 3a. **Official seal; May 11, 2024, and thereafter.** The Great Seal of the State of  
 23.26 Minnesota is the design as certified in the report of the State Emblems Redesign Commission,  
 23.27 as established by this act.

23.28 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective May 11, 2024.

24.1 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 1.135, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

24.2 Subd. 4. **Additional effects; size.** Every effort shall be made to reproduce the seal with  
24.3 justification to the 12 o'clock position ~~and with attention to the authenticity of the illustrations~~  
24.4 ~~used to create the scene within the seal. The description of the scene in this section does~~  
24.5 ~~not preclude the graphic inclusion of the effects of movement, sunlight, or falling water~~  
24.6 ~~when the seal is reproduced. Nor does.~~ This section does not prohibit the enlargement,  
24.7 proportioned reduction, or embossment of the seal for its use in unofficial acts.

24.8 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective May 11, 2024.

24.9 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 1.135, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

24.10 Subd. 6. **State's duties.** State agencies and departments using the seal, its impression,  
24.11 ~~the scene within the seal~~ or its likeness shall make every effort to bring any seal, impression,  
24.12 ~~scene,~~ or likeness currently fixed to a permanent object into accordance with this section  
24.13 and section 4.04. Expendable material to which the seal in effect prior to May 11, 2024, or  
24.14 any impression, scene, or likeness of that seal is currently affixed may be used until the  
24.15 supply is exhausted or until January 1, 2025, whichever occurs first. All unused dies and  
24.16 engravings of the Great Seal shall be given to the Minnesota Historical Society, along with  
24.17 all historical information available about the seal, to be retained in the society's permanent  
24.18 collection.

24.19 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective May 11, 2024.

24.20 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 1.141, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

24.21 Subdivision 1. **Adoption.** The design of the state flag ~~proposed by the Legislative Interim~~  
24.22 ~~Commission acting under Laws 1955, chapter 632,~~ as certified in the report of the State  
24.23 Emblems Redesign Commission, as established by this act, is adopted as the official state  
24.24 flag.

24.25 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective May 11, 2024.

24.26 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 3.099, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

24.27 Subd. 3. **Leaders.** The senate Committee on Rules and Administration for the senate  
24.28 and the house of representatives Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration for  
24.29 the house of representatives may each designate for their respective body up to ~~three~~ five  
24.30 leadership positions to receive up to 140 percent of the compensation of other members.



25.1 At the commencement of each biennial legislative session, each house of the legislature  
25.2 shall adopt a resolution designating its majority and minority leader.

25.3 The majority leader is the person elected by the caucus of members in each house which  
25.4 is its largest political affiliation. The minority leader is the person elected by the caucus  
25.5 which is its second largest political affiliation.

25.6 Sec. 7. [3.1985] LEGISLATIVE FUNDING; APPROPRIATION.

25.7 Subdivision 1. Definition. As used in this section, "sums sufficient to operate" means  
25.8 funds necessary to support the functions of the respective entity receiving the appropriation.  
25.9 These sums may include but are not limited to those necessary for member and employee  
25.10 compensation and expenses, supplies and facilities management, safety and security,  
25.11 payments required under lease agreements for real property, and other expenses associated  
25.12 with legislative sessions, interim activities, public hearings, public outreach, and related  
25.13 activities.

25.14 Subd. 2. House of representatives. (a) Sums sufficient to operate the house of  
25.15 representatives are appropriated from the general fund or other funds, as appropriate, to the  
25.16 house of representatives.

25.17 (b) No later than June 30 of each odd-numbered year, the controller of the house of  
25.18 representatives must certify to the commissioner of management and budget the amounts  
25.19 to be appropriated under this section for the fiscal year beginning July 1 of the same  
25.20 odd-numbered year.

25.21 (c) No later than October 15 and January 15 of each year, the controller of the house of  
25.22 representatives must certify to the commissioner of management and budget any changes  
25.23 to the current biennium's appropriations. Certifications provided by October 15 of an  
25.24 even-numbered year and January 15 of an odd-numbered year must include estimated  
25.25 amounts to be appropriated for the fiscal biennium beginning the next July 1.

25.26 (d) Amounts certified under paragraphs (b) and (c) must be the amounts determined by  
25.27 a majority vote conducted during a public meeting of the house of representatives Committee  
25.28 on Rules and Legislative Administration. The committee must accept public comment on  
25.29 the proposed amounts.

25.30 (e) At any time between the date funds are certified under this subdivision and the last  
25.31 date for adjusting the certified amount, the Legislative Advisory Commission may convene  
25.32 a meeting to review and provide advice on the certified amount. At its discretion, the

26.1 Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration may incorporate the advice of the  
26.2 commission when making an adjustment to the certified amount.

26.3 Subd. 3. **Senate.** (a) Sums sufficient to operate the senate are appropriated from the  
26.4 general fund or other funds, as appropriate, to the senate.

26.5 (b) No later than June 30 of each odd-numbered year, the secretary of the senate must  
26.6 certify to the commissioner of management and budget the amounts to be appropriated  
26.7 under this section for the fiscal year beginning July 1 of the same odd-numbered year.

26.8 (c) No later than October 15 and January 15 of each year, the secretary of the senate  
26.9 must certify to the commissioner of management and budget any changes to the current  
26.10 biennium's appropriations. Certifications provided by October 15 of an even-numbered year  
26.11 and January 15 of an odd-numbered year must include estimated amounts to be appropriated  
26.12 for the fiscal biennium beginning the next July 1.

26.13 (d) Amounts certified under paragraphs (b) and (c) must be the amounts determined by  
26.14 a majority vote conducted during a public meeting of the senate Committee on Rules and  
26.15 Administration. The committee must accept public comment on the proposed amounts.

26.16 (e) At any time between the date funds are certified under this subdivision and the last  
26.17 date for adjusting the certified amount, the Legislative Advisory Commission may convene  
26.18 a meeting to review and provide advice on the certified amount. At its discretion, the senate  
26.19 Committee on Rules and Administration may incorporate the advice of the commission  
26.20 when making an adjustment to the certified amount.

26.21 Subd. 4. **Legislative Coordinating Commission.** (a) Sums sufficient to operate the  
26.22 Legislative Coordinating Commission are appropriated from the general fund or other funds,  
26.23 as appropriate, to the Legislative Coordinating Commission.

26.24 (b) No later than June 30 of each odd-numbered year, the executive director of the  
26.25 Legislative Coordinating Commission must certify to the commissioner of management  
26.26 and budget the amounts to be appropriated under this section for the fiscal biennium  
26.27 beginning July 1 of the same odd-numbered year.

26.28 (c) No later than October 15 and January 15 of each year, the executive director must  
26.29 certify to the commissioner of management and budget any changes to the current biennium's  
26.30 appropriations. Certifications provided by October 15 of an even-numbered year and January  
26.31 15 of an odd-numbered year must include estimated amounts to be appropriated for the  
26.32 fiscal biennium beginning the next July 1.

27.1 (d) The amounts certified under paragraphs (b) and (c) must be the amounts recommended  
 27.2 by the Legislative Coordinating Commission by majority vote in a public meeting, and  
 27.3 approved by majority votes of both the house Committee on Rules and Legislative  
 27.4 Administration and the senate Committee on Rules and Administration in public meetings.  
 27.5 The commission and committees must accept public comment on the proposed amounts in  
 27.6 the meetings where the amounts are recommended or approved. The total amount certified  
 27.7 must identify specific amounts appropriated for each of the following joint legislative offices:

- 27.8 (1) the Legislative Budget Office;  
 27.9 (2) the Legislative Coordinating Commission;  
 27.10 (3) the Legislative Reference Library;  
 27.11 (4) the Office of the Legislative Auditor; and  
 27.12 (5) the Office of the Revisor of Statutes.

27.13 Subd. 5. **Other appropriations.** Nothing in this section precludes the house of  
 27.14 representatives, the senate, or a joint legislative office or commission of the Legislative  
 27.15 Coordinating Commission from receiving a direct appropriation by law or another statutory  
 27.16 appropriation for a specific purpose provided in the direct or statutory appropriation. If the  
 27.17 house of representatives, the senate, or a joint legislative office or commission receives a  
 27.18 direct or statutory appropriation, the amount appropriated is distinct from and must not be  
 27.19 considered during the biennial appropriation certification process under subdivision 2, 3,  
 27.20 or 4.

27.21 **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICABILITY.** This section is effective July 1, 2025, and  
 27.22 applies to appropriations for fiscal years 2026 and thereafter.

27.23 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 3.97, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

27.24 Subd. 2. **Membership; terms; meetings; compensation; powers.** The Legislative Audit  
 27.25 Commission consists of:

- 27.26 (1) three members of the senate appointed by the ~~Subcommittee on Committees of the~~  
 27.27 ~~Committee on Rules and Administration of the senate~~ majority leader;  
 27.28 (2) three members of the senate appointed by the senate minority leader;  
 27.29 (3) three members of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house;  
 27.30 and

28.1 (4) three members of the house of representatives appointed by the house of  
28.2 representatives minority leader.

28.3 Members shall serve until replaced, or until they are not members of the legislative body  
28.4 from which they were appointed. Appointing authorities shall fill vacancies on the  
28.5 commission within 30 days of a vacancy being created.

28.6 The commission shall meet in January of each odd-numbered year to elect its chair and  
28.7 vice-chair. They shall serve until successors are elected. The chair and vice-chair shall  
28.8 alternate biennially between the senate and the house of representatives, and shall be of  
28.9 different political parties. The commission shall meet at the call of the chair. The members  
28.10 shall serve without compensation but be reimbursed for their reasonable expenses as members  
28.11 of the legislature. The commission may exercise the powers prescribed by section 3.153.

28.12 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 3.972, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

28.13 Subd. 3. **Audit contracts.** ~~Notwithstanding any other law, A state department, board,~~  
28.14 ~~commission, or other state agency shall not negotiate a contract~~ contracting with a public  
28.15 accountant for an audit, except a contract negotiated by the state auditor for an audit of a  
28.16 local government, ~~unless the contract has been reviewed by the legislative auditor. The~~  
28.17 ~~legislative auditor shall not participate in the selection of the public accountant but shall~~  
28.18 ~~review and submit written comments on the proposed contract within seven days of its~~  
28.19 ~~receipt. Upon completion of the audit, the legislative auditor shall be given~~ must provide  
28.20 the legislative auditor with a copy of the final report of the audit upon completion of the  
28.21 audit.

28.22 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 3.978, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

28.23 Subd. 2. **Inquiry and inspection power; duty to aid legislative auditor.** All public  
28.24 officials and their deputies and employees, and all corporations, firms, and individuals  
28.25 having business involving the receipt, disbursement, or custody of public funds shall at all  
28.26 times: (1) afford reasonable facilities for examinations by the legislative auditor; ~~make;~~ (2)  
28.27 provide returns and reports required by the legislative auditor; (3) attend and answer under  
28.28 oath the legislative auditor's lawful inquiries; (4) produce and exhibit all books, accounts,  
28.29 documents, data of any classification, and property that the legislative auditor requests to  
28.30 inspect; and (5) in all things cooperate with the legislative auditor.

29.1 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 3.979, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

29.2 Subd. 2. **Access to data by commission members.** Members of the commission have  
 29.3 access to not public data that is collected or used by the legislative auditor ~~and classified as~~  
 29.4 ~~not public or as private or confidential~~ only as authorized by resolution of the commission.  
 29.5 The commission may not authorize its members to have access to private or confidential  
 29.6 data on individuals collected or used in connection with the collection of any tax.

