| 1.2 | Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert: |
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| 1.3 | "ARTICLE 1 |
| 1.4 | HOMESTEAD CREDIT REFUND AND RENTER PROPERTY TAX REFUND |
| 1.5 | Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 290A.03, subdivision 3, is amended to read: |
| 1.6 | Subd. 3. Income. (1) "Income" means the sum of the following: |
| 1.7 | (a) federal adjusted gross income as defined in the Internal Revenue Code; and |
| 1.8 | (b) the sum of the following amounts to the extent not included in clause (a): |
| 1.9 | (i) all nontaxable income; |
| 1.10 | (ii) the amount of a passive activity loss that is not disallowed as a result of section |
| 1.11 | 469, paragraph (i) or (m) of the Internal Revenue Code and the amount of passive activity |
| 1.12 | loss carryover allowed under section 469(b) of the Internal Revenue Code; |
| 1.13 | (iii) an amount equal to the total of any discharge of qualified farm indebtedness |
| 1.14 | of a solvent individual excluded from gross income under section 108(g) of the Internal |
| 1.15 | Revenue Code; |
| 1.16 | (iv) cash public assistance and relief; |
| 1.17 | (v) any pension or annuity (including railroad retirement benefits, all payments |
| 1.18 | received under the federal Social Security Act, Supplemental Security Income, and |
| 1.19 | veterans benefits), which was not exclusively funded by the claimant or spouse, or which |
| 1.20 | was funded exclusively by the claimant or spouse and which funding payments were |
| 1.21 | excluded from federal adjusted gross income in the years when the payments were made; |
| 1.22 | (vi) interest received from the federal or a state government or any instrumentality |
| 1.23 | or political subdivision thereof; |
| 1.24 | (vii) workers' compensation; |
| 1 25 | (viii) nontavable strike henefits: |

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| 2.1 | (ix) the gross amounts of payments received in the nature of disability income or |
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| 2.2 | sick pay as a result of accident, sickness, or other disability, whether funded through |
| 2.3 | insurance or otherwise; |
| 2.4 | (x) a lump-sum distribution under section 402(e)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of |
| 2.5 | 1986, as amended through December 31, 1995; |
| 2.6 | (xi) contributions made by the claimant to an individual retirement account, |
| 2.7 | including a qualified voluntary employee contribution; simplified employee pension plan; |
| 2.8 | self-employed retirement plan; cash or deferred arrangement plan under section 401(k) |
| 2.9 | of the Internal Revenue Code; or deferred compensation plan under section 457 of the |
| 2.10 | Internal Revenue Code, to the extent the sum of amounts exceeds the retirement base |
| 2.11 | amount for the claimant and spouse; |
| 2.12 | (xii) to the extent not included in federal adjusted gross income, distributions |
| 2.13 | received by the claimant or spouse from a traditional or Roth style individual retirement |
| 2.14 | account or plan; |
| 2.15 | (xiii) nontaxable scholarship or fellowship grants; |
| 2.16 | (xiii) (xiv) the amount of deduction allowed under section 199 of the Internal |
| 2.17 | Revenue Code; |
| 2.18 | (xiv) (xv) the amount of deduction allowed under section 220 or 223 of the Internal |
| 2.19 | Revenue Code; |
| 2.20 | (xv) (xvi) the amount of tuition expenses required to be added to income under |
| 2.21 | section 290.01, subdivision 19a, clause (12); |
| 2.22 | (xvi) (xvii) the amount deducted for certain expenses of elementary and secondary |
| 2.23 | school teachers under section 62(a)(2)(D) of the Internal Revenue Code; and |
| 2.24 | (xvii) (xviii) unemployment compensation. |
| 2.25 | In the case of an individual who files an income tax return on a fiscal year basis, the |
| 2.26 | term "federal adjusted gross income" shall mean federal adjusted gross income reflected |
| 2.27 | in the fiscal year ending in the calendar year. Federal adjusted gross income shall not be |
| 2.28 | reduced by the amount of a net operating loss carryback or carryforward or a capital loss |
| 2.29 | carryback or carryforward allowed for the year. |
| 2.30 | (2) "Income" does not include: |
| 2.31 | (a) amounts excluded pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code, sections 101(a) and 102; |
| 2.32 | (b) amounts of any pension or annuity which was exclusively funded by the claimant |
| 2.33 | or spouse and which funding payments were not excluded from federal adjusted gross |
| 2.34 | income in the years when the payments were made; |
| 2.35 | (c) to the extent included in federal adjusted gross income, amounts contributed by |
| 2.36 | the claimant or spouse to a traditional or Roth style individual retirement account or plan, |

| 3.1 | but not to exceed the retirement base amount reduced by the amount of contributions |
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| 3.2 | excluded from federal adjusted gross income, but not less than zero; |
| 3.3 | (d) surplus food or other relief in kind supplied by a governmental agency; |
| 3.4 | (d) (e) relief granted under this chapter; |
| 3.5 | (e) (f) child support payments received under a temporary or final decree of |
| 3.6 | dissolution or legal separation; or |
| 3.7 | (f) (g) restitution payments received by eligible individuals and excludable interest |
| 3.8 | as defined in section 803 of the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of |
| 3.9 | 2001, Public Law 107-16. |
| 3.10 | (3) The sum of the following amounts may be subtracted from income: |
| 3.11 | (a) for the claimant's first dependent, the exemption amount multiplied by 1.4; |
| 3.12 | (b) for the claimant's second dependent, the exemption amount multiplied by 1.3; |
| 3.13 | (c) for the claimant's third dependent, the exemption amount multiplied by 1.2; |
| 3.14 | (d) for the claimant's fourth dependent, the exemption amount multiplied by 1.1; |
| 3.15 | (e) for the claimant's fifth dependent, the exemption amount; and |
| 3.16 | (f) if the claimant or claimant's spouse was disabled or attained the age of 65 |
| 3.17 | on or before December 31 of the year for which the taxes were levied or rent paid, the |
| 3.18 | exemption amount. |
| 3.19 | For purposes of this subdivision, the "exemption amount" means the exemption |
| 3.20 | amount under section 151(d) of the Internal Revenue Code for the taxable year for which |
| 3.21 | the income is reported; and "retirement base amount" means the deductible amount for |
| 3.22 | the taxable year for the claimant and spouse under section 219(b)(5)(A) of the Internal |
| 3.23 | Revenue Code, adjusted for inflation as provided in section 219(b)(5)(D) of the Internal |
| 3.24 | Revenue Code, without regard to whether the claimant or spouse claimed a deduction. |
| 3.25 | EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective beginning with refunds based on |
| 3.26 | property taxes payable in 2014 and rent paid in 2013. |
| 3.27 | Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 290A.04, subdivision 2, is amended to read: |
| 3.28 | Subd. 2. Homeowners; homestead credit refund. A claimant whose property |
| 3.29 | taxes payable are in excess of the percentage of the household income stated below shall |
| 3.30 | pay an amount equal to the percent of income shown for the appropriate household |
| 3.31 | income level along with the percent to be paid by the claimant of the remaining amount |
| 3.32 | of property taxes payable. The state refund equals the amount of property taxes payable |

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that remain, up to the state refund amount shown below.

| 4.1 | | | | Maximum |
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| 4.2 4.3 | Household Income | Percent of Income | Percent Paid by Claimant | State Refund |
| 4.4 | \$0 to 1,549 | 1.0 percent | 15 percent | \$ 2,460 |
| 4.5 | 1,550 to 3,089 | 1.1 percent | 15 percent | \$ 2,460 |
| 4.6 | 3,090 to 4,669 | 1.2 percent | 15 percent | \$ 2,460 |
| 4.7 | 4,670 to 6,229 | 1.3 percent | 20 percent | \$ 2,460 |
| 4.8 | 6,230 to 7,769 | 1.4 percent | 20 percent | \$ 2,460 |
| 4.9 | 7,770 to 10,879 | 1.5 percent | 20 percent | \$ 2,460 |
| 4.10 | 10,880 to 12,429 | 1.6 percent | 20 percent | \$ 2,460 |
| 4.10 | 12,430 to 13,989 | 1.7 percent | 20 percent | \$ 2,460 |
| 4.11 | 13,990 to 15,539 | 1.8 percent | 20 percent | \$ 2,460 |
| 4.12 | 15,540 to 17,079 | 1.9 percent | 25 percent | \$ 2,460 |
| 4.13 | 17,080 to 18,659 | 2.0 percent | 25 percent | \$ 2,460 |
| 4.14 | 18,660 to 21,759 | 2.1 percent | 25 percent | \$ 2,460 |
| 4.13 | 21,760 to 23,309 | 2.2 percent | 30 percent | \$ 2,460 |
| 4.17 | 23,310 to 24,859 | 2.3 percent | 30 percent | \$ 2,460 |
| 4.17 | 24,860 to 26,419 | 2.4 percent | 30 percent | \$ 2,460 \$ 2,460 |
| 4.18 | 26,420 to 32,629 | • | - | \$ 2,460 |
| | 32,630 to 37,279 | 2.5 percent | 35 percent | • |
| 4.20 | , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , | 2.6 percent | 35 percent | \$ 2,460 \$ 2,000 |
| 4.21 | 37,280 to 46,609 | 2.7 percent | 35 percent | \$ 2,000 |
| 4.22 | 46,610 to 54,369 | 2.8 percent | 35 percent | \$ 2,000 \$ 1.750 |
| 4.23 | 54,370 to 62,139 | 2.8 percent | 40 percent | \$ 1,750 \$ 1,440 |
| 4.24 | 62,140 to 69,909 | 3.0 percent | 40 percent | \$ 1,440 |
| 4.25 | 69,910 to 77,679 | 3.0 percent | 40 percent | \$ 1,290 |
| 4.26 | 77,680 to 85,449 | 3.0 percent | 40 percent | \$ 1,130 |
| 4.27 | 85,450 to 90,119 | 3.5 percent | 45 percent | \$ 960 |
| 4.28 | 90,120 to 93,239 | 3.5 percent | 45 percent | \$ 790 |
| 4.29 | 93,240 to 97,009 | 3.5 percent | 50 percent | \$ 650 |
| 4.30 | 97,010 to 100,779 | 3.5 percent | 50 percent | \$ 480 |
| 4.31 | | | | Maximum |
| 4.32 | | | Percent Paid by | State |
| 4.33 | Household Income | Percent of Income | Claimant | Refund |
| 4.34 | \$0 to 1,619 | 1.0 percent | 15 percent | \$ 2,580 |
| 4.35 | 1,620 to 3,229 | 1.1 percent | 15 percent | \$ 2,580 |
| 4.36 | 3,230 to 4,889 | 1.2 percent | 15 percent | <u>\$ 2,580</u> |
| 4.37 | 4,890 to 6,519 | 1.3 percent | 20 percent | <u>\$ 2,580</u> |
| 4.38 | 6,520 to 8,129 | 1.4 percent | 20 percent | \$ 2,580 |
| 4.39 | 8,130 to 11,389 | 1.5 percent | 20 percent | <u>\$ 2,580</u> |
| 4.40 | 11,390 to 13,009 | 1.6 percent | 20 percent | <u>\$</u> 2,580 |
| 4.41 | 13,010 to 14,649 | 1.7 percent | 20 percent | <u>\$</u> 2,580 |
| 4.42 | 14,650 to 16,269 | 1.8 percent | 20 percent | <u>\$</u> 2,580 |
| 4.43 | 16,270 to 17,879 | 1.9 percent | 25 percent | <u>\$</u> 2,580 |
| 4.44 | 17,880 to 22,779 | 2.0 percent | 25 percent | <u>\$</u> 2,580 |

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| 5.1 | 22,780 to 24,399 | 2.0 percent | 30 percent | <u>\$</u> 2,580 |
| 5.2 | 24,400 to 27,659 | 2.0 percent | 30 percent | <u>\$</u> 2,580 |
| 5.3 | 27,660 to 39,029 | 2.0 percent | 35 percent | <u>\$ 2,580</u> |
| 5.4 | 39,030 to 56,919 | 2.0 percent | 35 percent | <u>\$ 2,090</u> |
| 5.5 | 56,920 to 65,049 | 2.0 percent | 40 percent | <u>\$ 1,830</u> |
| 5.6 | 65,050 to 73,189 | 2.1 percent | 40 percent | <u>\$ 1,510</u> |
| 5.7 | 73,190 to 81,319 | 2.2 percent | 40 percent | <u>\$ 1,350</u> |
| 5.8 | 81,320 to 89,449 | 2.3 percent | 40 percent | <u>\$ 1,180</u> |
| 5.9 | 89,450 to 94,339 | 2.4 percent | 45 percent | <u>\$ 1,000</u> |
| 5.10 | 94,340 to 97,609 | 2.5 percent | 45 percent | <u>\$</u> 830 |
| 5.11 | 97,610 to 101,559 | 2.5 percent | 50 percent | <u>\$</u> <u>680</u> |
| 5.12 | 101,560 to 105,499 | 2.5 percent | 50 percent | <u>\$ 500</u> |

The payment made to a claimant shall be the amount of the state refund calculated under this subdivision. No payment is allowed if the claimant's household income is \$100,780 \$105,500 or more.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for refund claims based on taxes payable in 2014 and thereafter.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 290A.04, subdivision 2a, is amended to read: Subd. 2a. **Renters.** A claimant whose rent constituting property taxes exceeds the percentage of the household income stated below must pay an amount equal to the percent of income shown for the appropriate household income level along with the percent to be paid by the claimant of the remaining amount of rent constituting property taxes. The state refund equals the amount of rent constituting property taxes that remain, up to the

