

1.1 ..... moves to amend H.F. No. 207 as follows:

1.2 Page 14, line 3, after "costs" insert ", and \$10,000 is for outreach efforts to encourage  
1.3 underrepresented communities to apply for grants under this paragraph"

1.4 Page 14, line 8, after "a" insert "cash"

1.5 Page 14, delete line 10

1.6 Page 16, line 4, delete "\$45,000" and insert "\$90,000"

1.7 Page 18, after line 35, insert:

1.8 "Subd. 10. **Conservation Corps Minnesota**

1.9 A recipient of money from an appropriation  
1.10 under this section must give consideration  
1.11 to and make timely written contact with  
1.12 Conservation Corps Minnesota for possible  
1.13 use of the corps' services to contract for  
1.14 restoration and enhancement services. A  
1.15 copy of the written contact must be filed with  
1.16 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council  
1.17 within 15 days of execution.

1.18 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97A.056, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

1.19 Subd. 10. **Restoration evaluations.** The commissioner of natural resources and the  
1.20 Board of Water and Soil Resources may convene a technical evaluation panel comprised  
1.21 of five members, including one technical representative from the Board of Water and Soil  
1.22 Resources, one technical representative from the Department of Natural Resources, one  
1.23 technical expert from the University of Minnesota or the Minnesota State Colleges and  
1.24 Universities, and two representatives with expertise in the project being evaluated. The  
1.25 board and the commissioner may add a technical representative from a unit of federal or  
1.26 local government. The members of the technical evaluation panel may not be associated

2.1 with the restoration, may vary depending upon the projects being reviewed, and shall  
2.2 avoid any potential conflicts of interest. Each year, the board and the commissioner may  
2.3 assign a coordinator to identify a sample of ~~up to ten~~ habitat restoration projects completed  
2.4 with outdoor heritage funding. The coordinator shall secure the restoration plans for the  
2.5 projects specified and direct the technical evaluation panel to evaluate the restorations  
2.6 relative to the law, current science, and the stated goals and standards in the restoration  
2.7 plan and, when applicable, to the Board of Water and Soil Resources' native vegetation  
2.8 establishment and enhancement guidelines. The coordinator shall summarize the findings  
2.9 of the panel and provide a report to the chair of the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage  
2.10 Council and the chairs of the respective house of representatives and senate policy and  
2.11 finance committees with jurisdiction over natural resources and spending from the outdoor  
2.12 heritage fund. The report shall determine if the restorations are meeting planned goals,  
2.13 any problems with the implementation of restorations, and, if necessary, recommendations  
2.14 on improving restorations. The report shall be focused on improving future restorations.  
2.15 Up to one-tenth of one percent of forecasted receipts from the outdoor heritage fund may  
2.16 be used for restoration evaluations under this section."

2.17 Adjust amounts accordingly

2.18 Amend the title accordingly