

1.1 moves to amend H.F. No. 1926 as follows:

1.2 Page 12, line 2, delete "Reserve Program"

1.3 Page 12, line 19, after the period, insert "The appropriations in Laws 2012, chapter
1.4 264, article 1, section 2, subdivision 4, paragraph (a), and Laws 2013, chapter 137, article 1,
1.5 section 2, subdivision 4, paragraph (a), may be used for the purposes of this appropriation."

1.6 Page 13, line 13, delete "\$197,700" and insert "\$198,000"

1.7 Page 13, line 15, delete "\$862,300" and insert "\$862,000"

1.8 Page 23, line 19, delete "2016" and insert "2015"

1.9 Page 26, after line 24, insert:

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

1.11 Subd. 10. **Restoration evaluations.** The commissioner of natural resources and the
1.12 Board of Water and Soil Resources may convene a technical evaluation panel comprised
1.13 of five members, including one technical representative from the Board of Water and Soil
1.14 Resources, one technical representative from the Department of Natural Resources, one
1.15 technical expert from the University of Minnesota or the Minnesota State Colleges and
1.16 Universities, and two representatives with expertise in the project being evaluated. The
1.17 board and the commissioner may add a technical representative from a unit of federal or
1.18 local government. The members of the technical evaluation panel may not be associated
1.19 with the restoration, may vary depending upon the projects being reviewed, and shall
1.20 avoid any potential conflicts of interest. Each year, the board and the commissioner may
1.21 assign a coordinator to identify a sample of up to ten habitat restoration projects completed
1.22 with outdoor heritage funding. The coordinator shall secure the restoration plans for the
1.23 projects specified and direct the technical evaluation panel to evaluate the restorations
1.24 relative to the law, current science, and the stated goals and standards in the restoration
1.25 plan and, when applicable, to the Board of Water and Soil Resources' native vegetation
1.26 establishment and enhancement guidelines. The coordinator shall summarize the findings
1.27 of the panel and provide a report to the chair of the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage

- 2.1 Council and the chairs of the respective house of representatives and senate policy and
2.2 finance committees with jurisdiction over natural resources and spending from the outdoor
2.3 heritage fund. The report shall determine if the restorations are meeting planned goals,
2.4 any problems with the implementation of restorations, and, if necessary, recommendations
2.5 on improving restorations. The report shall be focused on improving future restorations.
2.6 ~~Up to~~ At least one-tenth of one percent of forecasted receipts from the outdoor heritage
2.7 fund ~~may~~ must be used for restoration evaluations under this section."
- 2.8 Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references
- 2.9 Amend the title accordingly