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| 5.25 5.26 | | | Percent Paid by | Maximum State |
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| 5.27 | Household Income | Percent of Income | Claimant | Refund |
| 5.28 | \$0 to 3,589 | 1.0 percent | 5 percent | \$ 1,190 |
| 5.29 | 3,590 to 4,779 | 1.0 percent | 10 percent | \$ 1,190 |
| 5.30 | 4,780 to 5,969 | 1.1 percent | 10 percent | \$ 1,190 |
| 5.31 | 5,970 to 8,369 | 1.2 percent | 10 percent | \$ 1,190 |
| 5.32 | 8,370 to 10,759 | 1.3 percent | 15 percent | \$ 1,190 |
| 5.33 | 10,760 to 11,949 | 1.4 percent | 15 percent | \$ 1,190 |
| 5.34 | 11,950 to 13,139 | 1.4 percent | 20 percent | \$ 1,190 |
| 5.35 | 13,140 to 15,539 | 1.5 percent | 20 percent | \$ 1,190 |
| 5.36 | 15,540 to 16,729 | 1.6 percent | 20 percent | \$ 1,190 |
| 5.37 | 16,730 to 17,919 | 1.7 percent | 25 percent | \$ 1,190 |
| 5.38 | 17,920 to 20,319 | 1.8 percent | 25 percent | \$ 1,190 |
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| 6.1 | 20,320 to 21,509 | 1.9 percent | 30 percent | \$ 1,190 |
| 6.2 | 21,510 to 22,699 | 2.0 percent | 30 percent | \$ 1,190 |
| 6.3 | 22,700 to 23,899 | 2.2 percent | 30 percent | \$ 1,190 |
| 6.4 | 23,900 to 25,089 | 2.4 percent | 30 percent | \$ 1,190 |
| 6.5 | 25,090 to 26,289 | 2.6 percent | 35 percent | \$ 1,190 |
| 6.6 | 26,290 to 27,489 | 2.7 percent | 35 percent | \$ 1,190 |
| 6.7 | 27,490 to 28,679 | 2.8 percent | 35 percent | \$ 1,190 |
| 6.8 | 28,680 to 29,869 | 2.9 percent | 40 percent | \$ 1,190 |
| 6.9 | 29,870 to 31,079 | 3.0 percent | 40 percent | \$ 1,190 |
| 6.10 | 31,080 to 32,269 | 3.1 percent | 40 percent | \$ 1,190 |
| 6.11 | 32,270 to 33,459 | 3.2 percent | 40 percent | \$ 1,190 |
| 6.12 | 33,460 to 34,649 | 3.3 percent | 45 percent | \$ 1 ,080 |
| 6.13 | 34,650 to 35,849 | 3.4 percent | 45 percent | \$ 960 |
| 6.14 | 35,850 to 37,049 | 3.5 percent | 45 percent | \$ 830 |
| 6.15 | 37,050 to 38,239 | 3.5 percent | 50 percent | \$ 720 |
| 6.16 | 38,240 to 39,439 | 3.5 percent | 50 percent | \$ 600 |
| 6.17 | 38,440 to 40,629 | 3.5 percent | 50 percent | \$ 3 60 |
| 6.18 | 40,630 to 41,819 | 3.5 percent | 50 percent | \$ 120 |
| 6.19 | \$0 to 4,909 | 1.0 percent | 5 percent | <u>\$</u> 2,000 |
| 6.20 | 4,910 to 6,529 | 1.0 percent | 10 percent | <u>\$</u> 2,000 |
| 6.21 | 6,530 to 8,159 | 1.1 percent | 10 percent | <u>\$ 1,950</u> |
| 6.22 | 8,160 to 11,439 | 1.2 percent | 10 percent | <u>\$ 1,900</u> |
| 6.23 | 11,440 to 14,709 | 1.3 percent | 15 percent | <u>\$</u> <u>1,850</u> |
| 6.24 | 14,710 to 16,339 | 1.4 percent | 15 percent | <u>\$ 1,800</u> |
| 6.25 | 16,340 to 17,959 | 1.4 percent | 20 percent | <u>\$</u> <u>1,750</u> |
| 6.26 | 17,960 to 21,239 | 1.5 percent | 20 percent | <u>\$</u> <u>1,700</u> |
| 6.27 | 21,240 to 22,869 | 1.6 percent | 20 percent | <u>\$</u> 1,650 |
| 6.28 | 22,870 to 24,499 | 1.7 percent | 25 percent | <u>\$</u> <u>1,650</u> |
| 6.29 | 24,500 to 27,779 | 1.8 percent | 25 percent | <u>\$</u> <u>1,650</u> |
| 6.30 | 27,780 to 29,399 | 1.9 percent | 30 percent | <u>\$</u> 1,650 |
| 6.31 | 29,400 to 34,299 | 2.0 percent | 30 percent | <u>\$ 1,650</u> |
| 6.32 | 34,300 to 39,199 | 2.0 percent | 35 percent | <u>\$</u> 1,650 |
| 6.33 | 39,200 to 45,739 | 2.0 percent | 40 percent | <u>\$ 1,650</u> |
| 6.34 | 45,740 to 47,369 | 2.0 percent | 45 percent | <u>\$</u> 1,500 |
| 6.35 | 47,370 to 49,009 | 2.0 percent | 45 percent | \$ 1,350 |
| 6.36 | 49,010 to 50,649 | 2.0 percent | 45 percent | <u>\$</u> <u>1,150</u> |
| 6.37 | 50,650 to 52,269 | 2.0 percent | 50 percent | <u>\$</u> <u>1,000</u> |
| 6.38 | 52,270 to 53,909 | 2.0 percent | 50 percent | <u>\$</u> 900 |
| 6.39 | 53,910 to 55,539 | 2.0 percent | 50 percent | <u>\$</u> <u>500</u> |
| 6.40 | 55,540 to 57,169 | 2.0 percent | 50 percent | <u>\$</u> <u>200</u> |
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The payment made to a claimant is the amount of the state refund calculated under this subdivision. No payment is allowed if the claimant's household income is \$41,820 \$57,170 or more.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for claims based on rent paid in 2013 and following years.

- Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 290A.04, subdivision 4, is amended to read:
- Subd. 4. **Inflation adjustment.** (a) Beginning for property tax refunds payable in calendar year 2002, the commissioner shall annually adjust the dollar amounts of the income thresholds and the maximum refunds under subdivisions 2 and 2a for inflation. The commissioner shall make the inflation adjustments in accordance with section 1(f) of the Internal Revenue Code, except that for purposes of this subdivision the percentage increase shall be determined as provided in this subdivision.
- (b) In adjusting the dollar amounts of the income thresholds and the maximum refunds under subdivision 2 for inflation, the percentage increase shall be determined from the year ending on June 30, 2011 2013, to the year ending on June 30 of the year preceding that in which the refund is payable.
- (c) In adjusting the dollar amounts of the income thresholds and the maximum refunds under subdivision 2a for inflation, the percentage increase shall be determined from the year ending on June 30, 2000 2013, to the year ending on June 30 of the year preceding that in which the refund is payable.
- (d) The commissioner shall use the appropriate percentage increase to annually adjust the income thresholds and maximum refunds under subdivisions 2 and 2a for inflation without regard to whether or not the income tax brackets are adjusted for inflation in that year. The commissioner shall round the thresholds and the maximum amounts, as adjusted to the nearest \$10 amount. If the amount ends in \$5, the commissioner shall round it up to the next \$10 amount.
- (e) The commissioner shall annually announce the adjusted refund schedule at the same time provided under section 290.06. The determination of the commissioner under this subdivision is not a rule under the Administrative Procedure Act.

7.30 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for refund claims based on taxes payable in 2014 and rent paid in 2013 and following years.

Sec. 5. [290A.28] NOTIFICATION OF POTENTIAL ELIGIBILITY.

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| 8.1 | Subdivision 1. Notification of eligibility. (a) By August 1, 2014, the commissioner |
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| 8.2 | shall notify, in writing or electronically, individual homeowners whom the commissioner |
| 8.3 | determines likely will be eligible for a homestead credit refund under this chapter for |
| 8.4 | that property taxes payable year. In determining whether to notify a homeowner, the |
| 8.5 | commissioner shall consider the property tax information available to the commissioner |
| 8.6 | under paragraph (b) and the most recent income information available to the commissioner |
| 8.7 | from filing under this chapter for the prior year or under chapter 290 for the current or |
| 8.8 | prior year. The notification must include information on how to file for the homestead |
| 8.9 | credit refund and the range of potential homestead credit refunds that the homeowner |
| 8.10 | could qualify to receive. The notification requirement under this section does not apply |
| 8.11 | to a homeowner who has already filed for the homestead credit refund for the current |
| 8.12 | or prior year. |
| 8.13 | (b) By May 15, 2014, each county auditor shall transmit to the commissioner |
| 8.14 | of revenue the following information for each property classified as a residential or |
| 8.15 | agricultural homestead under section 273.13, subdivision 22 or 23: |
| 8.16 | (1) the property taxes payable; |
| 8.17 | (2) the name and address of the owner; |
| 8.18 | (3) the Social Security number or numbers of the owners; and |
| 8.19 | (4) any other information the commissioner deems necessary or useful to carry |
| 8.20 | out the provisions of this section. |
| 8.21 | The information must be provided in the form and manner prescribed by the commissioner. |
| 8.22 | Subd. 2. Report. By March 15, 2015, the commissioner must provide written |
| 8.23 | reports to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with |
| 8.24 | jurisdiction over taxes, in compliance with Minnesota Statutes, sections 3.195 and 3.197. |
| 8.25 | The report must provide information on the number and dollar amount of homeowner |
| 8.26 | property tax refund claims based on taxes payable in 2014, including: |
| 8.27 | (i) the number and dollar amount of claims projected for homestead credit refunds |
| 8.28 | based on taxes payable in 2014 prior to enactment of the notification requirement in |
| 8.29 | this section; |
| 8.30 | (ii) the number of notifications issued as provided in this section, including the |
| 8.31 | number issued by county; |
| 8.32 | (iii) the number and dollar amount of claims for homestead credit refunds based on |
| 8.33 | taxes payable in 2014 processed through December 31, 2014; and |
| 8.34 | (iv) a description of any outreach efforts undertaken by the commissioner for |
| 8.35 | homestead credit refunds based on taxes payable in 2014, in addition to the notification |
| 8.36 | required in this section. |

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for refund claims based on property taxes payable in 2014.

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PROPERTY TAX AIDS AND CREDITS

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 69.021, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- Subd. 12. Surcharge aid accounts. (a) A surcharge fire pension aid account is established in the general fund to receive amounts as provided under section 297I.07, subdivision 3, clause (1). The commissioner shall administer the account and allocate money in the account as follows:
- (1) 17.342 percent as supplemental state pension funding paid to the executive director of the Public Employees Retirement Association for deposit in the public employees police and fire retirement fund established by section 353.65, subdivision 1;
- (2) 8.658 percent to municipalities employing firefighters with retirement coverage by the public employees police and fire retirement plan, allocated in proportion to the relationship that the preceding December 31 number of firefighters employed by each municipality who have public employees police and fire retirement plan coverage bears to the total preceding December 31 number of municipal firefighters covered by the public employees police and fire retirement plan; and
- (3) 74 percent for municipalities other than the municipalities receiving a disbursement under clause (2) which qualified to receive fire state aid in that calendar year, allocated in proportion to the most recent amount of fire state aid paid under subdivision 7 for the municipality bears to the most recent total fire state aid for all municipalities other than the municipalities receiving a disbursement under clause (2) paid under subdivision 7, with the allocated amount for fire departments participating in the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan paid to the executive director of the Public Employees Retirement Association for deposit in the fund established by section 353G.02, subdivision 3, and credited to the respective account and with the balance paid to the treasurer of each municipality for transmittal within 30 days of receipt to the treasurer of the applicable volunteer firefighter relief association for deposit in its special fund.
- (b) A surcharge police pension aid account is established in the general fund to receive amounts as provided by section 297I.07, subdivision 3, clause (2). The commissioner shall administer the account and allocate money in the account as follows:
 - (1) one-third to be distributed as police state aid as provided under subdivision 7a; and

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| 10.1 | (2) two-thirds to be apportioned, on the basis of the number of active police officers |
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| 10.2 | certified for police state aid receipt under section 69.011, subdivisions 2 and 2b, between: |
| 10.3 | (i) the executive director of the Public Employees Retirement Association for |
| 10.4 | deposit as a supplemental state pension funding aid in the public employees police and fire |
| 10.5 | retirement fund established by section 353.65, subdivision 1; and |
| 10.6 | (ii) the executive director of the Minnesota State Retirement System for deposit as a |
| 10.7 | supplemental state pension funding aid in the state patrol retirement fund. |
| 10.8 | (c) On or before September 1, annually, the executive director of the Public |
| 10.9 | Employees Retirement Association shall report to the commissioner the following: |
| 10.10 | (1) the municipalities which employ firefighters with retirement coverage by the |
| 10.11 | public employees police and fire retirement plan; |
| 10.12 | (2) the number of firefighters with public employees police and fire retirement plan |
| 10.13 | employed by each municipality; |
| 10.14 | (3) the fire departments covered by the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer |
| 10.15 | firefighter retirement plan; and |
| 10.16 | (4) any other information requested by the commissioner to administer the surcharge |
| 10.17 | fire pension aid account. |
| 10.18 | (d) For this subdivision, (i) the number of firefighters employed by a municipality |
| 10.19 | who have public employees police and fire retirement plan coverage means the number |
| 10.20 | of firefighters with public employees police and fire retirement plan coverage that were |
| 10.21 | employed by the municipality for not less than 30 hours per week for a minimum of six |
| 10.22 | months prior to December 31 preceding the date of the payment under this section and, if |
| 10.23 | the person was employed for less than the full year, prorated to the number of full months |
| 10.24 | employed; and, (ii) the number of active police officers certified for police state aid receipt |
| 10.25 | under section 69.011, subdivisions 2 and 2b means, for each municipality, the number of |
| 10.26 | police officers meeting the definition of peace officer in section 69.011, subdivision 1, |
| 10.27 | counted as provided and limited by section 69.011, subdivisions 2 and 2b. |
| 10.28 | (e) The payments under this section shall be made on October 1 each year, based |
| 10.29 | on the amount in the surcharge fire pension aid account and the amount in the surcharge |
| 10.30 | police pension aid account on the preceding June 30, with interest at 1 percent for each |
| 10.31 | month, or portion of a month, that the amount remains unpaid after October 1. The |
| 10.32 | amounts necessary to make the payments under this subdivision are annually appropriated |
| 10.33 | to the commissioner from the surcharge fire and police pension aid accounts. Any |
| 10.34 | necessary adjustments shall be made to subsequent payments. |
| 10.35 | (f) The provisions of this chapter that prevent municipalities and relief associations |
| 10.36 | from being eligible for, or receiving state aid under this chapter until the applicable |

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financial reporting requirements have been complied with, apply to the amounts payable 11.1 to municipalities and relief associations under this subdivision. 11.2 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective beginning in the fiscal year beginning 11.3 11.4 July 1, 2013. Sec. 2. [297I.07] SURCHARGE ON HOMEOWNERS AND AUTO POLICIES. 11.5 Subdivision 1. Surcharge on policies. (a) Each licensed insurer engaged in writing 116 insurance shall collect a surcharge equal to \$5 per calendar year for each policy issued 11.7 11.8 or renewed during that calendar year for: (1) homeowners insurance authorized in section 60A.06, subdivision 1, clause 11.9 (1)(c); and 11.10 11.11 (2) automobile insurance as defined in section 65B.14, subdivision 2. (b) The surcharge amount collected under this subdivision must not be considered 11.12 premium for any other purpose. The surcharge amount must be separately stated on either a 11.13 billing or policy declaration or document containing similar information sent to an insured. 11.14 Subd. 2. Collection and administration. The commissioner shall administer the 11.15 11.16 surcharge imposed by this section in the same manner as the taxes imposed by this chapter. Subd. 3. **Deposit of revenues.** The commissioner shall deposit revenues from the 11.17 surcharge under this section as follows: 11.18

(1) amounts from the surcharge imposed under subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause (1), in a surcharge fire pension aid account in the general fund; and

(2) amounts from the surcharge imposed under subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause(2), in a surcharge police pension aid account in the general fund.