29.7 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 3.979, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

29.8 Subd. 3. **Audit data.** (a) "Audit" as used in this subdivision means a financial audit,  
 29.9 program evaluation, special review, ~~or investigation,~~ or assessment of an allegation or report  
 29.10 submitted to the legislative auditor. Notwithstanding any other law, data relating to an audit  
 29.11 ~~are not public or with respect to data on individuals are~~ confidential or protected nonpublic  
 29.12 until the final report of the audit has been released by the legislative auditor or the audit is  
 29.13 no longer being actively pursued. Upon release of a final audit report by the legislative  
 29.14 auditor, data relating to an audit are public except data otherwise classified as not public.  
 29.15 Unless the data is subject to a more restrictive classification by another law, upon the  
 29.16 legislative auditor's decision to no longer actively pursue an audit without the release of a  
 29.17 final audit report, data relating to an audit are private or nonpublic.

29.18 (b) Data related to an audit but not published in the audit report and that the legislative  
 29.19 auditor reasonably believes will be used in litigation ~~are not public and with respect to data~~  
 29.20 ~~on individuals~~ are confidential or protected nonpublic until the litigation has been completed  
 29.21 or is no longer being actively pursued.

29.22 (c) Data that could reasonably be used to determine the identity of an individual or entity  
 29.23 supplying data for an audit are private or nonpublic if the data supplied ~~by the individual~~  
 29.24 were needed for an audit and ~~the individual~~ would not have been provided ~~the data~~ to the  
 29.25 legislative auditor without an assurance that the ~~individual's~~ identity of the individual or  
 29.26 entity would remain private or nonpublic, or the legislative auditor reasonably believes that  
 29.27 the subject data would not have been provided the data.

29.28 (d) ~~The definitions of terms provided in section 13.02 apply for purposes of this~~  
 29.29 ~~subdivision~~ Data related to an audit that were obtained from a nongovernmental entity have  
 29.30 the classification that the data would have if obtained from the government entity for which  
 29.31 the data were created, collected, or maintained by the nongovernmental entity.

29.32 (e) The legislative auditor may disseminate data of any classification to:

30.1 (1) a government entity, other than a law enforcement agency or prosecuting authority,  
30.2 if the dissemination of the data aids a pending audit; or

30.3 (2) a law enforcement agency or prosecuting authority if there is reason to believe that  
30.4 the data are evidence of criminal activity within the agency's or authority's jurisdiction.

30.5 Notwithstanding the classification of data as confidential or protected nonpublic, an individual  
30.6 or entity who supplies information for an audit may authorize the legislative auditor to  
30.7 release data that would identify the individual or entity for the purpose of conducting the  
30.8 audit. Data disseminated pursuant to this paragraph are subject to section 13.03, subdivision  
30.9 4, paragraph (c).

30.10 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 3.979, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
30.11 read:

30.12 Subd. 6. **Definitions.** The definitions of terms provided in section 13.02 apply for  
30.13 purposes of this section.

30.14 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 4.045, is amended to read:

30.15 **4.045 CHILDREN'S CABINET.**

30.16 The Children's Cabinet shall consist of the commissioners of education, human services,  
30.17 employment and economic development, public safety, corrections, management and budget,  
30.18 health, administration, Housing Finance Agency, and transportation, ~~and the director of the~~  
30.19 ~~Office of Strategic and Long-Range Planning.~~ The governor shall designate one member  
30.20 to serve as cabinet chair. The chair is responsible for ensuring that the duties of the Children's  
30.21 Cabinet are performed.

30.22 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10.44, is amended to read:

30.23 ~~**10.44 HOUSE, SENATE, COURT, ELECTED OFFICE BUDGETS; HOW**~~  
30.24 ~~**TREATED.**~~

30.25 The budgets of the ~~house of representatives, senate,~~ constitutional officers, district courts,  
30.26 court of appeals, and supreme court must be submitted to and considered by the appropriate  
30.27 committees of the legislature in the same manner as the budgets of executive agencies.

30.28 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective and applies to budgets proposed for fiscal  
30.29 years 2026 and thereafter.

31.1 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 10.45, is amended to read:

31.2 **10.45 BUDGETS; INFORMATION.**

31.3 The budgets of the house of representatives, the senate, the Legislative Coordinating  
 31.4 Commission, each constitutional officer, the district courts, court of appeals, and supreme  
 31.5 court shall be public information and shall be divided into expense categories. The categories  
 31.6 shall include, among others, travel and telephone expenses.

31.7 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective and applies to budgets adopted for fiscal  
 31.8 years 2026 and thereafter.

31.9 Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 15A.0815, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

31.10 Subdivision 1. **Salary limits.** The ~~governor or other~~ appropriate appointing authority  
 31.11 shall set the salary rates for positions listed in this section ~~within the salary limits listed in~~  
 31.12 ~~subdivisions 2 to 4. The governor's or other appointing authority's action is subject to~~  
 31.13 ~~approval of the Legislative Coordinating Commission and the legislature as provided by~~  
 31.14 ~~subdivision 5 and section 3.855~~ based upon the salaries prescribed by the Compensation  
 31.15 Council established under section 15A.082.

31.16 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and  
 31.17 applies to salary rates adopted by the council for fiscal year 2024 and thereafter.

31.18 Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 15A.0815, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

31.19 Subd. 2. ~~Group I salary limits~~ **Agency head salaries.** The salary for a position listed  
 31.20 in this subdivision shall ~~not exceed 133 percent of the salary of the governor. This limit~~  
 31.21 ~~must be adjusted annually on January 1. The new limit must equal the limit for the prior~~  
 31.22 ~~year increased by the percentage increase, if any, in the Consumer Price Index for all urban~~  
 31.23 ~~consumers from October of the second prior year to October of the immediately prior year~~  
 31.24 be determined by the Compensation Council under section 15A.082. The commissioner of  
 31.25 management and budget must publish the limit salaries on the department's website. This  
 31.26 subdivision applies to the following positions:

31.27 Commissioner of administration;

31.28 Commissioner of agriculture;

31.29 Commissioner of education;

31.30 Commissioner of commerce;

31.31 Commissioner of corrections;

- 32.1 Commissioner of health;
- 32.2 Commissioner, Minnesota Office of Higher Education;
- 32.3 Commissioner, Minnesota IT Services;
- 32.4 Commissioner, Housing Finance Agency;
- 32.5 Commissioner of human rights;
- 32.6 Commissioner of human services;
- 32.7 Commissioner of labor and industry;
- 32.8 Commissioner of management and budget;
- 32.9 Commissioner of natural resources;
- 32.10 Commissioner, Pollution Control Agency;
- 32.11 Commissioner of public safety;
- 32.12 Commissioner of revenue;
- 32.13 Commissioner of employment and economic development;
- 32.14 Commissioner of transportation; ~~and~~
- 32.15 Commissioner of veterans affairs;
- 32.16 Executive director of the Gambling Control Board;
- 32.17 Executive director of the Minnesota State Lottery;
- 32.18 Commissioner of Iron Range resources and rehabilitation;
- 32.19 Commissioner, Bureau of Mediation Services;
- 32.20 Ombudsman for mental health and developmental disabilities;
- 32.21 Ombudsperson for corrections;
- 32.22 Chair, Metropolitan Council;
- 32.23 Chair, Metropolitan Airports Commission;
- 32.24 School trust lands director;
- 32.25 Executive director of pari-mutuel racing; and
- 32.26 Commissioner, Public Utilities Commission.



33.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and  
 33.2 applies to salary rates adopted by the council for fiscal year 2024 and thereafter.

33.3 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 15A.082, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

33.4 Subdivision 1. **Creation.** A Compensation Council is created each odd-numbered year  
 33.5 ~~to assist the legislature in establishing~~ establish the compensation of constitutional officers,  
 33.6 justices of the supreme court, judges of the court of appeals and district court, and the heads  
 33.7 of state and metropolitan agencies included in section 15A.0815.

33.8 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and  
 33.9 applies to salary rates adopted by the council for fiscal year 2024 and thereafter.

33.10 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 15A.082, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

33.11 Subd. 2. **Membership.** The Compensation Council consists of 16 members: eight  
 33.12 nonjudges appointed by the chief justice of the supreme court, of whom no more than four  
 33.13 may belong to the same political party; and one member from each congressional district  
 33.14 appointed by the governor, of whom no more than four may belong to the same political  
 33.15 party. Appointments must be made after the first Monday in January and before January 15  
 33.16 31. The compensation and removal of members appointed by the governor or the chief  
 33.17 justice shall be as provided in section 15.059, subdivisions 3 and 4. The Legislative  
 33.18 Coordinating Commission shall provide the council with administrative and support services.

33.19 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and  
 33.20 applies to salary rates adopted by the council for fiscal year 2024 and thereafter.

33.21 Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 15A.082, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

33.22 Subd. 3. **Submission of recommendations.** ~~(a) By April~~ May 1 in each odd-numbered  
 33.23 year, the Compensation Council ~~shall submit to the speaker of the house and the president~~  
 33.24 ~~of the senate salary recommendations~~ must prescribe salaries for constitutional officers,  
 33.25 justices of the supreme court, ~~and~~ judges of the court of appeals and district court, and for  
 33.26 the agency and metropolitan agency heads identified in section 15A.0815. The ~~recommended~~  
 33.27 prescribed salary for each ~~other~~ office must take effect ~~on the first Monday in January of~~  
 33.28 ~~the next odd-numbered year, with no more than one adjustment, to take effect on January~~  
 33.29 ~~1 of the year after that. The salary recommendations for judges and constitutional officers~~  
 33.30 ~~take effect if an appropriation of money to pay the recommended salaries is enacted after~~  
 33.31 ~~the recommendations are submitted and before their effective date. Recommendations may~~  
 33.32 ~~be expressly modified or rejected~~ July 1 of that year and July 1 of the subsequent

34.1 even-numbered year and at whatever interval the Compensation Council determines  
34.2 thereafter, unless the legislature by law provides otherwise.

34.3 ~~(b) The council shall also submit to the speaker of the house and the president of the~~  
34.4 ~~senate recommendations for the salary ranges of the heads of state and metropolitan agencies,~~  
34.5 ~~to be effective retroactively from January 1 of that year if enacted into law. The~~  
34.6 ~~recommendations shall include the appropriate group in section 15A.0815 to which each~~  
34.7 ~~agency head should be assigned and the appropriate limitation on the maximum range of~~  
34.8 ~~the salaries of the agency heads in each group, expressed as a percentage of the salary of~~  
34.9 ~~the governor.~~

34.10 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and  
34.11 applies to salary rates adopted by the council for fiscal year 2024 and thereafter.

34.12 Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 15A.082, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

34.13 Subd. 4. **Criteria.** In making compensation ~~recommendations~~ determinations, the council  
34.14 shall consider the amount of compensation paid in government service and the private sector  
34.15 to persons with similar qualifications, the amount of compensation needed to attract and  
34.16 retain experienced and competent persons, and the ability of the state to pay the recommended  
34.17 compensation.

34.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and  
34.19 applies to salary rates adopted by the council for fiscal year 2024 and thereafter.

34.20 Sec. 23. **[16A.091] ACCOUNTABILITY AND PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT.**

34.21 (a) The commissioner of management and budget is responsible for the coordination,  
34.22 development, assessment, and communication of information, performance measures,  
34.23 planning, and policy concerning the state's future.

34.24 (b) The commissioner must develop a statewide system of economic, social, and  
34.25 environmental performance measures. The commissioner must provide information to assist  
34.26 public and elected officials with understanding the status of these performance measures.

34.27 Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 16A.122, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

34.28 Subd. 2. **Transfers from grants prohibited.** Unless otherwise provided by law or  
34.29 section 16B.98, subdivision 14, an agency must not use grant or flow-through funds for  
34.30 salaries or other operating purposes.

35.1 Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 16A.126, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

35.2 Subdivision 1. **Set rates.** The commissioner shall approve the rates an agency must pay  
35.3 to a revolving fund for services. Funds subject to this subdivision include, but are not limited  
35.4 to, the revolving funds established in sections 14.46; 14.53; 16B.2975, subdivision 4; 16B.48;  
35.5 16B.54; 16B.58; 16B.85; 16E.14; 43A.55; and 176.591; ~~and~~ the fund established in section  
35.6 43A.30; and the account established in section 16A.1286.

