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TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA, THURSDAY, MAY 1, 2025

The House of Representatives convened at 11:00 a.m. and was called to order by Lisa Demuth, Speaker of the House.

Prayer was offered by Pastor Dan Erickson, Chisholm Baptist Church, Chisholm, Minnesota.

The members of the House gave the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Acomb	Duran	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Koznick	Novotny	Smith
Agbaje	Elkins	Her	Kraft	O'Driscoll	Stephenson
Allen	Engen	Hicks	Kresha	Olson	Stier
Altendorf	Falconer	Hill	Lawrence	Pérez-Vega	Swedzinski
Anderson, P. E.	Feist	Hollins	Lee, F.	Perryman	Tabke
Anderson, P. H.	Finke	Hortman	Lee, K.	Pinto	Torkelson
Backer	Fischer	Howard	Liebling	Pursell	Van Binsbergen
Bahner	Fogelman	Hudson	Lillie	Quam	Vang
Bakeberg	Franson	Huot	Long	Rarick	Virnig
Baker	Frazier	Hussein	Mahamoud	Rehm	Warwas
Bennett	Frederick	Igo	McDonald	Rehrauer	West
Berg	Freiberg	Jacob	Mekeland	Repinski	Wiener
Bierman	Gander	Johnson, P.	Moller	Reyer	Witte
Bliss	Gillman	Johnson, W.	Momanyi-Hiltsley	Roach	Wolgamott
Burkel	Gomez	Jones	Mueller	Robbins	Xiong
Carroll	Gordon	Jordan	Murphy	Rymer	Youakim
Clardy	Gottfried	Joy	Myers	Schomacker	Zeleznikar
Coulter	Greene	Keeler	Nadeau	Schultz	Spk. Demuth
Curran	Greenman	Klevorn	Nash	Schwartz	
Davids	Hansen, R.	Knudsen	Nelson	Scott	
Davis	Hanson, J.	Koegel	Niska	Sencer-Mura	
Dippel	Harder	Kotyza-Witthuhn	Noor	Sexton	
Dotseth	Heintzeman	Kozlowski	Norris	Skraba	

A quorum was present.

Cha was excused until 3:35 p.m.

Pursuant to Rule 10.05, relating to Remote House Operations, the Speaker permitted the following member to vote via remote means: McDonald.

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Pursuant to Rule 10.05, relating to Remote House Operations, the DFL Caucus Leader permitted the following member to vote via remote means: Hussein.

The Chief Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding day. There being no objection, further reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal was approved as corrected by the Chief Clerk.

REPORTS OF CHIEF CLERK

S. F. No. 908 and H. F. No. 47, which had been referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison, were examined and found to be not identical.

Schultz moved that S. F. No. 908 be substituted for H. F. No. 47 and that the House File be indefinitely postponed. The motion prevailed.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received:

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR SAINT PAUL 55155

April 30, 2025

The Honorable Lisa Demuth Speaker of the House of Representatives The State of Minnesota

Dear Speaker Demuth:

Please be advised that I have received, approved, signed, and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State the following House Files:

- H. F. No. 124, relating to public safety; allowing for the acceptance of certain gifts related to a line of duty death of a public safety officer; authorizing local government expenditure for public safety officer killed in the line of duty; requiring a report.
- H. F. No. 129, relating to public safety; requiring director of child sex trafficking prevention to submit a program evaluation each odd-numbered year to the legislature.
 - H. F. No. 747, relating to business organizations; modifying the Minnesota Business Corporation Act.
- H. F. No. 1058, relating to local government; modifying composition of North Koochiching sanitary sewer board.
 - H. F. No. 1792, relating to contracts for deed; modifying definition of investor seller; making technical changes.

H. F. No. 1346, relating to maltreatment; modifying training requirements for mandatory reporters.

H. F. No. 2184, relating to court fees; exempting the Office of Ombudsperson for American Indian Families from court fee requirements.

Sincerely,

TIM WALZ Governor

STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE ST. PAUL 55155

The Honorable Lisa Demuth Speaker of the House of Representatives

The Honorable Bobby Joe Champion President of the Senate

I have the honor to inform you that the following enrolled Acts of the 2025 Session of the State Legislature have been received from the Office of the Governor and are deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State for preservation, pursuant to the State Constitution, Article IV, Section 23:

			Time and	
S. F.	H. F.	Session Laws	Date Approved	Date Filed
No.	No.	Chapter No.	2025	2025
	1058	6	12:25 p.m. April 30	April 30
	124	7	12:26 p.m. April 30	April 30
	1792	9	12:28 p.m. April 30	April 30
	2184	10	12:28 p.m. April 30	April 30
	747	11	12:29 p.m. April 30	April 30
	129	12	12:29 p.m. April 30	April 30
	1346	13	12:30 p.m. April 30	April 30

Sincerely,

STEVE SIMON
Secretary of State

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND DIVISIONS

Stephenson and Torkelson from the Committee on Ways and Means to which was referred:

H. F. No. 2434, A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying provisions relating to aging services, disability services, health care services, behavioral health services, background studies, Department of Human Services program integrity, direct care and treatment services, and housing supports; establishing a patient driven

payment model phase-in, the Minnesota Caregiver Defined Contribution Retirement Fund Trust, early intensive developmental and behavioral intervention provisional licensure, and recovery residence certification; adjusting rates for nursing home wage standards; establishing an advisory task force and workgroups; creating a civil cause of action; creating grants; requiring reports; making forecast adjustments; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.46, subdivisions 2, 3; 142A.02, subdivision 1; 142A.09, subdivision 1; 144.0724, subdivisions 2, 11, by adding a subdivision; 179A.54, by adding a subdivision; 245.095, subdivision 5, by adding a subdivision; 245.4661, subdivisions 2, 6, 7; 245.4871, subdivision 5; 245.91, subdivision 4; 245A.03, by adding a subdivision; 245A.04, subdivisions 1, 7; 245A.043, by adding a subdivision; 245A.05; 245A.07, subdivision 2; 245A.10, subdivisions 2, 3, 4, 8; 245C.02, subdivision 7; 245C.03, subdivisions 6, 13, 15; 245C.04, subdivision 6, by adding a subdivision; 245C.08, subdivision 5; 245C.10, by adding a subdivision; 245C.13, subdivision 2; 245C.14, by adding subdivisions; 245C.15, subdivisions 1, 4a; 245C.16, subdivision 1; 245C.22, subdivisions 3, 8; 245D.091, subdivisions 2, 3; 245G.01, subdivision 13b, by adding subdivisions; 245G.02, subdivision 2; 245G.07, subdivisions 1, 3, 4, by adding subdivisions; 245G.11, subdivisions 6, 7, by adding a subdivision; 245G.22, subdivisions 11, 15; 246.54, subdivisions 1a, 1b; 246B.10; 246C.091, subdivision 3; 252.27, by adding subdivisions; 254A.19, subdivision 4; 254B.01, subdivisions 10, 11; 254B.02, subdivision 5; 254B.03, subdivisions 1, 3, 4; 254B.04, subdivisions 1a, 5, 6, 6a; 254B.05, subdivisions 1, 1a, 5, by adding a subdivision; 254B.052, by adding a subdivision; 254B.06, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; 254B.09, subdivision 2; 254B.19, subdivision 1; 256.01, subdivisions 29, 34; 256.043, subdivision 3; 256.9657, subdivision 1; 256.983, subdivision 4; 256B.051, subdivision 6, by adding a subdivision; 256B.0625, subdivision 5m; 256B.0659, subdivisions 17a, 21; 256B.0757, subdivision 4c; 256B.0761, subdivision 4; 256B.0911, subdivisions 24, 26, by adding subdivisions; 256B.0922, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 256B.0924, subdivision 6; 256B.0949, subdivisions 15, 16, 16a, by adding a subdivision; 256B.14, subdivision 2; 256B.19, subdivision 1; 256B.434, subdivision 4k; 256B.4912, subdivision 1; 256B.4914, subdivisions 3, 5, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 6c, 8, 9, by adding subdivisions; 256B.766; 256B.85, subdivisions 7a, 8, 12, 16; 256B.851, subdivisions 5, 6; 256G.08, subdivisions 1, 2; 256G.09, subdivisions 1, 2; 256I.03, subdivision 11a; 256I.04, subdivision 2a; 256I.05, subdivisions 1d, 1e, 1f, 1g, 1h, 1i, 1j, 1k, 1l, 1m, 1n, 1p, 1q, 1r, 1s, 1t, 1u, 2; 256R.02, subdivision 19, by adding subdivisions; 256R.23, subdivisions 2, 3; 256R.24, subdivision 1; 256R.25; 260E.14, subdivision 1; 325F.725; 609A.015, subdivision 4; 609A.055, subdivision 3; 611.43, by adding a subdivision; 611.46, subdivision 1; 611.55, by adding a subdivision; 626.5572, subdivision 13; Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 7, article 13, sections 73; 75, subdivision 4, as amended; Laws 2023, chapter 61, article 1, sections 5; 27; 30; 32; 47; 61, subdivision 4; 85; article 9, section 2, subdivision 14, as amended; Laws 2024, chapter 127, article 53, section 2, subdivision 19; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 245A; 245D; 254B; 256; 256K; 256R; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 245G.01, subdivision 20d; 245G.07, subdivision 2; 254B.01, subdivision 5; 254B.04, subdivision 2a; 254B.181; Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 7, article 13, section 75, subdivisions 3, as amended, 6, as amended.

Reported the same back with the following amendments:

Page 2, delete section 1 and insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256.9657, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Nursing home license surcharge.** (a) Effective July 1, 1993, Each non-state-operated nursing home licensed under chapter 144A shall pay to the commissioner an annual surcharge according to the schedule in subdivision 4. The surcharge shall be calculated as \$620 \$2.815 per licensed bed. If the number of licensed beds is reduced changed, the surcharge shall be based on the number of remaining licensed beds the second month following the receipt of timely notice by the commissioner of human services that beds have been delicensed on the first day of the month following the change in number of licensed beds. The nursing home must notify the commissioner of human services within ten working days after receiving written notification. If the notification is received by the commissioner of human services by the 15th of the month, the invoice for the second following month must be reduced to recognize the delicensing of beds. Beds on layaway status continue to be subject to the surcharge. The commissioner of human services must acknowledge a medical care surcharge appeal within 30 90 days of receipt of the written appeal from the provider.

- (b) Effective July 1, 1994, the surcharge in paragraph (a) shall be increased to \$625 January 1, 2026, or the first day of the month following federal approval, whichever is later, the surcharge under this subdivision shall be increased to \$5,900.
 - (c) Effective August 15, 2002, the surcharge under paragraph (b) shall be increased to \$990.
 - (d) Effective July 15, 2003, the surcharge under paragraph (c) shall be increased to \$2,815.
- (e) (c) The commissioner may reduce, and may subsequently restore, the surcharge under paragraph (d) based on the commissioner's determination of a permissible surcharge must decrease the amount under this subdivision as necessary to remain under the allowable federal tax percent in Code of Federal Regulations, title 42, part 433.

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

- Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256.9657, subdivision 7a, is amended to read:
- Subd. 7a. **Withholding.** If any provider obligated to pay an annual surcharge under this section is more than two months delinquent in the timely payment of a monthly surcharge installment payment, the provisions in paragraphs (a) to (f) apply.
- (a) The department may withhold some or all of the amount of the delinquent surcharge, together with any interest and penalties due and owing on those amounts, from any money the department owes to the provider. The department may, at its discretion, also withhold future surcharge installment payments from any money the department owes the provider as those installments become due and owing. The department may continue this withholding until the department determines there is no longer any need to do so.
- (b) The department shall give prior notice of the department's intention to withhold by mailing or emailing a written notice to the provider at the address to which remittance advices are mailed, placing the notice in the provider's MN-ITS mailbox, or faxing a copy of the notice to the provider at least ten business days before the date of the first payment period for which the withholding begins. The notice may be sent by ordinary or certified mail, email, MN-ITS mailbox, or facsimile, and shall be deemed received as of the date of mailing or receipt issuance of the facsimile, email, MN-ITS mailbox, or distribution. The notice shall:
 - (1) state the amount of the delinquent surcharge;
 - (2) state the amount of the withholding per payment period;
 - (3) state the date on which the withholding is to begin;
 - (4) state whether the department intends to withhold future installments of the provider's surcharge payments;
- (5) inform the provider of their rights to informally object to the proposed withholding and to appeal the withholding as provided for in this subdivision;
 - (6) state that the provider may prevent the withholding during the pendency of their appeal by posting a bond; and
 - (7) state other contents as the department deems appropriate.
- (c) The provider may informally object to the withholding in writing anytime before the withholding begins. An informal objection shall not stay or delay the commencement of the withholding. The department may postpone the commencement of the withholding as deemed appropriate and shall not be required to give another notice at the end

of the postponement and before commencing the withholding. The provider shall have the right to appeal any withholding from remittances by filing an appeal with Ramsey County District Court and serving notice of the appeal on the department within 30 days of the date of the written notice of the withholding. Notice shall be given and the appeal shall be heard no later than 45 days after the appeal is filed. In a hearing of the appeal, the department's action shall be sustained if the department proves the amount of the delinquent surcharges or overpayment the provider owes, plus any accrued interest and penalties, has not been repaid. The department may continue withholding for delinquent and current surcharge installment payments during the pendency of an appeal unless the provider posts a bond from a surety company licensed to do business in Minnesota in favor of the department in an amount equal to two times the provider's total annual surcharge payment for the fiscal year in which the appeal is filed with the department.

- (d) The department shall refund any amounts due to the provider under any final administrative or judicial order or decree which fully and finally resolves the appeal together with interest on those amounts at the rate of three percent per annum simple interest computed from the date of each withholding, as soon as practical after entry of the order or decree.
- (e) The commissioner, or the commissioner's designee, may enter into written settlement agreements with a provider to resolve disputes and other matters involving unpaid surcharge installment payments or future surcharge installment payments.
- (f) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, all unpaid surcharges, plus any accrued interest and penalties, shall be overpayments for purposes of section 256B.0641."
- Page 3, line 17, delete "has dementia" and insert "has a score on the cognitive screening tool conducted as part of the MnCHOICES assessment under section 256B.0911 that indicates the possible presence of dementia"

Page 5, line 7, delete "July 1, 2025" and insert "January 1, 2026"

Page 7, delete section 12 and insert:

"Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256R.25, is amended to read:

256R.25 EXTERNAL FIXED COSTS PAYMENT RATE.

<u>Subdivision 1.</u> <u>Determination of external fixed cost payment rate.</u> (a) The payment rate for external fixed costs is the sum of the amounts in paragraphs (b) to (p) <u>subdivisions 2 to 17</u>.

- Subd. 2. Provider surcharges. (b) For a facility licensed as a nursing home, the portion related to the provider surcharge under section 256.9657 is equal to \$8.86 \$19.02 per resident day. For a facility licensed as both a nursing home and a boarding care home, the portion related to the provider surcharge under section 256.9657 is equal to \$8.86 \$19.02 per resident day multiplied by the result of its number of nursing home beds divided by its total number of licensed beds. The commissioner must decrease the portion related to the provider surcharge as necessary to conform to decreases in the nursing home license surcharge fee under section 256.9657.
- <u>Subd. 3.</u> <u>Licensure fees.</u> (c) The portion related to the licensure fee under section 144.122, paragraph (d), is the amount of the fee divided by the sum of the facility's resident days.
- <u>Subd. 4.</u> <u>Advisory councils.</u> (d) The portion related to development and education of resident and family advisory councils under section 144A.33 is \$5 per resident day divided by 365.
 - Subd. 5. Scholarships. (e) The portion related to scholarships is determined under section 256R.37.

- <u>Subd. 6.</u> **Planned closures.** (f) The portion related to planned closure rate adjustments is as determined under section 256R.40, subdivision 5, and Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 256B.436.
- <u>Subd. 7.</u> <u>Consolidations.</u> (g) The portion related to consolidation rate adjustments shall be as determined under section 144A.071, subdivisions 4c, paragraph (a), clauses (5) and (6), and 4d.
- <u>Subd. 8.</u> <u>Single-bed rooms.</u> (h) The portion related to single-bed room incentives is as determined under section 256R.41.
- <u>Subd. 9.</u> <u>Taxes.</u> (i) The portions related to real estate taxes, special assessments, and payments made in lieu of real estate taxes directly identified or allocated to the nursing facility are the allowable amounts divided by the sum of the facility's resident days. Allowable costs under this paragraph for payments made by a nonprofit nursing facility that are in lieu of real estate taxes shall not exceed the amount which the nursing facility would have paid to a city or township and county for fire, police, sanitation services, and road maintenance costs had real estate taxes been levied on that property for those purposes.
- <u>Subd. 10.</u> <u>Health insurance.</u> (j) The portion related to employer health insurance costs is the <u>calculated as follows:</u>
 - (1) multiply the facility's allowable employer health insurance costs divided and the known cost change factor; and
 - (2) divide the result of clause (1) by the sum of the facility's resident days.
- <u>Subd. 11.</u> <u>Public employees retirement.</u> (k) The portion related to the Public Employees Retirement Association is the allowable costs divided by the sum of the facility's resident days.
- <u>Subd. 12.</u> **Quality improvement incentives.** (1) The portion related to quality improvement incentive payment rate adjustments is the amount determined under section 256R.39.
- <u>Subd. 13.</u> **Performance-based incentives.** (m) The portion related to performance-based incentive payments is the amount determined under section 256R.38.
- <u>Subd. 14.</u> <u>Special diets.</u> (n) The portion related to special dietary needs is the amount determined under section 256R.51.
- <u>Subd. 15.</u> <u>Border city facilities.</u> (o) The portion related to the rate adjustments for border city facilities is the amount determined under section 256R.481.
- <u>Subd. 16.</u> <u>Critical access facilities.</u> (p) The portion related to the rate adjustment for critical access nursing facilities is the amount determined under section 256R.47.
- Subd. 17. Nursing home wage standards. The portion related to the rate adjustment for nursing home wage standards is the amount determined under section 256R.495. This paragraph expires January 1, 2029.
- EFFECTIVE DATE. The amendments to subdivisions 1 and 17 are effective January 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later, and apply retroactively to the rate year beginning January 1, 2026. The amendments to subdivision 2 are effective January 1, 2026, or the first day of the month following federal approval, whichever is later. The amendments to subdivision 10 are effective January 1, 2027, or upon federal approval, whichever is later, and apply retroactively to the rate year beginning January 1, 2027. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 13, delete section 15

Page 18, lines 11, 14, and 16, delete "April" and insert "June"

Page 18, line 19, delete everything after the period

Page 18, delete lines 20 to 23

Page 18, line 31, before the semicolon, insert "pursuant to section 245A.05"

Page 19, line 16, delete "section" and insert "sections 245A.65, 245A.66, and"

Page 19, line 18, delete "A provisional license holder" and insert "An EIDBI agency"

Page 19, delete subdivisions 7 and 8 and insert:

"Subd. 7. Reconsideration requests and appeals. An applicant or provisional license holder has reconsideration and appeal rights under sections 245A.05, 245A.06, and 245A.07."

Page 20, delete subdivision 9

Renumber the subdivisions in sequence

Page 20, line 7, delete "An EIDBI agency whose application has been denied under" and insert "The commissioner shall disensol an agency from providing EIDBI services under chapter 256B if:"

Page 20, delete lines 8 and 9 and insert:

"(1) the agency's application has been suspended or denied under subdivision 2 or the agency's provisional license has been revoked; and

(2) when the agency appealed the application suspension or denial or the provisional license revocation, the commissioner has issued a final order on the appeal."

Page 27, after line 17, insert:

"Subd. 4. Grant period. The grant period under this section is from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2030."

Renumber the subdivisions in sequence

Page 29, after line 20, insert:

"<u>EFFECTIVE DATE.</u> This section is effective January 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 30, after line 24, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective January 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 37, line 21, before "The" insert "(a)"

Page 38, line 6, strike the period and insert "; and"

Page 38, after line 6, insert:

"(5) beginning July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later, 67 percent state funds and 33 percent county funds for the costs of services for all individual waiver recipients who receive rates determined under section 256B.4914, subdivision 14."