Subd. 4. Surcharge termination. The surcharge imposed under subdivision

1 ends on the December 31 next following the actuarial valuation date on which the

assets of the retirement plan on a market value equals or exceeds 90 percent of the total

actuarial accrued liabilities of the retirement plan as disclosed in an actuarial valuation

prepared under section 356.215 and the Standards for Actuarial Work promulgated by the

Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement, for the State Patrol retirement plan

or the public employees police and fire retirement plan, whichever occurs last.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for policies issued after June 30, 2013.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 477A.011, subdivision 30, is amended to read:

Subd. 30. **Pre-1940 housing percentage.** (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b),

"pre-1940 housing percentage" for a city is 100 times the most recent federal census count

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by the United States Bureau of the Census of all housing units in the city built before 12.1 12.2 1940, divided by the total number of all housing units in the city. Housing units includes both occupied and vacant housing units as defined by the federal census. 12.3 (b) For the city of East Grand Forks only, "pre-1940 housing percentage" is equal 12.4 to 100 times the 1990 federal census count of all housing units in the city built before 12.5 1940, divided by the most recent count by the United States Bureau of the Census of all 12.6 housing units in the city. Housing units includes both occupied and vacant housing units 12.7 as defined by the federal census. 12.8 12.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for aids payable in calendar year 2014 and thereafter. 12.10 12.11 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 477A.011, is amended by adding a subdivision to read: 12.12 Subd. 30a. Percent of housing built between 1940 and 1970. "Percent of housing 12.13 built between 1940 and 1970" is equal to 100 times the most recent count by the United 12.14 States Bureau of the Census of all housing units in the city built after 1939 but before 12.15 12.16 1970, divided by the total number of all housing units in the city. Housing units includes both occupied and vacant housing units as defined by the federal census. 12.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for aids payable in calendar year 12.18 2014 and thereafter. 12.19 12.20 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 477A.011, subdivision 34, is amended to read: Subd. 34. City revenue need. (a) For a city with a population equal to or greater 12.21 than 2,500 10,000, "city revenue need" is the greater of 285 or 1.15 times the sum of (1) 12.22 12.23 5.0734098 4.59 times the pre-1940 housing percentage; plus (2) 19.141678 times the population decline percentage 0.622 times the percent of housing built between 1940 and 12.24 1970; plus (3) 2504.06334 times the road accidents factor 169.415 times the jobs per 12.25 capita; plus (4) 355.0547; minus (5) the metropolitan area factor; minus (6) 49.10638 12.26 times the household size 307.664. 12.27 (b) For a city with a population equal to or greater than 2,500 and less than 10,000, 12.28 "city revenue need" is 1.15 times the sum of (1) 572.62; plus (2) 5.026 times the pre-1940 12.29 housing percentage; minus (3) 53.768 times household size; plus (4) 14.022 times peak 12.30 population decline. 12.31 (b) (c) For a city with a population less than 2,500, "city revenue need" is the sum of 12.32

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(1) 2.387 times the pre-1940 housing percentage; plus (2) 2.67591 times the commercial

industrial percentage; plus (3) 3.16042 times the population decline percentage; plus (4) 1.206 times the transformed population; minus (5) 62.772 410 plus 0.367 times the city's population over 100. The city revenue need under this paragraph shall not exceed 630.

(e) (d) For a city with a population of at least 2,500 or more and a population in one of the most recently available five years that was less than 2,500, "city revenue need" is the sum of (1) its city revenue need calculated under paragraph (a) multiplied by its transition factor; plus (2) its city revenue need calculated under the formula in paragraph (b) multiplied by the difference between one and its transition factor. For purposes of this paragraph, a city's "transition factor" is equal to 0.2 multiplied by the number of years that the city's population estimate has been 2,500 or more. This provision only applies for aids payable in calendar years 2006 to 2008 to cities with a 2002 population of less than 2,500. It applies to any city for aids payable in 2009 and thereafter but less than 3,000, the "city revenue need" equals (1) the transition factor times the city's revenue need calculated in paragraph (b) plus (2) 630 times the difference between one and the transition factor. For a city with a population of at least 10,000 but less than 10,500, the "city revenue need" equals (1) the transition factor times the city's revenue need calculated in paragraph (a) plus (2) the city's revenue need calculated under the formula in paragraph (b) times the difference between one and the transition factor. For purposes of this paragraph "transition factor" is 0.2 percent times the amount that the city's population exceeds the minimum threshold in either of the first two sentences.

(d) (e) The city revenue need cannot be less than zero.

(e) (f) For calendar year 2005 2015 and subsequent years, the city revenue need for a city, as determined in paragraphs (a) to (d) (e), is multiplied by the ratio of the annual implicit price deflator for government consumption expenditures and gross investment for state and local governments as prepared by the United States Department of Commerce, for the most recently available year to the 2003 2013 implicit price deflator for state and local government purchases.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for aids payable in calendar year 2014 and thereafter.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 477A.011, subdivision 42, is amended to read: Subd. 42. City jobs base Jobs per capita. (a) "City jobs base" for a city with a population of 5,000 or more is equal to the product of (1) \$25.20, (2) the number of jobs per capita in the city, and (3) its population. For cities with a population less than 5,000, the city jobs base is equal to zero. For a city receiving aid under subdivision 36, paragraph (k), its city jobs base is reduced by the lesser of 36 percent of the amount of

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aid received under that paragraph or \$1,000,000. No city's city jobs base may exceed \$4,725,000 under this paragraph.

(b) For calendar year 2010 and subsequent years, the city jobs base for a city, as determined in paragraph (a), is multiplied by the ratio of the appropriation under section 477A.03, subdivision 2a, for the year in which the aid is paid to the appropriation under that section for aids payable in 2009.

(e) For purposes of this subdivision, "Jobs per capita in the city" means (1) the average annual number of employees in the city based on the data from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, as reported by the Department of Employment and Economic Development, for the most recent calendar year available as of May 1, 2008 November 1 of every odd-numbered year, divided by (2) the city's population for the same calendar year as the employment data. The commissioner of the Department of Employment and Economic Development shall certify to the city the average annual number of employees for each city by June 1, 2008 January 15, of every even-numbered year beginning with January 15, 2014. A city may challenge an estimate under this paragraph by filing its specific objection, including the names of employers that it feels may have misreported data, in writing with the commissioner by June 20, 2008 December 1 of every odd-numbered year. The commissioner shall make every reasonable effort to address the specific objection and adjust the data as necessary. The commissioner shall certify the estimates of the annual employment to the commissioner of revenue by July 15, 2008 January 15 of all even-numbered years, including any estimates still under objection. For aids payable in 2014, "jobs per capita" shall be based on the annual number of employees and population for calendar year 2010 without additional review.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for aids payable in calendar year 2014 and thereafter.

- Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 477A.011, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- 14.28 Subd. 44. Peak population decline. "Peak population decline" is equal to 100

 14.29 times the difference between one and the ratio of the city's current population, to the

 14.30 highest city population reported in a federal census from the 1970 census or later. "Peak

 14.31 population decline" shall not be less than zero.
- 14.32 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for aids payable in calendar year 2014 and thereafter.

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Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 477A.013, subdivision 8, is amended to read: 15.1 Subd. 8. City formula aid. (a) For aids payable in 2014 only, the formula aid for a 15.2 city is equal to the sum of (1) its 2013 certified aid and (2) the product of (i) the difference 15.3 between its unmet need and its 2013 certified aid and (ii) the aid gap percentage. 15.4 (b) For aids payable in 2015 and thereafter, the formula aid for a city is equal to 15.5 the sum of (1) its eity jobs base, (2) its small eity aid base, and (3) the need increase 15.6 percentage multiplied by the average of its unmet need for the most recently available two 15.7 years formula aid in the previous year and (2) the product of (i) the difference between 15.8 its unmet need and its certified aid in the previous year under subdivision 9, and (ii) 15.9 the aid gap percentage. 15.10 No city may have a formula aid amount less than zero. The need increase aid gap 15.11 15.12 percentage must be the same for all cities. The applicable need increase aid gap percentage must be calculated by the 15.13 Department of Revenue so that the total of the aid under subdivision 9 equals the total 15.14 15.15 amount available for aid under section 477A.03. Data used in calculating aids to cities under sections 477A.011 to 477A.013 shall be the most recently available data as of 15.16 January 1 in the year in which the aid is calculated except that the data used to compute "net 15.17 15.18 levy" in subdivision 9 is the data most recently available at the time of the aid computation. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for aids payable in calendar year 15.19 2014 and thereafter. 15.20 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 477A.013, subdivision 9, is amended to read: 15.21 Subd. 9. City aid distribution. (a) In calendar year 2013 2014 and thereafter, each 15.22 city shall receive an aid distribution equal to the sum of (1) the city formula aid under 15.23 subdivision 8, and (2) its eity aid base aid adjustment under subdivision 13. 15.24 (b) For aids payable in 2013 and 2014 only, the total aid in the previous year for 15.25 any city shall mean the amount of aid it was certified to receive for aids payable in 2012 15.26 under this section. For aids payable in 2015 and thereafter, the total aid in the previous 15.27 year for any city means the amount of aid it was certified to receive under this section in 15.28

(e) For aids payable in 2010 and thereafter, the total aid for any city shall not exceed the sum of (1) ten percent of the city's net levy for the year prior to the aid distribution plus (2) its total aid in the previous year. For aids payable in 2009 and thereafter, the total aid for any city with a population of 2,500 or more may not be less than its total aid under this section in the previous year minus the lesser of \$10 multiplied by its population, or ten percent of its net levy in the year prior to the aid distribution.

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(d) (b) For aids payable in 2014 only, the total aid for a city may not be less than the amount it was certified to receive in 2013. For aids payable in 2010 2015 and thereafter, the total aid for a city with a population less than 2,500 must not be less than the amount it was certified to receive in the previous year minus the lesser of \$10 multiplied by its population, or five percent of its 2003 certified aid amount. For aids payable in 2009 only, the total aid for a city with a population less than 2,500 must not be less than what it received under this section in the previous year unless its total aid in calendar year 2008 was aid under section 477A.011, subdivision 36, paragraph (s), in which case its minimum aid is zero its net levy in the year prior to the aid distribution.

- (e) A city's aid loss under this section may not exceed \$300,000 in any year in which the total city aid appropriation under section 477A.03, subdivision 2a, is equal or greater than the appropriation under that subdivision in the previous year, unless the city has an adjustment in its city net tax capacity under the process described in section 469.174, subdivision 28.
- (f) If a city's net tax capacity used in calculating aid under this section has decreased in any year by more than 25 percent from its net tax capacity in the previous year due to property becoming tax-exempt Indian land, the city's maximum allowed aid increase under paragraph (e) shall be increased by an amount equal to (1) the city's tax rate in the year of the aid calculation, multiplied by (2) the amount of its net tax capacity decrease resulting from the property becoming tax exempt.
- 16.21 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for aids payable in calendar year

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- Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 477A.013, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
 - Subd. 13. Certified aid adjustments. (a) A city that received an aid base increase under Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 477A.011, subdivision 36, paragraph (e), shall have its total aid under subdivision 9 increased by an amount equal to \$150,000 for aids payable in 2014 through 2018.
 - (b) A city that received a temporary aid increase under Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 477A.011, subdivision 36, paragraph (m), (v), or (w), shall have its total aid under subdivision 9 decreased by the amount of its aid base increase under those paragraphs in calendar year 2013.
- Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 477A.03, subdivision 2a, is amended to read:

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Subd. 2a. **Cities.** For aids payable in 2013 2014 and thereafter, the total aid paid under section 477A.013, subdivision 9, is \$426,438,012 \$486,438,012, multiplied by the inflation adjustment under subdivision 6.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for aids payable in calendar year 2014 and thereafter.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 477A.03, subdivision 2b, is amended to read: Subd. 2b. **Counties.** (a) For aids payable in 2013 2014 and thereafter, the total aid payable under section 477A.0124, subdivision 3, is \$80,795,000 \$94,795,000. Each calendar year, \$500,000 of this appropriation shall be retained by the commissioner of revenue to make reimbursements to the commissioner of management and budget for payments made under section 611.27. For calendar year 2004, the amount shall be in addition to the payments authorized under section 477A.0124, subdivision 1. For calendar year 2005 and subsequent years, the amount shall be deducted from the appropriation under this paragraph. The reimbursements shall be to defray the additional costs associated with court-ordered counsel under section 611.27. Any retained amounts not used for reimbursement in a year shall be included in the next distribution of county need aid that is certified to the county auditors for the purpose of property tax reduction for the next taxes payable year.

(b) For aids payable in 2013 2014 and thereafter, the total aid under section 477A.0124, subdivision 4, is \$84,909,575 \$98,909,575. The commissioner of management and budget shall bill the commissioner of revenue for the cost of preparation of local impact notes as required by section 3.987, not to exceed \$207,000 in each fiscal year 2004 and thereafter. The commissioner of education shall bill the commissioner of revenue for the cost of preparation of local impact notes for school districts as required by section 3.987, not to exceed \$7,000 in each fiscal year 2004 and thereafter. The commissioner of revenue shall deduct the amounts billed under this paragraph from the appropriation under this paragraph. The amounts deducted are appropriated to the commissioner of management and budget and the commissioner of education for the preparation of local impact notes.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for aid payable in 2014 and thereafter.

- Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 477A.03, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- 17.32 <u>Subd. 6.</u> <u>Inflation adjustment.</u> <u>In 2015 and thereafter, the amount paid under</u> 17.33 subdivision 2a shall be increased by an amount equal to one plus the sum of (1) the

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| 18.10 | (a) Minnesota Statutes 2012, | sections 477A.011, su | ubdivisions 2a, 19, 2 | 9, 31, 32, 33, |
| 18.11 | 36, 39, 40, 41, and 42; 477A.013, st | ubdivisions 11 and 12 | 2; 477A.0133; and 4° | 77A.0134, are |
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Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 103B.102, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Evaluation and report.** The Board of Water and Soil Resources shall evaluate performance, financial, and activity information for each local water management entity. The board shall evaluate the entities' progress in accomplishing their adopted plans on a regular basis as determined by the board based on budget and operations of the local water management entity, but not less than once every five ten years. The board shall maintain a summary of local water management entity performance on the board's Web site. Beginning February 1, 2008, and annually thereafter, the board shall provide an analysis of local water management entity performance to the chairs of the house of representatives and senate committees having jurisdiction over environment and natural resources policy.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 103B.335, is amended to read:

103B.335 TAX LEVY AUTHORITY.

