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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 14

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

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to elections; transferring and appropriating money for purposes of the
1.3 Help America Vote Act.

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

1.5 Section 1. HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT TRANSFERS AND APPROPRIATIONS;
1.6 SECRETARY OF STATE.

1.7 (a) \$6,815,391 is appropriated in fiscal year 2019 from the HAVA account established
1.8 in Minnesota Statutes, section 5.30, to the secretary of state for the purposes of improving
1.9 the administration and security of elections as authorized by federal law, including but not
1.10 limited to any of the following activities:

- 1.11 (1) modernizing the statewide voter registration system;
1.12 (2) improving accessibility;
1.13 (3) preparing training materials and training local election officials;
1.14 (4) implementing security improvements for election systems; and
1.15 (5) funding other activities to improve the security of elections.

1.16 (b) Any amount earned in interest on the amount appropriated under paragraph (a) is
1.17 appropriated from the HAVA account to the secretary of state for purposes of improving
1.18 the administration and security of elections as authorized by federal law.

1.19 (c) The appropriations under paragraphs (a) and (b) are onetime and available until
1.20 September 30, 2023.

2.1 (d) \$110,000 of the amount appropriated to the secretary of state in fiscal year 2018 by
2.2 Laws 2017, First Special Session chapter 4, article 1, section 6, and expended for increasing
2.3 secure access to the statewide voter registration system is deemed: (1) to be money used
2.4 for carrying out the purposes authorized under the Omnibus Appropriations Act of 2018,
2.5 Public Law 115-1410, and the Help America Vote Act of 2002, Public Law 107-252, section
2.6 101; and (2) to be credited toward any match required by those laws.

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