Page 38, line 7, before "For" insert "(b)"

Page 38, line 13, before "In" insert "(c)"

Page 38, line 17, delete "; and"

Page 38, delete lines 18 and 19

Page 38, line 20, delete the new language

Page 40, line 8, strike "update" and insert "establish"

Page 40, line 9, strike "as" and delete "required under"

Page 40, delete line 10

Page 40, line 13, reinstate the stricken "on January 1, 2024, based on wage data by SOC from the Bureau of Labor Statistics"

Page 40, line 14, reinstate the stricken "published in March 2022" and after "2022" insert a period

Page 42, line 30, delete the first comma and insert "under subdivision 5a;"

Page 42, line 31, delete "5a and" and after "9" insert a semicolon

Page 43, line 1, delete "four" and insert "eight" and delete "these" and insert "the base wage index," and after "values" insert ", and rates under subdivision 19" and delete "four" and insert "eight"

Page 43, line 2, delete "four" and insert "eight"

Page 52, line 17, delete "size and number of"

Page 52, line 20, delete "commissioner" and insert "lead agency"

Page 52, line 23, after "assessment" insert "or reassessment under section 256B.0911"

Page 53, line 1, delete "provider-created"

Page 53, line 2, delete everything after "exception" and insert ". At a minimum, documentation must include:"

Page 59, strike lines 1 to 6

Page 59, line 7, strike the old language and delete the new language

Page 59, delete lines 8 to 14

Page 59, line 15, delete "(d)" and insert "(b)"

Page 59, line 21, delete "paragraph (c)" and insert "subdivision 5a"

Page 59, line 22, delete "(e)" and insert "(c)"

Page 60, line 3, delete "paragraph (f)" and insert "subdivision 5b"

Page 60, delete lines 4 to 16

Page 60, line 17, delete "(g)" and insert "(d)"

Page 60, delete lines 21 to 30

Page 61, delete lines 1 to 5

Page 61, after line 6, insert:

"Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.851, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

- Subd. 5a. Payment rates; implementation components. Effective January 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later, for purposes of implementation, the commissioner shall use the following implementation components:
 - (1) personal care assistance services and CFSS: 92.20 percent;
 - (2) enhanced rate personal care assistance services and enhanced rate CFSS: 92.20 percent; and
 - (3) qualified professional services and CFSS worker training and development: 92.20 percent.

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

- Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.851, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- <u>Subd. 5b.</u> <u>Payment rates; worker retention components.</u> <u>Effective January 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later, the commissioner shall use the following worker retention components:</u>
- (1) for workers who have provided fewer than 1,001 cumulative hours in personal care assistance services or CFSS, the worker retention component is zero percent;
- (2) for workers who have provided between 1,001 and 2,000 cumulative hours in personal care assistance services or CFSS, the worker retention component is 4.05 percent;
- (3) for workers who have provided between 2,001 and 6,000 cumulative hours in personal care assistance services or CFSS, the worker retention component is 6.24 percent;

- (4) for workers who have provided between 6,001 and 10,000 cumulative hours in personal care assistance services or CFSS, the worker retention component is 9.23 percent; and
- (5) for workers who have provided more than 10,000 cumulative hours in personal care assistance services or CFSS, the worker retention component is 12.69 percent.

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

- Sec. 38. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.851, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- <u>Subd. 5c.</u> **Payment rates; enhanced worker retention components.** Effective January 1, 2027, or upon federal approval, whichever is later, for purposes of implementation, the commissioner shall use the following implementation components if a worker has completed either the orientation for individual providers offered through the Home Care Orientation Trust or an orientation defined and offered by the commissioner:
- (1) for workers who have provided fewer than 1,001 cumulative hours in personal care assistance services or CFSS, the worker retention component is 1.88 percent;
- (2) for workers who have provided between 1,001 and 2,000 cumulative hours in personal care assistance services or CFSS, the worker retention component is 5.92 percent;
- (3) for workers who have provided between 2,001 and 6,000 cumulative hours in personal care assistance services or CFSS, the worker retention component is 8.11 percent;
- (4) for workers who have provided between 6,001 and 10,000 cumulative hours in personal care assistance services or CFSS, the worker retention component is 11.10 percent; and
- (5) for workers who have provided more than 10,000 cumulative hours in personal care assistance services or CFSS, the worker retention component is 14.56 percent.

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

Page 61, line 29, before the period, insert "or 5a"

Page 62, line 2, strike "component" and insert "components"

Page 62, line 3, after "5" insert ", 5b, or 5c"

Page 62, line 4, strike "paragraph (d)" and insert "5b, or 5c"

Page 62, delete lines 6 to 11

Page 62, after line 14, insert:

- "Sec. 40. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.851, subdivision 7, is amended to read:
- Subd. 7. **Treatment of rate adjustments provided outside of cost components.** Any rate adjustments applied to the service rates calculated under this section outside of the cost components and rate methodology specified in this section, including but not limited to those implemented to enable participant-employers and provider agencies to meet the terms and conditions of any collective bargaining agreement negotiated under chapter 179A, shall be applied as changes to the value of component values or implementation components, or worker retention components in subdivision subdivision subdivisions 5 to 5c.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective January 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained.

- Sec. 41. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.851, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- Subd. 7a. **Budget determinations.** The commissioner shall increase the authorized amount for the CFSS budget model of those CFSS participant-employers employing individual providers who have provided more than 1,000 hours of services as well as individual providers who have completed the orientation offered by the Home Care Orientation Trust or an orientation defined and offered by the commissioner. The commissioner shall determine the amount and method of the authorized amount increase.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective January 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 64, delete lines 17 to 32 and insert:

- "(c) The commissioner must develop an individualized budget methodology exception to support access to self-directed home care nursing services. Lead agencies must submit budget exception requests to the commissioner in a manner identified by the commissioner. Eligibility for the budget exception in this paragraph is limited to persons meeting all of the following criteria in the person's most recent assessment:
- (1) the person is assessed to need the level of care delivered in a hospital setting as evidenced by the submission of the Department of Human Services form 7096, primary medical provider's documentation of medical monitoring and treatment needs;
 - (2) the person is assessed to receive a support range budget of E or H; and
- (3) the person does not receive community residential services, family residential services, integrated community supports services, or customized living services.
- (d) Home care nursing services funded through the budget exception developed under paragraph (c) must be ordered by a physician, physician assistant, or advanced practice registered nurse. If the participant chooses home care nursing, the home care nursing services must be performed by a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse practicing within the registered nurse's or licensed practical nurse's scope of practice as defined under Minnesota Statutes, sections 148.171 to 148.285. If after a person's annual reassessment under Minnesota Statutes, section 256B.0911, any requirements of this paragraph or paragraph (c) are no longer met, the commissioner must terminate the budget exception."

Page 70, line 30, delete the comma and insert a period

Page 70, delete line 31

Page 71, line 12, delete "exception" and insert "enhancement"

Page 72, line 27, delete everything after the period and insert "The parental contribution is a partial or full payment for provided medical services needed by a child with a chronic illness or disability, including diagnosis, therapy, cures, treatment, mitigation, rehabilitation, maintenance, and personal care services."

Page 72, delete lines 28 to 30

Page 83, after line 4, insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 245.462, subdivision 20, is amended to read:

- Subd. 20. **Mental illness.** (a) "Mental illness" means an organic disorder of the brain or a clinically significant disorder of thought, mood, perception, orientation, memory, or behavior that is detailed in a diagnostic codes list published by the commissioner, and that seriously limits a person's capacity to function in primary aspects of daily living such as personal relations, living arrangements, work, and recreation.
- (b) An "adult with acute mental illness" means an adult who has a mental illness that is serious enough to require prompt intervention.
- (c) For purposes of <u>enrolling in</u> case management and community support services, a "person with serious and persistent mental illness" means an adult who has a mental illness and meets at least one of the following criteria:
- (1) the adult has undergone two one or more episodes of inpatient, residential, or crisis residential care for a mental illness within the preceding 24 12 months;
- (2) the adult has experienced a continuous psychiatric hospitalization or residential treatment exceeding six months' duration within the preceding 12 months;
 - (3) the adult has been treated by a crisis team two or more times within the preceding 24 months;
 - (4) the adult:
- (i) has a diagnosis of schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, major depression, schizoaffective disorder, <u>post-traumatic stress disorder</u>, or borderline personality disorder;
 - (ii) indicates a significant impairment in functioning; and
- (iii) has a written opinion from a mental health professional, in the last three years, stating that the adult is reasonably likely to have future episodes requiring inpatient or residential treatment, of a frequency described in clause (1) or (2), or the need for in-home services to remain in one's home, unless ongoing case management or community support services are provided;
- (5) the adult has, in the last three <u>five</u> years, been committed by a court as a person who is mentally ill with a mental illness under chapter 253B, or the adult's commitment has been stayed or continued; or
- (6) the adult (i) was eligible under clauses (1) to (5), but the specified time period has expired or the adult was eligible as a child under section 245.4871, subdivision 6; and (ii) has a written opinion from a mental health professional, in the last three years, stating that the adult is reasonably likely to have future episodes requiring inpatient or residential treatment, of a frequency described in clause (1) or (2), unless ongoing case management or community support services are provided; or
 - (7) (6) the adult was eligible as a child under section 245.4871, subdivision 6, and is age 21 or younger.
- (d) For purposes of enrolling in case management and community support services, a "person with a complex post-traumatic stress disorder" or "person with a C-PTSD" means an adult who has a mental illness and meets the following criteria:
- (1) the adult has post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) symptoms that significantly interfere with daily functioning related to intergenerational trauma, racial trauma, or unresolved historical grief; and
 - (2) the adult has a written opinion from a mental health professional that includes documentation of:

- (i) culturally sensitive assessments or screenings and identification of intergenerational trauma, racial trauma, or unresolved historical grief;
 - (ii) significant impairment in functioning due to the PTSD symptoms that meet C-PTSD condition eligibility; and
- (iii) increasing concerns within the last three years that indicate there is a reasonable likelihood the adult will experience significant episodes of PTSD with increased frequency, impacting daily functioning, unless mitigated by targeted case management or community support services.
- (e) Adults may continue to receive case management or community support services if, in the written opinion of a mental health professional, the person needs case management or community support services to maintain the person's recovery.
- **EFFECTIVE DATE.** Paragraph (d) is effective upon federal approval. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 85, after line 10, insert:

- "Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 245.467, subdivision 4, is amended to read:
- Subd. 4. **Referral for case management.** Each provider of emergency services, day treatment services, outpatient treatment, community support services, residential treatment, acute care hospital inpatient treatment, or regional treatment center inpatient treatment must inform each of its clients with serious and persistent mental illness or a complex post-traumatic stress disorder of the availability and potential benefits to the client of case management. If the client consents, the provider must refer the client by notifying the county employee designated by the county board to coordinate case management activities of the client's name and address and by informing the client of whom to contact to request case management. The provider must document compliance with this subdivision in the client's record.
- <u>EFFECTIVE DATE.</u> This section is effective upon federal approval. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained.
 - Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 245.4711, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
- Subdivision 1. **Availability of case management services.** (a) By January 1, 1989, The county board shall provide case management services for all adults with serious and persistent mental illness or a complex post-traumatic stress disorder who are residents of the county and who request or consent to the services and to each adult for whom the court appoints a case manager. Staffing ratios must be sufficient to serve the needs of the clients. The case manager must meet the requirements in section 245.462, subdivision 4.
- (b) Case management services provided to adults with serious and persistent mental illness or a complex post-traumatic stress disorder eligible for medical assistance must be billed to the medical assistance program under sections 256B.02, subdivision 8, and 256B.0625.
- (c) Case management services are eligible for reimbursement under the medical assistance program. Costs associated with mentoring, supervision, and continuing education may be included in the reimbursement rate methodology used for case management services under the medical assistance program.
- **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective upon federal approval. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained.

- Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 245.4711, subdivision 4, is amended to read:
- Subd. 4. **Individual community support plan.** (a) The case manager must develop an individual community support plan for each adult that incorporates the client's individual treatment plan. The individual treatment plan may not be a substitute for the development of an individual community support plan. The individual community support plan must be developed within 30 days of client intake and reviewed at least every 180 days after it is developed, unless the case manager receives a written request from the client or the client's family for a review of the plan every 90 days after it is developed. The case manager is responsible for developing the individual community support plan based on a diagnostic assessment and a functional assessment and for implementing and monitoring the delivery of services according to the individual community support plan. To the extent possible, the adult with serious and persistent mental illness or a complex post-traumatic stress disorder, the person's family, advocates, service providers, and significant others must be involved in all phases of development and implementation of the individual community support plan.
 - (b) The client's individual community support plan must state:
 - (1) the goals of each service;
 - (2) the activities for accomplishing each goal;
 - (3) a schedule for each activity; and
- (4) the frequency of face-to-face contacts by the case manager, as appropriate to client need and the implementation of the individual community support plan.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective upon federal approval. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 245.4712, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Availability of community support services.** (a) County boards must provide or contract for sufficient community support services within the county to meet the needs of adults with serious and persistent mental illness <u>or a complex post-traumatic stress disorder</u> who are residents of the county. Adults may be required to pay a fee according to section 245.481. The community support services program must be designed to improve the ability of adults with serious and persistent mental illness <u>or a complex post-traumatic stress disorder</u> to:

- (1) find and maintain competitive employment;
- (2) handle basic activities of daily living;
- (3) participate in leisure time activities;
- (4) set goals and plans; and
- (5) obtain and maintain appropriate living arrangements.

The community support services program must also be designed to reduce the need for and use of more intensive, costly, or restrictive placements both in number of admissions and length of stay.

- (b) Community support services are those services that are supportive in nature and not necessarily treatment oriented, and include:
 - (1) conducting outreach activities such as home visits, health and wellness checks, and problem solving;
 - (2) connecting people to resources to meet their basic needs;
 - (3) finding, securing, and supporting people in their housing;
 - (4) attaining and maintaining health insurance benefits;
- (5) assisting with job applications, finding and maintaining employment, and securing a stable financial situation;
- (6) fostering social support, including support groups, mentoring, peer support, and other efforts to prevent isolation and promote recovery; and
 - (7) educating about mental illness, treatment, and recovery.
- (c) Community support services shall use all available funding streams. The county shall maintain the level of expenditures for this program, as required under section 245.4835. County boards must continue to provide funds for those services not covered by other funding streams and to maintain an infrastructure to carry out these services. The county is encouraged to fund evidence-based practices such as Individual Placement and Supported Employment and Illness Management and Recovery.
- (d) The commissioner shall collect data on community support services programs, including, but not limited to, demographic information such as age, sex, race, the number of people served, and information related to housing, employment, hospitalization, symptoms, and satisfaction with services.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective upon federal approval. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained.

- Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 245.4712, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
- Subd. 3. **Benefits assistance.** The county board must offer to help adults with serious and persistent mental illness <u>or a complex post-traumatic stress disorder</u> in applying for state and federal benefits, including Supplemental Security Income, medical assistance, Medicare, general assistance, and Minnesota supplemental aid. The help must be offered as part of the community support program available to adults with serious and persistent mental illness <u>or a complex post-traumatic stress disorder</u> for whom the county is financially responsible and who may qualify for these benefits."
 - Page 85, line 14, delete "as defined in section 245.2875, subdivision 8" and insert "under section 245.4881"

Page 89, delete section 14

Page 92, after line 26, insert:

"(4) assisting clients in navigating economic assistance and Minnesota health care programs under chapters 256B and 256L;"

Renumber the clauses in sequence

Page 93, after line 4, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 96, lines 18 and 19, delete the new language

Page 96, delete section 21

Page 98, lines 24 and 26, strike "50 consecutive minutes" and insert "four units"

Page 98, line 27, strike everything after the period

Page 98, strike lines 28 and 29

Page 98, line 30, strike everything before "The"

Page 99, line 12, delete "January 1, 2027" and insert "July 1, 2026"

Page 100, line 12, delete "January" and insert "July"

Page 101, line 5, delete "January 1, 2027" and insert "July 1, 2026"

Page 101, line 11, delete "January" and insert "July"

Page 103, line 18, delete "This section is effective January 1, 2027." and insert "Paragraph (d) is effective July 1, 2025.

Paragraphs (b), (g), and (j) are effective July 1, 2026."

Page 103, line 24, delete "January 1, 2027" and insert "July 1, 2026"

Page 105, lines 13 and 21, delete "January 1, 2027" and insert "July 1, 2026"

Page 109, after line 3, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 115, after line 17, insert:

"(c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), the commissioner must not implement a base payment rate for a substance use disorder treatment service that is lower than the rate in effect for the service on December 31, 2025."

Page 116, line 25, delete "January" and insert "July"

Page 118, line 19, delete "January 1, 2027" and insert "July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained"

Page 118, delete subdivision 5

Renumber the subdivisions in sequence

Page 119, line 12, delete "recovery-certified" and insert "certified recovery"

Page 119, line 23, delete everything after "disorder" and insert "has the meaning given in the most recent"

Page 119, delete line 24

Page 119, line 25, delete "in the latest"

Page 122, line 16, delete "certifying designated state affiliate" and insert "commissioner"

Page 123, line 25, delete "the National Alliance"

Page 123, line 26, delete "<u>for Recovery Residences standards</u>" and insert "<u>best practices as outlined by the American Society for Addiction Medicine and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration</u>"

Page 124, line 18, after "A" insert "certified"

Page 124, line 20, delete "Nontransferrability" and insert "Nontransferability"

Page 127, line 8, after "commissioner" insert ", in a manner approved by the commissioner,"

Page 127, line 26, before "The" insert "(a)"

Page 127, after line 31, insert:

"(b) Staff of a level-one certified recovery residence must not provide billable peer recovery support services to residents of the recovery residence."

Page 128, line 26, delete "the residence's" and insert "a description of the" and after "provided" insert "by the recovery residence"

Page 134, after line 8, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 134, before line 9, insert:

"Sec. 59. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.0625, subdivision 20, is amended to read:

- Subd. 20. **Mental health case management.** (a) To the extent authorized by rule of the state agency, medical assistance covers case management services to persons with serious and persistent mental illness, persons with a complex post-traumatic stress disorder, and children with severe emotional disturbance. Services provided under this section must meet the relevant standards in sections 245.461 to 245.4887, the Comprehensive Adult and Children's Mental Health Acts, Minnesota Rules, parts 9520.0900 to 9520.0926, and 9505.0322, excluding subpart 10.
- (b) Entities meeting program standards set out in rules governing family community support services as defined in section 245.4871, subdivision 17, are eligible for medical assistance reimbursement for case management services for children with severe emotional disturbance when these services meet the program standards in Minnesota Rules, parts 9520.0900 to 9520.0926 and 9505.0322, excluding subparts 6 and 10.
- (c) Medical assistance and MinnesotaCare payment for mental health case management shall be made on a monthly basis. In order to receive payment for an eligible child, the provider must document at least a face-to-face contact either in person or by interactive video that meets the requirements of subdivision 20b with the child, the child's parents, or the child's legal representative. To receive payment for an eligible adult, the provider must document:

- (1) at least a face-to-face contact with the adult or the adult's legal representative either in person or by interactive video that meets the requirements of subdivision 20b; or
- (2) at least a telephone contact with the adult or the adult's legal representative and document a face-to-face contact either in person or by interactive video that meets the requirements of subdivision 20b with the adult or the adult's legal representative within the preceding two months.
- (d) Payment for mental health case management provided by county or state staff shall be based on the monthly rate methodology under section 256B.094, subdivision 6, paragraph (b), with separate rates calculated for child welfare and mental health, and within mental health, separate rates for children and adults.
- (e) Payment for mental health case management provided by Indian health services or by agencies operated by Indian tribes may be made according to this section or other relevant federally approved rate setting methodology.
- (f) Payment for mental health case management provided by vendors who contract with a county must be calculated in accordance with section 256B.076, subdivision 2. Payment for mental health case management provided by vendors who contract with a Tribe must be based on a monthly rate negotiated by the Tribe. The rate must not exceed the rate charged by the vendor for the same service to other payers. If the service is provided by a team of contracted vendors, the team shall determine how to distribute the rate among its members. No reimbursement received by contracted vendors shall be returned to the county or tribe, except to reimburse the county or tribe for advance funding provided by the county or tribe to the vendor.
- (g) If the service is provided by a team which includes contracted vendors, tribal staff, and county or state staff, the costs for county or state staff participation in the team shall be included in the rate for county-provided services. In this case, the contracted vendor, the tribal agency, and the county may each receive separate payment for services provided by each entity in the same month. In order to prevent duplication of services, each entity must document, in the recipient's file, the need for team case management and a description of the roles of the team members.
- (h) Notwithstanding section 256B.19, subdivision 1, the nonfederal share of costs for mental health case management shall be provided by the recipient's county of responsibility, as defined in sections 256G.01 to 256G.12, from sources other than federal funds or funds used to match other federal funds. If the service is provided by a tribal agency, the nonfederal share, if any, shall be provided by the recipient's tribe. When this service is paid by the state without a federal share through fee-for-service, 50 percent of the cost shall be provided by the recipient's county of responsibility.
- (i) Notwithstanding any administrative rule to the contrary, prepaid medical assistance and MinnesotaCare include mental health case management. When the service is provided through prepaid capitation, the nonfederal share is paid by the state and the county pays no share.
- (j) The commissioner may suspend, reduce, or terminate the reimbursement to a provider that does not meet the reporting or other requirements of this section. The county of responsibility, as defined in sections 256G.01 to 256G.12, or, if applicable, the tribal agency, is responsible for any federal disallowances. The county or tribe may share this responsibility with its contracted vendors.
- (k) The commissioner shall set aside a portion of the federal funds earned for county expenditures under this section to repay the special revenue maximization account under section 256.01, subdivision 2, paragraph (n). The repayment is limited to:
 - (1) the costs of developing and implementing this section; and
 - (2) programming the information systems.