Subdivision 1. **Local water planning and management.** The governing body of any county, municipality, or township may levy a tax in an amount required to implement sections 103B.301 to 103B.355 or a comprehensive watershed management plan as defined in section 103B.3363.

Subd. 2. **Priority programs; conservation and watershed districts.** A county may levy amounts necessary to pay the reasonable increased costs to soil and water conservation districts and watershed districts of administering and implementing priority programs identified in an approved and adopted plan or a comprehensive watershed management plan as defined in section 103B.3363.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 103B.3369, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. Financial assistance. A base grant may be awarded to a county that provides a match utilizing a water implementation tax or other local source. A water implementation tax that a county intends to use as a match to the base grant must be levied at a rate sufficient to generate a minimum amount determined by the board. The board may award performance-based grants to local units of government that are responsible for implementing elements of applicable portions of watershed management plans, comprehensive plans, local water management plans, or comprehensive watershed management plans, developed or amended, adopted and approved, according to chapter 103B, 103C, or 103D. Upon request by a local government unit, the board may also award performance-based grants to local units of government to carry out TMDL implementation plans as provided in chapter 114D, if the TMDL implementation plan has been incorporated into the local water management plan according to the procedures for approving comprehensive plans, watershed management plans, local water management plans, or comprehensive watershed management plans under chapter 103B, 103C, or 103D, or if the TMDL implementation plan has undergone a public review process. Notwithstanding section 16A.41, the board may award performance-based grants on an advanced basis. The fee authorized in section 40A.152 may be used as a local match or as a supplement to state funding to accomplish implementation of comprehensive plans, watershed management plans, local water management plans, or comprehensive watershed management plans under chapter 103B, 103C, or 103D.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 103C.501, subdivision 4, is amended to read: Subd. 4. **Cost-sharing funds.** (a) The state board shall allocate at least 70 percent of cost-sharing funds to areas with high priority erosion, sedimentation, or water quality

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problems or water quantity problems due to altered hydrology. The areas must be selected based on the statewide priorities established by the state board.

- (b) The allocated funds must be used for conservation practices for high priority problems identified in the comprehensive and annual work plans of the districts, for the technical assistance portion of the grant funds to leverage federal or other nonstate funds, or to address high-priority needs identified in local water management plans or comprehensive watershed management plans.
 - (b) The remaining cost-sharing funds may be allocated to districts as follows:
- (1) for technical and administrative assistance, not more than 20 percent of the funds; and
- (2) for conservation practices for lower priority erosion, sedimentation, or water quality problems.
- Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 103F.405, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

 Subdivision 1. **Authority.** Each statutory or home rule charter city, town, or
 county that has planning and zoning authority under sections 366.10 to 366.19, 394.21
 to 394.37, or 462.351 to 462.365 is encouraged to adopt a soil loss ordinance. The soil
 loss ordinance must use the soil loss tolerance for each soil series described in the United
 States Soil Natural Resources Conservation Service Field Office Technical Guide, or
 another method approved by the Board of Water and Soil Resources, to determine the
 soil loss limits, but the soil loss limits must be attainable by the best practicable soil
 conservation practice. Ordinances adopted by local governments within the metropolitan
 area defined in section 473.121 must be consistent with local water management plans
 adopted under section 103B.235 a comprehensive plan, local water management plan, or
 watershed management plan developed or amended, adopted and approved, according
 to chapter 103B, 103C, or 103D.
- Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 272.02, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- Subd. 98. **Certain property owned by an Indian tribe.** (a) Property is exempt that:
- 20.29 (1) was classified as 3a under section 273.13, subdivision 24, for taxes payable 20.30 in 2013;
- 20.31 (2) is located in a city of the first class with a population greater than 300,000 as of the 2010 federal census;
- 20.33 (3) is owned and occupied directly or indirectly by a federally recognized Indian tribe within the state of Minnesota; and

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(4) is used exclusively for tribal purposes or institutions of public charity as defined in subdivision 7.

(b) For purposes of this subdivision, a "tribal purpose" is a public purpose as defined in subdivision 8 and includes noncommercial tribal government activities. Property that qualifies for the exemption under this subdivision is limited to no more than two contiguous parcels and structures that do not exceed in the aggregate 20,000 square feet. Property acquired for single-family housing, market-rate apartments, agriculture, or forestry does not qualify for this exemption. The exemption created by this subdivision expires with taxes payable in 2024.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective beginning with taxes payable in 2014.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 272.02, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 99. Public entertainment facility; property tax exemption; special assessment. Any real or personal property acquired, owned, leased, controlled, used, or occupied by a first class city for the primary purpose of providing an arena for a professional basketball team is declared to be acquired, owned, leased, controlled, used, and occupied for public, governmental, and municipal purposes, and is exempt from ad valorem taxation by the state or any political subdivision of the state, provided that the properties are subject to special assessments levied by a political subdivision for a local improvement in amounts proportionate to and not exceeding the special benefit received by the properties from the improvement. In determining the special benefit received by the properties, no possible use of any of the properties in any manner different from their intended use for providing a professional basketball arena at the time may be considered. Notwithstanding section 272.01, subdivision 2, or 273.19, real or personal property subject to a lease or use agreement between the city and another person for uses related to the purposes of the operation of the arena is exempt from taxation regardless of the length of the lease or use agreement. This section, insofar as it provides an exemption or special treatment, does not apply to any real property that is leased for residential, business, or commercial development, or to a restaurant that is open for general business more than 200 days a year, or for other purposes different from those necessary to the provision and operation of the arena.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective beginning with assessment year 2013.

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Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 272.02, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 100. Public entertainment facility; property tax exemption; special assessment. Any real or personal property acquired, owned, leased, controlled, used, or occupied by a first class city for the primary purpose of providing a ball park for a minor league baseball team is declared to be acquired, owned, leased, controlled, used, and occupied for public, governmental, and municipal purposes, and is exempt from ad valorem taxation by the state or any political subdivision of the state, provided that the properties are subject to special assessments levied by a political subdivision for a local improvement in amounts proportionate to and not exceeding the special benefit received by the properties from the improvement. In determining the special benefit received by the properties, no possible use of any of the properties in any manner different from their intended use for providing a minor league ballpark at the time may be considered. Notwithstanding section 272.01, subdivision 2, or 273.19, real or personal property subject to a lease or use agreement between the city and another person for uses related to the purposes of the operation of the ballpark and related parking facilities is exempt from taxation regardless of the length of the lease or use agreement. This section, insofar as it provides an exemption or special treatment, does not apply to any real property that is leased for residential, business, or commercial development or other purposes different from those necessary to the provision and operation of the ball park.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective beginning with assessment year 2013.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.11, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 24. Valuation limit for class 4d property. Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision 1, the taxable value of any property classified as class 4d under section 273.13, subdivision 25, is limited as provided under this section. For assessment year 2013, the value may not exceed \$100,000 times the number of dwelling units. For subsequent years, the limit is adjusted each year by the average statewide change in estimated market value of property classified as class 4a and 4d under section 273.13, subdivision 25, for the previous assessment year, excluding valuation change due to new construction, rounded to the nearest \$1,000. Beginning with assessment year 2014, the commissioner of revenue must certify the limit for each assessment year by November 1 of the previous year.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective beginning with assessment year 2013.

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Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 279.01, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. **Due dates**; **penalties.** Except as provided in subdivision subdivisions 3 or 4 to 5, on May 16 or 21 days after the postmark date on the envelope containing the property tax statement, whichever is later, a penalty accrues and thereafter is charged upon all unpaid taxes on real estate on the current lists in the hands of the county treasurer. The penalty is at a rate of two percent on homestead property until May 31 and four percent on June 1. The penalty on nonhomestead property is at a rate of four percent until May 31 and eight percent on June 1. This penalty does not accrue until June 1 of each year, or 21 days after the postmark date on the envelope containing the property tax statements, whichever is later, on commercial use real property used for seasonal residential recreational purposes and classified as class 1c or 4c, and on other commercial use real property classified as class 3a, provided that over 60 percent of the gross income earned by the enterprise on the class 3a property is earned during the months of May, June, July, and August. In order for the first half of the tax due on class 3a property to be paid after May 15 and before June 1, or 21 days after the postmark date on the envelope containing the property tax statement, whichever is later, without penalty, the owner of the property must attach an affidavit to the payment attesting to compliance with the income provision of this subdivision. Thereafter, for both homestead and nonhomestead property, on the first day of each month beginning July 1, up to and including October 1 following, an additional penalty of one percent for each month accrues and is charged on all such unpaid taxes provided that if the due date was extended beyond May 15 as the result of any delay in mailing property tax statements no additional penalty shall accrue if the tax is paid by the extended due date. If the tax is not paid by the extended due date, then all penalties that would have accrued if the due date had been May 15 shall be charged. When the taxes against any tract or lot exceed \$100, one-half thereof may be paid prior to May 16 or 21 days after the postmark date on the envelope containing the property tax statement, whichever is later; and, if so paid, no penalty attaches; the remaining one-half may be paid at any time prior to October 16 following, without penalty; but, if not so paid, then a penalty of two percent accrues thereon for homestead property and a penalty of four percent on nonhomestead property. Thereafter, for homestead property, on the first day of November an additional penalty of four percent accrues and on the first day of December following, an additional penalty of two percent accrues and is charged on all such unpaid taxes. Thereafter, for nonhomestead property, on the first day of November and December following, an additional penalty of four percent for each month accrues and is charged on all such unpaid taxes. If one-half of such taxes are not paid prior to May 16 or 21 days after the postmark date on the envelope containing the property tax statement, whichever is later, the same may be paid at any time

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prior to October 16, with accrued penalties to the date of payment added, and thereupon no penalty attaches to the remaining one-half until October 16 following.

This section applies to payment of personal property taxes assessed against improvements to leased property, except as provided by section 277.01, subdivision 3.

A county may provide by resolution that in the case of a property owner that has multiple tracts or parcels with aggregate taxes exceeding \$100, payments may be made in installments as provided in this subdivision.

The county treasurer may accept payments of more or less than the exact amount of a tax installment due. Payments must be applied first to the oldest installment that is due but which has not been fully paid. If the accepted payment is less than the amount due, payments must be applied first to the penalty accrued for the year or the installment being paid. Acceptance of partial payment of tax does not constitute a waiver of the minimum payment required as a condition for filing an appeal under section 278.03 or any other law, nor does it affect the order of payment of delinquent taxes under section 280.39.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 279.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 5. Federal active service exception. In the case of a homestead property owned by an individual who is on federal active service, as defined in section 190.05, subdivision 5c, as a member of the National Guard or a reserve component, a six-month grace period is granted for complying with the due dates imposed by subdivision 1. During this period, no late fees or penalties shall accrue against the property. The due date for property taxes owed under this chapter for an individual covered by this subdivision shall be November 16 for taxes due on May 16, and April 16 of the following year for taxes due on October 16. A taxpayer making a payment under this subdivision must accompany the payment with a signed copy of the taxpayer's orders or form DD214 showing the dates of active service which clearly indicate that the taxpayer was in active service as a member of the National Guard or a reserve component on the date the payment was due. This grace period applies to all homestead property owned by individuals on federal active service, as herein defined, for all of that property's due dates which fall on a day that is included in the taxpayer's federal active service.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 279.02, is amended to read:

279.02 DUTIES OF COUNTY AUDITOR AND TREASURER.

<u>Subdivision 1.</u> **Delinquent property; rates.** On the first business day in January, of each year, the county treasurer shall return the tax lists on hand to the county auditor, who

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shall compare the same with the statements receipted for by the treasurer on file in the auditor's office and each tract or lot of real property against which the taxes, or any part thereof, remain unpaid, shall be deemed delinquent, and thereupon an additional penalty of two percent on the amount of the original tax remaining unpaid shall immediately accrue and thereafter be charged upon all such delinquent taxes; and any auditor who shall make out and deliver any statement of delinquent taxes without including therein the penalties imposed by law, and any treasurer who shall receive payment of such taxes without including in such payment all items as shown on the auditor's statement, shall be liable to the county for the amounts of any items omitted.

- Subd. 2. **Federal active service exception.** Notwithstanding subdivision 1, a homestead property owned by an individual who is on federal active service, as defined in section 190.05, subdivision 5c, as a member of the National Guard or a reserve component, shall not be deemed delinquent under this section if the due dates imposed under section 279.01 fall on a day in which the individual was on federal active service.
- Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 287.05, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- Subd. 10. Hennepin and Ramsey Counties. For properties located in Hennepin and Ramsey Counties, the county may impose an additional mortgage registry tax as defined in sections 383A.80 and 383B.80.
- 25.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.
- 25.21 Sec. 14. **[287.40] HENNEPIN AND RAMSEY COUNTIES.**
- 25.22 For properties located in Hennepin and Ramsey Counties, the county may impose an additional deed tax as defined in sections 383A.80 and 383B.80.
- 25.24 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.
- Sec. 15. Laws 1988, chapter 645, section 3, as amended by Laws 1999, chapter 243, article 6, section 9, Laws 2000, chapter 490, article 6, section 15, and Laws 2008, chapter 154, article 2, section 30, is amended to read:
 - Sec. 3. TAX; PAYMENT OF EXPENSES.
- 25.29 (a) The tax levied by the hospital district under Minnesota Statutes, section 447.34, must not be levied at a rate that exceeds the amount authorized to be levied under that section. The proceeds of the tax may be used for all purposes of the hospital district, except as provided in paragraph (b).

