

1.1 **ARTICLE ...**

1.2 **JOBS AND ECONOMIC GROWTH**

1.3 Section 1. **APPROPRIATIONS.**

1.4 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are added to the appropriations
1.5 in Laws 2017, chapter 94, and appropriated to the agencies and for the purposes specified
1.6 in this article. The appropriations are from the general fund, or another named fund, and
1.7 are available for the fiscal year indicated for each purpose. The figures "2018" and "2019"
1.8 used in this article mean that the addition to the appropriations listed under them are available
1.9 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, or June 30, 2019, respectively. "The first year" is
1.10 fiscal year 2018. "The second year" is fiscal year 2019.

1.11	<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>
1.12	<u>Available for the Year</u>
1.13	<u>Ending June 30</u>
1.14	<u>2018</u> <u>2019</u>

1.15 **Sec. 2. DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT**
1.16 **AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

1.17 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation** **\$** **-0-** **\$** **15,650,000**

1.18	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
1.19		<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
1.20	<u>General</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>15,000,000</u>
1.21	<u>Workforce</u>		
1.22	<u>Development</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>50,000</u>
1.23	<u>Renewable</u>		
1.24	<u>Development</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>600,000</u>

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

1.28 **Subd. 2. Business and Community Development** **-0-** **600,000**

1.29 This appropriation is from the renewable
1.30 development account.

1.31 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
1.32 116C.779, subdivision 1, paragraph (k),
1.33 \$600,000 in fiscal year 2019 is from the
1.34 renewable development account in the special

2.1 revenue fund established in Minnesota
 2.2 Statutes, section 116C.779, subdivision 1, for
 2.3 a grant to the Board of Regents of the
 2.4 University of Minnesota for academic and
 2.5 applied research through MnDRIVE at the
 2.6 Natural Resources Research Institute. Of this
 2.7 amount, \$300,000 is to develop and
 2.8 demonstrate biomass conversion technology
 2.9 for higher value fuels and \$300,000 is to
 2.10 develop and demonstrate advanced biogas
 2.11 technologies for clean methane fuels. Both
 2.12 programs must focus on translation and
 2.13 deployment of technologies developed in
 2.14 partnerships between industry and the
 2.15 University of Minnesota. This is a onetime
 2.16 appropriation.

2.17 **Subd. 3. Broadband Development** -0- 15,000,000

2.18 \$15,000,000 in fiscal year 2019 is for transfer
 2.19 to the border-to-border broadband fund
 2.20 account in the special revenue fund established
 2.21 under Minnesota Statutes, section 116J.396
 2.22 and may be used for purposes provided in
 2.23 Minnesota Statutes, section 116J.395. This
 2.24 appropriation is onetime and is available until
 2.25 spent. Of this appropriation, up to three
 2.26 percent is for costs incurred by the
 2.27 commissioner to administer Minnesota
 2.28 Statutes, section 116J.395. Administrative
 2.29 costs may include the following activities
 2.30 related to measuring progress toward the
 2.31 state's broadband goals established in
 2.32 Minnesota Statutes, section 237.012:
 2.33 (1) collecting broadband deployment data from
 2.34 Minnesota providers, verifying its accuracy
 2.35 through on-the-ground testing, and creating

3.1 state and county maps available to the public
 3.2 showing the availability of broadband service
 3.3 at various upload and download speeds
 3.4 throughout Minnesota;

3.5 (2) analyzing the deployment data collected
 3.6 to help inform future investments in broadband
 3.7 infrastructure; and

3.8 (3) conducting business and residential surveys
 3.9 that measure broadband adoption and use in
 3.10 the state.

3.11 Data provided by a broadband provider under
 3.12 this subdivision is nonpublic data under
 3.13 Minnesota Statutes, section 13.02, subdivision
 3.14 9. Maps produced under this subdivision are
 3.15 public data under Minnesota Statutes, section
 3.16 13.03.

3.17 **Subd. 4. Workforce Development** -0- 50,000

3.18 \$50,000 in fiscal year 2019 is from the
 3.19 workforce development fund for a grant to the
 3.20 Cook County Higher Education Board to
 3.21 provide educational programming and
 3.22 academic support services to remote regions
 3.23 in northeastern Minnesota. This is a onetime
 3.24 appropriation and is in addition to other funds
 3.25 previously appropriated to the board.

3.26 **Sec. 3. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE** -0- 1,250,000

3.27 This appropriation is from the renewable
 3.28 development account.
 3.29 \$1,100,000 in fiscal year 2019 is from the
 3.30 renewable development account in the special
 3.31 revenue fund under Minnesota Statutes,
 3.32 section 116C.779, subdivision 1, for the
 3.33 residential biomass heating system grant

4.1 program under Minnesota Statutes, section
 4.2 216C.419. This is a onetime appropriation and
 4.3 available until June 30, 2020.
 4.4 \$150,000 in fiscal year 2019 is from the
 4.5 renewable development account in the special
 4.6 revenue fund established in Minnesota
 4.7 Statutes, section 116C.779, subdivision 1, to
 4.8 conduct an energy storage systems cost-benefit
 4.9 analysis. This is a onetime appropriation.

4.10 Sec. 4. Laws 2017, chapter 94, article 1, section 2, subdivision 2, as amended by Laws
 4.11 2017, First Special Session, chapter 7, section 2, is amended to read:

4.12 Subd. 2. **Business and Community Development** \$ 46,074,000 \$ 40,935,000

4.13 Appropriations by Fund			
4.14	General	\$43,363,000	\$38,424,000
4.15	Remediation	\$700,000	\$700,000
4.16	Workforce		
4.17	Development	\$1,861,000	\$1,811,000
4.18	Special Revenue	\$150,000	-0-

4.19 (a) \$4,195,000 each year is for the Minnesota
 4.20 job skills partnership program under
 4.21 Minnesota Statutes, sections 116L.01 to
 4.22 116L.17. If the appropriation for either year
 4.23 is insufficient, the appropriation for the other
 4.24 year is available. This appropriation is
 4.25 available until spent.