- (l) Payments to counties and tribal agencies for case management expenditures under this section shall only be made from federal earnings from services provided under this section. When this service is paid by the state without a federal share through fee-for-service, 50 percent of the cost shall be provided by the state. Payments to county-contracted vendors shall include the federal earnings, the state share, and the county share.
- (m) Case management services under this subdivision do not include therapy, treatment, legal, or outreach services.
- (n) If the recipient is a resident of a nursing facility, intermediate care facility, or hospital, and the recipient's institutional care is paid by medical assistance, payment for case management services under this subdivision is limited to the lesser of:
- (1) the last 180 days of the recipient's residency in that facility and may not exceed more than six months in a calendar year; or
 - (2) the limits and conditions which apply to federal Medicaid funding for this service.
- (o) Payment for case management services under this subdivision shall not duplicate payments made under other program authorities for the same purpose.
- (p) If the recipient is receiving care in a hospital, nursing facility, or residential setting licensed under chapter 245A or 245D that is staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week, mental health targeted case management services must actively support identification of community alternatives for the recipient and discharge planning.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective upon federal approval. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 135, after line 4, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 138, line 8, delete "and"

Page 138, line 17, delete the period and insert "<u>, including challenges faced by recovery residences resulting</u> from state and local housing regulations and ordinances; and"

Page 138, after line 17, insert:

"(vi) recommendations for potentially delegating the commissioner's recovery residence certification duties under Minnesota Statutes, sections 254B.21 to 254B.216 to a third-party organization."

Page 138, line 29, delete everything after "from" and insert "the state affiliate of the National Alliance for Recovery Residences"

Page 138, line 30, delete everything before the semicolon

Page 139, line 11, delete "CARE" and insert "TREATMENT"

Page 139, lines 14 and 31, delete "care" and insert "treatment"

Page 164, line 13, after the period, insert "The determined need for service capacity may be limited to a specific region, service focus, or other factors as determined by the commissioner."

Page 186, line 28, delete "2027" and insert "2029"

Page 187, lines 6, 22, and 31, delete "2027" and insert "2029"

Page 203, line 26, delete "\$300,000" and insert "\$500,000"

Page 206, after line 14, insert:

"Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 245A.042, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 5. Technical assistance and legal referrals required. If requested by a license holder that is subject to an enforcement action under section 245A.06 or 245A.07 and operating a program licensed under this chapter and chapter 245D, the commissioner must provide the license holder with requested technical assistance or must comply with a request for a referral to legal assistance."

Page 207, line 9, delete "53,115,000" and insert "119,927,000"

Page 207, line 12, delete "75,025,000" and insert "136,895,000"

Page 207, line 13, delete "(16,182,000)" and insert "(16,968,000)"

Page 207, line 29, delete "(16,182,000)" and insert "(16,525,000)"

Page 208, line 1, delete "(1,735,000)" and insert "59,692,000"

Page 208, line 20, delete "8.836.144.000" and insert "8.836.150.000" and delete "8.882.498.000" and insert "8.878.188.000"

Page 208, line 24, delete "8,782,786,000" and insert "8,782,674,000" and delete "8,829,140,000" and insert "8,824,712,000"

Page 208, line 25, delete "163,000" and insert "336,000" and delete "163,000" and insert "336,000"

Page 208, line 27, delete "4,273,000" and insert "4,218,000" and delete "4,273,000" and insert "4,218,000"

Page 209, line 29, delete " $\underline{176,228,000}$ " and insert " $\underline{176,857,000}$ " and delete " $\underline{180,071,000}$ " and insert " $\underline{181,505,000}$ "

Page 209, line 32, delete " $\underline{156,167,000}$ " and insert " $\underline{156,796,000}$ " and delete " $\underline{160,010,000}$ " and insert " $\underline{161,444,000}$ "

Page 210, line 6, delete "\$156,589,000" and insert "\$159,091,000"

Page 210, line 7, delete "\$156,879,000" and insert "\$158,483,000"

Page 210, line 8, delete "72,312,000" and insert "66,861,000" and delete "68,980,000" and insert "62,728,000"

Page 210, line 11, delete "44,144,000" and insert "38,693,000" and delete "40,812,000" and insert "34,560,000"

Page 210, line 15, delete "54,438,000" and insert "54,136,000" and delete "53,025,000" and insert "52,670,000"

Page 210, line 19, delete "54,313,000" and insert "54,011,000" and delete "52,900,000" and insert "52,545,000"

Page 210, line 20, delete "Health Care Access"

Page 210, line 21, delete "Fund" and insert "State Government Special Revenue"

Page 210, line 24, delete "\$51,632,000" and insert "\$51,279,000"

Page 210, line 25, delete "\$51,432,000" and insert "\$51,079,000"

Page 210, line 27, delete "24,728,000" and insert "23,720,000" and delete "24,358,000" and insert "24,144,000"

Page 210, line 30, delete "24,565,000" and insert "23,557,000" and delete "24,195,000" and insert "23,981,000"

Page 210, lines 33 and 34, delete "\$24,018,000" and insert "\$24,046,000"

Page 210, line 36, delete "6,692,000" and insert "6,980,000"

Page 211, line 5, delete "43,786,000" and insert "43,731,000" and delete "47,100,000" and insert "46,139,000"

Page 211, line 8, delete "42,259,000" and insert "41,353,000"

Page 211, line 10, delete "3,900,000" and insert "3,845,000" and delete "3,900,000" and insert "3,845,000"

Page 211, line 14, delete "\$42,202,000" and insert "\$41,150,000"

Page 211, line 15, delete "\$42,148,000" and insert "\$41,096,000"

Page 211, line 24, delete "<u>7,466,424,000</u>" and insert "<u>7,466,606,000</u>" and delete "<u>7,574,388,000</u>" and insert "<u>7,574,281,000</u>"

Page 211, line 26, delete "55,694,000" and insert "55,757,000" and delete "56,312,000" and insert "56,900,000"

Page 211, line 32, delete " $\underline{136,578,000}$ " and insert " $\underline{136,788,000}$ " and delete " $\underline{115,673,000}$ " and insert " $\underline{116,230,000}$ "

173,000 "

Page 211, after line 32, insert:

"Appropriations by Fund

2026 2027 136,615,000 116,057,000

173,000

General Lottery

Page 211, after line 36, insert:

"This amount is subtracted from direct appropriations for this budget activity made by the 94th Legislature."

Page 212, line 3, before "Supported-decision-making" insert "(a)"

Page 212, after line 9, insert:

"(b) <u>Base level adjustment.</u> The general fund base for this appropriation is \$1,925,000 in fiscal year 2028 and \$1,925,000 in fiscal year 2029."

Page 212, line 31, delete "66,580,000" and insert "64,530,000"

Page 214, delete subdivisions 6 and 8

Renumber the subdivisions in sequence

Page 215, line 7, delete "for the"

Page 215, delete lines 8 to 10

Page 215, line 11, delete "used"

Page 216, line 10, delete "110,852,000" and insert "112,352,000"

Page 216, delete lines 11 to 19 and insert:

"Subdivision 1. Mobile Crisis Grants

\$1,620,000 in fiscal year 2026 is for mobile crisis grants under Minnesota Statutes, section 245.4661, subdivision 9, paragraph (b), clause (15). Money may be used by mobile crisis teams to purchase and renovate vehicles to provide protected transport under Minnesota Statutes, section 256B.0625, subdivision 17, paragraph (1), clause (6). This is a onetime appropriation.

Subd. 2. Intensive Residential Treatment Services; Hennepin County

\$1,500,000 in fiscal year 2026 is for a grant to the city of Brooklyn Park as start-up funding for an intensive residential treatment services and residential crisis stabilization services facility. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027."

Page 217, line 10, delete "2,220,000" and insert "8,220,000"

Page 217, after line 10, insert:

"HIV/AIDS Supportive Services. \$6,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 is from the general fund to the commissioner of human services for grants to community-based HIV/AIDS supportive services providers as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 256.01, subdivision 19, and for payment of allowed health care costs as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 256.9365. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027."

Page 219, delete lines 16 to 21 and insert:

- "Subd. 3. State government special revenue fund. The amounts below for the fiscal years indicated are transferred from the state government special revenue fund to the general fund:
- (1) \$6,175,000 in fiscal year 2025;
- (2) \$12,349,000 in fiscal year 2026;
- (3) \$12,349,000 in fiscal year 2027; and
- (4) \$12,349,000 in fiscal year 2028."
- Page 220, line 30, delete "589,928,000" and insert "594,090,000" and delete "614,521,000" and insert "617,483,000"
- Page 221, line 6, delete " $\underline{97,951,000}$ " and insert " $\underline{102,113,000}$ " and delete " $\underline{110,066,000}$ " and insert " $\underline{113,028,000}$ "

Page 221, delete lines 7 to 30 and insert:

"Subdivision 1. Locked Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility Report

\$100,000 in fiscal year 2026 is for planning a build-out of a locked psychiatric residential treatment facility (PRTF) operated by Direct Care and Treatment. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027. By March 1, 2026, the Direct Care and Treatment executive board must report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over human services finance and policy on the plan developed under this section. The report must include but not be limited to:

- (1) the risks and benefits of locating the locked PRTF in a metropolitan or rural location;
- (2) the estimated cost for the build-out of the locked PRTF;
- (3) the estimated ongoing cost of maintaining the locked PRTF; and
- (4) the estimated amount of costs that can be recouped from medical assistance, MinnesotaCare, and private insurance payments.

Subd. 2. Miller Building

\$1,200,000 in fiscal year 2026 is to demolish the Miller Building and ancillary structures and to prepare the site for future construction on the Anoka-Metro Regional Treatment Center campus.

Subd. 3. Base Level Adjustment

The general fund base for this section is \$114,420,000 in fiscal year 2028 and \$114,420,000 in fiscal year 2029."

Page 222, line 22, delete "2026" and insert "2027"

Page 222, after line 26, insert:

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

Page 222, line 33, delete "facilities management," and delete the comma

Page 222, after line 34, insert:

"(c) The Direct Care and Treatment executive board, with the approval of the commissioner of management and budget, may transfer money appropriated for Direct Care and Treatment into the special revenue account for facilities management."

Page 223, line 1, delete "(c)" and insert "(d)"

Page 223, after line 32, insert:

"Sec. 5. PROPERTY RATE INCREASE FOR CERTAIN NURSING FACILITIES; MORATORIUM EXCEPTION FUNDING.

Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the commissioner of health shall consider the property rate increases for certain nursing facilities under Minnesota Statutes, section 256B.434, subdivision 4k, as moratorium exceptions and fund the rate increases with moratorium exception funding under Minnesota Statutes, section 144A.073, subdivision 17."

Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

Correct the title numbers accordingly

With the recommendation that when so amended the bill be placed on the General Register.

The report was adopted.

Stephenson and Torkelson from the Committee on Ways and Means to which was referred:

S. F. No. 2077, A bill for an act relating to state government; appropriating money for environment and natural resources; appropriating money from environment and natural resources trust fund; modifying prior appropriations; modifying fees and surcharges; modifying disposition of certain funds; modifying and establishing duties, authorities, and prohibitions regarding environment and natural resources; modifying and creating environment and natural resources programs; modifying and creating grant programs; providing civil and criminal penalties; authorizing rulemaking; modifying state trail, state forest, and state park provisions; authorizing sales, conveyances, and leases of certain state lands; modifying forestry provisions; modifying game and fish provisions; making technical changes; requiring reports; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 84.027, by adding a subdivision;

86B.415, subdivision 7; 97A.223, subdivision 1; 97A.421, by adding a subdivision; 97A.465, by adding a subdivision; 97A.475, subdivisions 2, 6; 103G.271, subdivision 6; 103G.301, subdivision 2; 115B.421; 116.07, by adding a subdivision; 116.073, subdivisions 1, 2; Laws 2023, chapter 60, article 1, sections 2, subdivisions 2, 7, 10; 3, subdivision 6; Laws 2024, chapter 83, section 2, subdivisions 3, 8; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 84; 86B; 325F.

Reported the same back with the following amendments:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"ARTICLE 1 APPROPRIATIONS

Section 1. ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES APPROPRIATIONS.

The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the general fund, or another named fund, and are available for the fiscal years indicated for each purpose. The figures "2026" and "2027" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed under them are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, or June 30, 2027, respectively. "The first year" is fiscal year 2026. "The second year" is fiscal year 2027. "The biennium" is fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

APPROPRIATIONS
Available for the Year
Ending June 30
2026 2027

Sec. 2. POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY

Subdivision 1.	Total Appropriation	\$143.693.000	\$148,382,000

Appropriations by Fund

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<u>General</u>	8,729,000	8,729,000
State Government		
Special Revenue	90,000	90,000
Environmental	114,627,000	119,316,000
Remediation	20,247,000	20,247,000

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

The commissioner must present the agency's biennial budget for fiscal years 2028 and 2029 to the legislature in a transparent way by agency division, including the proposed budget bill and presentations of the budget to committees and divisions with jurisdiction over the agency's budget.

Subd. 2. Environmental Analysis and Outcomes

22,019,000 23,642,000

Appropriations by Fund

	<u>2026</u>	2027
<u>General</u>	542,000	542,000
Environmental	21,272,000	22,895,000
Remediation	205,000	205,000

- (a) \$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the second year are for a municipal liaison to assist municipalities with water quality standards and NPDES/SDS permitting processes, including enhanced economic analysis in the water quality standards rulemaking processes, identification of cost-effective permitting opportunities, simplifying the variance process, and coordinating with the Public Facilities Authority to identify and advocate for needed resources for municipalities to achieve permit requirements.
- (b) \$1,153,000 the first year and \$1,153,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for an air-monitoring program under Minnesota Statutes, section 116.454, including ambient air for hazardous pollutants, and for operating a mobile emissions regulatory monitoring trailer.
- (c) \$140,000 the first year and \$140,000 the second year are for monitoring water quality and operating assistance programs.
- (d) \$109,000 the first year and \$109,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for duties related to harmful chemicals in children's products under Minnesota Statutes, sections 116.9401 to 116.9407. Of this amount, \$70,000 the first year and \$70,000 the second year are transferred to the commissioner of health.
- (e) \$132,000 the first year and \$132,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for registering wastewater laboratories.
- (f) \$1,519,000 the first year and \$1,519,000 the second year are from the environmental fund to continue perfluorochemical biomonitoring in eastern metropolitan communities, as recommended by the Environmental Health Tracking and Biomonitoring Advisory Panel, and to address other environmental health risks, including air quality. The communities must include Hmong and other immigrant farming communities. Of this amount, up to \$1,248,000 the first year and \$1,248,000 the second year are for transfer to the commissioner of health.
- (g) \$62,000 the first year and \$62,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for the listing procedures for impaired waters required under this act.

- (h) \$74,000 the first year and \$74,000 the second year are from the remediation fund for the leaking underground storage tank program to investigate, clean up, and prevent future releases from underground petroleum storage tanks and for the petroleum remediation program for vapor assessment and remediation. These same annual amounts are transferred from the petroleum tank fund to the remediation fund.
- (i) \$270,000 the first year and \$270,000 the second year are to support communities in planning to implement projects that will allow for adaptation for a changing climate.
- (j) \$2,070,000 the first year and \$2,070,000 the second year are from the environmental fund to develop and implement a program related to emerging issues, including Minnesota's PFAS Blueprint.
- (k) \$1,820,000 the first year and \$1,820,000 the second year are from the environmental fund to support improved management of data collected by the agency and its partners and regulated parties to facilitate decision-making and public access.
- (1) \$7,000 the first year and \$7,000 the second year are to implement the requirements for fish kills under Minnesota Statutes, sections 103G.216 and 103G.2165.
- (m) \$1,400,000 the second year is from the environmental fund to adopt rules and implement air toxics emissions requirements under Minnesota Statutes, section 116.062.
- (n) \$881,000 the first year and \$881,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for monitoring ambient air for hazardous air pollutants in Hennepin, Ramsey, Washington, and Olmsted Counties.

Subd. 3. **Industrial** 22,305,000 25,271,000

Appropriations by Fund

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<u>General</u>	<u>250,000</u>	250,000
Environmental	20,282,000	23,248,000
Remediation	1,773,000	1,773,000

(a) \$1,670,000 the first year and \$1,670,000 the second year are from the remediation fund for the leaking underground storage tank program to investigate, clean up, and prevent future releases from underground petroleum storage tanks and for the petroleum remediation program for vapor assessment and remediation. These same annual amounts are transferred from the petroleum tank fund to the remediation fund.

- (b) \$149,000 the first year and \$149,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for transfer to the commissioner of health to further evaluate the use and reduction of trichloroethylene around Minnesota and identify its potential health effects on communities.
- (c) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the second year are for implementation of the odor management requirements under Minnesota Statutes, section 116.064.
- (d) \$140,000 the second year is from the environmental fund for the purposes of the public informational meeting requirements under Minnesota Statutes, section 116.07, subdivision 4m.
- (e) \$2,625,000 the first year and \$2,625,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for prioritizing air regulatory program work in environmental justice areas.
- (f) \$2,500,000 the second year is from the environmental fund for implementing the environmental justice cumulative impact analysis and other requirements under Minnesota Statutes, section 116.065.
- (g) \$700,000 the first year and \$700,000 the second year are from the environmental fund to improve the coordination, effectiveness, transparency, and accountability of the environmental review and permitting process.

Subd. 4. **Municipal** 10,829,000 10,829,000

Appropriations by Fund

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General	223,000	223,000
State Government		
Special Revenue	90,000	90,000
<u>Environmental</u>	<u>10,516,000</u>	<u>10,516,000</u>

(a) \$223,000 the first year and \$223,000 the second year are for a municipal liaison to assist municipalities with water quality standards and NPDES/SDS permitting processes, including enhanced economic analysis in the water quality standards rulemaking processes, identification of cost-effective permitting opportunities, simplifying the variance process, and coordinating with the Public Facilities Authority to identify and advocate for needed resources for municipalities to achieve permit requirements.

- (b) \$50,000 the first year and \$50,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for transfer to the Office of Administrative Hearings to establish sanitary districts.
- (c) \$2,432,000 the first year and \$2,432,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for subsurface sewage treatment system (SSTS) program administration; for community technical assistance and education, including grants and technical assistance to communities for water-quality protection, new technology review, and enforcement under Minnesota Statutes, sections 115.55 to 115.58; and to complete the requirements of Laws 2003, chapter 128, article 1, section 165. Of this amount, \$350,000 each year is for assistance to counties through grants for SSTS program administration. A county receiving a grant from this appropriation must submit the results achieved with the grant to the commissioner as part of its annual SSTS report. Any unexpended balance in the first year does not cancel but is available in the second year.
- (d) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, the appropriations encumbered on or before June 30, 2027, as grants or contracts for subsurface sewage treatment systems, surface water and groundwater assessments, storm water, and water-quality protection in this subdivision are available until June 30, 2030.