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| 26.1 | (b) 0.015 percent of taxable market value of the tax in paragraph (a) may be used |
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| 26.4 | (1) ambulance acquisitions for the Cook ambulance service and the Orr ambulance |
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| 26.6 | (2) attached and portable equipment for use in and for the ambulances; and |
| 26.7 | (3) parts and replacement parts for maintenance and repair of the ambulances. |
| 26.8 | The money may not be used for administrative, operation, or salary expenses. |
| 26.9 | (c) The part of the levy referred to in paragraph (b) must be administered by the |
| 26.10 | Cook Hospital and passed on in equal amounts directly to the Cook area ambulance |
| 26.11 | service board and the city of Orr to be held in trust until funding for a new ambulance is |
| 26.12 | needed by either the Cook ambulance service or the Orr ambulance service used for the |
| 26.13 | purposes in paragraph (b). |
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| 26.14 | Sec. 16. Laws 1999, chapter 243, article 6, section 11, is amended to read: |
| 26.15 | Sec. 11. CEMETERY LEVY FOR SAWYER BY CARLTON COUNTY. |
| 26.16 | Subdivision 1. Levy authorized. Notwithstanding other law to the contrary, the |
| 26.17 | Carlton county board of commissioners may annually levy in and for the unorganized |
| 26.18 | township territory of Sawyer an amount up to \$1,000 annually for cemetery purposes, |
| 26.19 | beginning with taxes payable in 2000 and ending with taxes payable in 2009. |
| 26.20 | Subd. 2. Effective date. This section is effective June 1, 1999, without local |
| 26.21 | approval. |
| 26.22 | EFFECTIVE DATE; LOCAL APPROVAL. This section applies to taxes |
| 26.23 | payable in 2014 and thereafter, and is effective the day after the Carlton county board |
| 26.24 | of commissioners and its chief clerical officer timely complete their compliance with |
| 26.25 | Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivisions 2 and 3. |
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| 26.26 | Sec. 17. Laws 2008, chapter 366, article 5, section 33, the effective date, is amended to |
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| 26.28 | EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxes levied in 2008, payable in |
| 26.29 | 2009, and is repealed effective for taxes levied in 2013 2018, payable in 2014 2019, |
| 26.30 | and thereafter. |
| 26.31 | EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective beginning with taxes payable in 2014. |
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Sec. 18. Laws 2010, chapter 389, article 1, section 12, the effective date, is amended to 27.1 read: 27.2 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for assessment years year 2010 and 27.3 27.4 2011, for taxes payable in 2011 and 2012 thereafter. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for assessment year 2012 and 27.5 thereafter. 27.6 Sec. 19. MINNEAPOLIS AND ST. PAUL; ENTERTAINMENT FACILITIES 27.7 COORDINATION. 27.8 (a) On or before January 1, 2015, the cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis shall establish 27.9 a joint governing structure to coordinate and provide for joint marketing, promotion, and 27.10 scheduling of conventions and events at the Target Center and Xcel Energy Center. 27.11 (b) On or before February 1, 2014, the cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis, and 27.12 27.13 representatives from the primary professional sports team tenant of each facility, shall also study and report to the legislature on creating a joint governing structure to provide for 27.14 joint administration, financing, and operations of the facilities and the possible effects of 27.15 27.16 joint governance on the finances of each facility and each city. The study under this paragraph must: 27.17 (1) examine the current finances of each facility, including past and projected costs 27.18 and revenues; projected capital improvements; and the current and projected impact 27.19 of each facility on the city's general fund; 27.20 27.21 (2) determine the impacts of joint governance on the future finances of each facility and city; 27.22 (3) examine the inclusion of other entertainment venues in the joint governance, and 27.23 27.24 the impact the inclusion of those facilities would have on all the facilities within the joint governing structure and the cities in which they are located; and 27.25 (4) consider the amount of city, regional, and state funding, if any, that would be 27.26 required to fund and operate the facilities under a joint governing structure. 27.27 (c) In considering joint governing structures under paragraph (b), the study shall 27.28 specifically consider the feasibility of joining the Target Center and the Xcel Energy 27.29 Center, and possibly other venues, to the Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority under 27.30 Minnesota Statutes, section 473J.08. 27.31 (d) Representatives of the cities and the primary professional sports team tenants 27.32

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of each facility shall meet within 30 days of the effective date of this section to begin

<u>EFFECTIVE DATE.</u> This section is effective the day following final enactment upon compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivisions 2 and 3, by the governing bodies of the cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis and their chief clerical officers, and provided that, notwithstanding the time limits under Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3, the certificates of approval are filed with the secretary of state within 30 days after enactment of this act.

Sec. 20. ISANTI AREA JOINT OPERATING FIRE DISTRICT.

Subdivision 1. Agreement. The city of Isanti together with one or more of the towns of Athens, Stanford, Bradford, Isanti, and Oxford may, by action of their city council and town boards, establish the Isanti Area Joint Operating Fire District. The district shall provide fire protection services throughout its territory and may exercise all the powers of the city and towns that relate to fire protection anywhere within its territory. Any other contiguous town or statutory city may join the district with the agreement of the cities and towns that comprise the district at the time of its application to join by majority vote of the district board. Action to join the district may be taken by the city council or town board of the city or town.

- Subd. 2. Membership. The district board shall consist of one elected member appointed by the city council or town board of each city or town in the district. One additional member shall also be appointed by the Isanti Fire District Board, which must be the chief of the Isanti Fire District or the chief's designee. Each member appointed by the city council or town board has individual voting authority. The chief of the Isanti Fire District shall provide advice only and does not have individual voting authority.
- Subd. 3. Officers. The fire district shall elect from among its voting members a chair and vice-chair. The chair shall act as the presiding officer at all fire district meetings unless the chair is not present, in which case the vice-chair shall preside.
- Subd. 4. Terms. Members shall serve one-year terms ending the first Monday in January. Vacancies on the board must be filled in the same manner as the appointment of its original members.
- Subd. 5. Meetings. The fire district shall hold monthly meetings at a time and location to be set by the fire district, with notice provided under Minnesota Statutes, section 13D.04. The district may, by resolution, determine to hold more or fewer meetings, or to change the location or time of meetings.

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| 29.1 | Subd. 6. Tax. The fire district may impose a property tax on taxable property |
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| 29.3 | debt payable in each year. The tax must be disregarded in the calculation of any levies or |
| 29.4 | limits on levies provided by Minnesota Statutes, chapter 275, or any other law. A city or |
| 29.5 | town that joins the district may not incur expenses or debt for fire protection services for |
| 29.6 | territory included in the district. |
| 29.7 | Subd. 7. Withdrawal. Upon two years' notice, a city or town may withdraw from |
| 29.8 | the fire district. Its territory shall remain subject to taxation for debt incurred prior to |
| 29.9 | its withdrawal. |
| 29.10 | Sec. 21. MORATORIUM ON CHANGES IN ASSESSMENT PRACTICE. |
| 29.11 | (a) An assessor may not deviate from current practices or policies used generally in |
| 29.12 | assessing or determining the taxable status of property used in the production of biofuels, |
| 29.13 | wine, beer, distilled beverages, or dairy products. |
| 29.14 | (b) An assessor may not change the taxable status of any existing property involved |
| 29.15 | in the industrial processes identified in paragraph (a), unless the change is made as a result |
| 29.16 | of a change in use of the property, or to correct an error. For currently taxable properties, |
| 29.17 | the assessor may change the estimated market value of the property. |
| 29.18 | EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for assessment year 2013 only. |
| 29.19 | Sec. 22. REPEALER. |
| 29.20 | (a) Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 428A.101; and 428A.21, are repealed. |
| 29.21 | (b) Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 383A.80, subdivision 4; and 383B.80, |
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| 29.23 | EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment, |
| 29.24 | and paragraph (b) reinstates the authority for Hennepin and Ramsey Counties to impose |
| 29.25 | the additional mortgage registry and deed tax effective for deeds and mortgages executed |
| 29.26 | on or after July 1, 2013. |
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| 29.28 | ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT |
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| 29.29 | Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.071, subdivision 5, is amended to read: |
| 29.2929.30 | Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.071, subdivision 5, is amended to read: Subd. 5. Exception; parking facilities. Notwithstanding section 469.068, the |
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and directly above or below, or adjacent and integrally related to, a development and financed with the proceeds of tax increment or, revenue bonds, or other funds of the port authority and the city of Bloomington.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective upon compliance of the governing body of the city of Bloomington with the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.169, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 19. Additional border city allocation; 2013. (a) In addition to the tax reductions authorized in subdivisions 12 to 18, the commissioner shall allocate \$750,000 for tax reductions to border city enterprise zones in cities located on the western border of the state. The commissioner shall allocate this amount among cities on a per capita basis. Allocations made under this subdivision may be used for tax reductions under section 469.171, or for other offsets of taxes imposed on or remitted by businesses located in the enterprise zone, but only if the municipality determines that the granting of the tax reduction or offset is necessary to retain a business within or attract a business to the zone. The city alternatively may elect to use any portion of the allocation under this paragraph for tax reductions under section 469.1732 or 469.1734.

(b) The commissioner shall allocate \$750,000 for tax reductions under section 469.1732 or 469.1734 to cities with border city enterprise zones located on the western border of the state. The commissioner shall allocate this amount among the cities on a per capita basis. The city alternatively may elect to use any portion of the allocation provided in this paragraph for tax reductions under section 469.171.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2013.

- Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.176, subdivision 4c, is amended to read:
- Subd. 4c. **Economic development districts.** (a) Revenue derived from tax increment from an economic development district may not be used to provide improvements, loans, subsidies, grants, interest rate subsidies, or assistance in any form to developments consisting of buildings and ancillary facilities, if more than 15 percent of the buildings and facilities (determined on the basis of square footage) are used for a purpose other than:
- (1) the manufacturing or production of tangible personal property, including processing resulting in the change in condition of the property;

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(2) warehousing, storage, and distribution of tangible personal property, excluding 31.1 retail sales; 31.2 (3) research and development related to the activities listed in clause (1) or (2); 31.3 (4) telemarketing if that activity is the exclusive use of the property; 31.4 (5) tourism facilities; or 31.5 (6) qualified border retail facilities; or 31.6 (7) space necessary for and related to the activities listed in clauses (1) to (6) (5). 31.7 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of this subdivision, revenues derived from tax 31.8 increment from an economic development district may be used to provide improvements, 31.9 loans, subsidies, grants, interest rate subsidies, or assistance in any form for up to 15,000 31.10 square feet of any separately owned commercial facility located within the municipal 31.11 jurisdiction of a small city, if the revenues derived from increments are spent only to 31.12 assist the facility directly or for administrative expenses, the assistance is necessary to 31.13 develop the facility, and all of the increments, except those for administrative expenses, 31.14 31.15 are spent only for activities within the district. (c) A city is a small city for purposes of this subdivision if the city was a small city 31.16 in the year in which the request for certification was made and applies for the rest of 31.17 the duration of the district, regardless of whether the city qualifies or ceases to qualify 31.18 as a small city. 31.19 (d) Notwithstanding the requirements of paragraph (a) and the finding requirements 31.20 of section 469.174, subdivision 12, tax increments from an economic development district 31.21 may be used to provide improvements, loans, subsidies, grants, interest rate subsidies, or 31.22 31.23 assistance in any form to developments consisting of buildings and ancillary facilities, if 31.24 all the following conditions are met: (1) the municipality finds that the project will create or retain jobs in this state, 31.25 31.26 including construction jobs, and that construction of the project would not have commenced before July 1, 2012, without the authority providing assistance under the 31.27 provisions of this paragraph; 31.28 (2) construction of the project begins no later than July 1, 2012; 31.29 (3) the request for certification of the district is made no later than June 30, 2012; and 31.30 (4) for development of housing under this paragraph, the construction must begin 31.31 before January 1, 2012. 31.32 The provisions of this paragraph may not be used to assist housing that is developed 31.33

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to qualify under section 469.1761, subdivision 2 or 3, or similar requirements of other law,

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EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for districts for which the request for certification was made after June 30, 2012.

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- Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.176, subdivision 4g, is amended to read: Subd. 4g. **General government use prohibited.** (a) Tax increments may not be used to circumvent existing levy limit law.
- (b) No tax increment from any district may be used for the acquisition, construction, renovation, operation, or maintenance of a building to be used primarily and regularly for conducting the business of a municipality, county, school district, or any other local unit of government or the state or federal government. This provision does not prohibit the use of revenues derived from tax increments for the construction or renovation of a parking structure.
- (e)(1) Tax increments may not be used to pay for the cost of public improvements, equipment, or other items, if:
- (i) the improvements, equipment, or other items are located outside of the area of the tax increment financing district from which the increments were collected; and
- (ii) the improvements, equipment, or items that (A) primarily serve a decorative or aesthetic purpose, or (B) serve a functional purpose, but their cost is increased by more than 100 percent as a result of the selection of materials, design, or type as compared with more commonly used materials, designs, or types for similar improvements, equipment, or items.
- (2) The provisions of this paragraph do not apply to expenditures related to the rehabilitation of historic structures that are:
 - (i) individually listed on the National Register of Historic Places; or
- 32.23 (ii) a contributing element to a historic district listed on the National Register
 32.24 of Historic Places.
 - EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment for all tax increment financing districts, regardless of when the request for certification was made, but applies only to amounts spent after final enactment.
 - Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.176, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

 Subd. 6. **Action required.** (a) If, after four years from the date of certification of the original net tax capacity of the tax increment financing district pursuant to section 469.177, no demolition, rehabilitation, or renovation of property or other site preparation, including qualified improvement of a street adjacent to a parcel but not installation of utility service including sewer or water systems, has been commenced on a parcel located within a tax increment financing district by the authority or by the owner of the

parcel in accordance with the tax increment financing plan, no additional tax increment may be taken from that parcel, and the original net tax capacity of that parcel shall be excluded from the original net tax capacity of the tax increment financing district. If the authority or the owner of the parcel subsequently commences demolition, rehabilitation, or renovation or other site preparation on that parcel including qualified improvement of a street adjacent to that parcel, in accordance with the tax increment financing plan, the authority shall certify to the county auditor that the activity has commenced, and the county auditor shall certify the net tax capacity thereof as most recently certified by the commissioner of revenue and add it to the original net tax capacity of the tax increment financing district. The county auditor must enforce the provisions of this subdivision. The authority must submit to the county auditor evidence that the required activity has taken place for each parcel in the district. The evidence for a parcel must be submitted by February 1 of the fifth year following the year in which the parcel was certified as included in the district. For purposes of this subdivision, qualified improvements of a street are limited to (1) construction or opening of a new street, (2) relocation of a street, and (3) substantial reconstruction or rebuilding of an existing street.