4.26 (b) \$750,000 each year is for grants to the
 4.27 Neighborhood Development Center for small
 4.28 business programs:

4.29 (1) training, lending, and business services;

4.30 (2) model outreach and training in greater
 4.31 Minnesota; and

4.32 (3) development of new business incubators.

4.33 This is a onetime appropriation.

5.1 (c) \$1,175,000 each year is for a grant to the
5.2 Metropolitan Economic Development
5.3 Association (MEDA) for statewide business
5.4 development and assistance services, including
5.5 services to entrepreneurs with businesses that
5.6 have the potential to create job opportunities
5.7 for unemployed and underemployed people,
5.8 with an emphasis on minority-owned
5.9 businesses. This is a onetime appropriation.

5.10 (d) \$125,000 each year is for a grant to the
5.11 White Earth Nation for the White Earth Nation
5.12 Integrated Business Development System to
5.13 provide business assistance with workforce
5.14 development, outreach, technical assistance,
5.15 infrastructure and operational support,
5.16 financing, and other business development
5.17 activities. This is a onetime appropriation.

5.18 (e)(1) \$12,500,000 each year is for the
5.19 Minnesota investment fund under Minnesota
5.20 Statutes, section 116J.8731. Of this amount,
5.21 the commissioner of employment and
5.22 economic development may use up to three
5.23 percent for administration and monitoring of
5.24 the program. This appropriation is available
5.25 until spent.

5.26 (2) Of the amount appropriated in fiscal year
5.27 2018, \$4,000,000 is for a loan to construct and
5.28 equip a wholesale electronic component
5.29 distribution center investing a minimum of
5.30 \$200,000,000 and constructing a facility at
5.31 least 700,000 square feet in size. Loan funds
5.32 may be used for purchases of materials,
5.33 supplies, and equipment for the construction
5.34 of the facility and are available from July 1,
5.35 2017, to June 30, 2021. The commissioner of

6.1 employment and economic development shall
6.2 forgive the loan after verification that the
6.3 project has satisfied performance goals and
6.4 contractual obligations as required under
6.5 Minnesota Statutes, section 116J.8731.

6.6 (3) Of the amount appropriated in fiscal year
6.7 2018, \$700,000 is for a loan to extend an
6.8 effluent pipe that will deliver reclaimed water
6.9 to an innovative waste-to-biofuel project
6.10 investing a minimum of \$150,000,000 and
6.11 constructing a facility that is designed to
6.12 process approximately 400,000 tons of waste
6.13 annually. Loan funds are available until June
6.14 30, 2021.

6.15 (4) Of the amount appropriated in fiscal year
6.16 2019, \$1,000,000 is for a grant to the city of
6.17 Minnetonka for a forgivable loan to a
6.18 high-risk, high-return jobs retention and
6.19 creation initiative to be conducted by a local
6.20 business that produces lactic acid/lactate, to
6.21 help grow and expand the bioeconomy in
6.22 Minnesota. The grant under this section is not
6.23 subject to the limitations under Minnesota
6.24 Statutes, section 116J.8731, subdivision 5, or
6.25 the performance goals, contractual obligations,
6.26 and other requirements under Minnesota
6.27 Statutes, sections 116J.8731, subdivision 7;
6.28 116J.993; and 116J.994. Grant funds are
6.29 available until June 30, 2021.

6.30 (5) Of the amount appropriated in fiscal year
6.31 2019, \$1,000,000 is for a loan to a paper mill
6.32 in Duluth to support the operation and
6.33 manufacture of packaging paper grades. The
6.34 company that owns the paper mill must spend
6.35 \$15,000,000 on expansion activities by

7.1 December 31, 2019, in order to be eligible to
7.2 receive funds in this appropriation. This
7.3 appropriation is onetime and may be used for
7.4 the mill's equipment, materials, supplies, and
7.5 other operating expenses. The commissioner
7.6 of employment and economic development
7.7 shall forgive a portion of the loan each year
7.8 after verification that the mill has retained 195
7.9 full-time jobs over a period of five years and
7.10 has satisfied other performance goals and
7.11 contractual obligations as required under
7.12 Minnesota Statutes, section 116J.8731.

7.13 (f) \$8,500,000 each year is for the Minnesota
7.14 job creation fund under Minnesota Statutes,
7.15 section 116J.8748. Of this amount, the
7.16 commissioner of employment and economic
7.17 development may use up to three percent for
7.18 administrative expenses. This appropriation
7.19 is available until expended. In fiscal year 2020
7.20 and beyond, the base amount is \$8,000,000.

7.21 (g) \$1,647,000 each year is for contaminated
7.22 site cleanup and development grants under
7.23 Minnesota Statutes, sections 116J.551 to
7.24 116J.558. This appropriation is available until
7.25 spent. In fiscal year 2020 and beyond, the base
7.26 amount is \$1,772,000.

7.27 (h) \$12,000 each year is for a grant to the
7.28 Upper Minnesota Film Office.

7.29 (i) \$163,000 each year is for the Minnesota
7.30 Film and TV Board. The appropriation in each
7.31 year is available only upon receipt by the
7.32 board of \$1 in matching contributions of
7.33 money or in-kind contributions from nonstate
7.34 sources for every \$3 provided by this
7.35 appropriation, except that each year up to

8.1 \$50,000 is available on July 1 even if the
8.2 required matching contribution has not been
8.3 received by that date.

8.4 (j) \$500,000 each year is from the general fund
8.5 for a grant to the Minnesota Film and TV
8.6 Board for the film production jobs program
8.7 under Minnesota Statutes, section 116U.26.
8.8 This appropriation is available until June 30,
8.9 2021.