<u>Subd. 5.</u> <u>Operations</u> <u>13,976,000</u> <u>14,007,000</u>

2027

Appropriations by Fund

2026

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General	3,109,000	3,109,000
Environmental	8,376,000	8,407,000
Remediation	<u>2,491,000</u>	2,491,000

- (a) \$1,124,000 the first year and \$1,124,000 the second year are from the remediation fund for the leaking underground storage tank program to investigate, clean up, and prevent future releases from underground petroleum storage tanks and for the petroleum remediation program for vapor assessment and remediation. These same annual amounts are transferred from the petroleum tank fund to the remediation fund.
- (b) \$3,109,000 the first year and \$3,109,000 the second year are to support agency information technology services provided at the enterprise and agency level.
- (c) \$919,000 the first year and \$919,000 the second year are from the environmental fund to develop and maintain systems to support permitting and regulatory business processes and agency data.

- (d) \$270,000 the first year and \$270,000 the second year are from the environmental fund to support current and future career pathways for underrepresented students.
- (e) \$360,000 the first year and \$360,000 the second year are from the environmental fund to support financial planning and analysis to assist with risk and compliance management across agency programs and financial systems.
- (f) \$525,000 the first year and \$525,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for Operations Division legal services that support compliance programs.

<u>Subd. 6.</u> <u>Remediation</u> <u>16,022,000</u> <u>16,022,000</u>

Appropriations by Fund

<u>2026</u> <u>2027</u>

 Environmental
 628,000
 628,000

 Remediation
 15,394,000
 15,394,000

- (a) All money for environmental response, compensation, and compliance in the remediation fund not otherwise appropriated is appropriated to the commissioners of the Pollution Control Agency and agriculture for purposes of Minnesota Statutes, section 115B.20, subdivision 2, clauses (1), (2), (3), (6), and (7). At the beginning of each fiscal year, the two commissioners must jointly submit to the commissioner of management and budget an annual spending plan that maximizes resource use and appropriately allocates the money between the two departments.
- (b) \$4,622,000 the first year and \$4,622,000 the second year are from the remediation fund for the leaking underground storage tank program to investigate, clean up, and prevent future releases from underground petroleum storage tanks and for the petroleum remediation program for vapor assessment and remediation. These same annual amounts are transferred from the petroleum tank fund to the remediation fund.
- (c) \$316,000 the first year and \$316,000 the second year are from the remediation fund for transfer to the commissioner of health for private water-supply monitoring and health assessment costs in areas contaminated by unpermitted mixed municipal solid waste disposal facilities and drinking water advisories and public information activities for areas contaminated by hazardous releases.

Subd. 7. Resource Management and Assistance

45,715,000 45,784,000

Appropriations by Fund

<u>2026</u> <u>2027</u>

<u>General</u> <u>370,000</u> <u>370,000</u> <u>Environmental</u> <u>45,345,000</u> <u>45,784,000</u>

- (a) Up to \$150,000 the first year and \$150,000 the second year may be transferred from the environmental fund to the small business environmental improvement loan account under Minnesota Statutes, section 116.993.
- (b) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000 the second year are for competitive recycling grants under Minnesota Statutes, section 115A.565. Of this amount, \$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the second year are from the general fund, and \$700,000 the first year and \$700,000 the second year are from the environmental fund. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2029.
- (c) \$694,000 the first year and \$694,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for emission-reduction activities and grants to small businesses and other nonpoint-emission-reduction efforts. Of this amount, \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the second year are to continue work with Clean Air Minnesota, and the commissioner may enter into an agreement with Environmental Initiative to support this effort.
- (d) \$18,450,000 the first year and \$18,450,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for SCORE block grants to counties.
- (e) \$119,000 the first year and \$119,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for environmental assistance grants or loans under Minnesota Statutes, section 115A.0716.
- (f) \$400,000 the first year and \$400,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for grants to develop and expand recycling markets for Minnesota businesses. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2029.
- (g) \$770,000 the first year and \$770,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for reducing and diverting food waste, redirecting edible food for consumption, and removing barriers to collecting and recovering organic waste. Of this amount, \$500,000 each year is for grants to increase food rescue and waste prevention. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2029.
- (h) \$2,811,000 the first year and \$2,811,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for the purposes of Minnesota Statutes, section 473.844.

- (i) \$474,000 the first year and \$474,000 the second year are from the environmental fund to address chemicals in products, including to implement and enforce flame retardant provisions under Minnesota Statutes, section 325F.071, and perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances in food packaging provisions under Minnesota Statutes, section 325F.075. Of this amount, \$80,000 the first year and \$80,000 the second year are transferred to the commissioner of health.
- (j) \$650,000 the first year and \$650,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for Minnesota GreenCorps investment.
- (k) \$1,115,000 the first year and \$1,115,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for implementation of the PFAS requirements under Minnesota Statutes, section 116.943. Of this amount, \$468,000 the first year and \$468,000 the second year are for transfer to the commissioner of health.
- (1) Any unencumbered grant and loan balances in the first year do not cancel but are available for grants and loans in the second year. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, the appropriations encumbered on or before June 30, 2027, as contracts or grants for environmental assistance awarded under Minnesota Statutes, section 115A.0716; technical and research assistance under Minnesota Statutes, section 115A.152; technical assistance under Minnesota Statutes, section 115A.52; and pollution prevention assistance under Minnesota Statutes, section 115D.04, are available until June 30, 2029.

<u>Subd. 8.</u> <u>Watershed</u> <u>11,325,000</u> <u>11,325,000</u>

Appropriations by Fund

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Environmental	2,959,000 7,982,000	2,959,000 7,982,000
Remediation Property 1985	<u>384,000</u>	<u>384,000</u>

- (a) \$2,959,000 the first year and \$2,959,000 the second year are for grants to delegated counties to administer the county feedlot program under Minnesota Statutes, section 116.0711, subdivisions 2 and 3. Money remaining after the first year is available for the second year.
- (b) \$129,000 the first year and \$129,000 the second year are from the remediation fund for the leaking underground storage tank program to investigate, clean up, and prevent future releases from underground petroleum storage tanks and for the petroleum remediation program for vapor assessment and remediation. These same annual amounts are transferred from the petroleum tank fund to the remediation fund.

(c) Any unencumbered grant and loan balances in the first year do not cancel but are available for grants and loans in the second year.

Subd. 9. Environmental Quality Board

1,502,000

1,502,000

Appropriations by Fund

2027

 General
 1,276,000
 1,276,000

 Environmental
 226,000
 226,000

Subd. 10. Transfers

- (a) The commissioner must transfer up to \$24,000,000 the first year and \$24,000,000 the second year from the environmental fund to the remediation fund for purposes of the remediation fund under Minnesota Statutes, section 116.155, subdivision 2.
- (b) The commissioner of management and budget must transfer \$100,000 the first year and each fiscal year thereafter from the general fund to the metropolitan landfill contingency action trust account in the remediation fund to restore the money transferred from the account as intended under Laws 2003, chapter 128, article 1, section 10, paragraph (e), and Laws 2005, First Special Session chapter 1, article 3, section 17.

Sec. 3. NATURAL RESOURCES

<u>Subdivision 1.</u> <u>Total Appropriation</u> <u>\$385,036,000</u> <u>\$385,036,000</u>

Appropriations by Fund

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General	130,868,000	130,868,000
Natural Resources	123,638,000	123,638,000
Game and Fish	129,711,000	129,711,000
Remediation	<u>117,000</u>	117,000
Permanent School	702,000	702,000

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

Subd. 2. Land and Mineral Resources Management

10,126,000

10,126,000

Appropriations by Fund

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General	5,126,000	5,126,000
Natural Resources	4,438,000	4,438,000
Game and Fish	344,000	344,000
Permanent School	<u>218,000</u>	<u>218,000</u>

- (a) \$319,000 the first year and \$319,000 the second year are for environmental research relating to mine permitting, of which \$200,000 each year is from the minerals management account in the natural resources fund and \$119,000 each year is from the general fund.
- (b) \$3,383,000 the first year and \$3,383,000 the second year are from the minerals management account in the natural resources fund for use as provided under Minnesota Statutes, section 93.2236, paragraph (c), for mineral resource management, projects to enhance future mineral income, and projects to promote new mineral-resource opportunities.
- (c) \$218,000 the first year and \$218,000 the second year are transferred from the forest suspense account to the permanent school fund and are appropriated from the permanent school fund to secure maximum long-term economic return from the school trust lands consistent with fiduciary responsibilities and sound natural resources conservation and management principles.
- (d) \$338,000 the first year and \$338,000 the second year are from the water management account in the natural resources fund for only the purposes specified in Minnesota Statutes, section 103G.27, subdivision 2.

Subd. 3. Ecological and Water Resources

44,539,000

44,539,000

Appropriations by Fund

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<u>General</u>	24,884,000	24,884,000
Natural Resources	<u>13,831,000</u>	13,831,000
Game and Fish	<u>5,824,000</u>	<u>5,824,000</u>

(a) \$4,222,000 the first year and \$4,222,000 the second year are from the invasive species account in the natural resources fund and \$2,831,000 the first year and \$2,831,000 the second year are from the general fund for management, public awareness, assessment and monitoring research, and water access inspection to prevent the spread of invasive species; management of invasive plants in public waters; and management of terrestrial invasive species on state-administered lands.

- (b) \$6,056,000 the first year and \$6,056,000 the second year are from the water management account in the natural resources fund for only the purposes specified in Minnesota Statutes, section 103G.27, subdivision 2.
- (c) \$124,000 the first year and \$124,000 the second year are for a grant to the Mississippi Headwaters Board for up to 50 percent of the cost of implementing the comprehensive plan for the upper Mississippi within areas under the board's jurisdiction.
- (d) \$264,000 the first year and \$264,000 the second year are for grants for up to 50 percent of the cost of implementing the Red River mediation agreement.
- (e) \$2,598,000 the first year and \$2,598,000 the second year are from the heritage enhancement account in the game and fish fund for only the purposes specified in Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94, paragraph (h), clause (1).
- (f) \$1,150,000 the first year and \$1,150,000 the second year are from the nongame wildlife management account in the natural resources fund for nongame wildlife management. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 290.431, \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the second year may be used for nongame wildlife information, education, and promotion.
- (g) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 84.943, \$48,000 the first year and \$48,000 the second year from the critical habitat private sector matching account may be used to publicize the critical habitat license plate match program.
- (h) \$6,000,000 the first year and \$6,000,000 the second year are for the following activities:
- (1) financial reimbursement and technical support to soil and water conservation districts or other local units of government for groundwater-level monitoring;
- (2) surface water monitoring and analysis, including installing monitoring gauges;
- (3) groundwater analysis to assist with water-appropriation permitting decisions;
- (4) permit application review incorporating surface water and groundwater technical analysis;
- (5) precipitation data and analysis to improve irrigation use;
- (6) information technology, including electronic permitting and integrated data systems; and
- (7) compliance and monitoring.

(i) \$410,000 the first year and \$410,000 the second year are from the heritage enhancement account in the game and fish fund and \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the second year are from the general fund for the Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center at the University of Minnesota to prioritize, support, and develop research-based solutions that can reduce the effects of aquatic invasive species in Minnesota by preventing spread, controlling populations, and managing ecosystems and to advance knowledge to inspire action by others.

Subd. 4. Forest Management

60,199,000

60,199,000

Appropriations by Fund

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General	42,421,000	42,421,000
Natural Resources	16,161,000	16,161,000
Game and Fish	<u>1,617,000</u>	<u>1,617,000</u>

(a) \$7,521,000 the first year and \$7,521,000 the second year are for prevention, presuppression, and suppression costs of emergency firefighting and other costs incurred under Minnesota Statutes, section 88.12. The amount necessary to pay for presuppression and suppression costs during the biennium is appropriated from the general fund. By January 15 each year, the commissioner of natural resources must submit a report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the house and senate committees and divisions having jurisdiction over environment and natural resources finance that identifies all firefighting costs incurred and reimbursements received in the prior fiscal year. These appropriations may not be transferred. Any reimbursement of firefighting expenditures made to the commissioner from any source other than federal mobilizations must be deposited into the general fund.

- (b) \$15,661,000 the first year and \$15,661,000 the second year are from the forest management investment account in the natural resources fund for only the purposes specified in Minnesota Statutes, section 89.039, subdivision 2.
- (c) \$1,617,000 the first year and \$1,617,000 the second year are from the heritage enhancement account in the game and fish fund to advance ecological classification systems (ECS), forest habitat, and invasive species management.
- (d) \$926,000 the first year and \$926,000 the second year are for the Forest Resources Council to implement the Sustainable Forest Resources Act.

- (e) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the second year are from the forest management investment account in the natural resources fund for forest road maintenance on state forest roads.
- (f) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the second year are for forest road maintenance on county forest roads.
- (g) \$400,000 the first year and \$400,000 the second year are for grants to local and Tribal governments and nonprofit organizations to enhance community forest ecosystem health and sustainability under Minnesota Statutes, section 88.82. The commissioner may use a reasonable amount of this appropriation for administering ReLeaf grants.

Subd. 5. Parks and Trails Management

109,847,000

109,847,000

Appropriations by Fund

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General	35,724,000	35,724,000
Natural Resources	71,823,000	71,823,000
Game and Fish	<u>2,300,000</u>	2,300,000

- (a) \$8,735,000 the first year and \$8,735,000 the second year are from the natural resources fund for state trail, park, and recreation area operations. This appropriation is from revenue deposited in the natural resources fund under Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94, paragraph (h), clause (2).
- (b) \$22,078,000 the first year and \$22,078,000 the second year are from the state parks account in the natural resources fund to operate and maintain state parks and state recreation areas.
- (c) \$1,300,000 the first year and \$1,300,000 the second year are from the natural resources fund for park and trail grants to local units of government on land to be maintained for at least 20 years for parks or trails. Priority must be given for projects that are in underserved communities or that increase access to persons with disabilities. This appropriation is from revenue deposited in the natural resources fund under Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94, paragraph (h), clause (4). Any unencumbered balance does not cancel at the end of the first year and is available for the second year.
- (d) \$9,624,000 the first year and \$9,624,000 the second year are from the snowmobile trails and enforcement account in the natural resources fund for the snowmobile grants-in-aid program. Any unencumbered balance does not cancel at the end of the first year and is available for the second year.

- (e) \$2,435,000 the first year and \$2,435,000 the second year are from the natural resources fund for the off-highway vehicle grants-in-aid program. Of this amount, \$1,960,000 each year is from the all-terrain vehicle account, \$150,000 each year is from the off-highway motorcycle account, and \$325,000 each year is from the off-road vehicle account. Any unencumbered balance does not cancel at the end of the first year and is available for the second year.
- (f) \$2,250,000 the first year and \$2,250,000 the second year are from the state land and water conservation account in the natural resources fund for priorities established by the commissioner for eligible state projects and administrative and planning activities consistent with Minnesota Statutes, section 84.0264, and the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund Act. Any unencumbered balance does not cancel at the end of the first year and is available for the second year.
- (g) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the second year are for matching grants for local parks and outdoor recreation areas under Minnesota Statutes, section 85.019, subdivision 2.
- (h) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the second year are for matching grants for local trail connections under Minnesota Statutes, section 85.019, subdivision 4c.
- (i) \$600,000 the first year and \$600,000 the second year are from the natural resources fund for projects and activities that connect diverse and underserved Minnesotans through expanding cultural environmental experiences, exploration of their environment, and outdoor recreational activities. This appropriation is from revenue deposited in the natural resources fund under Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94, paragraph (j).

Subd. 6. Fish and Wildlife Management

Appropriations by Fund

 General
 8,417,000
 8,417,000

 Natural Resources
 2,082,000
 2,082,000

 Game and Fish
 85,273,000
 85,273,000

(a) \$11,842,000 the first year and \$11,842,000 the second year are from the heritage enhancement account in the game and fish fund only for activities specified under Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94, paragraph (h), clause (1). Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94, five percent of this appropriation may be used for expanding hunter and angler recruitment and retention.

<u>95,772,000</u> <u>95,772,000</u>

- (b) \$8,546,000 the first year and \$8,546,000 the second year are from the deer management account in the game and fish fund for the purposes identified in Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.075, subdivision 1.
- (c) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the second year are from the heritage enhancement account in the game and fish fund for grants for natural-resource-based education and recreation programs serving youth under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.976. The commissioner may use a reasonable amount of this appropriation for administering grants authorized under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.976. Priority must be given to projects benefiting underserved communities.
- (d) Up to \$2,225,000 the first year and up to \$2,225,000 the second year are available for transfer from the critical habitat private sector matching account to the reinvest in Minnesota fund for wildlife management areas acquisition, restoration, and enhancement according to Minnesota Statutes, section 84.943, subdivision 5, paragraph (b).
- (e) \$3,532,000 the first year and \$3,532,000 the second year are from the general fund and \$1,675,000 the first year and \$1,675,000 the second year are from the game and fish fund for statewide response and management of chronic wasting disease. Of this amount, up to \$2,750,000 each year from the general fund is for inspections, investigations, and enforcement activities taken for the white-tailed deer farm program.

Subd. 7. **Enforcement**

Appropriations by Fund

 General
 14,075,000
 14,075,000

 Natural Resources
 14,193,000
 14,193,000

 Game and Fish
 34,353,000
 34,353,000

 Remediation
 117,000
 117,000

- (a) \$1,718,000 the first year and \$1,718,000 the second year are from the general fund for enforcement efforts to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species.
- (b) \$2,980,000 the first year and \$2,980,000 the second year are from the heritage enhancement account in the game and fish fund for only the purposes specified under Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94, paragraph (h), clause (1).
- (c) \$1,442,000 the first year and \$1,442,000 the second year are from the water recreation account in the natural resources fund for grants to counties for boat and water safety. Any unencumbered balance does not cancel at the end of the first year and is available for the second year.

62,738,000

62,738,000

(d) \$315,000 the first year and \$315,000 the second year are from the snowmobile trails and enforcement account in the natural resources fund for grants to local law enforcement agencies for snowmobile enforcement activities. Any unencumbered balance does not cancel at the end of the first year and is available for the second year.

(e) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the second year are from the all-terrain vehicle account in the natural resources fund for grants to qualifying organizations to assist in safety and environmental education and monitoring trails on public lands under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.9011. Grants issued under this paragraph must be issued through a formal agreement with the organization. By December 15 each year, an organization receiving a grant under this paragraph must report to the commissioner with details on expenditures and outcomes from the grant. Of this appropriation, \$25,000 each year is for administering these grants. Any unencumbered balance does not cancel at the end of the first year and is available for the second year.

(f) \$510,000 the first year and \$510,000 the second year are from the natural resources fund for grants to county law enforcement agencies for off-highway vehicle enforcement and public education activities based on off-highway vehicle use in the county. Of this amount, \$498,000 each year is from the all-terrain vehicle account, \$11,000 each year is from the off-highway motorcycle account, and \$1,000 each year is from the off-road vehicle account. The county enforcement agencies may use money received under this appropriation to make grants to other local enforcement agencies within the county that have a high concentration of off-highway vehicle use. Of this appropriation, \$25,000 each year is for administering the grants. Any unencumbered balance does not cancel at the end of the first year and is available for the second year.

(g) \$20,000 the first year and \$20,000 the second year are from the off-highway motorcycle account in the natural resources fund for grants to qualifying off-highway motorcycle organizations to assist in providing safety and environmental education and monitoring trails on public lands according to Minnesota Statutes, section 84.9011. Grants awarded under this paragraph must be issued through a formal agreement with the organization. By December 15 each year, an organization receiving a grant under this paragraph must report to the commissioner with details on how the money was expended and what outcomes were achieved.