35.7 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2024.

35.8 Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 16A.1286, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

35.9 Subd. 2. **Billing procedures.** The commissioner may bill up to \$10,000,000 in each  
35.10 fiscal year for statewide systems services provided to state agencies, ~~judicial branch agencies,~~  
35.11 ~~the University of Minnesota~~ in the executive, legislative, and judicial branches, the Minnesota  
35.12 State Colleges and Universities, and other entities. Each entity shall be billed based on that  
35.13 entity's usage of the statewide systems. Each agency shall transfer from agency operating  
35.14 appropriations to the statewide systems account the amount billed by the commissioner.  
35.15 ~~Billing policies and procedures related to statewide systems services must be developed by~~  
35.16 ~~the commissioner in consultation with the commissioners of management and budget and~~  
35.17 ~~administration, the University of Minnesota, and the Minnesota State Colleges and~~  
35.18 ~~Universities.~~ The commissioner shall develop billing policies and procedures.

35.19 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2025.

35.20 Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 16A.152, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

35.21 Subd. 4. **Reduction.** (a) If the commissioner determines that probable receipts for the  
35.22 general fund will be less than anticipated, and that the amount available for the remainder  
35.23 of the biennium will be less than needed, the commissioner shall, with the approval of the  
35.24 governor, and after consulting the Legislative Advisory Commission, reduce the amount in  
35.25 the budget reserve account as needed to balance expenditures with revenue.

35.26 (b) An additional deficit shall, with the approval of the governor, and after consulting  
35.27 the Legislative Advisory Commission, be made up by reducing unexpended allotments of  
35.28 any prior appropriation or transfer. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the  
35.29 commissioner is empowered to defer or suspend prior statutorily created obligations which  
35.30 would prevent effecting such reductions.

35.31 (c) If the commissioner determines that probable receipts for any other fund,  
35.32 appropriation, or item will be less than anticipated, and that the amount available for the

36.1 remainder of the term of the appropriation or for any allotment period will be less than  
36.2 needed, the commissioner shall notify the agency concerned and then reduce the amount  
36.3 allotted or to be allotted so as to prevent a deficit.

36.4 (d) In reducing allotments, the commissioner may consider other sources of revenue  
36.5 available to recipients of state appropriations and may apply allotment reductions based on  
36.6 all sources of revenue available.

36.7 (e) In like manner, the commissioner shall reduce allotments to an agency by the amount  
36.8 of any saving that can be made over previous spending plans through a reduction in prices  
36.9 or other cause.

36.10 (f) The commissioner is prohibited from reducing an allotment or appropriation made  
36.11 under section 3.1985.

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

36.13 Sec. 28. **[16B.373] OFFICE OF ENTERPRISE TRANSLATIONS.**

36.14 **Subdivision 1. Office establishment.** (a) The commissioner shall establish an Office of  
36.15 Enterprise Translations. The office must:

36.16 (1) provide translation services for written material for executive agencies;

36.17 (2) create and maintain language-specific landing webpages in Spanish, Hmong, and  
36.18 Somali and other languages that may be determined by the commissioner, in consultation  
36.19 with the state demographer, with links to translated materials at state agency websites; and

36.20 (3) serve as a resource to executive agencies in areas such as best practices and standards  
36.21 for the translation of written materials.

36.22 (b) The commissioner shall determine the process and requirements for state agencies  
36.23 to request translations of written materials.

36.24 **Subd. 2. Language access service account established.** The language access service  
36.25 account is created in the special revenue fund for reimbursing state agencies for expenses  
36.26 incurred in providing language translation services.

36.27 Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 16B.97, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

36.28 Subd. 2. **Grants governance.** The commissioner shall provide leadership and direction  
36.29 for policy related to grants management in Minnesota in order to foster more consistent,  
36.30 streamlined interaction between executive agencies, funders, and grantees that will enhance  
36.31 access to grant opportunities and information and lead to greater program accountability

37.1 and transparency. The commissioner has the duties and powers stated in this section. ~~An~~  
37.2 ~~Executive agency~~ agencies shall fully cooperate with the commissioner in the creation,  
37.3 management, and oversight of state grants and must do what the commissioner requires  
37.4 under this section. The commissioner may adopt rules to carry out grants governance,  
37.5 oversight, and management.

37.6 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

37.7 Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 16B.97, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

37.8 Subd. 3. **Discretionary powers.** The commissioner has the authority to:

37.9 (1) review grants management practices and ~~propose~~ establish and enforce policy and  
37.10 procedure improvements ~~to the governor, legislature, executive agencies, and the federal~~  
37.11 ~~government;~~

37.12 (2) sponsor, support, and facilitate innovative and collaborative grants management  
37.13 projects with public and private organizations;

37.14 (3) review, recommend, and implement alternative strategies for grants management;

37.15 (4) collect and disseminate information, issue reports relating to grants management,  
37.16 and sponsor and conduct conferences and studies; ~~and~~

37.17 (5) participate in conferences and other appropriate activities related to grants  
37.18 management issues;

37.19 (6) suspend or debar grantees from eligibility to receive state-issued grants for up to  
37.20 three years for reasons specified in Minnesota Rules, part 1230.1150, subpart 2. A grantee  
37.21 may obtain an administrative hearing pursuant to sections 14.57 to 14.62 before a suspension  
37.22 or debarment is effective by filing a written request for hearing within 20 days of notification  
37.23 of suspension or debarment;

37.24 (7) establish offices for the purpose of carrying out grants governance, oversight, and  
37.25 management; and

37.26 (8) require granting agencies to submit grant solicitation documents for review prior to  
37.27 issuance at dollar levels determined by the commissioner.

37.28 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

37.29 Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 16B.97, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

37.30 Subd. 4. **Duties.** (a) The commissioner shall:

38.1 (1) create general grants management policies and procedures that are applicable to all  
38.2 executive agencies. The commissioner may approve exceptions to these policies and  
38.3 procedures for particular grant programs. Exceptions shall expire or be renewed after five  
38.4 years. Executive agencies shall retain management of individual grants programs;

38.5 (2) provide a central point of contact concerning statewide grants management policies  
38.6 and procedures;

38.7 (3) serve as a resource to executive agencies in such areas as training, evaluation,  
38.8 collaboration, and best practices in grants management;

38.9 (4) ensure grants management needs are considered in the development, upgrade, and  
38.10 use of statewide administrative systems and leverage existing technology wherever possible;

38.11 (5) oversee and approve future professional and technical service contracts and other  
38.12 information technology spending related to executive agency grants management systems  
38.13 and activities;

38.14 (6) provide a central point of contact for comments about executive agencies violating  
38.15 statewide grants governance policies and about fraud and waste in grants processes;

38.16 (7) forward received comments to the appropriate agency for further action, and may  
38.17 follow up as necessary;

38.18 (8) provide a single listing of all available executive agency competitive grant  
38.19 opportunities and resulting grant recipients;

38.20 (9) selectively review development and implementation of executive agency grants,  
38.21 policies, and practices; and

38.22 (10) selectively review executive agency compliance with best practices.

38.23 (b) The commissioner may determine that it is cost-effective for agencies to develop  
38.24 and use shared grants management technology systems. This system would be governed  
38.25 under section 16E.01, subdivision 3, paragraph (b).

38.26 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023.

38.27 Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 16B.98, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

38.28 **Subd. 5. Creation and validity of grant agreements.** (a) A grant agreement is and  
38.29 amendments are not valid and the state is not bound by ~~the grant~~ them unless:

38.30 (1) ~~the grant has~~ they have been executed by the head of the agency or a delegate who  
38.31 is party to the grant;

39.1 (2) they have been approved by the commissioner;

39.2 (3) the accounting system shows an encumbrance for the amount of the grant in  
39.3 accordance with policy approved by the commissioner except as provided in subdivision  
39.4 11; and

39.5 ~~(3)~~ (4) the grant agreement includes an effective date that references either section  
39.6 16C.05, subdivision 2, or 16B.98, subdivisions 5 and 7, as determined by the granting  
39.7 agency.

39.8 (b) The combined grant agreement and amendments must not exceed five years without  
39.9 specific, written approval by the commissioner according to established policy, procedures,  
39.10 and standards, or unless the commissioner determines that a longer duration is in the best  
39.11 interest of the state.

39.12 (c) A fully executed copy of the grant agreement with all amendments and other required  
39.13 records relating to the grant must be kept on file at the granting agency for a time equal to  
39.14 that required of grantees in subdivision 8.

39.15 (d) Grant agreements must comply with policies established by the commissioner for  
39.16 minimum grant agreement standards and practices.

39.17 (e) The attorney general may periodically review and evaluate a sample of state agency  
39.18 grants to ensure compliance with applicable laws.

39.19 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective April 1, 2024, and applies to grants issued  
39.20 on or after that date.

39.21 Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 16B.98, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

39.22 Subd. 6. **Grant administration.** A granting agency shall diligently administer and  
39.23 monitor any grant it has entered into. The commissioner may require an agency to report  
39.24 to the commissioner at any time on the status of any grant to which the agency is a party.

39.25 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023, and applies to grants  
39.26 issued on or after that date.

39.27 Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 16B.98, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

39.28 Subd. 8. **Audit.** (a) A grant agreement made by an executive agency must include an  
39.29 audit clause that provides that the books, records, documents, and accounting procedures  
39.30 and practices of the grantee or other party that are relevant to the grant or transaction are  
39.31 subject to examination by the commissioner, the granting agency, and either the legislative

40.1 auditor or the state auditor, as appropriate, for a minimum of six years from the grant  
40.2 agreement end date, receipt and approval of all final reports, or the required period of time  
40.3 to satisfy all state and program retention requirements, whichever is later. If a grant agreement  
40.4 does not include an express audit clause, the audit authority under this subdivision is implied.

40.5 (b) If the granting agency is a local unit of government, and the governing body of the  
40.6 local unit of government requests that the state auditor examine the books, records,  
40.7 documents, and accounting procedures and practices of the grantee or other party according  
40.8 to this subdivision, the granting agency shall be liable for the cost of the examination. If  
40.9 the granting agency is a local unit of government, and the grantee or other party requests  
40.10 that the state auditor examine all books, records, documents, and accounting procedures  
40.11 and practices related to the grant, the grantee or other party that requested the examination  
40.12 shall be liable for the cost of the examination.

40.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023, and applies to grants  
40.14 issued on or after that date.

40.15 Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 16B.98, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
40.16 read:

40.17 **Subd. 12. Grantee evaluations.** (a) The head of the agency or delegate entering into a  
40.18 grant agreement in excess of \$25,000 must submit a report to the commissioner who must  
40.19 make the report publicly available online.

40.20 **(b) The report must:**

40.21 **(1) summarize the purpose of the grant;**

40.22 **(2) state the amount provided to the grantee; and**

40.23 **(3) include a written performance evaluation of the work done under the grant. The**  
40.24 **evaluation must include an appraisal of the grantee's timeliness, quality, and overall**  
40.25 **performance in meeting the terms and objectives of the grant. Grantees may request copies**  
40.26 **of evaluations prepared under this subdivision and may respond in writing. Grantee responses**  
40.27 **must be maintained with the grant file.**

40.28 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective April 1, 2024, and applies to grants issued  
40.29 on or after that date.



41.1 Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 16B.98, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
41.2 read:

41.3 Subd. 13. **Limitations on actions.** No action may be maintained by a grantee against  
41.4 an employee or agency who discloses information about a current or former grantee under  
41.5 subdivision 12, unless the grantee demonstrates by clear and convincing evidence that:

41.6 (1) the information was false and defamatory;

41.7 (2) the employee or agency knew or should have known the information was false and  
41.8 acted with malicious intent to injure the current or former grantee; and

41.9 (3) the information was acted upon in a manner that caused harm to the current or former  
41.10 grantee.

41.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023, and applies to grants  
41.12 issued on or after that date.