8.10 (k) \$139,000 each year is for a grant to the
8.11 Rural Policy and Development Center under
8.12 Minnesota Statutes, section 116J.421.

8.13 (l)(1) \$1,300,000 each year is for the greater
8.14 Minnesota business development public
8.15 infrastructure grant program under Minnesota
8.16 Statutes, section 116J.431. This appropriation
8.17 is available until spent. If the appropriation
8.18 for either year is insufficient, the appropriation
8.19 for the other year is available. In fiscal year
8.20 2020 and beyond, the base amount is
8.21 \$1,787,000. Funds available under this
8.22 paragraph may be used for site preparation of
8.23 property owned and to be used by private
8.24 entities.

8.25 (2) Of the amounts appropriated, \$1,600,000
8.26 in fiscal year 2018 is for a grant to the city of
8.27 Thief River Falls to support utility extensions,
8.28 roads, and other public improvements related
8.29 to the construction of a wholesale electronic
8.30 component distribution center at least 700,000
8.31 square feet in size and investing a minimum
8.32 of \$200,000,000. Notwithstanding Minnesota
8.33 Statutes, section 116J.431, a local match is
8.34 not required. Grant funds are available from
8.35 July 1, 2017, to June 30, 2021.

9.1 (m) \$876,000 the first year and \$500,000 the
9.2 second year are for the Minnesota emerging
9.3 entrepreneur loan program under Minnesota
9.4 Statutes, section 116M.18. Funds available
9.5 under this paragraph are for transfer into the
9.6 emerging entrepreneur program special
9.7 revenue fund account created under Minnesota
9.8 Statutes, chapter 116M, and are available until
9.9 spent. Of this amount, up to four percent is for
9.10 administration and monitoring of the program.
9.11 In fiscal year 2020 and beyond, the base
9.12 amount is \$1,000,000.

9.13 (n) \$875,000 each year is for a grant to
9.14 Enterprise Minnesota, Inc. for the small
9.15 business growth acceleration program under
9.16 Minnesota Statutes, section 116O.115. This
9.17 is a onetime appropriation.

9.18 (o) \$250,000 in fiscal year 2018 is for a grant
9.19 to the Minnesota Design Center at the
9.20 University of Minnesota for the greater
9.21 Minnesota community design pilot project.

9.22 (p) \$275,000 in fiscal year 2018 is from the
9.23 general fund to the commissioner of
9.24 employment and economic development for
9.25 a grant to Community and Economic
9.26 Development Associates (CEDA) for an
9.27 economic development study and analysis of
9.28 the effects of current and projected economic
9.29 growth in southeast Minnesota. CEDA shall
9.30 report on the findings and recommendations
9.31 of the study to the committees of the house of
9.32 representatives and senate with jurisdiction
9.33 over economic development and workforce
9.34 issues by February 15, 2019. All results and
9.35 information gathered from the study shall be

10.1 made available for use by cities in southeast
10.2 Minnesota by March 15, 2019. This
10.3 appropriation is available until June 30, 2020.

10.4 (q) \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2018 is for a
10.5 grant to Pillsbury United Communities for
10.6 construction and renovation of a building in
10.7 north Minneapolis for use as the "North
10.8 Market" grocery store and wellness center,
10.9 focused on offering healthy food, increasing
10.10 health care access, and providing job creation
10.11 and economic opportunities in one place for
10.12 children and families living in the area. To the
10.13 extent possible, Pillsbury United Communities
10.14 shall employ individuals who reside within a
10.15 five mile radius of the grocery store and
10.16 wellness center. This appropriation is not
10.17 available until at least an equal amount of
10.18 money is committed from nonstate sources.
10.19 This appropriation is available until the project
10.20 is completed or abandoned, subject to
10.21 Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.642.

10.22 (r) \$1,425,000 each year is for the business
10.23 development competitive grant program. Of
10.24 this amount, up to five percent is for
10.25 administration and monitoring of the business
10.26 development competitive grant program. All
10.27 grant awards shall be for two consecutive
10.28 years. Grants shall be awarded in the first year.

10.29 (s) \$875,000 each year is for the host
10.30 community economic development grant
10.31 program established in Minnesota Statutes,
10.32 section 116J.548.

10.33 (t) \$700,000 each year is from the remediation
10.34 fund for contaminated site cleanup and
10.35 development grants under Minnesota Statutes,

- 11.1 sections 116J.551 to 116J.558. This
11.2 appropriation is available until spent.
- 11.3 (u) \$161,000 each year is from the workforce
11.4 development fund for a grant to the Rural
11.5 Policy and Development Center. This is a
11.6 onetime appropriation.
- 11.7 (v) \$300,000 each year is from the workforce
11.8 development fund for a grant to Enterprise
11.9 Minnesota, Inc. This is a onetime
11.10 appropriation.
- 11.11 (w) \$50,000 in fiscal year 2018 is from the
11.12 workforce development fund for a grant to
11.13 Fighting Chance for behavioral intervention
11.14 programs for at-risk youth.
- 11.15 (x) \$1,350,000 each year is from the
11.16 workforce development fund for job training
11.17 grants under Minnesota Statutes, section
11.18 116L.42.
- 11.19 (y)(1) \$519,000 in fiscal year 2018 is for
11.20 grants to local communities to increase the
11.21 supply of quality child care providers in order
11.22 to support economic development. At least 60
11.23 percent of grant funds must go to communities
11.24 located outside of the seven-county
11.25 metropolitan area, as defined under Minnesota
11.26 Statutes, section 473.121, subdivision 2. Grant
11.27 recipients must obtain a 50 percent nonstate
11.28 match to grant funds in either cash or in-kind
11.29 contributions. Grant funds available under this
11.30 paragraph must be used to implement solutions
11.31 to reduce the child care shortage in the state
11.32 including but not limited to funding for child
11.33 care business start-ups or expansions, training,
11.34 facility modifications or improvements

12.1 required for licensing, and assistance with
12.2 licensing and other regulatory requirements.
12.3 In awarding grants, the commissioner must
12.4 give priority to communities that have
12.5 documented a shortage of child care providers
12.6 in the area.