Subd. 8. Pass Through Funds

1,815,000 1,815,000

Appropriations by Fund

 General
 221,000
 221,000

 Natural Resources
 1,110,000
 1,110,000

 Permanent School
 484,000
 484,000

- (a) \$510,000 the first year and \$510,000 the second year are from the natural resources fund for grants to be divided equally between the city of St. Paul for the Como Park Zoo and Conservatory and the city of Duluth for the Lake Superior Zoo. This appropriation is from revenue deposited to the natural resources fund under Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94, paragraph (h), clause (5).
- (b) \$221,000 the first year and \$221,000 the second year are for the Office of School Trust Lands.
- (c) \$150,000 the first year and \$150,000 the second year are transferred from the forest suspense account to the permanent school fund and are appropriated from the permanent school fund for transaction and project management costs for divesting of school trust lands within Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness.
- (d) \$334,000 the first year and \$334,000 the second year are transferred from the forest suspense account to the permanent school fund and are appropriated from the permanent school fund for the Office of School Trust Lands.
- (e) \$600,000 the first year and \$600,000 the second year are from the natural resources fund for parks and trails of regional significance outside the seven-county metropolitan area under Minnesota Statutes, section 85.535, based on the recommendations from the Greater Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails Commission. This appropriation is from revenue deposited in the natural resources fund under Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94, paragraph (i).

Sec. 4. BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL RESOURCES

\$15,792,000 \$15,792,000

(a) \$3,116,000 the first year and \$3,116,000 the second year are for grants and payments to soil and water conservation districts for accomplishing the purposes of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 103C, and for other general purposes, nonpoint engineering, and implementation and stewardship of the reinvest in Minnesota reserve program. Expenditures may be made from this appropriation for supplies and services benefiting soil and water conservation districts. Any district receiving a payment under this paragraph must maintain a website that publishes, at a minimum, the district's annual report, annual audit, annual budget, and meeting notices.

- (b) \$1,560,000 the first year and \$1,560,000 the second year are for the following:
- (1) \$1,460,000 the first year and \$1,460,000 the second year are for cost-sharing programs of soil and water conservation districts for accomplishing projects and practices consistent with Minnesota Statutes, section 103C.501, including perennially vegetated riparian buffers, erosion control, water retention and treatment, water quality cost-sharing for feedlots and nutrient and manure management projects in watersheds where there are impaired waters, and other high-priority conservation practices; and
- (2) \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the second year are for invasive species and weed management programs and to restore native plants at selected invasive species management sites.
- (c) \$166,000 the first year and \$166,000 the second year are to provide technical assistance to local drainage management officials and for the costs of the Drainage Work Group. The board must coordinate the activities of the Drainage Work Group according to Minnesota Statutes, section 103B.101, subdivision 13.
- (d) \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the second year are for a grant to the Red River Basin Commission for water quality and floodplain management, including program administration. This appropriation must be matched by nonstate funds.
- (e) \$140,000 the first year and \$140,000 the second year are for grants to Area II Minnesota River Basin Projects for floodplain management.
- (f) \$240,000 the first year and \$240,000 the second year are for a grant to the Lower Minnesota River Watershed District to defray the annual cost of sustaining the state, national, and international commercial and recreational navigation on the lower Minnesota River.
- (g) \$203,000 the first year and \$203,000 the second year are for soil health programming consistent with Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.06, and for coordination with the University of Minnesota Office for Soil Health.
- (h) \$3,423,000 the first year and \$3,423,000 the second year are for natural resources block grants to local governments to implement the Wetland Conservation Act and shoreland management program under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 103F, and local water management responsibilities under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 103B. The board may reduce the amount of the natural resources block grant to a county by an amount equal to any reduction in the county's general services allocation to a soil and water conservation district from the county's previous year allocation when the board determines that the reduction was disproportionate.

- (i) \$6,844,000 the first year and \$6,844,000 the second year are for agency administration and operation of the Board of Water and Soil Resources.
- (j) The board may shift funds in this section and may adjust the technical and administrative assistance portion of the funds to leverage federal or other nonstate funds or to address accountability, oversight, local government performance, or high-priority needs.
- (k) The appropriations for grants and payments in this section are available until June 30, 2029, except returned grants and payments are available for two years after they are returned or regranted, whichever is later. Funds must be used consistent with the purposes of this section. If an appropriation for grants in either year is insufficient, the appropriation in the other year is available for it.
- (1) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.97, grants awarded from appropriations in this section are exempt from the Department of Administration, Office of Grants Management Policy 08-08 Grant Payments and 08-10 Grant Monitoring.

Sec. 5. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

\$11,490,000

\$11,490,000

Appropriations by Fund

<u>2026</u> <u>2027</u>

 General
 2,540,000
 2,540,000

 Natural Resources
 8,950,000
 8,950,000

- (a) \$2,540,000 the first year and \$2,540,000 the second year are for metropolitan-area regional parks operation and maintenance according to Minnesota Statutes, section 473.351.
- (b) \$8,950,000 the first year and \$8,950,000 the second year are from the natural resources fund for metropolitan-area regional parks and trails maintenance and operations. This appropriation is from revenue deposited in the natural resources fund under Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94, paragraph (h), clause (3).

Sec. 6. <u>CONSERVATION CORPS MINNESOTA AND</u> \$1,070,000 \$1,070,000 IOWA

Appropriations by Fund

<u>2026</u> <u>2027</u>

 General
 580,000
 580,000

 Natural Resources
 490,000
 490,000

Conservation Corps Minnesota and Iowa may receive money appropriated from the natural resources fund under this section only as provided in an agreement with the commissioner of natural resources.

Sec. 7. **ZOOLOGICAL BOARD**

\$13,837,000

\$13,837,000

Appropriations by Fund

<u>2026</u> <u>2027</u>

 General
 13,582,000
 13,582,000

 Natural Resources
 255,000
 255,000

\$255,000 the first year and \$255,000 the second year are from the natural resources fund from revenue deposited under Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94, paragraph (h), clause (5).

Sec. 8. SCIENCE MUSEUM

\$1,260,000

\$1,260,000

Sec. 9. Laws 2023, chapter 60, article 1, section 2, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation

\$305,345,000

\$229,638,000 226,638,000

Appropriations by Fund

	2024	2025
General	179,534,000	100,098,000
		97,098,000
State Government		
Special Revenue	85,000	90,000
Environmental	106,055,000	109,203,000
Remediation	19,671,000	20,247,000

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

The commissioner must present the agency's biennial budget for fiscal years 2026 and 2027 to the legislature in a transparent way by agency division, including the proposed budget bill and presentations of the budget to committees and divisions with jurisdiction over the agency's budget.

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

Sec. 10. Laws 2023, chapter 60, article 1, section 2, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Environmental Analysis and Outcomes

79,311,000

72,785,000 69,785,000

Appropriations by Fund

	2024	2025
General	60,103,000	53,047,000
		50,047,000
Environmental	18,959,000	19,533,000
Remediation	249,000	205,000

- (a) \$122,000 the first year and \$125,000 the second year are from the general fund for:
- (1) a municipal liaison to assist municipalities in implementing and participating in the rulemaking process for water quality standards and navigating the NPDES/SDS permitting process;
- (2) enhanced economic analysis in the rulemaking process for water quality standards, including more-specific analysis and identification of cost-effective permitting;
- (3) developing statewide economic analyses and templates to reduce the amount of information and time required for municipalities to apply for variances from water quality standards; and
- (4) coordinating with the Public Facilities Authority to identify and advocate for the resources needed for urban, suburban, and Greater Minnesota municipalities to achieve permit requirements.
- (b) \$216,000 the first year and \$219,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for a monitoring program under Minnesota Statutes, section 116.454.
- (c) \$132,000 the first year and \$137,000 the second year are for monitoring water quality and operating assistance programs.
- (d) \$390,000 the first year and \$399,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for monitoring ambient air for hazardous pollutants.
- (e) \$106,000 the first year and \$109,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for duties related to harmful chemicals in children's products under Minnesota Statutes, sections 116.9401 to 116.9407. Of this amount, \$68,000 the first year and \$70,000 the second year are transferred to the commissioner of health.

- (f) \$128,000 the first year and \$132,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for registering wastewater laboratories.
- (g) \$1,492,000 the first year and \$1,519,000 the second year are from the environmental fund to continue perfluorochemical biomonitoring in eastern metropolitan communities, as recommended by the Environmental Health Tracking and Biomonitoring Advisory Panel, and to address other environmental health risks, including air quality. The communities must include Hmong and other immigrant farming communities. Of this amount, up to \$1,226,000 the first year and \$1,248,000 the second year are for transfer to the commissioner of health.
- (h) \$61,000 the first year and \$62,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for the listing procedures for impaired waters required under this act.
- (i) \$72,000 the first year and \$74,000 the second year are from the remediation fund for the leaking underground storage tank program to investigate, clean up, and prevent future releases from underground petroleum storage tanks and for the petroleum remediation program for vapor assessment and remediation. These same annual amounts are transferred from the petroleum tank fund to the remediation fund.
- (j) \$500,000 the first year is to facilitate the collaboration and modeling of greenhouse gas impacts, costs, and benefits of strategies to reduce statewide greenhouse gas emissions. This is a onetime appropriation.
- (k) \$50,266,000 the first year and \$50,270,000 \$47,270,000 the second year are to establish and implement a local government climate resiliency and water infrastructure grant program for local governmental units and Tribal governments. Of this amount, \$49,100,000 each the first year is and \$46,100,000 the second year are for grants to support communities in planning and implementing projects that will allow for adaptation for a changing climate. At least 40 percent of the money granted under this paragraph must be for projects in areas that meet environmental justice criteria. By December 30, 2027, the commissioner must submit a report on the use of grant money to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over environment and natural resources finance. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2027. The base for this appropriation in fiscal year 2026 and beyond is \$270,000.
- (1) \$75,000 the first year is for a grant to the city of Fergus Falls to address water-quality concerns at Lake Alice.
- (m) \$150,000 the first year is for a grant to Rice County to address water-quality concerns at French Lake.

- (n) \$75,000 the first year is for a grant to Ramsey County to address water-quality concerns at Round Lake.
- (o) Recipients of money appropriated in paragraphs (l), (m), and (n) may use the grants to contract for water-quality improvement services, testing, necessary infrastructure, training, and maintenance.
- (p) \$2,070,000 the first year and \$2,070,000 the second year are from the environmental fund to develop and implement a program related to emerging issues, including *Minnesota's PFAS Blueprint*.
- (q) \$1,820,000 the first year and \$1,820,000 the second year are from the environmental fund to support improved management of data collected by the agency and its partners and regulated parties to facilitate decision-making and public access.
- (r) \$500,000 the first year is from the general fund for the report on firefighter turnout gear and biomonitoring required under this act. Of this amount, up to \$250,000 may be transferred to the commissioner of health for biomonitoring of firefighters.
- (s) \$500,000 the first year is to develop protocols to be used by agencies and departments for sampling and testing groundwater, surface water, public drinking water, and private wells for microplastics and nanoplastics and to begin implementation. The commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency may transfer money appropriated under this paragraph to the commissioners of agriculture, natural resources, and health to implement the protocols developed. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2025.
- (t) \$50,000 the first year is from the remediation fund for the work group on PFAS manufacturer fees and report required under this act.
- (u) \$387,000 the first year and \$90,000 the second year are to develop and implement the requirements for fish kills under Minnesota Statutes, sections 103G.216 and 103G.2165. Of this amount, up to \$331,000 the first year and \$90,000 the second year may be transferred to the commissioners of health, natural resources, agriculture, and public safety and to the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota as necessary to implement those sections. The base for this appropriation for fiscal year 2026 and beyond is \$7,000.
- (v) \$63,000 the first year and \$92,000 the second year are for transfer to the commissioner of health for amending the health risk limit for PFOS. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2026.

- (w) \$5,000,000 the first year is for community air-monitoring grants as provided in this act. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027.
- (x) \$2,333,000 the first year and \$2,333,000 the second year are to adopt rules and implement air toxics emissions requirements under Minnesota Statutes, section 116.062. The general fund appropriations are onetime and are available until June 30, 2027. The base for this appropriation is \$0 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,400,000 from the environmental fund in fiscal year 2027 and beyond.

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

Sec. 11. Laws 2023, chapter 60, article 1, section 2, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. Resource Management and Assistance

82,000,000

57,974,000

Appropriations by Fund

	2024	2025	
General	38,464,000	13,850,000	
Environmental	43,536,000	44,124,000	

- (a) Up to \$150,000 the first year and \$150,000 the second year may be transferred from the environmental fund to the small business environmental improvement loan account under Minnesota Statutes, section 116.993.
- (b) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000 the second year are for competitive recycling grants under Minnesota Statutes, section 115A.565. Of this amount, \$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the second year are from the general fund, and \$700,000 the first year and \$700,000 the second year are from the environmental fund. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2027.
- (c) \$694,000 the first year and \$694,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for emission-reduction activities and grants to small businesses and other nonpoint-emission-reduction efforts. Of this amount, \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the second year are to continue work with Clean Air Minnesota, and the commissioner may enter into an agreement with Environmental Initiative to support this effort.
- (d) \$18,450,000 the first year and \$18,450,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for SCORE block grants to counties.
- (e) \$119,000 the first year and \$119,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for environmental assistance grants or loans under Minnesota Statutes, section 115A.0716.

- (f) \$400,000 the first year and \$400,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for grants to develop and expand recycling markets for Minnesota businesses. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2027.
- (g) \$767,000 the first year and \$770,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for reducing and diverting food waste, redirecting edible food for consumption, and removing barriers to collecting and recovering organic waste. Of this amount, \$500,000 each year is for grants to increase food rescue and waste prevention. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2027.
- (h) \$2,797,000 the first year and \$2,811,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for the purposes of Minnesota Statutes, section 473.844.
- (i) \$318,000 the first year and \$324,000 the second year are from the environmental fund to address chemicals in products, including to implement and enforce flame retardant provisions under Minnesota Statutes, section 325F.071, and perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances in food packaging provisions under Minnesota Statutes, section 325F.075. Of this amount, \$78,000 the first year and \$80,000 the second year are transferred to the commissioner of health.
- (j) \$180,000 the first year and \$140,000 the second year are for quantifying climate-related impacts from projects for environmental review. This is a onetime appropriation. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2026.
- (k) \$1,790,000 the first year and \$70,000 the second year are for accelerating pollution prevention at small businesses. Of this amount, \$1,720,000 the first year is for transfer to the environmental fund for zero-interest loans under Minnesota Statutes, section 116.993, to phase out high-polluting equipment, products, and processes and replace with new options. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2027. This is a onetime appropriation.
- (1) \$190,000 the first year and \$190,000 the second year are to support the Greenstep Cities program. This is a onetime appropriation. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2026.
- (m) \$420,000 the first year is to complete a study on the viability of recycling solar energy equipment. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2026.
- (n) \$650,000 the first year and \$650,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for Minnesota GreenCorps investment.

- (o) \$4,210,000 the first year and \$210,000 the second year are for PFAS reduction grants. Of this amount, \$4,000,000 the first year is for grants to industry and public entities to identify sources of PFAS entering facilities and to develop pollution prevention and reduction initiatives to reduce PFAS entering facilities, prevent releases, and monitor the effectiveness of these projects. Priority must be given to projects in underserved communities. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027.
- (p) \$12,940,000 the first year and \$12,940,000 the second year are for a waste prevention and reduction grants and loan program. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027. Of this amount in the first year, \$7,950,000 is for waste prevention and reduction grants and loans and \$3,000,000 is for a grant to the owner of a biomass energy generation plant in Shakopee that uses waste heat from the generation of electricity in the malting process to purchase a wood dehydrator to facilitate disposal of wood that is infested by the emerald ash borer. Of this amount in the second year, \$10,950,000 is for waste prevention and reduction grants and loans, including \$1,000,000 for transfer to the environmental fund for the purposes of Minnesota Statutes, section 115A.0716. By October 1, 2024, the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency must report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees and divisions with jurisdiction over environment and natural resources on the use of money appropriated for the wood dehydrator under this paragraph.
- (q) \$16,562,000 the first year is for grants to a Minnesota nonprofit corporation that owns a cogeneration facility that serves a St. Paul district heating and cooling system to preserve existing biomass energy infrastructure for purposes of local and regional emerald ash borer response efforts. The commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency may require the nonprofit corporation to charge a fee per ton of wood waste delivered to the facility. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2030.
- (r) \$1,163,000 the first year and \$1,115,000 the second year are from the environmental fund for rulemaking and implementation of the new PFAS requirements under Minnesota Statutes, section 116.943. Of this amount, \$312,000 the first year and \$468,000 the second year are for transfer to the commissioner of health.
- (s) \$680,000 the first year is for the resource management report required in this act. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2026.
- (t) \$35,000 the second year is from the environmental fund for the compostable labeling requirements under Minnesota Statutes, section 325E.046. The base for this appropriation in fiscal year 2026 and beyond is \$68,000 from the environmental fund.

- (u) \$175,000 the first year is for the rulemaking required under this act providing for the safe and lawful disposal of waste treated seed. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2025.
- (v) \$1,000,000 the first year is for a lead tackle reduction program that provides outreach, education, and opportunities to safely dispose of and exchange lead tackle throughout the state. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027.
- (w) \$17,000 the first year is for rulemaking for the capital assistance program. This is a onetime appropriation.
- (x) Any unencumbered grant and loan balances in the first year do not cancel but are available for grants and loans in the second year. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, the appropriations encumbered on or before June 30, 2025, as contracts or grants for environmental assistance awarded under Minnesota Statutes, section 115A.0716; technical and research assistance under Minnesota Statutes, section 115A.152; technical assistance under Minnesota Statutes, section 115A.52; and pollution prevention assistance under Minnesota Statutes, section 115D.04, are available until June 30, 2027.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective retroactively from July 1, 2023.

Sec. 12. Laws 2023, chapter 60, article 1, section 3, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1.	Total Appropriation		\$ 535,868,000 <u>530,868,000</u>	\$403,116,000
	Appropriations by Fund			
	2024	2025		
General	281,054,000 276,054,000	150,078,000		
Natural Resources	123,986,000	123,706,000		
Game and Fish	129,920,000	128,513,000		
Remediation	117,000	117,000		
Permanent School	791,000	702,000		

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

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

Sec. 13. Laws 2023, chapter 60, article 1, section 3, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. Fish and Wildlife Management

111,125,000 106,125,000

96,963,000

Appropriations by Fund

	2024	2025
General	23,643,000	9,888,000
Natural Resources	18,643,000 2,082,000	2,082,000
Game and Fish	85,400,000	84,993,000

- (a) \$11,158,000 the first year and \$11,158,000 the second year are from the heritage enhancement account in the game and fish fund only for activities specified under Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94, paragraph (h), clause (1). Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94, five percent of this appropriation may be used for expanding hunter and angler recruitment and retention.
- (b) \$982,000 the first year and \$982,000 the second year are from the general fund and \$1,675,000 the first year and \$1,675,000 the second year are from the game and fish fund for statewide response and management of chronic wasting disease. The commissioner and the Board of Animal Health must each submit annual reports on chronic wasting disease activities funded in this biennium to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees and divisions with jurisdiction over environment and natural resources and agriculture. The general fund base for this appropriation in fiscal year 2026 and beyond is \$282,000.
- (c) \$5,150,000 the first year and \$3,250,000 the second year are for inspections, investigations, and enforcement activities taken for the white-tailed deer farm program and for statewide response and management of chronic wasting disease. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2029.
- (d) \$8,546,000 the first year and \$8,546,000 the second year are from the deer management account for the purposes identified in Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.075, subdivision 1.
- (e) \$268,000 the first year and \$268,000 the second year are for increased capacity for broadband utility licensing for state lands and public waters. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2028.
- (f) \$10,000,000 \$5,000,000 the first year is for enhancing prairies and grasslands and restoring wetlands on state-owned wildlife management areas to sequester more carbon and enhance climate resiliency. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027.