41.13 Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 16B.98, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
41.14 read:

41.15 Subd. 14. **Administrative costs.** Unless amounts are otherwise appropriated for  
41.16 administrative costs, a state agency may retain up to five percent of the amount appropriated  
41.17 to the agency for grants enacted by the legislature and formula grants and up to ten percent  
41.18 for competitively awarded grants. This subdivision applies to appropriations made for new  
41.19 grant programs enacted after the effective date of this subdivision.

41.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2023, and applies to grants  
41.21 issued on or after that date.

41.22 Sec. 38. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 16B.991, is amended to read:

41.23 **16B.991 TERMINATION OF GRANT.**

41.24 Subdivision 1. **Criminal conviction.** Each grant agreement subject to sections 16B.97  
41.25 and 16B.98 must provide that the agreement will immediately be terminated if the recipient  
41.26 is convicted of a criminal offense relating to a state grant agreement.

41.27 Subd. 2. **Authority.** A grant agreement must by its terms permit the commissioner to  
41.28 unilaterally terminate the grant agreement prior to completion if the commissioner determines  
41.29 that further performance under the grant agreement would not serve agency purposes or is  
41.30 not in the best interests of the state.

42.1 Sec. 39. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 16E.14, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

42.2 Subd. 4. **Cash flow.** (a) The commissioner of management and budget shall make  
42.3 appropriate transfers to the revolving fund when requested by the chief information officer.  
42.4 The chief information officer may make allotments and encumbrances in anticipation of  
42.5 such transfers. In addition, the chief information officer, with the approval of the  
42.6 commissioner of management and budget, may require an agency to make advance payments  
42.7 to the revolving fund sufficient to cover the office's estimated obligation for a period of at  
42.8 least 60 days. All reimbursements and other money received by the chief information officer  
42.9 under this section must be deposited in the MNIT services revolving fund.

42.10 (b) Each biennium, the commissioner of management and budget is authorized to provide  
42.11 cash flow assistance from the special revenue fund or other statutory general fund as defined  
42.12 in section 16A.671, subdivision 3, paragraph (a), to the Department of Information  
42.13 Technology Services for the purpose of managing revenue and expenditure differences.  
42.14 These funds shall be repaid with interest by the end of the closing period of the second fiscal  
42.15 year of the same biennium.

42.16 Sec. 40. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 16E.21, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

42.17 Subdivision 1. **Account established; appropriation.** The information and  
42.18 telecommunications technology systems and services account is created in the special  
42.19 revenue fund. Receipts credited to the account are appropriated to the Department of  
42.20 Information Technology Services for the purpose of defraying the costs of personnel and  
42.21 technology for activities that create government efficiencies, secure state systems, or address  
42.22 project or product backlogs in accordance with this chapter.

42.23 Sec. 41. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 16E.21, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

42.24 Subd. 2. **Charges.** (a) Upon agreement of the participating agency, the Department of  
42.25 Information Technology Services may collect a charge or receive a fund transfer under  
42.26 section 16E.0466 for purchases of information and telecommunications technology systems  
42.27 and services by state agencies and other governmental entities through state contracts for  
42.28 purposes described in subdivision 1. Charges collected under this section must be credited  
42.29 to the information and telecommunications technology systems and services account.

42.30 (b) Notwithstanding section 16A.28, subdivision 3, any unexpended operating balance  
42.31 appropriated to a state agency may be transferred to the information and telecommunications  
42.32 technology systems and services account for the information technology cost of a specific

43.1 project, product, or services, subject to the review of the Legislative Advisory Commission  
43.2 under subdivision 3.

43.3 Sec. 42. **[16E.35] COUNTY AND LOCAL CYBERSECURITY GRANTS.**

43.4 Subdivision 1. **Cybersecurity grant program established.** The Department of IT  
43.5 Services may make grants to political subdivisions to support addressing cybersecurity risks  
43.6 and cybersecurity threats to information systems owned or operated by, or on behalf of,  
43.7 state, local, or Tribal governments, as provided in section 70612 of Public Law 117-58.

43.8 Subd. 2. **Match requirement.** The political subdivision receiving a grant must provide  
43.9 for the remainder of the costs of the project that exceed available state match appropriated  
43.10 funds, or that exceed goals defined in the statewide cybersecurity plan.

43.11 Subd. 3. **Criteria.** The department may set criteria for program priorities and standards  
43.12 of review.

43.13 Sec. 43. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 43A.08, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

43.14 Subdivision 1. **Unclassified positions.** Unclassified positions are held by employees  
43.15 who are:

43.16 (1) chosen by election or appointed to fill an elective office;

43.17 (2) heads of agencies required by law to be appointed by the governor or other elective  
43.18 officers, and the executive or administrative heads of departments, bureaus, divisions, and  
43.19 institutions specifically established by law in the unclassified service;

43.20 (3) deputy and assistant agency heads and one confidential secretary in the agencies  
43.21 listed in subdivision 1a ~~and in the Office of Strategic and Long-Range Planning;~~

43.22 (4) the confidential secretary to each of the elective officers of this state and, for the  
43.23 secretary of state and state auditor, an additional deputy, clerk, or employee;

43.24 (5) intermittent help employed by the commissioner of public safety to assist in the  
43.25 issuance of vehicle licenses;

43.26 (6) employees in the offices of the governor and of the lieutenant governor and one  
43.27 confidential employee for the governor in the Office of the Adjutant General;

43.28 (7) employees of the Washington, D.C., office of the state of Minnesota;

43.29 (8) employees of the legislature and of legislative committees or commissions; provided  
43.30 that employees of the Legislative Audit Commission, except for the legislative auditor, the

44.1 deputy legislative auditors, and their confidential secretaries, shall be employees in the  
44.2 classified service;

44.3 (9) presidents, vice-presidents, deans, other managers and professionals in academic  
44.4 and academic support programs, administrative or service faculty, teachers, research  
44.5 assistants, and student employees eligible under terms of the federal Economic Opportunity  
44.6 Act work study program in the Perpich Center for Arts Education and the Minnesota State  
44.7 Colleges and Universities, but not the custodial, clerical, or maintenance employees, or any  
44.8 professional or managerial employee performing duties in connection with the business  
44.9 administration of these institutions;

44.10 (10) officers and enlisted persons in the National Guard;

44.11 (11) attorneys, legal assistants, and three confidential employees appointed by the attorney  
44.12 general or employed with the attorney general's authorization;

44.13 (12) judges and all employees of the judicial branch, referees, receivers, jurors, and  
44.14 notaries public, except referees and adjusters employed by the Department of Labor and  
44.15 Industry;

44.16 (13) members of the State Patrol; provided that selection and appointment of State Patrol  
44.17 troopers must be made in accordance with applicable laws governing the classified service;

44.18 (14) examination monitors and intermittent training instructors employed by the  
44.19 Departments of Management and Budget and Commerce and by professional examining  
44.20 boards and intermittent staff employed by the technical colleges for the administration of  
44.21 practical skills tests and for the staging of instructional demonstrations;

44.22 (15) student workers;

44.23 (16) executive directors or executive secretaries appointed by and reporting to any  
44.24 policy-making board or commission established by statute;

44.25 (17) employees unclassified pursuant to other statutory authority;

44.26 (18) intermittent help employed by the commissioner of agriculture to perform duties  
44.27 relating to pesticides, fertilizer, and seed regulation;

44.28 (19) the administrators and the deputy administrators at the State Academies for the  
44.29 Deaf and the Blind; and

44.30 (20) chief executive officers in the Department of Human Services.

45.1 Sec. 44. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 138.912, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

45.2 Subdivision 1. **Establishment.** The healthy eating, here at home program is established  
45.3 to provide incentives for low-income Minnesotans to use federal Supplemental Nutrition  
45.4 Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits for healthy purchases at Minnesota-based farmers'  
45.5 markets, mobile markets, and direct-farmer sales, including community-supported agriculture  
45.6 shares.

45.7 Sec. 45. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 138.912, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

45.8 Subd. 2. **Definitions.** (a) The definitions in this subdivision apply to this section.

45.9 (b) "Healthy eating, here at home" means a program administered by the Minnesota  
45.10 Humanities Center to provide incentives for low-income Minnesotans to use SNAP benefits  
45.11 for healthy purchases at Minnesota-based farmers' markets.

45.12 (c) "Healthy purchases" means SNAP-eligible foods.

45.13 (d) "Minnesota-based farmers' market" means a physical market as defined in section  
45.14 28A.151, subdivision 1, paragraph (b), and also includes mobile markets and direct-farmer  
45.15 sales, including through a community-supported agriculture model.

45.16 (e) "Voucher" means a physical or electronic credit.

45.17 (f) "Eligible household" means an individual or family that is determined to be a recipient  
45.18 of SNAP.

45.19 Sec. 46. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 145.951, is amended to read:

45.20 **145.951 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN; STATEWIDE PROGRAM FOR FAMILIES.**

45.21 The commissioner of health, in consultation with the commissioners of education;  
45.22 corrections; public safety; and human services, and with the ~~directors~~ director of the ~~Office~~  
45.23 ~~of Strategic and Long-Range Planning~~, the Council on Disability, and the councils and  
45.24 commission under sections 3.922, 3.9221, and 15.0145, may develop an implementation  
45.25 plan for the establishment of a statewide program to assist families in developing the full  
45.26 potential of their children. The program must be designed to strengthen the family, to reduce  
45.27 the risk of abuse to children, and to promote the long-term development of children in their  
45.28 home environments. The program must also be designed to use volunteers to provide support  
45.29 to parents, and to link parents with existing public health, education, and social services as  
45.30 appropriate.

46.1 Sec. 47. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 307.08, is amended to read:

46.2 **307.08 DAMAGES; ILLEGAL MOLESTATION OF HUMAN REMAINS;**  
46.3 **BURIALS; CEMETERIES; PENALTY; AUTHENTICATION ASSESSMENT.**

46.4 Subdivision 1. **Legislative intent; scope.** It is a declaration and statement of legislative  
46.5 intent that all human burials, human remains, and human burial grounds shall be accorded  
46.6 equal treatment and respect for human dignity without reference to their ethnic origins,  
46.7 cultural backgrounds, or religious affiliations. The provisions of this section shall apply to  
46.8 all human burials, human remains, or human burial grounds found on or in all public or  
46.9 private lands or waters in Minnesota. Within the boundaries of Tribal Nation reservations,  
46.10 nothing in this section should be interpreted to conflict with federal law, including the Native  
46.11 American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), United States Code, title  
46.12 25, section 3001 et seq., and its implementing regulations, Code of Federal Regulations,  
46.13 title 43, part 10.

46.14 Subd. 2. **Felony; gross misdemeanor.** (a) A person who intentionally, willfully, ~~and~~ or  
46.15 knowingly does any of the following is guilty of a felony:

46.16 (1) destroys, mutilates, or injures human burials ~~or~~ human burial grounds, or associated  
46.17 grave goods; or

46.18 (2) without the consent of the appropriate authority, disturbs human burial grounds or  
46.19 removes human remains or associated grave goods.

46.20 (b) A person who, without the consent of the appropriate authority and the landowner,  
46.21 intentionally, willfully, ~~and~~ or knowingly does any of the following is guilty of a gross  
46.22 misdemeanor:

46.23 (1) removes any tombstone, monument, or structure placed in any public or private  
46.24 cemetery or ~~authenticated~~ assessed human burial ground; or

46.25 (2) removes any fence, railing, natural stone, or other work erected for protection or  
46.26 ornament, or any tree, shrub, or plant ~~or grave goods and artifacts~~ within the limits of a  
46.27 public or private cemetery or ~~authenticated~~ assessed human burial ground; or

46.28 (3) discharges any firearms upon or over the grounds of any public or private cemetery  
46.29 or ~~authenticated~~ assessed burial ground.

46.30 (c) A person who intentionally, willfully, or knowingly fails to comply with any other  
46.31 provision of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.