12.7 (2) Within one year of receiving grant funds,
12.8 grant recipients must report to the
12.9 commissioner on the outcomes of the grant
12.10 program including but not limited to the
12.11 number of new providers, the number of
12.12 additional child care provider jobs created, the
12.13 number of additional child care slots, and the
12.14 amount of local funds invested.

12.15 (3) By January 1 of each year, starting in 2019,
12.16 the commissioner must report to the standing
12.17 committees of the legislature having
12.18 jurisdiction over child care and economic
12.19 development on the outcomes of the program
12.20 to date.

12.21 (z) \$319,000 in fiscal year 2018 is from the
12.22 general fund for a grant to the East Phillips
12.23 Improvement Coalition to create the East
12.24 Phillips Neighborhood Institute (EPNI) to
12.25 expand culturally tailored resources that
12.26 address small business growth and create
12.27 green jobs. The grant shall fund the
12.28 collaborative work of Tamales y Bicicletas,
12.29 Little Earth of the United Tribes, a nonprofit
12.30 serving East Africans, and other coalition
12.31 members towards developing EPNI as a
12.32 community space to host activities including,
12.33 but not limited to, creation and expansion of
12.34 small businesses, culturally specific
12.35 entrepreneurial activities, indoor urban

13.1 farming, job training, education, and skills
13.2 development for residents of this low-income,
13.3 environmental justice designated
13.4 neighborhood. Eligible uses for grant funds
13.5 include, but are not limited to, planning and
13.6 start-up costs, staff and consultant costs,
13.7 building improvements, rent, supplies, utilities,
13.8 vehicles, marketing, and program activities.
13.9 The commissioner shall submit a report on
13.10 grant activities and quantifiable outcomes to
13.11 the committees of the house of representatives
13.12 and the senate with jurisdiction over economic
13.13 development by December 15, 2020. This
13.14 appropriation is available until June 30, 2020.

13.15 (aa) \$150,000 the first year is from the
13.16 renewable development account in the special
13.17 revenue fund established in Minnesota
13.18 Statutes, section 116C.779, subdivision 1, to
13.19 conduct the biomass facility closure economic
13.20 impact study.

13.21 (bb)(1)\$300,000 in fiscal year 2018 is for a
13.22 grant to East Side Enterprise Center (ESEC)
13.23 to expand culturally tailored resources that
13.24 address small business growth and job
13.25 creation. This appropriation is available until
13.26 June 30, 2020. The appropriation shall fund
13.27 the work of African Economic Development
13.28 Solutions, the Asian Economic Development
13.29 Association, the Dayton's Bluff Community
13.30 Council, and the Latino Economic
13.31 Development Center in a collaborative
13.32 approach to economic development that is
13.33 effective with smaller, culturally diverse
13.34 communities that seek to increase the
13.35 productivity and success of new immigrant

14.1 and minority populations living and working
14.2 in the community. Programs shall provide
14.3 minority business growth and capacity
14.4 building that generate wealth and jobs creation
14.5 for local residents and business owners on the
14.6 East Side of St. Paul.

14.7 (2) In fiscal year 2019 ESEC shall use funds
14.8 to share its integrated service model and
14.9 evolving collaboration principles with civic
14.10 and economic development leaders in greater
14.11 Minnesota communities which have diverse
14.12 populations similar to the East Side of St. Paul.
14.13 ESEC shall submit a report of activities and
14.14 program outcomes, including quantifiable
14.15 measures of success annually to the house of
14.16 representatives and senate committees with
14.17 jurisdiction over economic development.

14.18 (cc) \$150,000 in fiscal year 2018 is for a grant
14.19 to Mille Lacs County for the purpose of
14.20 reimbursement grants to small resort
14.21 businesses located in the city of Isle with less
14.22 than \$350,000 in annual revenue, at least four
14.23 rental units, which are open during both
14.24 summer and winter months, and whose
14.25 business was adversely impacted by a decline
14.26 in walleye fishing on Lake Mille Lacs.

14.27 (dd)(1) \$250,000 in fiscal year 2018 is for a
14.28 grant to the Small Business Development
14.29 Center hosted at Minnesota State University,
14.30 Mankato, for a collaborative initiative with
14.31 the Regional Center for Entrepreneurial
14.32 Facilitation. Funds available under this section
14.33 must be used to provide entrepreneur and
14.34 small business development direct professional
14.35 business assistance services in the following

15.1 counties in Minnesota: Blue Earth, Brown,
15.2 Faribault, Le Sueur, Martin, Nicollet, Sibley,
15.3 Watonwan, and Waseca. For the purposes of
15.4 this section, "direct professional business
15.5 assistance services" must include, but is not
15.6 limited to, pre-venture assistance for
15.7 individuals considering starting a business.
15.8 This appropriation is not available until the
15.9 commissioner determines that an equal amount
15.10 is committed from nonstate sources. Any
15.11 balance in the first year does not cancel and
15.12 is available for expenditure in the second year.

15.13 (2) Grant recipients shall report to the
15.14 commissioner by February 1 of each year and
15.15 include information on the number of
15.16 customers served in each county; the number
15.17 of businesses started, stabilized, or expanded;
15.18 the number of jobs created and retained; and
15.19 business success rates in each county. By April
15.20 1 of each year, the commissioner shall report
15.21 the information submitted by grant recipients
15.22 to the chairs of the standing committees of the
15.23 house of representatives and the senate having
15.24 jurisdiction over economic development
15.25 issues.