- (g) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the second year are from the general fund and \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the second year are from the heritage enhancement account in the game and fish fund for grants for natural-resource-based education and recreation programs serving youth under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.976, and for grant administration. Priority must be given to projects benefiting underserved communities. The base for this appropriation in fiscal year 2026 and beyond is \$500,000 from the heritage enhancement account in the game and fish fund. The general fund appropriation is onetime.
- (h) \$2,300,000 the first year is for a grant to the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa to expand Minnesota's wild elk population and range. Consideration must be given to moving elk from existing herds in northwest Minnesota to the area of the Fond du Lac State Forest and the Fond du Lac Reservation in Carlton and southern St. Louis Counties. The Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa's elk reintroduction efforts must undergo thorough planning with the Department of Natural Resources to develop necessary capture and handling protocols, including protocols related to cervid disease management, and to produce postrelease state and Tribal elk comanagement plans. Of this amount, \$300,000 is for the department for the purposes of this paragraph. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2026.
- (i) \$767,000 the first year is from the heritage enhancement account in the game and fish fund to examine the effects of neonicotinoid exposure on the reproduction and survival of Minnesota's game species, including deer and prairie chicken. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027.
- (j) \$134,000 the first year and \$134,000 the second year are from the heritage enhancement account in the game and fish fund for native fish conservation and classification.
- (k) \$82,000 the first year is for the native fish reports required under this act. This is a onetime appropriation.
- (1) \$65,000 the first year is for preparing the report on feral pigs and mink required under this act and holding at least one public meeting on the topic.
- (m) Up to \$5,750,000 the first year and up to \$2,225,000 the second year are available for transfer from the critical habitat private sector matching account to the reinvest in Minnesota fund for wildlife management areas acquisition, restoration, and enhancement according to Minnesota Statutes, section 84.943, subdivision 5b.

- (n) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94, \$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the second year are from the heritage enhancement account in the game and fish fund for shooting sports facility grants under Minnesota Statutes, section 87A.10, including grants for archery facilities. Grants must be matched with a nonstate match, which may include in-kind contributions. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2026. This appropriation must be allocated as follows:
- (1) \$200,000 each fiscal year is for grants of \$25,000 or less; and
- (2) \$100,000 each fiscal year is for grants in excess of \$25,000.
- (o) \$75,000 the first year is from the heritage enhancement account in the game and fish fund for enhanced fish stocking of white bass and crappies in lakes in the metropolitan area that have pier and shore fishing opportunities where communities are currently underserved.
- (p) \$1,633,000 the first year is for a grant to the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota for chronic wasting disease contingency plans developed by the Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy. This is a onetime appropriation.
- (q) \$900,000 the first year is to create new or expand existing outreach and education programs for non-native English-speaking communities. Of this amount, \$250,000 is for the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency and \$250,000 is for the Board of Water and Soil Resources for this purpose. Up to \$400,000 may be used to expand the Fishing in the Neighborhood program for outreach to new and underserved audiences. This appropriation may be used for community outreach consultants for reaching new audiences. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027.

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

Sec. 14. Laws 2023, chapter 60, article 1, section 4, is amended to read:

Sec. 4. BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL RESOURCES

\$61,943,000

\$58,131,000 <u>56,131,000</u>

(a) \$3,116,000 the first year and \$3,116,000 the second year are for grants and payments to soil and water conservation districts for accomplishing the purposes of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 103C, and for other general purposes, nonpoint engineering, and implementation and stewardship of the reinvest in Minnesota reserve program. Expenditures may be made from this appropriation for supplies and services benefiting soil and water conservation districts. Any district receiving a payment under this paragraph must maintain a website that publishes, at a minimum, the district's annual report, annual audit, annual budget, and meeting notices.

- (b) \$761,000 the first year and \$761,000 the second year are to implement, enforce, and provide oversight for the Wetland Conservation Act, including administering the wetland banking program and in-lieu fee mechanism.
- (c) \$1,560,000 the first year and \$1,560,000 the second year are for the following:
- (1) \$1,460,000 the first year and \$1,460,000 the second year are for cost-sharing programs of soil and water conservation districts for accomplishing projects and practices consistent with Minnesota Statutes, section 103C.501, including perennially vegetated riparian buffers, erosion control, water retention and treatment, water quality cost-sharing for feedlots under 500 animal units and nutrient and manure management projects in watersheds where there are impaired waters, and other high-priority conservation practices; and
- (2) \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the second year are for county cooperative weed management programs and to restore native plants at selected invasive species management sites.
- (d) \$166,000 the first year and \$166,000 the second year are to provide technical assistance to local drainage management officials and for the costs of the Drainage Work Group. The board must coordinate the activities of the Drainage Work Group according to Minnesota Statutes, section 103B.101, subdivision 13. The Drainage Work Group must review a drainage authority's power under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 103E, to consider the abandonment or dismantling of drainage systems; to re-meander, restore, or reconstruct a natural waterway that has been modified by drainage; or to deconstruct dikes, dams, or other water-control structures.
- (e) \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the second year are for a grant to the Red River Basin Commission for water quality and floodplain management, including program administration. This appropriation must be matched by nonstate funds.
- (f) \$190,000 the first year and \$190,000 the second year are for grants to Area II Minnesota River Basin Projects for floodplain management. The base for fiscal year 2026 and later is \$140,000.
- (g) \$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the second year are for conservation easement stewardship.
- (h) \$240,000 the first year and \$240,000 the second year are for a grant to the Lower Minnesota River Watershed District to defray the annual cost of operating and maintaining sites for dredge spoil to sustain the state, national, and international commercial and recreational navigation on the lower Minnesota River.

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- (i) \$2,000,000 the first year and \$2,000,000 the second year are for the lawns to legumes program under Minnesota Statutes, section 103B.104. The board may enter into agreements with local governments, Metro Blooms, and other organizations to support this effort. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027.
- (j) \$2,000,000 the first year and \$2,000,000 the second year are for the habitat enhancement landscape program under Minnesota Statutes, section 103B.106. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027.
- (k) \$10,557,000 the first year and \$10,557,000 the second year are for soil health activities to achieve water quality, soil productivity, climate change resiliency, or carbon sequestration benefits consistent with Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.06. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027. The board may use grants to local governments, including soil and water conservation districts, and agreements with the United States Department of Agriculture; the University of Minnesota, Office for Soil Health; AgCentric, Minnesota State Northern Center of Excellence; and other practitioners and partners to accomplish this work.
- (1) \$203,000 the first year and \$203,000 the second year are for soil health practice adoption purposes consistent with the cost-sharing provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 103C.501, and for soil health program responsibilities in consultation with the University of Minnesota Office for Soil Health.
- (m) \$10,500,000 the first year and \$10,500,000 \$8,500,000 the second year are for conservation easements and to restore and enhance grasslands and adjacent lands consistent with Minnesota Statutes, sections 103F.501 to 103F.531, for the purposes of climate resiliency, adaptation, carbon sequestration, and related benefits. Of this amount, up to \$423,000 is for deposit in the water and soil conservation easement stewardship account established under Minnesota Statutes, section 103B.103. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2029. The board must give priority to leveraging nonstate funding, including practices, programs, and projects funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture via the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program, the Conservation Reserve Program, the Federal Inflation Reduction Act, the Federal Farm Bill, or the Climate-Smart Commodities Program.
- (n) \$4,000,000 the first year and \$5,000,000 the second year are to acquire conservation easements and to restore and enhance peatlands and adjacent lands consistent with Minnesota Statutes, sections 103F.501 to 103F.531, for the purposes of climate resiliency, adaptation, carbon sequestration, and related benefits.

Of this amount, up to \$299,000 is for deposit in the water and soil conservation easement stewardship account established under Minnesota Statutes, section 103B.103. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2029. The board must give priority to leveraging nonstate funding, including practices, programs, and projects funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture via the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program, the Conservation Reserve Program, the Federal Inflation Reduction Act, the Federal Farm Bill, or the Climate-Smart Commodities Program.

- (o) \$2,000,000 the first year and \$2,000,000 the second year are to enhance existing easements established under Minnesota Statutes, sections 103F.501 to 103F.531. Enhancements are for the purposes of climate resiliency, adaptation, and carbon sequestration and include but are not limited to increasing biodiversity and mitigating the effects of rainfall and runoff events. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2029. The board must give priority to leveraging nonstate funding, including practices, programs, and projects funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture via the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program, the Conservation Reserve Program, the Federal Inflation Reduction Act, the Federal Farm Bill, or the Climate-Smart Commodities Program.
- (p) \$8,500,000 the first year and \$8,500,000 the second year are for water quality and storage practices and projects to protect infrastructure, improve water quality and related public benefits, and mitigate climate change impacts consistent with Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.05. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2029. The board must give priority to leveraging nonstate funding, including practices, programs, and projects funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture via the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program, the Conservation Reserve Program, the Federal Inflation Reduction Act, the Federal Farm Bill, or the Climate-Smart Commodities Program.
- (q) \$4,673,000 the first year and \$4,673,000 the second year are for natural resources block grants to local governments to implement the Wetland Conservation Act and shoreland management program under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 103F, and local water management responsibilities under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 103B. The board may reduce the amount of the natural resources block grant to a county by an amount equal to any reduction in the county's general services allocation to a soil and water conservation district from the county's previous year allocation when the board determines that the reduction was disproportionate. The base for this appropriation in fiscal year 2026 and beyond is \$3,423,000.

- (r) \$129,000 the first year and \$136,000 the second year are to accomplish the objectives of Minnesota Statutes, section 10.65, and related Tribal government coordination. The base for fiscal year 2026 and each year thereafter is \$144,000.
- (s) \$3,000,000 the first year is to provide onetime state incentive payments to enrollees in the federal Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) during the continuous enrollment period and to enroll complementary areas in conservation easements consistent with Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.515. The board may establish payment rates based on land valuation and on environmental benefit criteria, including but not limited to surface water or groundwater pollution reduction, drinking water protection, soil health, pollinator and wildlife habitat, and other conservation enhancements. The board may use state funds to implement the program and to provide technical assistance to landowners or their agents to fulfill enrollment and contract provisions. The board must consult with the commissioners of agriculture, health, natural resources, and the Pollution Control Agency and the United States Department of Agriculture in establishing program criteria. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027.
- (t) \$2,000,000 the first year is to acquire conservation easements from landowners to preserve, restore, create, and enhance wetlands and associated uplands of prairie and grasslands and to restore and enhance rivers and streams, riparian lands, and associated uplands of prairie and grasslands, in order to protect soil and water quality, support fish and wildlife habitat, reduce flood damage, and provide other public benefits. Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.515, applies to this program. The board must give priority to leveraging federal money by enrolling targeted new lands or enrolling environmentally sensitive lands that have expiring federal conservation agreements. The board is authorized to enter into new agreements and amend past agreements with landowners as required by Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.515, subdivision 5, to allow for restoration. Up to five percent of this appropriation may be used for restoration and enhancement.
- (u) \$5,623,000 the first year and \$5,804,000 the second year are for agency administration and operation of the Board of Water and Soil Resources.
- (v) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the second year are for the habitat-friendly utilities program under Minnesota Statutes, section 103B.105. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027.
- (w) The board may shift money in this section and may adjust the technical and administrative assistance portion of the funds to leverage federal or other nonstate funds or to address accountability, oversight, local government performance, or high-priority needs.

- (x) Returned grants and payments are available for two years after they are returned or regranted, whichever is later. Funds must be regranted consistent with the purposes of this section. If an appropriation for grants in either year is insufficient, the appropriation in the other year is available for it.
- (y) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.97, grants awarded from appropriations in this section are exempt from the Department of Administration, Office of Grants Management Policy 08-08 Grant Payments and 08-10 Grant Monitoring.

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

ARTICLE 2 ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES POLICY

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 115B.421, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Establishment.** (a) The closed landfill investment fund is established in the state treasury. The fund consists of money credited to the fund and interest and other earnings on money in the fund. Funds must be deposited as described in section 115B.445. The fund must be managed to maximize long-term gain through the State Board of Investment.

- (b) Each fiscal year, up to \$4,500,000 is appropriated from the closed landfill investment fund to the commissioner for the purposes of sections 115B.39 to 115B.444.
- (c) If the commissioner determines that a release or threatened release from a qualified facility for which the commissioner has assumed obligations for environmental response actions under section 115B.40 or 115B.406 constitutes an emergency requiring immediate action to prevent, minimize, or mitigate damage either to the public health or welfare or the environment or to a system designed to protect the public health or welfare or the environment, up to \$9,000,000 in addition to the amount appropriated under paragraph (b) is appropriated to the commissioner in the first year of the biennium and may be spent by the commissioner to take reasonable and necessary emergency response actions. Money not spent in the first year of the biennium may be spent in the second year. If money is appropriated under this paragraph, the commissioner must notify the chairs of the senate and house of representatives committees having jurisdiction over environment policy and finance as soon as possible. The commissioner must maintain the fund balance to ensure long-term viability of the fund and reflect the responsibility of the landfill cleanup program in perpetuity.
 - (d) Paragraphs (b) and (c) expire June 30, 2025 2029."

Delete the title and insert:

"A bill for an act relating to state government; appropriating money for environment and natural resources; modifying prior appropriations; modifying disposition of closed landfill investment fund; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 115B.421, subdivision 1; Laws 2023, chapter 60, article 1, sections 2, subdivisions 1, 2, 7; 3, subdivisions 1, 6; 4."

With the recommendation that when so amended the bill be placed on the General Register.

The report was adopted.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS

H. F. No. 2434 was read for the second time.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS

S. F. Nos. 908 and 2077 were read for the second time.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

The following House Files were introduced:

Howard, Hussein, Kozlowski, Hollins, Finke, Bierman, Pérez-Vega, Reyer, Agbaje, Coulter, Frazier and Greenman introduced:

H. F. No. 3279, A bill for an act relating to state government; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article XI; increasing the sales tax rate by three-eighths of one percent and dedicating the receipts for housing purposes; creating a homeownership opportunity fund, a community and household stability fund, and a rental opportunity fund; creating fund councils; providing appointments; requiring reports; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 256K; 462A.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Housing Finance and Policy.

Hemmingsen-Jaeger introduced:

H. F. No. 3280, A bill for an act relating to sustainable aviation fuel; requiring studies to estimate costs of producing sustainable aviation fuel from captured carbon dioxide and green hydrogen; requiring a report; appropriating money.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy.

Virnig; Jordan; Smith; Lee, K.; Johnson, P.; Berg; Freiberg; Feist; Greene; Coulter; Hollins; Huot; Bahner; Clardy; Reyer and Rehm introduced:

H. F. No. 3281, A bill for an act relating to health; requiring the Department of Health to employ a public health school health services consultant; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health Finance and Policy.

Liebling introduced:

H. F. No. 3282, A bill for an act relating to state government; precluding naming laws after people; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 10.49.

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

Jordan introduced:

H. F. No. 3283, A bill for an act relating to public safety; authorizing establishments with on-sale intoxicating liquor licenses to prohibit the carry of firearms by off-duty peace officer; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.714, subdivision 17.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy.

Mekeland, Burkel, Lawrence, Dippel, Dotseth, Roach and Altendorf introduced:

H. F. No. 3284, A bill for an act relating to drivers' licenses; repealing REAL ID implementation law; repealing Laws 2017, chapter 76, sections 1; 2; 3; 4; 5; 6; 7; 8; 9; 10; 11; 12; 13; 14; 15; 16; 17; 18; 19; 20; 21; 22; 23; 24; 25; 26; 27; 28; 29.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy.

Dippel introduced:

H. F. No. 3285, A bill for an act relating to campaign finance; repealing the public subsidy program; making conforming changes; transferring money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 10A.022, subdivision 3; 10A.15, subdivision 2a; 10A.20, subdivision 15; 10A.275, subdivision 1; 10A.28, subdivisions 3, 4; 10A.322, subdivision 4; 290.06, subdivision 23; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 10A.25, subdivisions 1, 2, 2a, 3, 3a, 5, 10; 10A.255, subdivisions 1, 3; 10A.257; 10A.27, subdivision 10; 10A.28, subdivision 1; 10A.30; 10A.31, subdivisions 1, 3, 3a, 4, 5, 5a, 6, 6a, 7, 7a, 7b, 10, 10a, 10b, 11; 10A.315; 10A.321; 10A.322, subdivisions 1, 2; 10A.323; 10A.324, subdivisions 1, 3; 10A.38.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Elections Finance and Government Operations.

Mekeland, Burkel and Schultz introduced:

H. F. No. 3286, A bill for an act relating to energy; establishing the propane school bus deployment program; appropriating money; requiring a report; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 216C.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Energy Finance and Policy.

Greene and Clardy introduced:

H. F. No. 3287, A bill for an act relating to the Open Meeting Law; authorizing the classification of school district superintendent and school principal applicant data as private; authorizing closed meetings for school district superintendent and school principal interviews; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.43, subdivision 3; 13D.05, subdivision 3.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

Dippel introduced:

H. F. No. 3288, A bill for an act relating to campaign finance; repealing the political contribution refund program; making conforming changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 289A.37, subdivision 2; 289A.50, subdivision 1; 290.01, subdivision 6; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 10A.322, subdivision 4; 13.4967, subdivision 2; 290.06, subdivision 23.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Elections Finance and Government Operations.

Niska moved that the House recess subject to the call of the Chair. The motion prevailed.

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RECONVENED

The House reconvened and was called to order by the Speaker.

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION

Long from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration, pursuant to rules 1.21 and 3.33, designated the following bills to be placed on the Calendar for the Day for Monday, May 5, 2025 and established a prefiling requirement for amendments offered to the following bills:

S. F. No. 2077; H. F. Nos. 2434, 2115 and 2433; and S. F. Nos. 1740 and 2370.

CALENDAR FOR THE DAY

H. F. No. 2130 was reported to the House.

Kraft moved to amend H. F. No. 2130, the third engrossment, as follows:

Page 12, line 8, after "(2)" insert "or (9), for conviction of an offense in another state that would be grounds for revocation in this state under section 169A.54, subdivision 1"

Page 15, line 4, after "two" insert "or more" and delete the second "or"

Page 15, line 5, after the second comma, insert "or" and delete ", or 6"

Page 15, line 6, after the semicolon, insert "or"

Page 15, after line 6, insert:

"(iii) subdivision 6 when the violation resulted in bodily harm or substantial bodily harm to another and the person has three or more qualified prior impaired driving incidents;"

Page 15, line 12, after "two" insert "or more"

Page 16, line 23, after "of" insert "the date on"

Page 16, line 24, after "commissioner's" insert "notice of" and delete "determination"

Page 16, after line 32, insert:

"Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 171.24, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Driving after revocation; misdemeanor penalties.** (a) A person is guilty of a misdemeanor if:

- (1) the person's driver's license or driving privilege has been revoked;
- (2) the person has been given notice of or reasonably should know of the revocation; and
- (3) the person disobeys the order by operating in this state any motor vehicle, the operation of which requires a driver's license, while the person's license or privilege is revoked.
- (b) A person who violates paragraph (a) is guilty of a gross misdemeanor if the person is prohibited from operating a motor vehicle unless the person participates in the ignition interlock device program.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2025, and applies to crimes committed on or after that date."

Page 17, line 12, after "(10)" insert "; 171.17, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause (9), for conviction of an offense in another state that would be grounds for revocation in this state under section 169A.54, subdivision 1" and reinstate the stricken "or"

Page 17, line 19, delete "; or" and insert a period

Page 17, delete lines 20 and 21

Page 18, line 24, strike "or"

Page 18, after line 24, insert:

"(iii) 171.17, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause (9), for conviction of an offense in another state that would be grounds for revocation in this state under section 169A.54, subdivision 1; or"

Page 18, line 25, delete "(iii)" and insert "(iv)"

Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

Amend the title accordingly

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted.

H. F. No. 2130, A bill for an act relating to public safety; extending the length of driver's license revocations related to certain offenses; modifying the length of time certain individuals must participate in the ignition interlock program; requiring all ignition interlock participants to complete a treatment or rehabilitation program before reinstatement of full driving privileges; imposing criminal penalties for ignition interlock program participants who operate vehicles not equipped with an interlock device; making criminal vehicular homicide offenders eligible for the ignition interlock program; providing for judicial review of an extension of a person's driver's license revocation for a violation of the ignition interlock program; modifying how license plates are impounded and reissued under the DWI law; expanding the time period that a temporary driver's license issued after a DWI is valid; providing criminal penalties; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 169A.37, subdivision 1; 169A.52, subdivisions 3, 4, 7; 169A.54, subdivision 1; 169A.60, subdivisions 4, 5, 6; 169A.63, subdivision 13; 171.177, subdivisions 4, 5; 171.187, subdivision 3; 171.19; 171.306, subdivisions 1, 4, 5, 6; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 171; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 169A.54, subdivisions 2, 3, 4; 169A.55, subdivisions 4, 5; 171.17, subdivision 4.