47.1 Subd. 3. **Protective posting.** Upon the agreement of the appropriate authority and the  
47.2 landowner, an authenticated or recorded human burial ground may be posted for protective  
47.3 purposes every 75 feet around its perimeter with signs listing the activities prohibited by  
47.4 subdivision 2 and the penalty for violation of it. Posting is at the discretion of the Indian  
47.5 affairs council in the case of American Indian burials or at the discretion of the state  
47.6 archaeologist in the case of ~~non-Indian~~ non-American Indian burials. This subdivision does  
47.7 not require posting of a burial ground. The size, description, location, and information on  
47.8 the signs used for protective posting must be approved by the appropriate authority and the  
47.9 landowner.

47.10 Subd. 3a. ~~**Authentication Cemeteries; records and condition assessments.**~~ The state  
47.11 ~~archaeologist shall authenticate all burial grounds for purposes of this section. The state~~  
47.12 ~~archaeologist may retain the services of a qualified professional archaeologist, a qualified~~  
47.13 ~~physical anthropologist, or other appropriate experts for the purpose of gathering information~~  
47.14 ~~that the state archaeologist can use to authenticate or identify burial grounds. If probable~~  
47.15 ~~Indian burial grounds are to be disturbed or probable Indian remains analyzed, the Indian~~  
47.16 ~~Affairs Council must approve the professional archaeologist, qualified anthropologist, or~~  
47.17 ~~other appropriate expert. Authentication is at the discretion of the state archaeologist based~~  
47.18 ~~on the needs identified in this section or upon request by an agency, a landowner, or other~~  
47.19 ~~appropriate authority.~~ (a) Cemeteries shall be assessed according to this subdivision.

47.20 (b) The state archaeologist shall implement and maintain a system of records identifying  
47.21 the location of known, recorded, or suspected cemeteries. The state archaeologist shall  
47.22 provide access to the records as provided in subdivision 11.

47.23 (c) The cemetery condition assessment of non-American Indian cemeteries is at the  
47.24 discretion of the state archaeologist based on the needs identified in this section or upon  
47.25 request by an agency, a landowner, or other appropriate authority.

47.26 (d) The cemetery condition assessment of American Indian cemeteries is at the discretion  
47.27 of the Indian Affairs Council based on the needs identified in this section or upon request  
47.28 by an agency, a landowner, or other appropriate authority. If the Indian Affairs Council has  
47.29 possession or takes custody of remains they may follow United States Code, title 25, sections  
47.30 3001 to 3013.

47.31 (e) The cemetery condition assessment of cemeteries that include American Indian and  
47.32 non-American Indian remains or include remains whose ancestry cannot be determined  
47.33 shall be assessed at the discretion of the state archaeologist in collaboration with the Indian

48.1 Affairs Council based on the needs identified in this section or upon request by an agency,  
48.2 a landowner, or other appropriate authority.

48.3 (f) The state archaeologist and the Indian Affairs Council shall have 90 days from the  
48.4 date a request is received to begin a cemetery condition assessment or provide notice to the  
48.5 requester whether or not a condition assessment of a cemetery is needed.

48.6 (g) The state archaeologist and the Indian Affairs Council may retain the services of a  
48.7 qualified professional archaeologist, a qualified forensic anthropologist, or other appropriate  
48.8 experts for the purpose of gathering information that the state archaeologist or the Indian  
48.9 Affairs Council can use to assess or identify cemeteries.

48.10 Subd. 5. ~~Cost; use of data.~~ The cost of ~~authentication~~ condition assessment, recording,  
48.11 surveying, and marking burial grounds and the cost of identification, analysis, rescue, and  
48.12 reburial of human remains on public lands or waters shall be the responsibility of the state  
48.13 or political subdivision controlling the lands or waters. On private lands or waters these  
48.14 costs ~~shall~~ may be borne by the state, ~~but may be borne by~~ or the landowner upon mutual  
48.15 agreement with the state. ~~The state archaeologist must make the data collected for this~~  
48.16 ~~activity available using standards adopted by the Department of Information Technology~~  
48.17 ~~Services and geospatial technology standards and guidelines published by the Minnesota~~  
48.18 ~~Geospatial Information Office. Costs associated with this data delivery must be borne by~~  
48.19 ~~the state.~~

48.20 Subd. 7. **Remains found outside of recorded cemeteries.** (a) All unidentified human  
48.21 remains or burials found outside of recorded cemeteries or unplatted graves or burials found  
48.22 within recorded cemeteries and in contexts which indicate antiquity greater than 50 years  
48.23 shall be treated with the utmost respect for all human dignity and dealt with according to  
48.24 the provisions of this section.

48.25 (b) If such burials are not American Indian or their ethnic identity cannot be ascertained,  
48.26 as determined by the state archaeologist, they shall be dealt with in accordance with  
48.27 provisions established by the state archaeologist and other appropriate authority.

48.28 (c) If such burials are American Indian, as determined by the state archaeologist and  
48.29 Indian Affairs Council, efforts shall be made ~~by the state archaeologist and the Indian Affairs~~  
48.30 ~~Council to ascertain their tribal identity. If their probable tribal identity can be determined~~  
48.31 ~~and the remains have been removed from their original context, such remains shall be turned~~  
48.32 ~~over to contemporary tribal leaders for disposition. If tribal identity cannot be determined,~~  
48.33 ~~the Indian remains must be dealt with in accordance with provisions established by the state~~  
48.34 ~~archaeologist and the Indian Affairs Council if they are from public land. If removed Indian~~



49.1 ~~remains are from private land they shall be dealt with in accordance with provisions~~  
49.2 ~~established by the Indian Affairs Council. If it is deemed desirable by the state archaeologist~~  
49.3 ~~or the Indian Affairs Council, removed remains shall be studied in a timely and respectful~~  
49.4 ~~manner by a qualified professional archaeologist or a qualified physical anthropologist~~  
49.5 ~~before being delivered to tribal leaders or before being reburied~~ to follow procedures as  
49.6 defined in United States Code, title 25, section 3001 et seq., and its implementing regulations,  
49.7 Code of Federal Regulations, title 43, part 10, within reservation boundaries. For burials  
49.8 outside of reservation boundaries, the procedures defined in United States Code, title 25,  
49.9 section 3001 et seq., and its implementing regulations, Code of Federal Regulations, title  
49.10 43, part 10, are at the discretion of the Indian Affairs Council.

49.11 Subd. 7a. **Landowner responsibilities.** Application by a landowner for permission to  
49.12 develop or disturb nonburial areas within ~~authenticated~~ assessed or recorded burial grounds  
49.13 shall be made to:

49.14 (1) the state archaeologist and other appropriate authority in the case of ~~non-Indian~~  
49.15 non-American Indian burials; and to

49.16 (2) the Indian Affairs Council and other appropriate authority in the case of American  
49.17 Indian burials.

49.18 (b) Landowners with ~~authenticated~~ assessed or suspected human burial grounds on their  
49.19 property are obligated to inform prospective buyers of the burial ground.

49.20 Subd. 8. **Burial ground relocation.** No ~~non-Indian~~ non-American Indian burial ground  
49.21 may be relocated without the consent of the appropriate authority. No American Indian  
49.22 burial ground may be relocated unless the request to relocate is approved by the Indian  
49.23 Affairs Council. When a burial ground is located on public lands or waters, any burial  
49.24 relocations must be duly licensed under section 138.36 and the cost of removal is the  
49.25 responsibility of and shall be paid by the state or political subdivision controlling the lands  
49.26 or waters. If burial grounds are ~~authenticated~~ assessed on private lands, efforts may be made  
49.27 by the state to purchase and protect them instead of removing them to another location.

49.28 Subd. 9. **Interagency cooperation.** (a) The state archaeologist and the Indian Affairs  
49.29 Council shall enter into a memorandum of understanding to coordinate their responsibilities  
49.30 under this section.

49.31 (b) The Department of Natural Resources, the Department of Transportation, and all  
49.32 other state agencies and local governmental units whose activities may be affected, shall  
49.33 cooperate with the state archaeologist and the Indian Affairs Council to carry out the  
49.34 provisions of this section.

50.1 Subd. 10. **Construction and development plan review.** When human burials are known  
50.2 or suspected to exist, on public lands or waters, the state or political subdivision controlling  
50.3 the lands or waters or, in the case of private lands, the landowner or developer, shall submit  
50.4 construction and development plans to the state archaeologist for review ~~prior to the time~~  
50.5 ~~bids are advertised~~ before plans are finalized and prior to any disturbance within the burial  
50.6 area. If the known or suspected burials are thought to be American Indian, plans shall also  
50.7 be submitted to the Indian Affairs Council. The state archaeologist and the Indian Affairs  
50.8 Council shall review the plans within ~~30~~ 45 days of receipt and make recommendations for  
50.9 the preservation in place or removal of the human burials or remains, which may be  
50.10 endangered by construction or development activities.

50.11 Subd. 11. **Burial sites data.** (a) Burial sites locational and related data maintained by  
50.12 data under the authority of the Office of the State Archaeologist and accessible through the  
50.13 office's "Unplatted Burial Sites and Earthworks in Minnesota" website or Indian Affairs  
50.14 Council are security information for purposes of section 13.37. Persons who gain access to  
50.15 ~~the data maintained on the site~~ this data are subject to liability under section 13.08 and the  
50.16 penalty established by section 13.09 if they improperly use or further disseminate the data.  
50.17 Use of this information must be approved by the appropriate authority.

50.18 Subd. 12. **Right of entry.** The state archaeologist or designee may enter on property for  
50.19 the purpose of ~~authenticating~~ assessing burial sites. The Indian Affairs Council or a  
50.20 designated representative of the Indian Affairs Council may enter on property for the purpose  
50.21 of assessing or identifying American Indian cemeteries. Only after obtaining permission  
50.22 from the property owner or lessee, descendants of persons buried in burial grounds covered  
50.23 by this section may enter the burial grounds for the purpose of conducting religious or  
50.24 commemorative ceremonies. This right of entry must not unreasonably burden property  
50.25 owners or unnecessarily restrict their use of the property.

50.26 Subd. 13. **Definitions.** As used in this section, the following terms have the meanings  
50.27 given.

50.28 (a) "Abandoned cemetery" means a cemetery where the cemetery association has  
50.29 disbanded or the cemetery is neglected and contains marked graves older than 50 years.

50.30 (b) "Appropriate authority" means:

50.31 (1) the trustees when the trustees have been legally defined to administer burial grounds;

50.32 (2) the Indian Affairs Council in the case of American Indian burial grounds lacking  
50.33 trustees;

51.1 (3) the county board in the case of abandoned cemeteries under section 306.243; and

51.2 (4) the state archaeologist in the case of ~~non-Indian~~ non-American Indian burial grounds  
51.3 lacking trustees or not officially defined as abandoned.

51.4 (c) "Artifacts" means natural or artificial articles, objects, implements, or other items of  
51.5 archaeological interest.

51.6 (d) ~~"Authenticate"~~ "Assess" means to establish the presence of or high potential of human  
51.7 burials or human skeletal remains being located in a discrete area; ~~delimit the boundaries~~  
51.8 ~~of human burial grounds or graves~~; and attempt to determine the ethnic, cultural, or religious  
51.9 affiliation of individuals interred.

51.10 (e) "Burial" means the organic remnants of the human body that were intentionally  
51.11 interred as part of a mortuary process.

51.12 (f) "Burial ground" means a discrete location that is known to contain or has high potential  
51.13 to contain human remains based on physical evidence, historical records, or reliable informant  
51.14 accounts.

51.15 (g) "Cemetery" means a discrete location that is known to contain or intended to be used  
51.16 for the interment of human remains.

51.17 (h) "Disturb" means any activity that ~~significantly~~ harms the physical integrity or setting  
51.18 of a human burial or human burial ground.

51.19 (i) "Grave goods" means objects or artifacts directly associated with human burials or  
51.20 human burial grounds that were placed as part of a mortuary ritual at the time of interment.