(b) For districts which were certified on or after January 1, 2005, and before April 20, 2009, the four-year period under paragraph (a) is increased to six years deemed to end on December 31, 2016.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment and applies to districts certified on or after January 1, 2006, and before April 20, 2009.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.177, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

- Subd. 1d. Original net tax capacity adjustment; homestead market value exclusion. (a) Upon approval by the municipality, by resolution, the authority may elect to reduce the net tax capacity of a qualified district by the amount of the tax capacity attributable to the market value exclusion under section 273.13, subdivision 35. The amount of the reduction may not reduce the original net tax capacity below zero.
- (b) For purposes of this subdivision, a qualified district means a tax increment financing district that satisfies the following conditions:
- (1) for taxes payable in 2011, the authority received a homestead market value credit reimbursement under section 273.1384 for the district of \$10,000 or more;
- (2) for taxes payable in 2013, the reduction in captured tax capacity resulting from the market value exclusion for the district was equal to or greater than 1.75 percent of the district's captured tax capacity; and

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| | (3) either (i) the authority is permitted to expend increments on activities under the |
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| | provisions of section 469.1763, subdivision 3, or an equivalent provision of special law |
| | on July 1, 2013, or (ii) the district's tax increments received for taxes payable in 2012 |
| | exceeded the amount of debt service payments due during calendar year 2012 on bonds |
| | issued under section 469.178 to which the district's increments are pledged. |
| - | The calculation of the amount under clause (2) must reflect any adjustments to original |
|] | net tax capacity made under subdivision 1, paragraphs (d) and (e), for the homestead |
| 1 | market value exclusion. |
| | (c) The authority must notify the county auditor of its election under this section no |
| | later than July 1, 2014. Notifications made by July 1, 2013, are effective beginning for |
| 1 | taxes payable in 2014, and notifications made after July 1, 2013, are effective beginning |
| | for taxes payable in 2015. |
| | EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment |
| | and applies to all tax increment financing districts regardless of when the request for |
| • | certification was made. |
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| | Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 473F.08, is amended by adding a subdivision |
| | to read: |
| | Subd. 3c. Mall of America. (a) When computing the net tax capacity under section |
| 4 | 473F.05, the Hennepin County auditor shall exclude the captured tax capacity of Tax |
|] | Increment Financing Districts No. 1-C and No. 1-G in the city of Bloomington. |
| | (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision 2, paragraph (a), the |
| (| commercial-industrial contribution percentage for the city of Bloomington is the |
| (| contribution net tax capacity divided by the total net tax capacity of commercial-industrial |
|] | property in the city, excluding any commercial-industrial property that is captured tax |
| (| capacity of Tax Increment Financing Districts No. 1-C and No. 1-G. |
| | (c) The property taxes to be paid on commercial-industrial tax capacity that is |
| 1 | included in the captured tax capacity of Tax Increment Financing Districts No. 1-C and |
| | No. 1-G in the city of Bloomington must be determined as described in subdivision 6, |
| | except that the portion of the tax that is based on the areawide tax rate is to be treated |
| | as tax increment under section 469.176. |
| | (d) The provisions of this subdivision take effect only if the clerk of the city of |
| | Bloomington certifies to the Hennepin County auditor that the city has entered into a |
| | binding written agreement with the Metropolitan Council to repair and restore, or to |
| | replace, the old Cedar Avenue bridge for use by bicycle commuters and recreational users. |
| | (e) This subdivision expires on the earliest of the following dates: |

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| 35.1 | (1) when the tax increment f | inancing districts have | been decertified in | 2024 or 2034, |
| 35.2 | as provided by section 10, subdivi | | | |
| 35.3 | (2) on January 1, 2014, if th | <u> </u> | ke the certification | provided in |
| 35.4 | paragraph (d). | | | |
| 35.5 | EFFECTIVE DATE. This : | section is effective beg | inning for property | taxes pavable |
| 35.6 | <u>in 2014.</u> | | | |
| 35.7 | Sec. 8. Laws 2008, chapter 366 | 6, article 5, section 26, | is amended to read | : |
| 35.8 | Sec. 26. BLOOMINGTON | N TAX INCREMENT | FINANCING; FI | VE-YEAR |
| 35.9 | RULE. | | | |
| 35.10 | (a) The requirements of Min | nnesota Statutes, section | n 469.1763, subdiv | ision 3, that |
| 35.11 | activities must be undertaken with | nin a five-year period fr | om the date of cert | ification of |
| 35.12 | a tax increment financing district, | are increased to a ten- | year 15-year period | d for the |
| 35.13 | Port Authority of the City of Bloo | omington's Tax Increme | ent Financing Distri | ict No. 1-I, |
| 35.14 | Bloomington Central Station. | | | |
| 35.15 | (b) Notwithstanding the pro- | visions of Minnesota S | tatutes, section 469 | .176, or any |
| 35.16 | other law to the contrary, the city | of Bloomington and its | s port authority may | extend the |
| 35.17 | duration limits of the district for a | period through Decem | nber 31, 2039. | |
| 35.18 | (c) Effective for taxes payab | ole in 2014, tax increm | ent for the district | must be |
| 35.19 | computed using the current local t | tax rate, notwithstandin | g the provisions of | Minnesota |
| 35.20 | Statutes, section 469.177, subdivis | sion 1a. | | |
| 35.21 | EFFECTIVE DATE. Parag | graphs (a) and (c) are e | ffective upon comp | oliance by |
| 35.22 | the governing body of the city of | Bloomington with the | requirements of M | innesota |
| 35.23 | Statutes, section 645.021, subdivis | sion 3. Paragraph (b) is | s effective upon con | mpliance by |
| 35.24 | the governing bodies of the city o | f Bloomington, Henne | pin County, and Inc | dependent |
| 35.25 | School District No. 271 with the r | requirements of Minnes | sota Statutes, section | ons 469.1782, |
| 35.26 | subdivision 2, and 645.021, subdi | vision 3. | | |
| 35.27 | Sec. 9. Laws 2008, chapter 36 | 6, article 5, section 34, | , as amended by La | ws 2009, |
| 35.28 | chapter 88, article 5, section 11, is | s amended to read: | | |
| 35.29 | Sec. 34. CITY OF OAKD | ALE; ORIGINAL TA | X CAPACITY PA | ARCELS |
| 35.30 | DEEMED OCCUPIED. | | | |
| 35.31 | (a) The provisions of this se | etion apply to redevelo | pment tax increme | nt financing |

districts created by the Housing and Redevelopment Authority in and for the city of

Oakdale in the areas comprised of the parcels with the following parcel identification

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| 36.1 | numbers: (1) 3102921320053; 3102921320054; 3102921320055; 3102921320056; |
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| 36.2 | 3102921320057; 3102921320058; 3102921320062; 3102921320063; 3102921320059; |
| 36.3 | 3102921320060; 3102921320061; 3102921330005; and 3102921330004; and (2) |
| 36.4 | 2902921330001 and 2902921330005. |
| 36.5 | (b) For a district subject to this section, the Housing and Redevelopment Authority |
| 36.6 | may, when requesting certification of the original tax capacity of the district under |
| 36.7 | Minnesota Statutes, section 469.177, elect to have the original tax capacity of the district |
| 36.8 | be certified as the tax capacity of the land. |
| 36.9 | (e) The authority to request certification of a district under this section expires on |
| 36.10 | July 1, 2013. |
| 36.11 | (a) Parcel numbers 3102921320054, 3102921320055, 3102921320056, |
| 36.12 | 3102921320057, 3102921320061, and 3102921330004 are deemed to meet the |
| 36.13 | requirements of Minnesota Statutes, section 469.174, subdivision 10, paragraph (d), |
| 36.14 | notwithstanding any contrary provisions of that paragraph, if the following conditions |
| 36.15 | are met: |
| 36.16 | (1) a building located on any part of each of the specified parcels was demolished after |
| 36.17 | the Housing and Redevelopment Authority for the city of Oakdale adopted a resolution |
| 36.18 | under Minnesota Statutes, section 469.174, subdivision 10, paragraph (d), clause (3); |
| 36.19 | (2) the building was removed either by the authority, by a developer under a |
| 36.20 | development agreement with the Housing and Redevelopment Authority for the city of |
| 36.21 | Oakdale, or by the owner of the property without entering into a development agreement |
| 36.22 | with the Housing and Redevelopment Authority for the city of Oakdale; and |
| 36.23 | (3) the request for certification of the parcel as part of a district is filed with the |
| 36.24 | county auditor by December 31, 2017. |
| 36.25 | (b) The provisions of this section allow an election by the Housing and |
| 36.26 | Redevelopment Authority for the city of Oakdale for the parcels deemed occupied under |
| 36.27 | paragraph (a), notwithstanding the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, sections 469.174, |
| 36.28 | subdivision 10, paragraph (d), and 469.177, subdivision 1, paragraph (f). |
| 36.29 | EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective upon compliance by the governing |
| 36.30 | body of the city of Oakdale with the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, |
| 36.31 | subdivision 3. |
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| 36.32 | Sec. 10. CITY OF BLOOMINGTON; TAX INCREMENT FINANCING. |
| 36.33 | Subdivision 1. Addition of property to Tax Increment Financing District |

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No. 1-G. (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 469.175,

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| 37.1 | subdivision 4, or any other law to the contrary, the governing bodies of the Port Authority |
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| 37.2 | of the city of Bloomington and the city of Bloomington may elect to eliminate the real |
| 37.3 | property north of the existing building line on Lot 1, Block 1, Mall of America 7th |
| 37.4 | Addition, exclusive of Lots 2 and 3 from Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-C |
| 37.5 | within Industrial Development District No. 1 Airport South in the city of Bloomington, |
| 37.6 | Minnesota, and expand the boundaries of Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-G |
| 37.7 | to include that property. |
| 37.8 | (b) If the city elects to transfer parcels under this authority, the county auditor shall |
| 37.9 | transfer the original tax capacity of the affected parcels from Tax Increment Financing |
| 37.10 | District No. 1-C to Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-G. |
| 27.11 | Subd. 2. Authority to extend duration limits computation of increment. (a) |
| 37.11 | Subd. 2. Authority to extend duration limit; computation of increment. (a) Netwithstending Minnesota Statutes, section 460-176, on Laws 1006, shorter 464, articles |
| 37.12 | Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 469.176, or Laws 1996, chapter 464, article |
| 37.13 | 1, section 8, or any other law to the contrary, the city of Bloomington and its port authority |
| 37.14 | may extend the duration limits of Tax Increment Financing Districts No. 1-C and No. |
| 37.15 | 1-G through December 31, 2033. |
| 37.16 | (b) Effective for property taxes payable in 2017 through 2033, the captured tax |
| 37.17 | capacity of Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-C must be included in computing the |
| 37.18 | tax rates of each local taxing district and the tax increment equals only the amount of tax |
| 37.19 | computed under Minnesota Statutes, section 473F.08, subdivision 3c, paragraph (c). |
| 37.20 | (c) Effective for property taxes payable in 2019 through 2033, the captured tax |
| 37.21 | capacity of Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-G must be included in computing the |
| 37.22 | tax rates of each local taxing district and the tax increment for the district equals only |
| 37.23 | the amount of tax computed under Minnesota Statutes, section 473F.08, subdivision |
| 37.24 | 3c, paragraph (c). |
| 37.25 | Subd. 3. Treatment of increment. Increments received under the provisions |
| 37.26 | of subdivision 2, paragraph (b) or (c), and Minnesota Statutes, section 473F.08, |
| 37.27 | subdivision 3c, are deemed to be tax increments of Tax Increment Financing District No. |
| 37.28 | 1-G, notwithstanding any law to the contrary, and without regard to whether they are |
| 37.29 | attributable to captured tax capacity of Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-C. |
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| 37.30 | Subd. 4. Condition. The authority under this section expires and Tax Increment |
| 37.31 | Financing Districts No. 1-C and No. 1-G must be decertified for taxes payable in 2024 |
| 37.32 | and thereafter, if the total estimated market value of improvements for parcels located in |
| 37.33 | Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-G, as modified, do not exceed \$100,000,000 |
| 37.34 | by taxes payable in 2023. |

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EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective upon compliance of the governing body of the city of Bloomington with the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3, but only if the city enters into a binding written agreement with the Metropolitan Council to repair and restore, or to replace, the old Cedar Avenue bridge for use by bicycle commuters and recreational users. This section is effective without approval of the county and school district under Minnesota Statutes, section 469.1782, subdivision 2. The legislature finds that the county and school district are not "affected local government units" within the meaning of Minnesota Statutes, section 469.1782, because the provision allowing extended collection of increment by the tax increment financing districts does not affect their tax bases and tax rates dissimilarly to other counties and school districts in the metropolitan area.

Sec. 11. ST. CLOUD; TAX INCREMENT FINANCING.

The request for certification of Tax Increment Financing District No. 2, commonly referred to as the Norwest District, in the city of St. Cloud is deemed to have been made on or after August 1, 1979, and before July 1, 1982. Revenues derived from tax increment for that district must be treated for purposes of any law as revenue of a tax increment financing district for which the request for certification was made during that time period.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective upon approval by the governing body of the city of St. Cloud and compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

Sec. 12. <u>DAKOTA COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY; TAX</u> INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICT.

Subdivision 1. **Authorization.** Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, the Dakota County Community Development Agency may establish a redevelopment tax increment financing district comprised of the properties that were:

- (1) included in the CDA 10 Robert and South Street district in the city of West St. Paul; and
- 38.28 (2) not decertified before July 1, 2012.
- The district created under this section terminates no later than December 31, 2018.
- Subd. 2. Special rules. The requirements for qualifying a redevelopment district under Minnesota Statutes, section 469.174, subdivision 10, do not apply to parcels located within the district. Minnesota Statutes, section 469.176, subdivision 4j, do not apply to the district. The original tax capacity of the district is \$93,239.