The bill was read for the third time, as amended, and placed upon its final passage.

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The question was taken on the passage of the bill and the roll was called. There were 123 yeas and 5 nays as follows:

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Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Acomb	Engen	Hicks	Kraft	Novotny	Skraba
Agbaje	Falconer	Hill	Kresha	O'Driscoll	Smith
Allen	Feist	Hollins	Lawrence	Olson	Stephenson
Anderson, P. H.	Finke	Hortman	Lee, F.	Pérez-Vega	Stier
Backer	Fischer	Howard	Lee, K.	Perryman	Swedzinski
Bahner	Franson	Hudson	Liebling	Pinto	Tabke
Bakeberg	Frazier	Huot	Lillie	Pursell	Torkelson
Baker	Frederick	Hussein	Long	Quam	Van Binsbergen
Bennett	Freiberg	Igo	Mahamoud	Rarick	Virnig
Berg	Gander	Jacob	McDonald	Rehm	Warwas
Bierman	Gillman	Johnson, P.	Moller	Rehrauer	West
Burkel	Gomez	Johnson, W.	Momanyi-Hiltsley	Repinski	Wiener
Carroll	Gottfried	Jones	Mueller	Reyer	Witte
Clardy	Greene	Jordan	Murphy	Robbins	Wolgamott
Coulter	Greenman	Joy	Myers	Rymer	Xiong
Curran	Hansen, R.	Klevorn	Nadeau	Schomacker	Youakim
Davids	Hanson, J.	Knudsen	Nash	Schultz	Zeleznikar
Davis	Harder	Koegel	Nelson	Schwartz	Spk. Demuth
Dippel	Heintzeman	Kotyza-Witthuhn	Niska	Scott	
Dotseth	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Kozlowski	Noor	Sencer-Mura	
Elkins	Her	Koznick	Norris	Sexton	

Those who voted in the negative were:

Bliss Gordon Keeler Mekeland Roach

The bill was passed, as amended, and its title agreed to.

H. F. No. 1290, A bill for an act relating to transportation; authorizing roadside signage for automatic external defibrillators for qualifying locations; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 160.

The bill was read for the third time and placed upon its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill and the roll was called. There were 133 yeas and 0 nays as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Acomb	Duran	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Koznick	Novotny	Smith
Agbaje	Elkins	Her	Kraft	O'Driscoll	Stephenson
Allen	Engen	Hicks	Kresha	Olson	Stier
Altendorf	Falconer	Hill	Lawrence	Pérez-Vega	Swedzinski
Anderson, P. E.	Feist	Hollins	Lee, F.	Perryman	Tabke
Anderson, P. H.	Finke	Hortman	Lee, K.	Pinto	Torkelson
Backer	Fischer	Howard	Liebling	Pursell	Van Binsbergen
Bahner	Fogelman	Hudson	Lillie	Quam	Vang
Bakeberg	Franson	Huot	Long	Rarick	Virnig
Baker	Frazier	Hussein	Mahamoud	Rehm	Warwas
Bennett	Frederick	Igo	McDonald	Rehrauer	West
Berg	Freiberg	Jacob	Mekeland	Repinski	Wiener
Bierman	Gander	Johnson, P.	Moller	Reyer	Witte
Bliss	Gillman	Johnson, W.	Momanyi-Hiltsley	Roach	Wolgamott
Burkel	Gomez	Jones	Mueller	Robbins	Xiong
Carroll	Gordon	Jordan	Murphy	Rymer	Youakim
Clardy	Gottfried	Joy	Myers	Schomacker	Zeleznikar
Coulter	Greene	Keeler	Nadeau	Schultz	Spk. Demuth
Curran	Greenman	Klevorn	Nash	Schwartz	
Davids	Hansen, R.	Knudsen	Nelson	Scott	
Davis	Hanson, J.	Koegel	Niska	Sencer-Mura	
Dippel	Harder	Kotyza-Witthuhn	Noor	Sexton	
Dotseth	Heintzeman	Kozlowski	Norris	Skraba	

The bill was passed and its title agreed to.

S. F. No. 3045 was reported to the House.

Pursuant to Rule 10.05, relating to Remote House Operations, the DFL Caucus Leader permitted the following member to vote via remote means between the hours of 3:35 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.: Cha.

Pursuant to Rule 10.05, relating to Remote House Operations, the DFL Caucus Leader permitted the following member to vote via remote means for the remainder of today's session: Greene.

The Speaker called Olson to the Chair.

Sexton moved to amend S. F. No. 3045, the unofficial engrossment, as follows:

Page 17, after line 2, insert:

"Section 1. [3.021] DEPLOYED MEMBER; PROXY VOTING.

(a) A member of the legislature who is deployed on military orders may designate another member as a proxy who may cast the vote of the deployed member if the deployed member submits a signed letter to the speaker of the house or president of the senate that:

- (1) certifies that the member has been ordered to active military service;
- (2) attaches a copy of the orders compelling the member's military service; and
- (3) specifies by name the member who is designated as the deployed member's proxy.
- (b) The house of representatives and the senate shall adopt rules to implement this section."

Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

Amend the title accordingly

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted.

Schultz moved to amend S. F. No. 3045, the unofficial engrossment, as amended as follows:

Page 25, after line 17, insert:

"Sec. 9. [15.0561] CONSUMER CHOICE OF FUEL; RESTRICTIONS PROHIBITED.

- (a) A state agency must not adopt rules that:
- (1) restrict consumer choice in purchasing motorized equipment based on the equipment's fuel source; or
- (2) mandate retailer inventory of motorized equipment based on the equipment's fuel source.
- (b) For purposes of this section, "motorized equipment" means:
- (1) tools, including but not limited to generators, lawn mowers, pressure washers, chain saws, leaf blowers, and weed trimmers;
- (2) recreational vehicles, including but not limited to golf carts, motorcycles, off-highway vehicles, snowmobiles, and watercraft;
 - (3) new or used passenger automobiles;
 - (4) farm equipment, as defined in section 325E.061, subdivision 2; and
 - (5) medium and heavy duty trucks."

Page 42, after line 6, insert:

"Subd. 5. Fuel rules. Minnesota Rules, parts 7023.0150; 7023.0200; 7023.0250; and 7023.0300, are repealed."

Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

Amend the title accordingly

A roll call was requested and properly seconded.

The question was taken on the Schultz amendment and the roll was called. There were 65 yeas and 67 nays as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Allen	Davis	Heintzeman	Mueller	Rarick	Stier
Altendorf	Dippel	Hudson	Murphy	Repinski	Swedzinski
Anderson, P. E.	Dotseth	Igo	Myers	Roach	Torkelson
Anderson, P. H.	Duran	Jacob	Nadeau	Robbins	Van Binsbergen
Backer	Engen	Johnson, W.	Nelson	Rymer	Warwas
Bakeberg	Fogelman	Joy	Niska	Schomacker	West
Baker	Franson	Knudsen	Novotny	Schultz	Wiener
Bennett	Gander	Koznick	O'Driscoll	Schwartz	Witte
Bliss	Gillman	Kresha	Olson	Scott	Zeleznikar
Burkel	Gordon	Lawrence	Perryman	Sexton	Spk. Demuth
Davids	Harder	Mekeland	Quam	Skraba	-

Those who voted in the negative were:

Acomb Fe	eist	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Keeler	Moller	Stephenson
Agbaje Fii	nke	Her	Klevorn	Momanyi-Hiltsley	Tabke
Bahner Fis	scher	Hicks	Koegel	Noor	Vang
Berg Fra	razier	Hill	Kotyza-Witthuhn	Norris	Virnig
Bierman Fre	rederick	Hollins	Kozlowski	Pérez-Vega	Wolgamott
Carroll Fre	reiberg	Hortman	Kraft	Pinto	Xiong
Cha Go	omez	Howard	Lee, F.	Pursell	Youakim
Clardy Go	ottfried	Huot	Lee, K.	Rehm	
Coulter Gr	reene	Hussein	Liebling	Rehrauer	
Curran Gr	reenman	Johnson, P.	Lillie	Reyer	
Elkins Ha	ansen, R.	Jones	Long	Sencer-Mura	
Falconer Ha	anson, J.	Jordan	Mahamoud	Smith	

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted.

Speaker pro tempore Olson called Schultz to the Chair.

Greenman moved to amend S. F. No. 3045, the unofficial engrossment, as amended as follows:

Page 82, after line 23, insert:

"Sec. 44 Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 211B.13, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Bribery, advancing money, and treating prohibited.** (a) A person who willfully, directly or indirectly, advances, pays, gives, promises, or lends any money, food, liquor, clothing, entertainment, or other thing item or service of monetary value, or who offers, promises, or endeavors to obtain any money, position, appointment, employment, or other valuable consideration, to or for a person, in order to induce a voter to refrain from voting, or to vote in a particular way, at an election, is guilty of a felony.

(b) Paragraph (a) does not apply to an item, service, or other consideration with a fair market value of less than \$20.

(c) This section does not prevent a candidate from stating publicly preference for or support of another candidate to be voted for at the same primary or election. Refreshments of food or nonalcoholic beverages having a value up to \$5 \underset{920} consumed on the premises at a private gathering or public meeting are not prohibited under this section.

Sec. 45 [211B.135] ELECTION LOTTERIES AND PETITIONS.

Subdivision 1. Election lotteries and petitions prohibited. (a) A person is guilty of a misdemeanor if the person willfully, directly or indirectly, provides a chance to win any money, food, liquor, clothing, entertainment, or other item or service of monetary value, to or for a person, in order to induce:

- (1) an individual to register to vote; or
- (2) a registered or eligible voter to sign a petition that is materially related to an election during the period beginning on the first day of the absentee voting period for that election and ending on election day.
 - (b) Paragraph (a) does not apply to an item, service, or other consideration with a fair market value of less than \$20.
- (c) This section does not prevent a candidate from stating publicly preference for or support of another candidate to be voted for at the same primary or election. Refreshments of food or nonalcoholic beverages having a value up to \$20 consumed on the premises at a private gathering or public meeting are not prohibited under this section.
- <u>Subd. 2.</u> <u>Certain solicitations prohibited.</u> A person may not knowingly solicit, receive, or accept an opportunity to win any money, property, or thing of monetary value that is a disbursement prohibited by this section or section 211B.15.
- <u>Subd. 3.</u> <u>Civil enforcement.</u> <u>In addition to other remedies, the attorney general or county attorney may enforce this section pursuant to section 8.31."</u>

Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

Amend the title accordingly

A roll call was requested and properly seconded.

The question was taken on the Greenman amendment and the roll was called. There were 66 yeas and 67 nays as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Acomb	Coulter	Frederick	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Hussein	Kraft
Agbaje	Curran	Freiberg	Her	Johnson, P.	Lee, F.
Bahner	Elkins	Gomez	Hicks	Jones	Lee, K.
Berg	Falconer	Gottfried	Hill	Jordan	Liebling
Bierman	Feist	Greene	Hollins	Keeler	Lillie
Carroll	Finke	Greenman	Hortman	Koegel	Long
Cha	Fischer	Hansen, R.	Howard	Kotyza-Witthuhn	Mahamoud
Clardy	Frazier	Hanson, J.	Huot	Kozlowski	Moller

Momanyi-Hiltsley	Pérez-Vega	Rehm	Sencer-Mura	Tabke	Wolgamott
Noor	Pinto	Rehrauer	Smith	Vang	Xiong
Norris	Pursell	Reyer	Stephenson	Virnig	Youakim

Those who voted in the negative were:

Dippel	Igo	Myers	Roach	Van Binsbergen
Dotseth	Jacob	Nadeau	Robbins	Warwas
Duran	Johnson, W.	Nash	Rymer	West
Engen	Joy	Nelson	Schomacker	Wiener
Fogelman	Knudsen	Niska	Schultz	Witte
Franson	Koznick	Novotny	Schwartz	Zeleznikar
Gander	Kresha	O'Driscoll	Scott	Spk. Demuth
Gillman	Lawrence	Olson	Sexton	
Gordon	McDonald	Perryman	Skraba	
Harder	Mekeland	Quam	Stier	
Heintzeman	Mueller	Rarick	Swedzinski	
Hudson	Murphy	Repinski	Torkelson	
	Dotseth Duran Engen Fogelman Franson Gander Gillman Gordon Harder Heintzeman	Dotseth Jacob Duran Johnson, W. Engen Joy Fogelman Knudsen Franson Koznick Gander Kresha Gillman Lawrence Gordon McDonald Harder Mekeland Heintzeman Mueller	Dotseth Jacob Nadeau Duran Johnson, W. Nash Engen Joy Nelson Fogelman Knudsen Niska Franson Koznick Novotny Gander Kresha O'Driscoll Gillman Lawrence Olson Gordon McDonald Perryman Harder Mekeland Quam Heintzeman Mueller Rarick	Dotseth Jacob Nadeau Robbins Duran Johnson, W. Nash Rymer Engen Joy Nelson Schomacker Fogelman Knudsen Niska Schultz Franson Koznick Novotny Schwartz Gander Kresha O'Driscoll Scott Gillman Lawrence Olson Sexton Gordon McDonald Perryman Skraba Harder Mekeland Quam Stier Heintzeman Mueller Rarick Swedzinski

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted.

Davis moved to amend S. F. No. 3045, the unofficial engrossment, as amended as follows:

Page 4, line 1, delete "48,854,000" and insert "46,266,000" and delete "48,237,000" and insert "46,075,000"

Page 4, line 7, delete "45,438,000" and insert "43,350,000" and delete "44,821,000" and insert "43,159,000"

Page 4, line 9, delete "3,021,000" and insert "2,521,000" and delete "3,021,000" and insert "2,521,000"

Page 4, after line 11, insert:

"\$391,000 each year is to expand the Medicaid fraud control unit."

A roll call was requested and properly seconded.

The question was taken on the Davis amendment and the roll was called. There were 67 yeas and 67 nays as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Allen	Burkel	Gander	Joy	Myers	Quam
Altendorf	Davids	Gillman	Knudsen	Nadeau	Rarick
Anderson, P. E.	Davis	Gordon	Koznick	Nash	Repinski
Anderson, P. H.	Dippel	Harder	Kresha	Nelson	Roach
Backer	Dotseth	Heintzeman	Lawrence	Niska	Robbins
Bakeberg	Duran	Hudson	McDonald	Novotny	Rymer
Baker	Engen	Igo	Mekeland	O'Driscoll	Schomacker
Bennett	Fogelman	Jacob	Mueller	Olson	Schultz
Bliss	Franson	Johnson, W.	Murphy	Perryman	Schwartz

Scott Stier Van Binsbergen Wiener Spk. Demuth Sexton Swedzinski Warwas Witte Skraba Torkelson West Zeleznikar

Those who voted in the negative were:

Acomb Feist Hemmingsen-Jaeger Keeler Moller Stephenson Momanyi-Hiltsley Agbaje Finke Her Klevorn Tabke Bahner Fischer Hicks Koegel Noor Vang Kotyza-Witthuhn Frazier Hill Berg Norris Virnig Wolgamott Frederick Hollins Kozlowski Pérez-Vega Bierman Carroll Freiberg Hortman Kraft Pinto Xiong Cha Gomez Howard Lee, F. Pursell Youakim Clardy Gottfried Huot Lee, K. Rehm Coulter Greene Hussein Liebling Rehrauer Curran Greenman Johnson, P. Lillie Rever Elkins Hansen, R. Jones Long Sencer-Mura Falconer Hanson, J. Jordan Mahamoud Smith

The motion did not prevail and the amendment was not adopted.

Speaker pro tempore Schultz called Olson to the Chair.

S. F. No. 3045, A bill for an act relating to state government operations; establishing a biennial budget; appropriating money for the legislature, certain constitutional offices and state agencies, the Minnesota Historical Society, the Minnesota Humanities Center, certain retirement accounts, certain offices, departments, boards, commissions, councils, general contingent account, and tort claims; transferring money; raising fees; making changes to policy provisions for state government operations and local government policy; modifying state personnel management policies; modifying business filing and fraud policies; creating a task force; repealing provisions; modifying various laws related to election administration; modifying voting and absentee voting requirements and procedures; formalizing the election reporting system; clarifying terminology; expanding laws relating to reprisals for political activity; expanding election-related bribery and solicitation prohibitions; amending fair campaign practices laws; requiring the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board to study campaign spending limits; modifying campaign finance definitions; establishing and modifying disclaimer requirements; amending standards for coordinated and noncoordinated expenditures and disbursements; modifying laws on transition expenses; modifying campaign finance definitions; modifying statement of economic interest requirements; modifying payment for the presidential nomination primary; providing for civil causes of action and civil enforcement; providing criminal and civil penalties; authorizing rulemaking; repealing the voting equipment grant account; requiring reports and publications; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 3.06; 3.084, subdivision 2; 3.971, subdivisions 2, 8a, 9; 10A.01, subdivisions 16a, 18, 21, 22, 24, 26, 26b, 35, by adding a subdivision; 10A.04, subdivisions 4, 6; 10A.06; 10A.07, subdivisions 1, 2; 10A.08, subdivision 1; 10A.09, subdivisions 1, 5, 5a, 6a; 10A.175, by adding a subdivision; 10A.176; 10A.177; 10A.20, by adding a subdivision; 10A.201, subdivision 6; 10A.202, subdivision 4; 10A.36; 11A.24, by adding a subdivision; 13.485, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 13D.02, subdivisions 1, 4; 14.48, subdivisions 1, 2; 14.62, subdivisions 1, 2a, by adding a subdivision; 15B.06, subdivision 1; 16A.152, subdivision 8; 16B.055, subdivision 1; 16B.335, subdivision 2; 16B.48, subdivision 4; 16B.54, subdivision 2; 16B.97, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 16B.98, subdivisions 1, 4; 16B.981, subdivision 4; 16B.991, subdivision 2; 16C.05, by adding a subdivision; 16C.137, subdivision 2; 16C.16, subdivisions 2, 6, 6a, 7; 16D.09, subdivision 1; 43A.01, subdivision 3; 43A.02, subdivision 14; 43A.04, subdivisions 1, 4, 8; 43A.05, subdivision 3; 43A.08, subdivisions 1a, 4; 43A.11, subdivision 9; 43A.121; 43A.15, subdivisions 4, 7, 12, 14; 43A.17, subdivision 5; 43A.181, subdivision 1; 43A.1815; 43A.19, subdivision 1; 43A.23, subdivisions 1, 2; 43A.231, subdivisions 3, 4, 6; 43A.24, subdivisions 1a, 2; 43A.27, subdivisions 2, 3; 43A.33, subdivision 3; 43A.346, subdivisions 2, 6; 43A.36, subdivision 1; 43A.421; 124E.03, by adding a subdivision; 155A.23, by adding a subdivision; 155A.27, subdivision 2; 155A.2705, subdivision 3; 155A.30, subdivision 2; 201.054, subdivisions 1, 2; 201.056; 201.061, subdivisions 1, 3, 3a, 4, 5, 7; 201.071, subdivisions 1, 4; 201.091, subdivisions 5, 8; 201.121, subdivisions 1, 3; 201.13, subdivision 3; 201.14; 201.161, subdivisions 4, 5, 8; 201.162; 201.225, subdivisions 2, 5; 201.275; 202A.20, subdivision 2; 203B.04, subdivisions 1, 4; 203B.05, subdivision 1; 203B.06, subdivision 4; 203B.07, subdivisions 1, 3; 203B.08, subdivisions 1, 3; 203B.081, subdivision 4; 203B.11, subdivision 1; 203B.121, subdivisions 2, 4, 5; 203B.17, subdivision 3; 203B.23, subdivision 2; 203B.29, subdivisions 1, 2; 203B.30, subdivisions 2, 3; 204B.06, subdivisions 1, 1b; 204B.07, subdivision 2; 204B.09, subdivisions 1a, 2, 3; 204B.14, subdivisions 2, 4a; 204B.16, subdivision 1a; 204B.175, subdivision 3; 204B.21, subdivisions 1, 2, by adding a subdivision; 204B.24; 204B.25, subdivision 3; 204B.28, subdivision 2; 204B.44; 204B.45, subdivision 2; 204C.05, subdivision 2; 204C.06, subdivisions 1, 2, 6; 204C.08, subdivision 1d; 204C.09, subdivision 1; 204C.10; 204C.15, subdivisions 2, 3; 204C.24, subdivision 1; 204C.32, subdivision 1; 204C.33, subdivision 1; 205.07, by adding a subdivision; 205.075, subdivision 4; 205.13, subdivisions 1, 1a; 205.185, subdivision 3; 205A.06, subdivisions 1, 1a; 205A.10, subdivisions 2, 3; 205A.11, subdivision 2; 206.83; 207A.11; 211A.02, subdivisions 1, 2; 211B.04, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 5, by adding a subdivision; 211B.13; 211B.32, subdivisions 1, 4; 211B.35, subdivision 2; 222.37, subdivision 1; 240.131, subdivision 7; 302A.153; 303.06, by adding a subdivision; 303.21; 308A.131, subdivision 2; 308B.215, subdivision 2; 317A.151, subdivision 2; 321.0206; 322C.0201, subdivision 4; 322C.0802; 323A.0101; 326.05; 326.10, subdivisions 1, 2, 10; 326.111, subdivisions 3, 4, 5, by adding a subdivision; 326A.03, subdivision 6, by adding subdivisions; 326A.14; 331A.10, subdivision 2; 349A.01, by adding a subdivision; 349A.06, subdivisions 2, 4, 11; 367.36, subdivision 1; 368.47; 375.20; 383B.041, subdivision 5; 383C.035; 412.02, subdivision 3; 412.591, subdivision 3; 414.09, subdivision 3; 447.32, subdivision 4; 466.01, subdivision 1; 477A.017, subdivision 3; 609.48, subdivision 1; Laws 2023, chapter 62, article 1, sections 11, subdivision 2; 13; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 1; 5; 6; 8; 10A; 15; 16B; 16C; 204B; 207A; 211B; 300; 383A; 471; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 16B.328, subdivision 2; 16B.45; 16B.98, subdivision 14; 16C.36; 43A.315; 43A.317, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12; 43A.318, subdivisions 1, 2, 4, 5; 206.57, subdivision 5b; 206.95; 209.06; 211B.04, subdivision 4; 211B.06; 211B.08; 383C.07; 383C.74, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4; 471.9998; Laws 2023, chapter 53, article 17, section 2; Laws 2024, chapter 120, article 3, section 2; Minnesota Rules, parts 1105.7900, item D; 4503.2000, subpart 2; 4511.1100.