51.21 (j) "Human remains" means ~~the calcified portion of the human body~~ of a deceased person  
51.22 in whole or in part, regardless of the state of decomposition, not including isolated teeth;  
51.23 ~~or cremated remains deposited in a container or discrete feature.~~

51.24 (k) "Identification" means to analyze organic materials to attempt to determine if they  
51.25 represent human remains and to attempt to establish the ethnic, cultural, or religious  
51.26 affiliations of such remains.

51.27 (l) "Marked" means a burial that has a recognizable tombstone or obvious grave marker  
51.28 in place or a legible sign identifying an area as a burial ground or cemetery.

51.29 (m) "Qualified physical anthropologist" means a specialist in identifying human remains  
51.30 who holds an advanced degree in anthropology or a closely related field.

52.1 (n) "Qualified professional archaeologist" means an archaeologist who meets the United  
52.2 States Secretary of the Interior's professional qualification standards in Code of Federal  
52.3 Regulations, title 36, part 61, appendix A, or subsequent revisions.

52.4 (o) "Recorded cemetery" means a cemetery that has a surveyed plat filed in a county  
52.5 recorder's office.

52.6 (p) "State" or "the state" means the state of Minnesota or an agency or official of the  
52.7 state acting in an official capacity.

52.8 (q) "Trustees" means the recognized representatives of the original incorporators, board  
52.9 of directors, or cemetery association.

52.10 (r) "Person" means a natural person or a business and includes both if the natural person  
52.11 is engaged in a business.

52.12 (s) "Business" means a contractor, subcontractor, supplier, consultant, or provider of  
52.13 technical, administrative, or physical services organized as a sole proprietorship, partnership,  
52.14 association, corporation, or other entity formed for the purpose of doing business for profit.

52.15 Sec. 48. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 349A.02, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

52.16 Subdivision 1. **Director.** A State Lottery is established under the supervision and control  
52.17 of a director. The director of the State Lottery shall be appointed by the governor with the  
52.18 advice and consent of the senate. The director serves in the unclassified service at the  
52.19 pleasure of the governor. The annual salary rate authorized for the director is ~~equal to 95~~  
52.20 ~~percent of the salary rate prescribed for the governor~~ established through the process  
52.21 described under section 15A.0815.

52.22 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment. Any  
52.23 recommendations made by the Compensation Council in 2023 determine salaries for fiscal  
52.24 years 2024 and 2025.

52.25 Sec. 49. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 381.12, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

52.26 Subd. 2. **Expense, tax levy.** The county board of any county may levy a tax upon all  
52.27 the taxable property in the county for the purpose of defraying the expense incurred, or to  
52.28 be incurred, less any amount received from the public system monument grant program  
52.29 under section 381.125, for:

52.30 (1) the preservation and restoration of monuments under this section;

52.31 (2) the preservation or establishment of control monuments for mapping activities;

53.1 (3) the modernization of county land records through the use of parcel-based land  
53.2 management systems; or

53.3 (4) the establishment of geographic (GIS), land (LIS), management (MIS) information  
53.4 systems.

53.5 Sec. 50. **[381.125] PUBLIC LAND SURVEY SYSTEM MONUMENT GRANT**  
53.6 **PROGRAM.**

53.7 Subdivision 1. **Grant program.** The chief geospatial information officer, through the  
53.8 Geospatial Advisory Council established under section 16E.30, subdivision 8, shall work  
53.9 with the stakeholders licensed as land surveyors under section 326.02, to develop a process  
53.10 for accepting applications from counties for funding for the perpetuation of monuments  
53.11 established by the United States in the public lands survey to mark public land survey  
53.12 corners, as provided in section 381.12, subdivision 2, clause (1). Grants may also be used  
53.13 to update records and data regarding monuments. The chief geospatial information officer  
53.14 must establish criteria for prioritizing applicants when resources available for grants are not  
53.15 sufficient to award grants to all applicants. The criteria must favor providing grants to  
53.16 counties that demonstrate financial need for assistance.

53.17 Subd. 2. **Report.** By October 1, in each odd-numbered year, the chief geospatial  
53.18 information officer must submit a report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the  
53.19 committees in the senate and the house of representatives with jurisdiction over state  
53.20 government and local government. The report must include the following:

53.21 (1) a summary of the chief geospatial information officer activities regarding  
53.22 administration of this grant program for the previous fiscal year, including the amount of  
53.23 money requested and disbursed by county;

53.24 (2) an assessment of the progress toward completion of necessary monument restoration  
53.25 and certification by county; and

53.26 (3) a forecast of the amount needed to complete monument recertification in all counties.

53.27 Subd. 3. **Nonstate match.** No nonstate match is required for grants made under this  
53.28 program.

53.29 Sec. 51. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 462A.22, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

53.30 Subd. 10. **Audits.** All of the books and records of the agency shall be subject to audit  
53.31 by the legislative auditor in the manner prescribed for other agencies of state government.  
53.32 The agency is authorized also to employ and to contract in its resolutions and indentures

54.1 for the employment of public accountants for the audit of books and records pertaining to  
54.2 any fund or funds. ~~The legislative auditor shall review contracts with public accountants as~~  
54.3 ~~provided in section 3.972.~~

54.4 Sec. 52. STATE EMBLEMS REDESIGN COMMISSION.

54.5 Subdivision 1. Establishment. The State Emblems Redesign Commission is established.  
54.6 The purpose of the commission is to develop and adopt a new design for the official state  
54.7 flag and the official state seal no later than January 1, 2024.

54.8 Subd. 2. Membership; meetings. (a) The commission consists of the following members:

54.9 (1) three members of the public, appointed by the governor;

54.10 (2) one member appointed by the Council for Minnesotans of African Heritage;

54.11 (3) one member appointed by the Minnesota Council on Latino Affairs;

54.12 (4) one member appointed by the Council on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans;

54.13 (5) one member representing the Dakota community and one member representing the  
54.14 Ojibwe community, appointed by the executive board of the Indian Affairs Council;

54.15 (6) the secretary of state or the secretary's designee;

54.16 (7) the executive director of the Minnesota Historical Society or the director's designee;

54.17 (8) the chair of the Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board or the chair's designee;

54.18 (9) the chair of the Minnesota Arts Board or the chair's designee; and

54.19 (10) the executive director of Explore Minnesota Tourism or the director's designee.

54.20 (b) The following serve as ex officio, nonvoting members of the commission: (1) two  
54.21 members of the house of representatives, one each appointed by the speaker of the house  
54.22 and the minority leader of the house; and (2) two members of the senate, one representing  
54.23 the majority caucus appointed by the senate majority leader and one representing the minority  
54.24 caucus appointed by the senate minority leader.

54.25 (c) Appointments to the commission must be made no later than August 1, 2023. The  
54.26 voting members of the commission shall elect a chair and vice-chair. An appointee designated  
54.27 by the governor shall convene the commission's first meeting. Decisions of the commission  
54.28 must be made by majority vote. The Minnesota Historical Society must provide office space  
54.29 and administrative support to the commission.

55.1 Subd. 3. **Meetings.** Meetings of the commission are subject to Minnesota Statutes,  
55.2 chapter 13D.

55.3 Subd. 4. **Duties; form and style of recommended state emblems.** The commission  
55.4 shall develop and adopt a new design for the official state seal and a new design for the  
55.5 official state flag. The designs must accurately and respectfully reflect Minnesota's shared  
55.6 history, resources, and diverse cultural communities. Symbols, emblems, or likenesses that  
55.7 represent only a single community or person, regardless of whether real or stylized, may  
55.8 not be included in a design. The commission may solicit and secure the voluntary service  
55.9 and aid of vexillologists and other persons who have either technical or artistic skill in flag  
55.10 construction and design, or the design of official seals, to assist in the work. The commission  
55.11 must also solicit public feedback and suggestions to inform its work.

55.12 Subd. 5. **Report.** The commission shall certify its adopted designs in a report to the  
55.13 legislature and governor no later than January 1, 2024. The commission's report must  
55.14 describe the symbols and other meanings incorporated in the design. The commission expires  
55.15 upon submission of its report.

55.16 **Sec. 53. LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE ON AGING.**

55.17 Subdivision 1. **Establishment.** A legislative task force is established to:

55.18 (1) review and develop state resources for an aging demographic;

55.19 (2) identify and prioritize necessary support for an aging population through statewide  
55.20 and local endeavors for people to remain in their communities; and

55.21 (3) ensure all aging-related state policies are inclusive of race, gender, ethnicity, culture,  
55.22 sexual orientation, abilities, and other characteristics that reflect the full population of the  
55.23 state.

55.24 Subd. 2. **Duties.** The task force shall review:

55.25 (1) all current aging-related governmental functions, programs, and services across all  
55.26 state departments;

55.27 (2) the current plans to improve health and support services workforce demographics;

55.28 (3) current public and private strategies to:

55.29 (i) support family caregivers for older adults;

55.30 (ii) define and support quality of care and life improvements in long-term care and home  
55.31 care; and

- 56.1 (iii) sustain neighborhoods and communities for an aging population;
- 56.2 (4) the necessity for planning and investment in aging in Minnesota to address:
- 56.3 (i) the longevity economy and the impact it has on the workforce, advancing technology,
- 56.4 and innovations;
- 56.5 (ii) housing options, land use, transportation, social services, and the health systems;
- 56.6 (iii) availability of safe, affordable rental housing for aging tenants; and
- 56.7 (iv) coordination between health services and housing supports;
- 56.8 (5) coordination across all state agencies, Tribal Nations, cities, and counties to encourage
- 56.9 resolution of aging related concerns; and
- 56.10 (6) from this review, determine the governmental entity to plan, lead, and implement
- 56.11 these recommended policies and funding for aging Minnesotans across the state.
- 56.12 **Subd. 3. Membership.** (a) The task force shall include the following members:
- 56.13 (1) two members from the house of representatives, one appointed by the speaker of the
- 56.14 house and one appointed by the minority leader;
- 56.15 (2) two members from the senate, one appointed by the majority leader and one appointed
- 56.16 by the minority leader;
- 56.17 (3) the chair of the Minnesota Board on Aging, or a board member as designee;
- 56.18 (4) the chair of the Minnesota Council on Disability, or an agency employee as designee;
- 56.19 (5) the chair of the Minnesota Indian Affairs Council, or a council member, except the
- 56.20 legislative council member, as designee; and
- 56.21 (6) the director of the University of Minnesota Center for Healthy Aging and Innovation,
- 56.22 or a University of Minnesota employee as designee.
- 56.23 (b) The speaker of the house and the senate majority leader shall appoint a chair and a
- 56.24 vice-chair for the membership of the task force. The chair and the vice-chair shall rotate
- 56.25 after each meeting.
- 56.26 **Subd. 4. Meetings.** (a) The task force shall meet at least once per month. The meetings
- 56.27 shall take place in person in the Capitol complex, provided that the chair may direct that a
- 56.28 meeting be conducted electronically if doing so would facilitate public testimony or would
- 56.29 protect the health or safety of members of the task force.



57.1 (b) The task force shall invite input from the public, the leadership of advocacy groups,  
57.2 and provider organizations.

57.3 (c) The chair designated by the speaker of the house shall convene the first meeting of  
57.4 the task force no later than August 1, 2023.

57.5 Subd. 5. **Expenses; per diem.** Members serving on the task force shall receive the  
57.6 following per diem:

57.7 (1) the Board on Aging task force member who is a volunteer citizen member shall  
57.8 receive the per diem listed in Minnesota Statutes, section 15.059, subdivision 3;

57.9 (2) the Council on Disability task force member shall not receive a per diem;

57.10 (3) the Indian Affairs Council task force member who is a citizen member shall receive  
57.11 the per diem listed in Minnesota Statutes, section 15.059, subdivision 3;

57.12 (4) the University of Minnesota task force member shall not receive a per diem; and

57.13 (5) legislative members of the task force shall not receive a per diem.