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| 39.1 | Subd. 3. Authorized expenditures. Tax increment from the district may be |
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| 39.2 | expended to pay for any eligible activities authorized by Minnesota Statutes, chapter 469, |
| 39.3 | within the redevelopment area that includes the district, provided that the boundaries of |
| 39.4 | the redevelopment area may not be expanded to add new area after April 1, 2013. All |
| 39.5 | expenditures for eligible activities are deemed to be activities within the district under |
| 39.6 | Minnesota Statutes, section 469.1763, subdivisions 2 to 4. |
| 39.7 | Subd. 4. Adjusted net tax capacity. The captured tax capacity of the district must |
| 39.8 | be included in the adjusted net tax capacity of the city, county, and school district for the |
| 39.9 | purposes of determining local government aid, education aid, and county program aid. |
| 39.10 | The county auditor shall report to the commissioner of revenue the amount of the captured |
| 39.11 | tax capacity for the district at the time the assessment abstracts are filed. |
| 39.12 | EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective upon compliance by the governing |
| 39.13 | body of the Dakota County Community Development Agency with the requirements of |
| 39.14 | Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3. |
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| 39.15 | Sec. 13. CITY OF GLENCOE; TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICT |
| 39.16 | EXTENSION. |
| 39.17 | Subdivision 1. Duration of district. Notwithstanding the provisions of Minnesota |
| 39.18 | Statutes, section 469.176, subdivision 1b, paragraph (a), clause (4), or any other law to the |
| 39.19 | contrary, the city of Glencoe may collect tax increments from Tax Increment Financing |
| 39.20 | District No. 4 (McLeod County District No. 007) through December 31, 2023, subject to |
| 39.21 | the conditions in subdivision 2. |
| 39.22 | Subd. 2. Exclusive use of revenues. (a) All tax increments derived from Tax |
| 39.23 | Increment Financing District No. 4 (McLeod County District No. 007) that are collected |
| 39.24 | after December 31, 2013, must be used only to pay debt service on or to defease bonds that |
| 39.25 | were outstanding on January 1, 2013 and that were issued to finance improvements serving: |
| 39.26 | (1) Tax Increment Financing District No. 14 (McLeod County District No. 033) |
| 39.27 | (Downtown); |
| 39.28 | (2) Tax Increment Financing District No. 15 (McLeod County District No. 035) |
| 39.29 | (Industrial Park); and |
| 39.30 | (3) benefited properties as further described in proceedings related to the city's series |
| 39.31 | 2007A bonds, dated September 1, 2007, and any bonds issued to refund those bonds. |

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| l | (b) Increments may also be used to pay debt service on or to defease bonds issued to |
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| ref | fund the bonds described in paragraph (a), if the refunding bonds do not increase the |
| 3 pre | esent value of debt service due on the refunded bonds when the refunding is closed. |
| | (c) When the bonds described in paragraphs (a) and (b) have been paid or defeased, |
| the | e district must be decertified and any remaining increment returned to the city, county, |
| <u>an</u> | d school district as provided in Minnesota Statutes, section 469.176, subdivision 2, |
| pa | ragraph (c), clause (4). |
| | EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective upon compliance by the governing |
| <u>bo</u> | dies of the city of Glencoe, McLeod County, and Independent School District No. |
| <u>28</u> | 59 with the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, sections 469.1782, subdivision 2, and |
| <u>64</u> | 5.021, subdivision 3. |
| | Sec. 14. CITY OF ELY; TAX INCREMENT FINANCING. |
| | Subdivision 1. Extension of district. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section |
| <u>46</u> | 9.176, subdivision 1b, or any other law to the contrary, the city of Ely may collect |
| <u>taz</u> | a increment from Tax Increment Financing District No. 1 through December 31, |
| <u>20</u> | 21. Increments from the district may only be used to pay binding obligations and |
| <u>ad</u> | ministrative expenses. |
| | Subd. 2. Binding obligations. For purposes of this section, "binding obligations" |
| <u>m</u> (| eans the binding contractual or debt obligation of Tax Increment Financing District |
| <u>No</u> | o. 1 entered into before January 1, 2013. |
| | Subd. 3. Expenditures outside district. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, |
| sec | ction 469.1763, subdivision 2, the governing body of the city of Ely may elect to |
| tra | nsfer revenues derived from increments from its Tax Increment Financing District No. |
| <u>3</u> t | to the tax increment account established under Minnesota Statutes, section 469.177, |
| <u>su</u> ¹ | bdivision 5, for Tax Increment Financing District No. 1. The amount that may be |
| <u>tra</u> | nsferred is limited to the lesser of: |
| | (1) \$168,000; or |
| | (2) the total amount due on binding obligations and outstanding on that date, less the |
| <u>an</u> | nount of increment collected by Tax Increment Financing District No. 1 after December |
| <u>31</u> | , 2012, and administrative expenses of Tax Increment Financing District No. 1 incurred |
| <u>aft</u> | er December 31, 2012. |
| | EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective upon approval by the governing |
| 1 | dies of the city of Ely St. Louis County and Independent School District No. 606 with |

the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, sections 469.1782, subdivision 2, and 645.021, subdivision 3.

Sec. 15. <u>CITY OF MAPLEWOOD; TAX INCREMENT FINANCING</u> DISTRICT; SPECIAL RULES.

- (a) If the city of Maplewood elects, upon the adoption of a tax increment financing plan for a district, the rules under this section apply to one or more redevelopment tax increment financing districts established by the city or the economic development authority of the city. The area within which the redevelopment tax increment districts may be created is parcel 362922240002 (the "parcel") or any replatted parcels constituting a part of the parcel and the adjacent rights-of-way. For purposes of this section, the parcel is the "3M Renovation and Retention Project Area" or "project area."
- (b) The requirements for qualifying redevelopment tax increment districts under Minnesota Statutes, section 469.174, subdivision 10, do not apply to the parcel, which is deemed eligible for inclusion in a redevelopment tax increment district.
- (c) The 90 percent rule under Minnesota Statutes, section 469.176, subdivision 4j, does not apply to the parcel.
- (d) The expenditures outside district rule under Minnesota Statutes, section 469.1763, subdivision 2, does not apply; the five-year rule under Minnesota Statutes, section 469.1763, subdivision 3, is extended to ten years; and expenditures must only be made within the project area.
- (e) If, after one year from the date of certification of the original net tax capacity of the tax increment district, no demolition, rehabilitation, or renovation of property has been commenced on a parcel located within the tax increment district, no additional tax increment may be taken from that parcel, and the original net tax capacity of the parcel shall be excluded from the original net tax capacity of the tax increment district. If 3M Company subsequently commences demolition, rehabilitation, or renovation, the authority shall certify to the county auditor that the activity has commenced, and the county auditor shall certify the net tax capacity thereof as most recently certified by the commissioner of revenue and add it to the original net tax capacity of the tax increment district. The authority must submit to the county auditor evidence that the required activity has taken place for each parcel in the district.
- 41.32 (f) The authority to approve a tax increment financing plan and to establish a tax increment financing district under this section expires December 31, 2018.

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EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective upon approval by the governing 42.1 42.2 body of the city of Maplewood and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3. 42.3 Sec. 16. CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS; STREETCAR FINANCING. 42.4 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms 42.5 have the meanings given them. 42.6 (b) "City" means the city of Minneapolis. 42.7 (c) "County" means Hennepin County. 42.8 (d) "District" means the areas certified by the city under subdivision 2 for collection 42.9 of value capture taxes. 42.10 (e) "Project area" means the area including one city block on either side of a streetcar 42.11 line designated by the city to serve the downtown and adjacent neighborhoods of the city. 42.12 Subd. 2. Authority to establish district. (a) The governing body of the city may, by 42.13 resolution, establish a value capture district consisting of some or all of the taxable parcels 42.14 located within one or more of the following areas of the city, as described in the resolution: 42.15 (1) the area bounded by Nicollet Avenue on the west, 16th Street East on the south, 42.16 First Avenue South on the east, and 14th Street East on the north; 42.17 (2) the area bounded by Spruce Place on the west, 14th Street West on the south, 42.18 LaSalle Avenue on the east, and Grant Street West on the north; 42.19 42.20 (3) the area bounded by Nicollet Avenue or Mall on the west, Fifth Street South on the south, Marquette Avenue on the east, and Fourth Street South on the north; and 42.21 42.22 (4) the area bounded by First Avenue North on the west, Washington Avenue on the south, Hennepin Avenue on the east, and Second Street North on the north. 42.23 (b) The city may establish the district and the project area only after holding a public 42.24 hearing on its proposed creation after publishing notice of the hearing and the proposal at 42.25 least once not less than ten days nor more than 30 days before the date of the hearing. 42.26 Subd. 3. Calculation of value capture district; administrative provisions. (a) If 42.27 the city establishes a value capture district under subdivision 2, the city shall request the 42.28 county auditor to certify the district for calculation of the district's tax revenues. 42.29 (b) For purposes of calculating the tax revenues of the district, the county auditor 42.30 42.31 shall treat the district as if it were a request for certification of a tax increment financing district under the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 469.177, and shall calculate 42.32 the tax revenues of the district for each year of its duration under subdivision 4 as equaling 42.33 the amount of tax increment under Minnesota Statutes, section 469.177, except that the 42.34

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current total tax rate, excluding the state general tax rate, must be used in the calculation, 43.2 rather than a certified original tax rate. The city shall provide the county auditor with the necessary information to certify the district, including the option for calculating revenues 43.3 derived from the areawide tax rate under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 473F. (c) The county auditor shall pay to the city at the same times provided for settlement of taxes and payment of tax increments the tax revenues of the district. The city must use the tax revenues as provided under subdivision 4. 43.7 Subd. 4. **Permitted uses of district tax revenues.** (a) In addition to paying for 43.8 43.9 reasonable administrative costs of the district, the city may spend tax revenues of the district for property acquisition, improvements, and equipment to be used for operations 43.10 within the project area, along with related costs, for: 43.11 43.12 (1) planning, design, and engineering services related to the construction of the 43.13 streetcar line; (2) acquiring property for, constructing, and installing a streetcar line; 43.14 (3) acquiring and maintaining equipment and rolling stock and related facilities, such 43.15 as maintenance facilities, which need not be located in the project area; 43.16 43.17 (4) acquiring, constructing, or improving transit stations; and (5) acquiring or improving public space, including the construction and installation 43.18 of improvements to streets and sidewalks, decorative lighting and surfaces, and plantings 43.19 related to the streetcar line. 43.20 (b) The city may issue bonds or other obligations under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 43.21 475, without an election, to fund acquisition or improvement of property of a capital 43.22 nature authorized by this section, including any costs of issuance. The city may also issue 43.23 bonds or other obligations to refund those bonds or obligations. Payment of principal 43.24 43.25 and interest on the bonds or other obligations issued under this paragraph is a permitted 43.26 use of the district's tax revenues. (c) Tax revenues of the district may not be used for the operation of the streetcar line. 43.27 Subd. 5. **Duration of the district.** A district established under this section is limited 43.28 to the lesser of (1) 25 years of tax revenues, or (2) the time necessary to collect tax revenues 43.29 equal to the amount of the capital costs permitted under subdivision 4 or the amount needed 43.30 to pay or defease bonds or other obligations issued under subdivision 4, whichever is later. 43.31

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| 44.1 | ARTICLE 5 |
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| 44.2 | MINING TAXES |
| 44.3 | Section 1. [116C.99] SILICA SAND MINING ACCOUNT. |
| 44.4 | A silica sand mining account is created in the special revenue fund. Money in the |
| 44.5 | account is available for development of model standards, technical assistance to counties |
| 44.6 | and other governments, other assistance to counties, and other purposes as appropriated |
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| 44.8 | Sec. 2. [297J.01] DEFINITIONS. |
| 44.9 | Subdivision 1. Scope. Unless otherwise defined in this chapter, or unless the |
| 44.10 | context clearly indicates otherwise, the terms used in this chapter have the meaning given |
| 44.11 | them in this section. The definitions in this section are for tax administration purposes |
| 44.12 | and apply to this chapter. |
| 44.13 | Subd. 2. Commissioner. "Commissioner" means the commissioner of revenue or a |
| 44.14 | person to whom the commissioner has delegated functions. |
| 44.15 | Subd. 3. Mining. "Mining" means excavating and mining of silica sand by any |
| 44.16 | process, including digging, excavating, drilling, blasting, tunneling, dredging, stripping, |
| 44.17 | or by shaft. |
| 44.18 | Subd. 4. Person. "Person" means an individual, fiduciary, estate, trust, partnership, |
| 44.19 | or corporation. |
| 44.20 | Subd. 5. Processing. "Processing" means washing, cleaning, screening, crushing, |
| 44.21 | filtering, sorting, stockpiling, and storing silica sand at the mining site or at any other site. |
| 44.22 | Subd. 6. Silica sand. "Silica sand" means well-rounded, sand-sized grains of quartz |
| 44.23 | (silica dioxide) with very few impurities in terms of other minerals. Specifically, silica |
| 44.24 | sand for the purpose of this section is commercially valuable for use in the hydraulic |
| 44.25 | fracturing of shale to obtain oil and natural gas. Silica sand does not include common |
| 44.26 | rock, stone, aggregate, gravel, sand with a low quartz level, or silica compounds recovered |
| 44.27 | as a by-product of metallic mining. |
| 44.28 | Subd. 7. Temporary storage. "Temporary storage" means the storage of stockpiles |
| 44.29 | of silica sand that have been transported and are awaiting further transport. |
| 44.30 | Subd. 8. Ton. "Ton" means 2,000 pounds. |
| 44.31 | Subd. 9. Transporting. "Transporting" means hauling silica sand, by any carrier: |
| 44.32 | (1) from the mining site to a processing or transfer site; or |
| 44.33 | (2) from a processing or storage site to a rail, barge, or transfer site for shipment. |
| 44.34 | Subd. 10. Year. "Year" means a calendar year. |

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Subdivision 1. Mining tax; rate. A tax is imposed on any person who mines silica sand from within the state. The rate of tax imposed is \$1 per ton.

- Subd. 2. Processing tax; rate. A tax is imposed on any person engaged in processing silica sand within the state. The rate of tax imposed is three percent of the market value of the silica sand processed. Market value is determined based on the sale price of the processed silica sand.
- Subd. 3. Return and remittance. Taxes imposed by this section are due and payable to the commissioner when the silica sand return is required to be filed. Silica sand returns must be filed on a form prescribed by the commissioner. Silica sand returns and taxes imposed under this section must be filed with the commissioner on or before the 20th day of the month following the close of the previous calendar month.
- Subd. 4. **Proceeds of taxes.** Revenue received from taxes under this chapter, as well as all related penalties, interest, fees, and miscellaneous sources of revenue, must be deposited by the commissioner in the state treasury and credited as follows:
- (1) \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2014, \$2,690,000 in fiscal year 2015, and \$2,000,000 in each fiscal year thereafter must be credited to the silica sand mining account in the special revenue fund under section 116C.99; and
- (2) the balance of revenues derived from taxes, penalties, interest, fees, and miscellaneous sources of income are credited to the general fund.
- Subd. 5. Personal debt. The tax imposed by this section, and interest and penalties imposed with respect to it, are a personal debt of the person required to file a return from the time the liability for it arises, irrespective of when the time for payment of the liability occurs. The debt must, in the case of the executor or administrator of the estate of a decedent and in the case of a fiduciary, be that of the person in the person's official or fiduciary capacity only unless the person has voluntarily distributed the assets held in that capacity without reserving sufficient assets to pay the tax, interest, and penalties, in which event the person is personally liable for any deficiency.
- Subd. 6. **Refunds; appropriation.** A person who has paid to the commissioner an amount of tax under this chapter for a period in excess of the amount legally due for that period, may file with the commissioner a claim for a refund of the excess. The amount necessary to pay the refunds under this subdivision is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner.

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Sec. 4. [297J.03] REGISTRATION; REPORTING; FILING REQUIREMENTS.

Subdivision 1. Registration. A person who extracts or processes silica sand within the state must register with the commissioner, on a form prescribed by the commissioner, for a silica sand identification number. The commissioner shall issue the applicant a registration number. A registration number is not assignable and is valid only for the person in whose name it is issued.