15.26 (ee) \$500,000 in fiscal year 2018 is for the
15.27 central Minnesota opportunity grant program
15.28 established under Minnesota Statutes, section
15.29 116J.9922. This appropriation is available until
15.30 June 30, 2022.

15.31 (ff) \$25,000 each year is for the administration
15.32 of state aid for the Destination Medical Center
15.33 under Minnesota Statutes, sections 469.40 to
15.34 469.47.

16.1 Sec. 5. Laws 2017, chapter 94, article 1, section 2, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

16.2 Subd. 3. **Workforce Development** \$ 31,498,000 \$ 30,231,000

16.3 Appropriations by Fund

16.4 General \$6,239,000 \$5,889,000

16.5 Workforce

16.6 Development \$25,259,000 \$24,342,000

16.7 (a) \$500,000 each year is for the
16.8 youth-at-work competitive grant program
16.9 under Minnesota Statutes, section 116L.562.

16.10 Of this amount, up to five percent is for
16.11 administration and monitoring of the youth
16.12 workforce development competitive grant
16.13 program. All grant awards shall be for two
16.14 consecutive years. Grants shall be awarded in
16.15 the first year. In fiscal year 2020 and beyond,
16.16 the base amount is \$750,000.

16.17 (b) \$250,000 each year is for pilot programs
16.18 in the workforce service areas to combine
16.19 career and higher education advising.

16.20 (c) \$500,000 each year is for rural career
16.21 counseling coordinator positions in the
16.22 workforce service areas and for the purposes
16.23 specified in Minnesota Statutes, section
16.24 116L.667. The commissioner of employment
16.25 and economic development, in consultation
16.26 with local workforce investment boards and
16.27 local elected officials in each of the service
16.28 areas receiving funds, shall develop a method
16.29 of distributing funds to provide equitable
16.30 services across workforce service areas.

16.31 (d) \$1,000,000 each year is for a grant to the
16.32 Construction Careers Foundation for the
16.33 construction career pathway initiative to
16.34 provide year-round educational and
16.35 experiential learning opportunities for teens

17.1 and young adults under the age of 21 that lead
17.2 to careers in the construction industry. This is
17.3 a onetime appropriation. Grant funds must be
17.4 used to:

17.5 (1) increase construction industry exposure
17.6 activities for middle school and high school
17.7 youth, parents, and counselors to reach a more
17.8 diverse demographic and broader statewide
17.9 audience. This requirement includes, but is
17.10 not limited to, an expansion of programs to
17.11 provide experience in different crafts to youth
17.12 and young adults throughout the state;

17.13 (2) increase the number of high schools in
17.14 Minnesota offering construction classes during
17.15 the academic year that utilize a multicraft
17.16 curriculum;

17.17 (3) increase the number of summer internship
17.18 opportunities;

17.19 (4) enhance activities to support graduating
17.20 seniors in their efforts to obtain employment
17.21 in the construction industry;

17.22 (5) increase the number of young adults
17.23 employed in the construction industry and
17.24 ensure that they reflect Minnesota's diverse
17.25 workforce; and

17.26 (6) enhance an industrywide marketing
17.27 campaign targeted to youth and young adults
17.28 about the depth and breadth of careers within
17.29 the construction industry.

17.30 Programs and services supported by grant
17.31 funds must give priority to individuals and
17.32 groups that are economically disadvantaged
17.33 or historically underrepresented in the
17.34 construction industry, including but not limited

18.1 to women, veterans, and members of minority
18.2 and immigrant groups.

18.3 (e) \$1,539,000 each year from the general fund
18.4 and \$4,604,000 each year from the workforce
18.5 development fund are for the Pathways to
18.6 Prosperity adult workforce development
18.7 competitive grant program. Of this amount,
18.8 up to four percent is for administration and
18.9 monitoring of the program. When awarding
18.10 grants under this paragraph, the commissioner
18.11 of employment and economic development
18.12 may give preference to any previous grantee
18.13 with demonstrated success in job training and
18.14 placement for hard-to-train individuals. In
18.15 fiscal year 2020 and beyond, the general fund
18.16 base amount for this program is \$4,039,000.

18.17 (f) \$750,000 each year is for a competitive
18.18 grant program to provide grants to
18.19 organizations that provide support services for
18.20 individuals, such as job training, employment
18.21 preparation, internships, job assistance to
18.22 fathers, financial literacy, academic and
18.23 behavioral interventions for low-performing
18.24 students, and youth intervention. Grants made
18.25 under this section must focus on low-income
18.26 communities, young adults from families with
18.27 a history of intergenerational poverty, and
18.28 communities of color. Of this amount, up to
18.29 four percent is for administration and
18.30 monitoring of the program. In fiscal year 2020
18.31 and beyond, the base amount is \$1,000,000.

18.32 (g) \$500,000 each year is for the women and
18.33 high-wage, high-demand, nontraditional jobs
18.34 grant program under Minnesota Statutes,
18.35 section 116L.99. Of this amount, up to five

19.1 percent is for administration and monitoring
19.2 of the program. In fiscal year 2020 and
19.3 beyond, the base amount is \$750,000.

19.4 (h) \$500,000 each year is for a competitive
19.5 grant program for grants to organizations
19.6 providing services to relieve economic
19.7 disparities in the Southeast Asian community
19.8 through workforce recruitment, development,
19.9 job creation, assistance of smaller
19.10 organizations to increase capacity, and
19.11 outreach. Of this amount, up to five percent
19.12 is for administration and monitoring of the
19.13 program. In fiscal year 2020 and beyond, the
19.14 base amount is \$1,000,000.