The bill was read for the third time, as amended, and placed upon its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill and the roll was called. There were 113 yeas and 21 nays as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Acomb	Curran	Gottfried	Huot	Lee, F.	Niska
Agbaje	Davids	Greene	Hussein	Lee, K.	Noor
Anderson, P. H.	Dotseth	Greenman	Igo	Liebling	Norris
Backer	Duran	Hansen, R.	Johnson, P.	Lillie	Novotny
Bahner	Elkins	Hanson, J.	Johnson, W.	Long	O'Driscoll
Bakeberg	Falconer	Harder	Jones	Mahamoud	Olson
Baker	Feist	Heintzeman	Jordan	McDonald	Pérez-Vega
Bennett	Finke	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Keeler	Mekeland	Perryman
Berg	Fischer	Her	Klevorn	Moller	Pinto
Bierman	Frazier	Hicks	Koegel	Momanyi-Hiltsley	Pursell
Burkel	Frederick	Hill	Kotyza-Witthuhn	Mueller	Quam
Carroll	Freiberg	Hollins	Kozlowski	Myers	Rarick
Cha	Gander	Hortman	Koznick	Nadeau	Rehm
Clardy	Gillman	Howard	Kraft	Nash	Rehrauer
Coulter	Gomez	Hudson	Kresha	Nelson	Repinski

Reyer Scott Smith Torkelson West Youakim Robbins Sencer-Mura Stephenson Vang Witte Zeleznikar Schomacker Sexton Swedzinski Virnig Wolgamott Spk. Demuth Schwartz Skraba Tabke Warwas Xiong

Those who voted in the negative were:

Allen Davis Franson Knudsen Rymer Wiener Altendorf Dippel Gordon Lawrence Schultz Anderson, P. E. Engen Jacob Murphy Stier Bliss Fogelman Joy Roach Van Binsbergen

The bill was passed, as amended, and its title agreed to.

Cha was excused for the remainder of today's session.

H. F. No. 1837, A bill for an act relating to state government; designating state symbols; modifying policy pertaining to the legislative auditor; modifying certain data practices appeals; allowing payment withholding if credible allegation of fraud; authorizing sharing of data regarding fraud in public programs; establishing a program to encourage innovation and cost savings; modifying a reporting date; modifying requirements for state contracts; renaming the Office of Administrative Hearings; providing opportunity for remand; modifying eligibility for state employee group insurance; expanding whistleblower protections for public employees; increasing a threshold for municipal liquor store financial statements; repealing legislative commissions; updating state personnel management provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 3.303, subdivision 3; 3.305, subdivisions 1, 9; 3.971, subdivisions 2, 8a, 9; 11A.24, by adding a subdivision; 13.04, subdivision 4; 14.48, subdivisions 1, 2; 14.62, subdivisions 1, 2a, by adding a subdivision; 15A.082, subdivisions 3, 7; 16A.28, subdivision 3; 16B.055, subdivision 1; 16B.335, subdivision 2; 16B.48, subdivision 4; 16B.54, subdivision 2; 16B.97, subdivision 1; 16B.98, subdivisions 1, 4, 5; 16B.981, subdivision 4; 16B.991, subdivision 2; 16C.05, by adding a subdivision; 16C.137, subdivision 2; 16C.16, subdivisions 6, 6a, 7; 16D.09, subdivision 1; 43A.01, subdivision 3; 43A.02, subdivision 14; 43A.04, subdivisions 1, 4, 8; 43A.05, subdivision 3; 43A.08, subdivisions 1a, 4; 43A.11, subdivision 9; 43A.121; 43A.15, subdivisions 4, 7, 12, 14; 43A.17, subdivision 5; 43A.18, subdivision 2; 43A.181, subdivision 1; 43A.1815; 43A.19, subdivision 1; 43A.23, subdivisions 1, 2; 43A.24, subdivisions 1a, 2; 43A.27, subdivisions 2, 3; 43A.33, subdivision 3; 43A.346, subdivisions 2, 6; 43A.36, subdivision 1; 43A.421; 151.741, subdivision 5; 181.931, by adding subdivisions; 181.932, subdivision 1; 471.6985, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 1; 13; 15; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 3.8842; 3.8845; 16B.328, subdivision 2; 16B.45; 16C.36; 43A.315; 43A.317, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12; 43A.318, subdivisions 1, 2, 4, 5; 211B.06; 211B.08; Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 3, article 2, section 34, as amended; Laws 2022, chapter 50, article 3, section 2.

The bill was read for the third time and placed upon its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill and the roll was called. There were 131 yeas and 1 nay as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Acomb Altendorf Backer Baker Bierman Carroll Bliss Agbaje Anderson, P. E. Bahner Bennett Clardy Allen Anderson, P. H. Bakeberg Burkel Coulter Berg

Curran Gordon Jacob Lillie Pérez-Vega Smith Gottfried Johnson, P. Perryman Stephenson Davids Long Pinto Davis Greene Johnson, W. Mahamoud Stier Swedzinski Dotseth Greenman Jones McDonald Pursell Duran Hansen, R. Jordan Mekeland Quam Tabke Torkelson Elkins Hanson, J. Moller Rarick Joy Harder Keeler Momanyi-Hiltsley Van Binsbergen Engen Rehm Falconer Heintzeman Klevorn Mueller Rehrauer Vang Feist Hemmingsen-Jaeger Knudsen Murphy Repinski Virnig Warwas Finke Koegel Myers Reyer Her Kotyza-Witthuhn Fischer Hicks Nadeau Robbins West Fogelman Hill Kozlowski Wiener Nash Rymer Schomacker Franson Hollins Koznick Nelson Witte Hortman Wolgamott Kraft Niska Frazier Schultz Howard Frederick Kresha Noor Schwartz Xiong Freiberg Hudson Lawrence Norris Scott Youakim Gander Novotny Sencer-Mura Zeleznikar Huot Lee, F. Gillman Hussein Lee, K. O'Driscoll Sexton Spk. Demuth Gomez Liebling Olson Skraba Igo

Those who voted in the negative were:

Roach

The bill was passed and its title agreed to.

H. F. No. 2098 was reported to the House.

Momanyi-Hiltsley moved to amend H. F. No. 2098, the first engrossment, as follows:

Page 11, line 15, delete everything after "a" and insert "link to the attorney general's website where an electronic version of the attorney general's landlord-tenant guide, as defined in section 504B.275, is published, and instructions explaining how to request the guide in an alternative format from the attorney general's office."

Page 11, delete lines 16 and 17

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted.

Anderson, P. H., moved to amend H. F. No. 2098, the first engrossment, as amended, as follows:

Page 3, line 19, reinstate the stricken language

Page 3, line 20, reinstate the stricken language

Page 3, line 21, reinstate "and any equivalent position;"

The motion prevailed and the amendment was adopted.

H. F. No. 2098, A bill for an act relating to local government; modifying classification of certain public data; modifying authorized amounts for certain reimbursements; modifying threshold amount for certain audits; modifying requirements for publishing notice in a qualified newspaper; modifying organization provisions for certain special districts and commissions; modifying certain rental licensing provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.43, subdivision 2; 117.036, subdivision 2; 222.37, subdivision 1; 331A.10, subdivision 2; 367.36, subdivision 1; 383C.035; 412.02, subdivision 3; 412.341, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 412.591, subdivision 3; 477A.017, subdivision 3; Laws 1992, chapter 534, sections 7, subdivisions 1, 2, 3; 8, subdivision 2; 10, subdivision 4; 16; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 471; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 383C.07; 383C.74, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4.

The bill was read for the third time, as amended, and placed upon its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill and the roll was called. There were 132 yeas and 0 nays as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Acomb	Dotseth	Harder	Koegel	Nelson	Scott
Agbaje	Duran	Heintzeman	Kotyza-Witthuhn	Niska	Sencer-Mura
Allen	Elkins	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Kozlowski	Noor	Sexton
Altendorf	Engen	Her	Koznick	Norris	Skraba
Anderson, P. E.	Falconer	Hicks	Kraft	Novotny	Smith
Anderson, P. H.	Feist	Hill	Kresha	O'Driscoll	Stephenson
Backer	Finke	Hollins	Lawrence	Olson	Stier
Bahner	Fischer	Hortman	Lee, F.	Pérez-Vega	Swedzinski
Bakeberg	Fogelman	Howard	Lee, K.	Perryman	Tabke
Baker	Franson	Hudson	Liebling	Pinto	Torkelson
Bennett	Frazier	Huot	Lillie	Pursell	Van Binsbergen
Berg	Frederick	Hussein	Long	Quam	Vang
Bierman	Freiberg	Igo	Mahamoud	Rarick	Virnig
Bliss	Gander	Jacob	McDonald	Rehm	Warwas
Burkel	Gillman	Johnson, P.	Mekeland	Rehrauer	West
Carroll	Gomez	Johnson, W.	Moller	Repinski	Wiener
Clardy	Gordon	Jones	Momanyi-Hiltsley	Reyer	Witte
Coulter	Gottfried	Jordan	Mueller	Robbins	Wolgamott
Curran	Greene	Joy	Murphy	Rymer	Xiong
Davids	Greenman	Keeler	Myers	Schomacker	Youakim
Davis	Hansen, R.	Klevorn	Nadeau	Schultz	Zeleznikar
Dippel	Hanson, J.	Knudsen	Nash	Schwartz	Spk. Demuth

The bill was passed, as amended, and its title agreed to.

There being no objection, the order of business reverted to Messages from the Senate.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The following messages were received from the Senate:

Madam Speaker:

I hereby announce the passage by the Senate of the following House File, herewith returned, as amended by the Senate, in which amendments the concurrence of the House is respectfully requested:

H. F. No. 2432, A bill for an act relating to state government; providing for judiciary, public safety, corrections, and government data practices policy; establishing Minnesota victims of crime account; modifying certain fees; establishing monetary assessments for certain corporate and individual offender convictions; transferring financial crimes and fraud investigations to the Financial Crimes and Fraud Section in the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension; clarifying Tribal Nation access and use of community services subsidy; amending real property judicial foreclosure law; providing for reports; transferring funds to the Minnesota victims of crime account; reducing certain appropriations; appropriating money for the supreme court, court of appeals, district courts, Board of Civil Legal Aid, State Guardian ad Litem Board, tax court, Uniform Laws Commission, Board on Judicial Standards, Board of Public Defense, Human Rights, Office of Appellate Counsel and Training, Competency Attainment Board, Cannabis Expungement Board, Secretary of State, Sentencing Guidelines Commission, public safety, Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Board, Private Detective Board, corrections, ombudsperson for corrections, Clemency Review Commission, children, youth, and families, and the Office of Higher Education; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.03, subdivision 3; 13.32, subdivisions 2, 5; 13.43, subdivision 2; 13.82, subdivision 1; 13.991; 43A.17, subdivision 13; 45.0135, subdivisions 2b, 6, 7, 8, 9, by adding a subdivision; 60A.951, subdivision 2; 60A.952, subdivisions 2, 4, 5; 60A.954, subdivision 2; 60A.956; 65B.84; 142A.76, subdivision 8; 144E.123, subdivision 3; 152.137, subdivisions 1, 2; 171.187, subdivisions 1, 3; 244.18, subdivisions 1, 7, 9; 244.19, subdivisions 1c, 1d, 5, 5a; 244.20; 260C.419, subdivisions 2, 3, 4; 268.19, subdivision 1; 268B.30; 297I.11, subdivision 2; 299A.01, by adding a subdivision; 299C.40, subdivision 1; 299F.47, subdivision 2; 401.03; 401.10, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 401.11, subdivision 1; 401.14; 401.15, subdivision 2; 480.243, by adding a subdivision; 480.35, by adding a subdivision; 480.40, subdivisions 1, 3; 480.45, subdivision 2; 484.44; 484.51; 517.08, subdivisions 1b, 1c; 518.68, subdivision 1; 518B.01, subdivision 2; 524.5-420; 580.07, subdivisions 1, 2; 581.02; 595.02, by adding a subdivision; 609.2232; 609.322, subdivision 1; 609.531, subdivision 1; 609.78, subdivision 2c; 611.45, subdivision 3; 611.46, subdivision 2; 611.49, subdivisions 2, 3; 611.55, subdivision 3; 611.56, subdivision 1; 611.59, subdivisions 1, 4; 626.05, subdivision 2; 626.84, subdivision 1; 626.8516, subdivisions 4, 5, 6; 628.26; 629.344; Laws 2023, chapter 52, article 2, section 3, subdivision 3; article 11, section 31; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 13; 241; 299A; 299C; 401; 480; 609; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 45.0135, subdivisions 2a, 2c, 2d, 2e, 2f, 3, 4, 5; 325E.21, subdivision 2b.

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Novotny moved that the House refuse to concur in the Senate amendments to H. F. No. 2432, that the Speaker appoint a Conference Committee of 4 members of the House, and that the House requests that a like committee be appointed by the Senate to confer on the disagreeing votes of the two houses. The motion prevailed.

Madam Speaker:

I hereby announce the passage by the Senate of the following House File, herewith returned, as amended by the Senate, in which amendments the concurrence of the House is respectfully requested:

H. F. No. 2446, A bill for an act relating to state government; establishing a budget for the Department of Agriculture, the Board of Animal Health, the Agricultural Utilization Research Institute, and the Office of Broadband Development; making policy and technical changes to agricultural provisions; requiring reports; transferring money; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 17.133, subdivision 2; 18B.01, subdivision 1d, by adding a subdivision; 18B.30; Laws 2023, chapter 43, article 1, section 2, subdivision 4, as amended; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 18C.

Anderson, P. H., moved that the House refuse to concur in the Senate amendments to H. F. No. 2446, that the Speaker appoint a Conference Committee of 6 members of the House, and that the House requests that a like committee be appointed by the Senate to confer on the disagreeing votes of the two houses. The motion prevailed.

Madam Speaker:

I hereby announce the Senate refuses to concur in the House amendments to the following Senate File:

S. F. No. 1959, A bill for an act relating to state government; establishing a budget for the Department of Military Affairs and the Department of Veterans Affairs; modifying veterans services and benefits provisions; requiring the commissioner of administration to place a memorial plaque honoring Gold Star and Blue Star families on State Capitol grounds; providing benefits to veterans of the Secret War in Laos; requiring county veteran services officers to aid certain additional veterans; establishing a task force; requiring reports; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.461, subdivision 27; 193.143; 197.065; 197.236, subdivisions 8, 9; 197.603, subdivision 1; 197.608, subdivision 6; 197.75, subdivision 1; 197.791, subdivision 4; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 197.

The Senate respectfully requests that a Conference Committee be appointed thereon. The Senate has appointed as such committee:

Senators Putnam, Gustafson and Anderson.

Said Senate File is herewith transmitted to the House with the request that the House appoint a like committee.

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Bliss moved that the House accede to the request of the Senate and that the Speaker appoint a Conference Committee of 4 members of the House to meet with a like committee appointed by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on S. F. No. 1959. The motion prevailed.

Madam Speaker:

I hereby announce the Senate refuses to concur in the House amendments to the following Senate File:

S. F. No. 2298, A bill for an act relating to housing; establishing budget for Minnesota Housing Finance Agency; making policy, finance, and technical changes to housing provisions; establishing a task force on homeowners and commercial property insurance; removing certain real property recording fees; transferring money; requiring a report; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 327C.095, subdivision 12; 462A.051, subdivision 2; 462A.07, subdivision 19, by adding a subdivision; 462A.2095, subdivision 3; 462A.222, by adding a subdivision; 462A.33, subdivisions 2, 9; 462A.40, subdivision 3; 507.18, subdivisions 5, 6; Laws 2023, chapter 37, article 1, section 2, subdivisions 20, 21, 29, as amended; article 2, section 10; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 462A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 16A.287; 462A.43.

The Senate respectfully requests that a Conference Committee be appointed thereon. The Senate has appointed as such committee:

Senators Port, Boldon and Lucero.

Said Senate File is herewith transmitted to the House with the request that the House appoint a like committee.

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Howard moved that the House accede to the request of the Senate and that the Speaker appoint a Conference Committee of 4 members of the House to meet with a like committee appointed by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on S. F. No. 2298. The motion prevailed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following members of the House to a Conference Committee on S. F. No. 1959:

Bliss, Duran, Xiong and Hemmingsen-Jaeger.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following members of the House to a Conference Committee on S. F. No. 2298:

Igo, Nash, Howard and Kozlowski.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Davids moved that the name of Gander be added as an author on H. F. No. 200. The motion prevailed.

Myers moved that the name of Gottfried be added as an author on H. F. No. 841. The motion prevailed.

Hansen, R., moved that the name of Falconer be added as an author on H. F. No. 1214. The motion prevailed.

West moved that the name of Hansen, R., be added as an author on H. F. No. 2023. The motion prevailed.

Anderson, P. H., moved that the name of Backer be added as an author on H. F. No. 2316. The motion prevailed.

Norris moved that the name of Tabke be added as an author on H. F. No. 2381. The motion prevailed.

Baker moved that the name of Gander be added as an author on H. F. No. 2962. The motion prevailed.

Liebling moved that the name of Fischer be added as an author on H. F. No. 3180. The motion prevailed.

Pursell moved that the name of Gottfried be added as an author on H. F. No. 3258. The motion prevailed.

Mahamoud moved that the name of Virnig be added as an author on H. F. No. 3273. The motion prevailed.

ADJOURNMENT

Niska moved that when the House adjourns today it adjourn until 11:00 a.m., Monday, May 5, 2025. The motion prevailed.

Niska moved that the House adjourn. The motion prevailed, and Speaker pro tempore Olson declared the House stands adjourned until 11:00 a.m., Monday, May 5, 2025.