57.14 Subd. 6. **Report.** The task force shall submit a report with recommendations to the chairs  
57.15 and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over health  
57.16 and human services finance and policy and state government by January 15, 2025.

57.17 Subd. 7. **Expiration.** The task force expires January 31, 2025.

57.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2023, or when the legislative  
57.19 leaders required to make appointments to the task force name appointees beginning the day  
57.20 after final enactment.

57.21 Sec. 54. **INFRASTRUCTURE RESILIENCE ADVISORY TASK FORCE.**

57.22 Subdivision 1. **Definition.** For purposes of this section, "task force" means the  
57.23 Infrastructure Resilience Advisory Task Force established in this section.

57.24 Subd. 2. **Establishment.** The Infrastructure Resilience Advisory Task Force is established  
57.25 to evaluate issues related to coordination, sustainability, resiliency, and federal funding on  
57.26 state, local, and private infrastructure in the state.

57.27 Subd. 3. **Membership.** (a) The task force consists of the following members:

57.28 (1) two members of the senate, with one appointed by the senate majority leader and  
57.29 one appointed by the senate minority leader;

- 58.1 (2) two members of the house of representatives, with one appointed by the speaker of  
58.2 the house and one appointed by the house minority leader;
- 58.3 (3) the commissioner of administration;
- 58.4 (4) the commissioner of agriculture;
- 58.5 (5) the commissioner of commerce;
- 58.6 (6) the commissioner of employment and economic development;
- 58.7 (7) the commissioner of health;
- 58.8 (8) the commissioner of management and budget;
- 58.9 (9) the commissioner of natural resources;
- 58.10 (10) the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency;
- 58.11 (11) the commissioner of transportation;
- 58.12 (12) two members appointed by the governor;
- 58.13 (13) one representative from a federally recognized Tribal government, appointed by  
58.14 the governor;
- 58.15 (14) one member appointed by the Association of Minnesota Counties;
- 58.16 (15) one member appointed by the League of Minnesota Cities;
- 58.17 (16) one member appointed by the Minnesota Association of Townships;
- 58.18 (17) one member appointed by the Minnesota chapter of the American Public Works  
58.19 Association;
- 58.20 (18) one member appointed by the Associated General Contractors of Minnesota;
- 58.21 (19) one member appointed by each public utility that owns a nuclear-powered electric  
58.22 generating plant in this state; and
- 58.23 (20) one member appointed by the Minnesota Municipal Utilities Association.
- 58.24 (b) At its first meeting, the task force must elect a chair or cochair by a majority vote  
58.25 of those members present and may elect a vice-chair as necessary.
- 58.26 Subd. 4. **Appointments.** (a) The appointing authorities under subdivision 3 must make  
58.27 the appointments by July 31, 2023.
- 58.28 (b) A commissioner under subdivision 3 may appoint a designee who is an employee  
58.29 of the respective agency.

59.1 (c) An appointing authority under subdivision 3, paragraph (a), clauses (12) to (20), may  
59.2 only appoint an individual who has expertise and experience in asset management, financial  
59.3 management and procurement, or state and local infrastructure, whether from the public or  
59.4 private sector. Expertise and experience may include but is not limited to the following  
59.5 areas:

59.6 (1) asset management planning, design, construction, management, and operations and  
59.7 maintenance;

59.8 (2) infrastructure for agriculture, communications, drinking water, energy, health, natural  
59.9 resources, public utilities, stormwater, transportation, or wastewater; and

59.10 (3) asset management planning across jurisdictions and infrastructure sectors.

59.11 Subd. 5. Duties. At a minimum, the task force must:

59.12 (1) develop objectives and strategies to:

59.13 (i) provide for effective and efficient management of state, local, and private  
59.14 infrastructure;

59.15 (ii) enhance sustainability and resiliency of infrastructure throughout the state;

59.16 (iii) respond to and mitigate the effects of adverse weather events across the state,  
59.17 including natural disasters, droughts, and floods; and

59.18 (iv) provide for equitable treatment in areas of persistent poverty and historically  
59.19 disadvantaged communities;

59.20 (2) identify approaches to enhance infrastructure coordination across jurisdictions,  
59.21 agencies, state and local government, and public and private sectors, including in planning,  
59.22 design, engineering, construction, maintenance, and operations;

59.23 (3) identify methods to maximize federal formula and discretionary funds provided to  
59.24 recipients in the state for infrastructure purposes;

59.25 (4) evaluate options for organizational design of state agencies to meet the purposes  
59.26 under clauses (1) to (3), including consideration of:

59.27 (i) options for establishment of a board, council, office, or other agency; and

59.28 (ii) models in other states; and

59.29 (5) develop findings and recommendations related to the duties specified in this  
59.30 subdivision.

60.1 Subd. 6. **Meetings.** (a) The commissioner of transportation must convene the first meeting  
60.2 of the task force no later than October 1, 2023.

60.3 (b) The task force must establish a schedule for meetings and meet as necessary to  
60.4 accomplish the duties under subdivision 5.

60.5 (c) The task force is subject to the Minnesota Open Meeting Law under Minnesota  
60.6 Statutes, chapter 13D.

60.7 Subd. 7. **Administration.** (a) The Legislative Coordinating Commission must provide  
60.8 administrative support to the task force and must assist in creation of the report under  
60.9 subdivision 8.

60.10 (b) Upon request of the task force, a commissioner under subdivision 3 must provide  
60.11 information and technical support.

60.12 (c) Members of the task force serve without compensation.

60.13 Subd. 8. **Report required.** By February 1, 2024, the task force must submit a report to  
60.14 the governor and the legislative committees with jurisdiction over climate, economic  
60.15 development, energy, infrastructure, natural resources, and transportation. At a minimum,  
60.16 the report must:

60.17 (1) summarize the activities of the task force;

60.18 (2) provide findings and recommendations adopted by the task force; and

60.19 (3) include any draft legislation to implement the recommendations.

60.20 Subd. 9. **Expiration.** The task force expires June 30, 2024.

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

60.22 Sec. 55. **GRANTS ADMINISTRATION OVERSIGHT; FEASIBILITY STUDY.**

60.23 The commissioner of administration must assess the viability of implementing a single  
60.24 grants management system for executive agencies. If the results of the study determine an  
60.25 enterprise system is feasible, the study must further include:

60.26 (1) an analysis of available technology options;

60.27 (2) recommended changes to the state's organizational model, operational controls, and  
60.28 processes;

60.29 (3) staffing and other resource needs;

60.30 (4) high level system requirements;

61.1 (5) estimated costs; and

61.2 (6) an implementation road map.

61.3 **Sec. 56. FORD BUILDING SITE REDEVELOPMENT; MIXED-USE**

61.4 **DEVELOPMENT REQUIRED.**

61.5 Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the commissioner of administration may not  
61.6 prepare or approve building construction plans for redevelopment of the Ford Building or  
61.7 the Ford Building property site unless the plans are for mixed-use development and identify  
61.8 ground-level space for locally owned businesses.

61.9 **Sec. 57. CAPITOL MALL DESIGN FRAMEWORK.**

61.10 (a) The Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board must update the Capitol Mall  
61.11 Design Framework. The updated design framework must include:

61.12 (1) plans to integrate green space campus-wide, including but not limited to the addition  
61.13 of green space on the following sites at the approximate sizes indicated:

61.14 (i) the southwest corner of Rice Street and University Avenue, with a minimum size of  
61.15 20,700 square feet;

61.16 (ii) the northeast corner of Rice Street and University Avenue, with a minimum size of  
61.17 32,000 square feet; and

61.18 (iii) the north side of the State Capitol building adjacent to University Avenue;

61.19 (2) plans for visual markers and welcome information for the Capitol campus at one or  
61.20 more corners of Rice Street and University Avenue, anchoring a pathway to the State Capitol  
61.21 building and Capitol Mall that features interpretive markers honoring the importance and  
61.22 stature of the Capitol campus as both a historic site and as a modern, active public gathering  
61.23 space for all Minnesotans; and

61.24 (3) plans to plant trees throughout the Capitol campus, prioritizing the creation of a  
61.25 mature tree canopy to provide an area of shade for users of the Capitol Mall between or  
61.26 adjacent to the State Capitol building and Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard.

61.27 (b) The board must contract with one or more professional design consultants with  
61.28 expertise on horticulture, landscape architecture, civic space design, infrastructure assessment,  
61.29 and operations and maintenance planning to develop the framework updates. The board  
61.30 must additionally consult with the commissioners of administration and public safety and  
61.31 the senate majority leader and the speaker of the house or their designees before any proposed

62.1 framework update is approved. The board must approve the updated design framework no  
62.2 later than March 1, 2024.

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

62.4 Sec. 58. **DEADLINE FOR CERTIFICATION OF APPROPRIATION AMOUNTS**  
62.5 **FOR LEGISLATURE FOR FISCAL YEARS 2026 AND 2027.**

62.6 Notwithstanding the effective date of Minnesota Statutes, section 3.1985, the house of  
62.7 representatives, senate, and Legislative Coordinating Commission must each certify to the  
62.8 commissioner of management and budget the anticipated amount to be appropriated for  
62.9 fiscal years 2026 and 2027 no later than October 15, 2024, and January 15, 2025, and must  
62.10 certify the actual amount to be appropriated for fiscal years 2026 and 2027 no later than  
62.11 June 30, 2025.

62.12 Sec. 59. **OFFICE OF SMALL AGENCIES; STUDY.**

62.13 Subdivision 1. **Study; requirements.** The commissioner of administration must review  
62.14 the unique issues faced by small agencies other than departments of the state as defined in  
62.15 section 15.01. These include boards, commissions, councils, task forces, and authorities.  
62.16 The study will assess whether the current support model provides adequate support for the  
62.17 agencies as well as their volunteer board members. The study will also examine how other  
62.18 states support their small agencies and provide recommendations on how to most effectively  
62.19 support these small agencies in their delivery of important functions of government.

62.20 Subd. 2. **Report.** By February 1, 2024, the commissioner of administration must submit  
62.21 the findings and recommendations of the study to the governor and the chairs and ranking  
62.22 minority members of the legislative committees with primary jurisdiction over state  
62.23 government.

62.24 Sec. 60. **REPEALER.**

62.25 Subdivision 1. **State emblems redesign.** Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 1.135,  
62.26 subdivisions 3 and 5; and 1.141, subdivisions 3, 4, and 6, are repealed, effective May 11,  
62.27 2024.

62.28 Subd. 2. **Evergreen firehall polling place.** Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 383C.806,  
62.29 is repealed.

62.30 Subd. 3. **Compensation council.** Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 15A.0815,  
62.31 subdivisions 3, 4, and 5, are repealed effective the day following final enactment.

- 63.1 Subd. 4. **Parking garage debt service waiver.** Laws 2014, chapter 287, section 25, as  
63.2 amended by Laws 2015, chapter 77, article 2, section 78, is repealed.
- 63.3 Subd. 5. **Strategic and long-range planning.** Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 4A.01;  
63.4 4A.04; 4A.06; 4A.07; 4A.11; and 124D.23, subdivision 9, are repealed.

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**1.135 STATE SEAL.**

Subd. 3. **Design.** The design of the seal is as described in this subdivision.

(a) The seal is composed of two concentric borders. The outside forms the border of the seal and the inside forms the border for the illustrations within the seal. The area between the two borders contains lettering.

(b) The seal is two inches in diameter. The outside border has a radius of one inch and resembles the serrated edge of a coin. The width of the border is 1/16 of an inch.

(c) The inside border has a radius of three-fourths of an inch and is composed of a series of closely spaced dots measuring 1/32 of an inch in diameter.

(d) Within the area between the borders "The Great Seal of the State of Minnesota" is printed in capital letters. Under that is the date "1858" with two dagger symbols separating the date and the letters. The lettering is 14-point century bold.

(e) In the area within the inside border is the portrayal of an 1858 Minnesota scene made up of various illustrations that serve to depict a settler plowing the ground near the Falls of St. Anthony while he watches an Indian on horseback riding in the distance.