19.15 (i) \$250,000 each year is for a grant to the
19.16 American Indian Opportunities and
19.17 Industrialization Center, in collaboration with
19.18 the Northwest Indian Community
19.19 Development Center, to reduce academic
19.20 disparities for American Indian students and
19.21 adults. This is a onetime appropriation. The
19.22 grant funds may be used to provide:

19.23 (1) student tutoring and testing support
19.24 services;

19.25 (2) training in information technology;

19.26 (3) assistance in obtaining a GED;

19.27 (4) remedial training leading to enrollment in
19.28 a postsecondary higher education institution;

19.29 (5) real-time work experience in information
19.30 technology fields; and

19.31 (6) contextualized adult basic education.

20.1 After notification to the legislature, the
20.2 commissioner may transfer this appropriation
20.3 to the commissioner of education.

20.4 (j) \$100,000 each year is for the getting to
20.5 work grant program. This is a onetime
20.6 appropriation and is available until June 30,
20.7 2021.

20.8 (k) \$525,000 each year is from the workforce
20.9 development fund for a grant to the YWCA
20.10 of Minneapolis to provide economically
20.11 challenged individuals the job skills training,
20.12 career counseling, and job placement
20.13 assistance necessary to secure a child
20.14 development associate credential and to have
20.15 a career path in early childhood education.
20.16 This is a onetime appropriation.

20.17 (l) \$1,350,000 each year is from the workforce
20.18 development fund for a grant to the Minnesota
20.19 High Tech Association to support
20.20 SciTechsperience, a program that supports
20.21 science, technology, engineering, and math
20.22 (STEM) internship opportunities for two- and
20.23 four-year college students and graduate
20.24 students in their field of study. The internship
20.25 opportunities must match students with paid
20.26 internships within STEM disciplines at small,
20.27 for-profit companies located in Minnesota,
20.28 having fewer than 250 employees worldwide.
20.29 At least 300 students must be matched in the
20.30 first year and at least 350 students must be
20.31 matched in the second year. No more than 15
20.32 percent of the hires may be graduate students.
20.33 Selected hiring companies shall receive from
20.34 the grant 50 percent of the wages paid to the
20.35 intern, capped at \$2,500 per intern. The

21.1 program must work toward increasing the
21.2 participation of women or other underserved
21.3 populations. This is a onetime appropriation.

21.4 (m) \$450,000 each year is from the workforce
21.5 development fund for grants to Minnesota
21.6 Diversified Industries, Inc. to provide
21.7 progressive development and employment
21.8 opportunities for people with disabilities. This
21.9 is a onetime appropriation.

21.10 (n) \$500,000 each year is from the workforce
21.11 development fund for a grant to Resource, Inc.
21.12 to provide low-income individuals career
21.13 education and job skills training that are fully
21.14 integrated with chemical and mental health
21.15 services. This is a onetime appropriation.

21.16 (o) \$750,000 each year is from the workforce
21.17 development fund for a grant to the Minnesota
21.18 Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs to administer
21.19 a statewide project of youth job skills and
21.20 career development. This project, which may
21.21 have career guidance components including
21.22 health and life skills, is designed to encourage,
21.23 train, and assist youth in early access to
21.24 education and job-seeking skills, work-based
21.25 learning experience including career pathways
21.26 in STEM learning, career exploration and
21.27 matching, and first job placement through
21.28 local community partnerships and on-site job
21.29 opportunities. This grant requires a 25 percent
21.30 match from nonstate resources. This is a
21.31 onetime appropriation.

21.32 (p) \$215,000 each year is from the workforce
21.33 development fund for grants to Big Brothers,
21.34 Big Sisters of the Greater Twin Cities for
21.35 workforce readiness, employment exploration,

- 22.1 and skills development for youth ages 12 to
22.2 21. The grant must serve youth in the Twin
22.3 Cities, Central Minnesota, and Southern
22.4 Minnesota Big Brothers, Big Sisters chapters.
22.5 This is a onetime appropriation.
- 22.6 (q) \$250,000 each year is from the workforce
22.7 development fund for a grant to YWCA St.
22.8 Paul to provide job training services and
22.9 workforce development programs and
22.10 services, including job skills training and
22.11 counseling. This is a onetime appropriation.
- 22.12 (r) \$1,000,000 each year is from the workforce
22.13 development fund for a grant to EMERGE
22.14 Community Development, in collaboration
22.15 with community partners, for services
22.16 targeting Minnesota communities with the
22.17 highest concentrations of African and
22.18 African-American joblessness, based on the
22.19 most recent census tract data, to provide
22.20 employment readiness training, credentialed
22.21 training placement, job placement and
22.22 retention services, supportive services for
22.23 hard-to-employ individuals, and a general
22.24 education development fast track and adult
22.25 diploma program. This is a onetime
22.26 appropriation.
- 22.27 (s) \$1,000,000 each year is from the workforce
22.28 development fund for a grant to the
22.29 Minneapolis Foundation for a strategic
22.30 intervention program designed to target and
22.31 connect program participants to meaningful,
22.32 sustainable living-wage employment. This is
22.33 a onetime appropriation.
- 22.34 (t) \$750,000 each year is from the workforce
22.35 development fund for a grant to Latino

23.1 Communities United in Service (CLUES) to
23.2 expand culturally tailored programs that
23.3 address employment and education skill gaps
23.4 for working parents and underserved youth by
23.5 providing new job skills training to stimulate
23.6 higher wages for low-income people, family
23.7 support systems designed to reduce
23.8 intergenerational poverty, and youth
23.9 programming to promote educational
23.10 advancement and career pathways. At least
23.11 50 percent of this amount must be used for
23.12 programming targeted at greater Minnesota.
23.13 This is a onetime appropriation.

23.14 (u) \$600,000 each year is from the workforce
23.15 development fund for a grant to Ujamaa Place
23.16 for job training, employment preparation,
23.17 internships, education, training in the
23.18 construction trades, housing, and
23.19 organizational capacity building. This is a
23.20 onetime appropriation.

23.21 (v) \$1,297,000 in the first year and \$800,000
23.22 in the second year are from the workforce
23.23 development fund for performance grants
23.24 under Minnesota Statutes, section 116J.8747,
23.25 to Twin Cities R!SE to provide training to
23.26 hard-to-train individuals. Of the amounts
23.27 appropriated, \$497,000 in fiscal year 2018 is
23.28 for a grant to Twin Cities R!SE, in
23.29 collaboration with Metro Transit and Hennepin
23.30 Technical College for the Metro Transit
23.31 technician training program. This is a onetime
23.32 appropriation and funds are available until
23.33 June 30, 2020.

23.34 (w) \$230,000 in fiscal year 2018 is from the
23.35 workforce development fund for a grant to the

24.1 Bois Forte Tribal Employment Rights Office
24.2 (TERO) for an American Indian workforce
24.3 development training pilot project. This is a
24.4 onetime appropriation and is available until
24.5 June 30, 2019. Funds appropriated the first
24.6 year are available for use in the second year
24.7 of the biennium.

24.8 (x) \$40,000 in fiscal year 2018 is from the
24.9 workforce development fund for a grant to the
24.10 Cook County Higher Education Board to
24.11 provide educational programming and
24.12 academic support services to remote regions
24.13 in northeastern Minnesota. This appropriation
24.14 is in addition to other funds previously
24.15 appropriated to the board.

24.16 (y) \$250,000 each year is from the workforce
24.17 development fund for a grant to Bridges to
24.18 Healthcare to provide career education,
24.19 wraparound support services, and job skills
24.20 training in high-demand health care fields to
24.21 low-income parents, nonnative speakers of
24.22 English, and other hard-to-train individuals,
24.23 helping families build secure pathways out of
24.24 poverty while also addressing worker
24.25 shortages in one of Minnesota's most
24.26 innovative industries. Funds may be used for
24.27 program expenses, including, but not limited
24.28 to, hiring instructors and navigators; space
24.29 rental; and supportive services to help
24.30 participants attend classes, including assistance
24.31 with course fees, child care, transportation,
24.32 and safe and stable housing. In addition, up to
24.33 five percent of grant funds may be used for
24.34 Bridges to Healthcare's administrative costs.

25.1 This is a onetime appropriation and is
25.2 available until June 30, 2020.

25.3 (z) \$500,000 each year is from the workforce
25.4 development fund for a grant to the Nonprofits
25.5 Assistance Fund to provide capacity-building
25.6 grants to small, culturally specific
25.7 organizations that primarily serve historically
25.8 underserved cultural communities. Grants may
25.9 only be awarded to nonprofit organizations
25.10 that have an annual organizational budget of
25.11 less than \$500,000 and are culturally specific
25.12 organizations that primarily serve historically
25.13 underserved cultural communities. Grant funds
25.14 awarded must be used for:

25.15 (1) organizational infrastructure improvement,
25.16 including developing database management
25.17 systems and financial systems, or other
25.18 administrative needs that increase the
25.19 organization's ability to access new funding
25.20 sources;

25.21 (2) organizational workforce development,
25.22 including hiring culturally competent staff,
25.23 training and skills development, and other
25.24 methods of increasing staff capacity; or

25.25 (3) creation or expansion of partnerships with
25.26 existing organizations that have specialized
25.27 expertise in order to increase the capacity of
25.28 the grantee organization to improve services
25.29 for the community. Of this amount, up to five
25.30 percent may be used by the Nonprofits
25.31 Assistance Fund for administration costs and
25.32 providing technical assistance to potential
25.33 grantees. This is a onetime appropriation.

26.1 (aa) \$4,050,000 each year is from the
26.2 workforce development fund for the
26.3 Minnesota youth program under Minnesota
26.4 Statutes, sections 116L.56 and 116L.561.

26.5 (bb) \$1,000,000 each year is from the
26.6 workforce development fund for the
26.7 youthbuild program under Minnesota Statutes,
26.8 sections 116L.361 to 116L.366.

26.9 (cc) \$3,348,000 each year is from the
26.10 workforce development fund for the "Youth
26.11 at Work" youth workforce development
26.12 competitive grant program. Of this amount,
26.13 up to five percent is for administration and
26.14 monitoring of the youth workforce
26.15 development competitive grant program. All
26.16 grant awards shall be for two consecutive
26.17 years. Grants shall be awarded in the first year.

26.18 (dd) \$500,000 each year is from the workforce
26.19 development fund for the Opportunities
26.20 Industrialization Center programs.

26.21 (ee) \$750,000 each year is from the workforce
26.22 development fund for a grant to Summit
26.23 Academy OIC to expand its contextualized
26.24 GED and employment placement program.
26.25 This is a onetime appropriation.

26.26 (ff) \$500,000 each year is from the workforce
26.27 development fund for a grant to
26.28 Goodwill-Easter Seals Minnesota and its
26.29 partners. The grant shall be used to continue
26.30 the FATHER Project in Rochester, Park
26.31 Rapids, St. Cloud, Minneapolis, and the
26.32 surrounding areas to assist fathers in
26.33 overcoming barriers that prevent fathers from

27.1 supporting their children economically and
27.2 emotionally. This is a onetime appropriation.

27.3 (gg) \$150,000 each year is from the workforce
27.4 development fund for displaced homemaker
27.5 programs under Minnesota Statutes, section
27.6 116L.96. The commissioner shall distribute
27.7 the funds to existing nonprofit and state
27.8 displaced homemaker programs. This is a
27.9 onetime appropriation.

27.10 (hh)(1) \$150,000 in fiscal year 2018 is from
27.11 the workforce development fund for a grant
27.12 to Anoka County to develop and implement
27.13 a pilot program to increase competitive
27.14 employment opportunities for transition-age
27.15 youth ages 18 to 21.