(f) For the purposes of description, when the area within the inside border is divided into quadrants, the following illustrations should be clearly visible in the area described.

(1) In the upper parts of quadrants one and two, the inscription "L'Etoile du Nord" is found on the likeness of a scroll whose length is equal to twice the length of the inscription, but whose ends are twice folded underneath and serve to enhance the inscription. The lettering is 7-point century bold.

(2) In quadrant two is found a likeness of a sun whose ambient rays form a background for a male Indian in loincloth and plume riding on horseback at a gallop. The Indian is sitting erect and is holding a spear in his left hand at an upward 60-degree angle to himself and is looking toward the settler in quadrant four.

(3) In quadrant one, three pine trees form a background for a picturesque resemblance of St. Anthony Falls in 1858.

(4) In quadrants three and four, cultivated ground is found across the lower half of the seal, which provides a background for the scenes in quadrants three and four.

(5) In quadrant three, a tree stump is found with an ax embedded in the stump and a period muzzleloader resting on it. A powder flask is hanging towards the end of the barrel.

(6) In quadrant four, a white barefoot male pioneer wearing clothing and a hat of that period is plowing the earth, using an animal-drawn implement from that period. The animal is not visible. The torso of the man continues into quadrant two, and he has his legs spread apart to simulate movement. He is looking at the Indian.

Subd. 5. **Historical symbolism of seal.** The sun, visible on the western horizon, signifies summer in the northern hemisphere. The horizon's visibility signifies the flat plains covering much of Minnesota. The Indian on horseback is riding due south and represents the great Indian heritage of Minnesota. The Indian's horse and spear and the Pioneer's ax, rifle, and plow represent tools that were used for hunting and labor. The stump symbolizes the importance of the lumber industry in Minnesota's history. The Mississippi River and St. Anthony Falls are depicted to note the importance of these resources in transportation and industry. The cultivated ground and the plow symbolize the importance of agriculture in Minnesota. Beyond the falls three pine trees represent the state tree and the three great pine regions of Minnesota; the St. Croix, Mississippi, and Lake Superior.

**1.141 STATE FLAG.**

Subd. 3. **Description.** The design of the flag shall conform substantially to the following description: The staff is surmounted by a bronze eagle with outspread wings; the flag is rectangular in shape and is on a medium blue background with a narrow gold border and a golden fringe. A circular emblem is contained in the center of the blue field. The circular emblem is on a general white background with a yellow border. The word MINNESOTA is inscribed in red lettering on the lower part of the white field. The white emblem background surrounding a center design contains 19 five pointed stars arranged symmetrically in four groups of four stars each and one group of three stars. The latter group is in the upper part of the center circular white emblem. The group of stars at the top in the white emblem consists of three stars of which the uppermost star is the largest



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and represents the North Star. A center design is contained on the white emblem and is made up of the scenes from the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota, surrounded by a border of intertwining *Cypripedium reginae*, the state flower, on a blue field of the same color as the general flag background. The flower border design contains the figures 1819, 1858, 1893.

The coloring is the same on both sides of the flag, but the lettering and the figures appear reversed on one side.

Subd. 4. **Official flag.** The flag described above is the official flag of the state of Minnesota.

Subd. 6. **Folding of state flag for presentation or display.** The following procedures constitute the proper way to fold the Minnesota State Flag for presentation or display. Fold the flag four times lengthwise so that one section displays the three stars of the state crest and the text "L'Etoile du Nord." Fold each side behind the displayed section at a 90-degree angle so that the display section forms a triangle. Take the section ending with the hoist and fold it at a 90-degree angle across the bottom of the display section and then fold the hoist back over so it is aligned with the middle of the display section. Fold the other protruding section directly upwards so that its edge is flush with the display section and then fold it upwards along a 45-degree angle so that a mirror of the display section triangle is formed. Fold the mirror section in half from the point upwards, then fold the remaining portion upwards, tucking it between the display section and the remainder of the flag.

#### 4A.01 STRATEGIC AND LONG-RANGE PLANNING.

Subdivision 1. **Duties.** The commissioner of administration is the state planning officer and is responsible for the coordination, development, assessment, and communication of information, performance measures, planning, and policy concerning the state's future. The commissioner may contract with another agency for the provision of administrative services.

Subd. 2. **Long-range plan.** By September 15, 2010, and every five years thereafter, the commissioner must develop an integrated long-range plan for the state based upon the plans and strategies of state agencies, public advice about the future, and other information developed under this chapter. The commissioner must coordinate activities among all levels of government and must stimulate public interest and participation in the future of the state.

The commissioner must act in coordination with the commissioner of management and budget, affected state agencies, and the legislature in the planning and financing of major public programs.

Subd. 3. **Report.** The commissioner must submit a report to the governor and chairs and ranking minority members of the senate and house of representatives committees with jurisdiction on state government finance by January 15 of each year that provides economic, social, and environmental demographic information to assist public and elected officials with long-term management decisions. The report must identify and assess the information important to understanding the state's two-, ten-, and 50-year outlook. The report must include the demographic forecast required by section 4A.02, paragraph (e), and information to assist with the preparation of the milestones report required by section 4A.11, and may include policy recommendations based upon the information and assessment provided.

#### 4A.04 COOPERATIVE CONTRACTS.

(a) The director may apply for, receive, and expend money from municipal, county, regional, and other planning agencies; apply for, accept, and disburse grants and other aids for planning purposes from the federal government and from other public or private sources; and may enter into contracts with agencies of the federal government, local governmental units, the University of Minnesota, and other educational institutions, and private persons as necessary to perform the director's duties. Contracts made pursuant to this section are not subject to the provisions of chapter 16C, as they relate to competitive bidding.

(b) The director may apply for, receive, and expend money made available from federal sources or other sources for the purposes of carrying out the duties and responsibilities of the director relating to local and urban affairs.

(c) All money received by the director pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the state treasury and is appropriated to the director for the purposes for which the money has been received. The money shall not cancel and is available until expended.

#### 4A.06 FIREARMS REPORT REQUIRED.

The Criminal Justice Statistical Analysis Center of the Office of Strategic and Long-Range Planning shall report to the legislature no later than January 31 of each year on the number of

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persons arrested, charged, convicted, and sentenced for violations of each state law affecting the use or possession of firearms. The report must include complete statistics, including the make, model, and serial number of each firearm involved, where that information is available, on each crime committed affecting the use or possession of firearms and a breakdown by county of the crimes committed.

**4A.07 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT.**

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) "Local unit of government" means a county, statutory or home rule charter city, town, or watershed district.

(b) "Sustainable development" means development that maintains or enhances economic opportunity and community well-being while protecting and restoring the natural environment upon which people and economies depend. Sustainable development meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

Subd. 2. **Planning guide.** The Office of Strategic and Long-Range Planning must develop and publish a planning guide for local units of government to plan for sustainable development, based on the principles of sustainable development adopted by the Environmental Quality Board with advice of the Governor's Round Table on Sustainable Development. The office must make the planning guide available to local units of government within the state.

Subd. 3. **Model ordinance.** The Office of Strategic and Long-Range Planning, in consultation with appropriate and affected parties, must prepare a model ordinance to guide sustainable development.

Subd. 4. **Specificity and distribution.** The model ordinance must specify the technical and administrative procedures to guide sustainable development. When adopted by a local unit of government, the model ordinance is the minimum regulation to guide sustainable development that may be adopted. Upon completion, the Office of Strategic and Long-Range Planning must notify local units of government that the model ordinance is available, and must distribute it to interested local units.

Subd. 5. **Periodic review.** At least once every five years, the planning office must review the model ordinance and its use with local units of government to ensure its continued applicability and relevance.

**4A.11 MILESTONES REPORT.**

The commissioner must review the statewide system of economic, social, and environmental performance measures in use under section 16A.10, subdivision 1c, and known as Minnesota milestones. The commissioner must provide the economic, social, and environmental information necessary to assist public and elected officials with understanding and evaluating Minnesota milestones. The commissioner must report on the trends and their implications for Minnesota milestones each year and provide the commissioner of management and budget with recommendations for the use of Minnesota milestones in budget documents. The commissioner may contract for the development of information and measures.

**15A.0815 SALARY LIMITS FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES.**

Subd. 3. **Group II salary limits.** The salary for a position listed in this subdivision shall not exceed 120 percent of the salary of the governor. This limit must be adjusted annually on January 1. The new limit must equal the limit for the prior year increased by the percentage increase, if any, in the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers from October of the second prior year to October of the immediately prior year. The commissioner of management and budget must publish the limit on the department's website. This subdivision applies to the following positions:

- Executive director of Gambling Control Board;
- Commissioner of Iron Range resources and rehabilitation;
- Commissioner, Bureau of Mediation Services;
- Ombudsman for mental health and developmental disabilities;
- Ombudsperson for corrections;
- Chair, Metropolitan Council;
- School trust lands director;

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Executive director of pari-mutuel racing; and  
Commissioner, Public Utilities Commission.

Subd. 4. **Group III salary limits.** The salary for a position in this subdivision may not exceed 25 percent of the salary of the governor:

Chair, Metropolitan Airports Commission.

Subd. 5. **Determining individual salaries.** (a) The governor or other appointing authority may submit to the Legislative Coordinating Commission recommendations for salaries within the salary limits for the positions listed in subdivisions 2 to 4. Before recommending a salary, the governor or other appointing authority must consult with the commissioner of management and budget concerning the salary. In recommending a salary, the governor or other appointing authority shall consider the criteria established in section 43A.18, subdivision 8, and the performance of individual incumbents. The performance evaluation must include a review of an incumbent's progress toward attainment of affirmative action goals. The governor or other appointing authority shall establish an objective system for quantifying knowledge, abilities, duties, responsibilities, and accountabilities, and in determining recommendations rate each position by this system.

(b) Before the governor or other appointing authority's recommended salaries take effect, the recommendations must be reviewed and approved, rejected, or modified by the Legislative Coordinating Commission and the legislature under section 3.855, subdivisions 2 and 3.

(c) The governor or other appointing authority may propose additions or deletions of positions from those listed in subdivisions 2 to 4.

(d) The governor or other appointing authority shall set the initial salary of a head of a new agency or a chair of a new metropolitan board or commission whose salary is not specifically prescribed by law after consultation with the commissioner, whose recommendation is advisory only. The amount of the new salary must be comparable to the salary of an agency head or commission chair having similar duties and responsibilities.

(e) The salary of a newly appointed head of an agency or chair of a metropolitan agency listed in subdivisions 2 to 4 may be increased or decreased by the governor or other appointing authority from the salary previously set for that position within 30 days of the new appointment after consultation with the commissioner. If the appointing authority increases a salary under this paragraph, the appointing authority shall submit the new salary to the Legislative Coordinating Commission and the full legislature for approval, modification, or rejection under section 3.855, subdivisions 2 and 3.

**124D.23 FAMILY SERVICES AND COMMUNITY-BASED COLLABORATIVES.**

Subd. 9. **Receipt of funds.** The Office of Strategic and Long-Range Planning may receive and administer public and private funds for the purposes of Laws 1993, chapter 224.

**383C.806 POLLING PLACE; EVERGREEN FIREHALL.**

At each general election and primary, St. Louis County shall provide a polling place at the Evergreen Fire Department firehall in Township 60N, R19.

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*Laws 2014, chapter 287, section 25, as amended by Laws 2015, chapter 77, article 2, section 78*

Sec. 78. Laws 2014, chapter 287, section 25, is amended to read:

**Sec. 25. PARKING RAMP; REQUIRED USER FINANCING.**

The amount equivalent to debt service on the design and construction costs allocated to the parking garage to be located on the block bounded by Sherburne Avenue on the north, Park Street on the west, University Avenue on the south, and North Capitol Boulevard on the east must be transferred from parking fees collected and deposited into the state parking account to the general fund to offset any direct appropriations made to the senate for debt service payments for the legislative parking garage.