27.16 (2) The competitive employment for
27.17 transition-age youth pilot program shall
27.18 include career guidance components, including
27.19 health and life skills, to encourage, train, and
27.20 assist transition-age youth in job-seeking
27.21 skills, workplace orientation, and job site
27.22 knowledge.

27.23 (3) In operating the pilot program, Anoka
27.24 County shall collaborate with schools,
27.25 disability providers, jobs and training
27.26 organizations, vocational rehabilitation
27.27 providers, and employers to build upon
27.28 opportunities and services, to prepare
27.29 transition-age youth for competitive
27.30 employment, and to enhance employer
27.31 connections that lead to employment for the
27.32 individuals served.

27.33 (4) Grant funds may be used to create an
27.34 on-the-job training incentive to encourage

28.1 employers to hire and train qualifying
28.2 individuals. A participating employer may
28.3 receive up to 50 percent of the wages paid to
28.4 the employee as a cost reimbursement for
28.5 on-the-job training provided.

28.6 (ii) \$500,000 each year is from the workforce
28.7 development fund for rural career counseling
28.8 coordinator positions in the workforce service
28.9 areas and for the purposes specified in
28.10 Minnesota Statutes, section 116L.667. The
28.11 commissioner of employment and economic
28.12 development, in consultation with local
28.13 workforce investment boards and local elected
28.14 officials in each of the service areas receiving
28.15 funds, shall develop a method of distributing
28.16 funds to provide equitable services across
28.17 workforce service areas.

28.18 (jj) In calendar year 2017, the public utility
28.19 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
28.20 116C.779, must withhold \$1,000,000 from the
28.21 funds required to fulfill its financial
28.22 commitments under Minnesota Statutes,
28.23 section 116C.779, subdivision 1, and pay such
28.24 amounts to the commissioner of employment
28.25 and economic development for deposit in the
28.26 Minnesota 21st century fund under Minnesota
28.27 Statutes, section 116J.423.

28.28 (kk) \$350,000 in fiscal year 2018 is for a grant
28.29 to AccessAbility Incorporated to provide job
28.30 skills training to individuals who have been
28.31 released from incarceration for a felony-level
28.32 offense and are no more than 12 months from
28.33 the date of release. AccessAbility Incorporated
28.34 shall annually report to the commissioner on
28.35 how the money was spent and the results

29.1 achieved. The report must include, at a
 29.2 minimum, information and data about the
 29.3 number of participants; participant
 29.4 homelessness, employment, recidivism, and
 29.5 child support compliance; and training
 29.6 provided to program participants.

29.7 Sec. 6. Laws 2017, chapter 94, article 1, section 4, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

29.8 Subd. 5. General Support	6,239,000	6,539,000
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29.9 Appropriations by Fund

29.10 Workforce		
29.11 Development Fund	200,000	500,000
29.12 Workers'		
29.13 Compensation	6,039,000	6,039,000

29.14 (a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) and
 29.15 (c), this appropriation is from the workers'
 29.16 compensation fund.

29.17 (b) \$200,000 in fiscal year 2018 is from the
 29.18 workforce development fund for the
 29.19 commissioner of labor and industry to convene
 29.20 and collaborate with stakeholders as provided
 29.21 under Minnesota Statutes, section 175.46,
 29.22 subdivision 3, and to develop youth skills
 29.23 training competencies for approved
 29.24 occupations. This is a onetime appropriation.

29.25 (c) \$500,000 in fiscal year 2019 is from the
 29.26 workforce development fund to administer the
 29.27 youth skills training program under Minnesota
 29.28 Statutes, section 175.46. The commissioner
 29.29 shall award up to five grants each year to local
 29.30 partnerships located throughout the state, not
 29.31 to exceed \$100,000 per local partnership grant.
 29.32 The commissioner may use ~~a portion~~ up to
 29.33 five percent of this appropriation for
 29.34 administration of the grant program. The base
 29.35 amount for this program is ~~\$500,000~~.

30.1 \$1,000,000 each year beginning in fiscal year
30.2 2020.

30.3 Sec. 7. Laws 2017, chapter 94, article 1, section 6, is amended to read:

30.4	Sec. 6. WORKERS' COMPENSATION COURT			<u>1,913,000</u>
30.5	OF APPEALS	\$	1,913,000	\$ <u>1,946,000</u>

30.6 This appropriation is from the workers'
30.7 compensation fund.

30.8 Sec. 8. Laws 2017, chapter 94, article 1, section 9, is amended to read:

30.9	Sec. 9. PUBLIC FACILITIES AUTHORITY	\$	1,800,000	\$ -0-
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30.10 (a) \$300,000 in fiscal year 2018 is for a grant
30.11 to the city of New Trier to replace water
30.12 infrastructure under Hogan Avenue, including
30.13 related road reconstruction, and to acquire land
30.14 for predesign, design, and construction of a
30.15 storm water pond that will be colocated with
30.16 the pond of the new subdivision. This
30.17 appropriation does not require a nonstate
30.18 contribution.

30.19 (b) \$600,000 in fiscal year 2018 is for a grant
30.20 to the Ramsey/Washington Recycling and
30.21 Energy Board to design, construct, and equip
30.22 capital improvements to the
30.23 Ramsey/Washington Recycling and Energy
30.24 Center in Newport.

30.25 (c) \$900,000 in fiscal year 2018 is for a grant
30.26 to the Clear Lake-Clearwater Sewer Authority
30.27 to remove and replace the existing wastewater
30.28 treatment facility. This project is intended to
30.29 prevent the discharge of phosphorus into the
30.30 Mississippi River. This appropriation is not
30.31 available until the commissioner of
30.32 management and budget determines that at
30.33 least \$200,000 is committed to the project

31.1 from nonstate sources and the authority has
31.2 applied for at least two grants to offset the
31.3 cost. An amount equal to any grant money
31.4 received by the authority must be returned to
31.5 the general fund. This appropriation is
31.6 available until June 30, 2019.