Subd. 2. **Reporting.** (a) A person who extracts or processes silica sand in this state must file a report showing the amount of silica sand extracted or processed monthly on or before the 20th day of the month following the month in which the silica sand was extracted or processed. The commissioner may inspect the premises, books, and records, of a person subject to the silica sand tax during the normal business hours of the person extracting or processing silica sand. A person violating this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.

(b) A person shall keep at each place of business complete and accurate records for that place of business, including records of silica sand extracted or processed in the state. Scale records, sales records, or any other records of tons of silica sand extracted or processed in this state, produced or maintained by the person extracting or processing silica sand, must be retained by the person extracting or processing silica sand in this state. Books, records, invoices, and other papers and documents required by this section must be kept for a period of at least 3-1/2 years after the date of the monthly silica sand report unless the commissioner of revenue authorizes, in writing, their destruction or disposal at an earlier date.

Subd. 3. **Extensions.** If, in the commissioner's judgment, good cause exists, the commissioner may extend the time for filing reports under this section and silica sand returns under section 297J.02 and for paying taxes under section 297J.02 for not more than six months.

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Sec. 5. [297J.04] LIMITATIONS ON TIME FOR ASSESSMENT OF TAX.

Subdivision 1. Assessment. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, the amount of taxes assessable must be assessed within 3-1/2 years after the date the return is filed, whether or not the return is filed on or after the date prescribed. A return must not be treated as filed until it is in processible form. A return is in processible form if it is filed on a permitted form and contains sufficient data to identify the taxpayer and permit the mathematical verification of the tax liability shown on the return. For purposes of this section, a return filed before the last day prescribed by law for filing is considered to be filed on the last day.

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Subd. 2. **False or fraudulent return.** Notwithstanding subdivision 1, the tax may be assessed at any time if a false or fraudulent return is filed or if a taxpayer fails to file a return.

Subd. 3. Omission in excess of 25 percent. Additional taxes may be assessed within 6-1/2 years after the due date of the return or the date the return was filed, whichever is later, if the taxpayer omits from a return taxes in excess of 25 percent of the taxes reported in the return.

Subd. 4. **Time limit on refunds.** Unless otherwise provided in this chapter, a claim for a refund of an overpayment of tax must be filed within 3-1/2 years from the date prescribed for filing the silica sand tax return. Interest on refunds must be computed at the rate specified in section 270C.405 from the date of payment to the date the refund is paid or credited. For purposes of this subdivision, the date of payment is the later of the date the tax was finally due or was paid.

Subd. 5. **Bankruptcy; suspension of time.** The time during which a tax must be assessed or collection proceedings begun is suspended during the period from the date of a filing of a petition in bankruptcy until 30 days after either: (1) notice to the commissioner that the bankruptcy proceedings have been closed or dismissed; or (2) the automatic stay has been ended or has expired, whichever occurs first. The suspension of the statute of limitations under this subdivision applies to the person the petition in bankruptcy is filed against, and all other persons who may also be wholly or partially liable for the tax.

Subd. 6. Extension agreement. If, before the expiration of time prescribed in subdivisions 1 and 4 for the assessment of tax or the filing of a claim for refund, both the commissioner and the taxpayer have consented in writing to the assessment or filing of a claim for refund after that time, the tax may be assessed or the claim for refund filed at any time before the expiration of the agreed upon period. The period may be extended by later agreements in writing before the expiration of the period previously agreed upon.

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Sec. 6. [297J.05] CIVIL PENALTIES.

Subdivision 1. Penalty for failure to pay tax. If a tax is not paid within the time specified for payment, a penalty is added to the amount required to be shown as tax. The penalty is five percent of the unpaid tax if the failure is for not more than 30 days, with an additional penalty of five percent of the amount of tax remaining unpaid during each additional 30 days or fraction of 30 days during which the failure continues, not exceeding 15 percent in the aggregate. For purposes of this subdivision, if the taxpayer has not filed a return, the time specified for payment is the final date a return should have been filed.

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| | Subd. 2. Penalty for failure to make and file return. If a taxpayer fails to make |
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| | Subd. 3. Penalty for intentional disregard of law or rules. If part of an additional |
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| ule | es of the commissioner of revenue (but without intent to defraud), there is added to the |
| ıx | an amount equal to ten percent of the additional assessment. |
| | Subd. 4. Penalty for false or fraudulent return; evasion. If a person files a false |
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| <u>or</u> | the period to which the return related, less amounts paid by the person on the basis |
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| | Subd. 5. Penalty for repeated failures to file returns or pay taxes. If there is a |
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| | Subd. 6. Payment of penalties. The penalties imposed by this section must be |
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| | EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment. |
| , | Sec. 7. [297J.06] CRIMINAL PENALTIES. |
| | Subdivision 1. Penalty for failure to file or pay. (a) A person required to file a |
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| <u>r</u> (| other document who willfully attempts to evade or defeat a tax by failing to file it |
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| | (b) A person required to pay or to collect and remit a tax, who knowingly fails to |
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| | Subd. 2. False or fraudulent returns; penalties. (a) A person required to |
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commissioner a return, report, or other document known by the person to be fraudulent 49.1 49.2 or false concerning a material matter is guilty of a felony. (b) A person who knowingly aids or assists in, or advises in the preparation or 49.3 presentation of a return, report, or other document that is fraudulent or false concerning 49.4 a material matter, whether or not the falsity or fraud committed is with the knowledge 49.5 or consent of the person authorized or required to present the return, report, or other 49.6 document, is guilty of a felony. 49.7 Subd. 3. **False information.** A person is guilty of a felony if the person: 49.8 (1) is required by section 297E.05 to keep records or to make returns, and falsifies or 49.9 fails to keep the records or falsifies or fails to make the returns; or 49.10 (2) knowingly submits materially false information in any report, document, or 49.11 49.12 other communication submitted to the commissioner in connection with lawful gambling or with this chapter. 49.13 Subd. 4. Criminal penalties. (a) Criminal penalties imposed by this section are in 49.14 49.15 addition to civil penalties imposed by this chapter. (b) A person who violates a provision of this chapter for which another penalty is 49.16 not provided is guilty of a misdemeanor. 49.17 (c) A person who violates a provision of this chapter for which another penalty is not 49.18 provided is guilty of a gross misdemeanor if the violation occurs within five years after 49.19 a previous conviction under a provision of this chapter. 49.20 (d) A person who in any manner violates a provision of this chapter to evade a tax 49.21 imposed by this chapter, or who aids and abets the evasion of a tax, is guilty of a gross 49.22 49.23 misdemeanor. Subd. 5. Statute of limitations. Notwithstanding other provision of the criminal 49.24 laws of this state, an indictment may be found and filed, or a complaint filed, upon a 49.25 49.26 criminal offense named in this section, in the proper court within six years after the offense is committed. 49.27 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment. 49.28 Sec. 8. [297J.07] INTEREST. 49.29 Subdivision 1. Rate. If an interest assessment is required under this section, interest 49.30 is computed at the rate specified in section 270C.40. 49.31 Subd. 2. Late payment. If a tax is not paid within the time specified by law for 49.32

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| 50.1 | Subd. 3. Extensions. If an extension of time for payment has been granted, interest |
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| 50.2 | must be paid from the date the payment should have been made if no extension had been |
| 50.3 | granted, until the date the tax is paid. |
| 50.4 | Subd. 4. Additional assessments. If a taxpayer is liable for additional taxes because |
| 50.5 | of a redetermination by the commissioner, or for any other reason, the additional taxes |
| 50.6 | bear interest from the time the tax should have been paid, without regard to any extension |
| 50.7 | allowed, until the date the tax is paid. |
| 50.8 | Subd. 5. Erroneous refunds. In the case of an erroneous refund, interest accrues |
| 50.9 | from the date the refund was paid unless the erroneous refund results from a mistake of |
| 50.10 | the department, then no interest or penalty is imposed unless the deficiency assessment is |
| 50.11 | not satisfied within 60 days of the order. |
| 50.12 | Subd. 6. Interest on judgments. Notwithstanding section 549.09, if judgment is |
| 50.13 | entered in favor of the commissioner with regard to any tax, the judgment bears interest |
| 50.14 | at the rate specified in section 270C.40 from the date the judgment is entered until the |
| 50.15 | date of payment. |
| 50.16 | Subd. 7. Interest on penalties. A penalty imposed under section 297J.05, |
| 50.17 | subdivision 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5, bears interest from the date the return or payment was required |
| 50.18 | to be filed or paid, including any extensions, to the date of payment of the penalty. |
| 50.19 | EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment. |
| 50.20 | Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 298.28, subdivision 4, is amended to read: |
| 50.21 | Subd. 4. School districts. (a) 23.15 cents per taxable ton, plus the increase provided |
| 50.22 | in paragraph (d), less the amount that would have been computed under Minnesota |
| 50.23 | Statutes 2008, section 126C.21, subdivision 4, for the current year for that district, must be |
| 50.24 | allocated to qualifying school districts to be distributed, based upon the certification of the |
| 50.25 | commissioner of revenue, under paragraphs (b), (c), and (f). |
| 50.26 | (b)(i) 3.43 cents per taxable ton must be distributed to the school districts in which |
| 50.27 | the lands from which taconite was mined or quarried were located or within which the |
| 50.28 | concentrate was produced. The distribution must be based on the apportionment formula |
| 50.29 | prescribed in subdivision 2. |
| 50.30 | (ii) Four cents per taxable ton from each taconite facility must be distributed to |
| 50.31 | each affected school district for deposit in a fund dedicated to building maintenance |
| 50.32 | and repairs, as follows: |
| 50.33 | (1) proceeds from Keewatin Taconite or its successor are distributed to Independent |
| 50.34 | School Districts Nos. 316, Coleraine, and 319, Nashwauk-Keewatin, or their successor |
| 50.35 | districts; |
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(2) proceeds from the Hibbing Taconite Company or its successor are distributed to Independent School Districts Nos. 695, Chisholm, and 701, Hibbing, or their successor districts;

- (3) proceeds from the Mittal Steel Company and Minntac or their successors are distributed to Independent School Districts Nos. 712, Mountain Iron-Buhl, 706, Virginia, 2711, Mesabi East, and 2154, Eveleth-Gilbert, or their successor districts;
- (4) proceeds from the Northshore Mining Company or its successor are distributed to Independent School Districts Nos. 2142, St. Louis County, and 381, Lake Superior, or their successor districts; and
- (5) proceeds from United Taconite or its successor are distributed to Independent School Districts Nos. 2142, St. Louis County, and 2154, Eveleth-Gilbert, or their successor districts.

Revenues that are required to be distributed to more than one district shall be apportioned according to the number of pupil units identified in section 126C.05, subdivision 1, enrolled in the second previous year.

- (c)(i) 15.72 cents per taxable ton, less any amount distributed under paragraph (e), shall be distributed to a group of school districts comprised of those school districts which qualify as a tax relief area under section 273.134, paragraph (b), or in which there is a qualifying municipality as defined by section 273.134, paragraph (a), in direct proportion to school district indexes as follows: for each school district, its pupil units determined under section 126C.05 for the prior school year shall be multiplied by the ratio of the average adjusted net tax capacity per pupil unit for school districts receiving aid under this clause as calculated pursuant to chapters 122A, 126C, and 127A for the school year ending prior to distribution to the adjusted net tax capacity per pupil unit of the district. Each district shall receive that portion of the distribution which its index bears to the sum of the indices for all school districts that receive the distributions.
- (ii) Notwithstanding clause (i), each school district that receives a distribution under sections 298.018; 298.23 to 298.28, exclusive of any amount received under this clause; 298.34 to 298.39; 298.391 to 298.396; 298.405; or any law imposing a tax on severed mineral values after reduction for any portion distributed to cities and towns under section 126C.48, subdivision 8, paragraph (5), that is less than the amount of its levy reduction under section 126C.48, subdivision 8, for the second year prior to the year of the distribution shall receive a distribution equal to the difference; the amount necessary to make this payment shall be derived from proportionate reductions in the initial distribution to other school districts under clause (i). If there are insufficient tax proceeds to make the distribution provided under this paragraph in any year, money must

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be transferred from the taconite property tax relief account in subdivision 6, to the extent of the shortfall in the distribution.

(d) Any school district described in paragraph (c) where a levy increase pursuant to section 126C.17, subdivision 9, was authorized by referendum for taxes payable in 2001, shall receive a distribution of 21.3 cents per ton. Each district shall receive \$175 times the pupil units identified in section 126C.05, subdivision 1, enrolled in the second previous year or the 1983-1984 school year, whichever is greater, less the product of 1.8 percent times the district's taxable net tax capacity in the second previous year.

If the total amount provided by paragraph (d) is insufficient to make the payments herein required then the entitlement of \$175 per pupil unit shall be reduced uniformly so as not to exceed the funds available. Any amounts received by a qualifying school district in any fiscal year pursuant to paragraph (d) shall not be applied to reduce general education aid which the district receives pursuant to section 126C.13 or the permissible levies of the district. Any amount remaining after the payments provided in this paragraph shall be paid to the commissioner of Iron Range resources and rehabilitation who shall deposit the same in the taconite environmental protection fund and the Douglas J. Johnson economic protection trust fund as provided in subdivision 11.

Each district receiving money according to this paragraph shall reserve the lesser of the amount received under this paragraph or \$25 times the number of pupil units served in the district. It may use the money for early childhood programs or for outcome-based learning programs that enhance the academic quality of the district's curriculum. The outcome-based learning programs must be approved by the commissioner of education.

- (e) There shall be distributed to any school district the amount which the school district was entitled to receive under section 298.32 in 1975.
- (f) Four cents per taxable ton must be distributed to qualifying school districts according to the distribution specified in paragraph (b), clause (ii), and two cents per taxable ton must be distributed according to the distribution specified in paragraph (c). These amounts are not subject to sections 126C.21, subdivision 4, and 126C.48, subdivision 8.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective beginning for the 2014 distribution.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 298.28, subdivision 6, is amended to read: Subd. 6. **Property tax relief.** (a) In 2002 2014 and thereafter, 33.9 35.3 cents per taxable ton, less any amount required to be distributed under paragraphs (b) and (c), or section 298.2961, subdivision 5, must be allocated to St. Louis County acting as the counties' fiscal agent, to be distributed as provided in sections 273.134 to 273.136.

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(b) If an electric power plant owned by and providing the primary source of power for a taxpayer mining and concentrating taconite is located in a county other than the county in which the mining and the concentrating processes are conducted, .1875 cent per taxable ton of the tax imposed and collected from such taxpayer shall be paid to the county.

(c) If an electric power plant owned by and providing the primary source of power for a taxpayer mining and concentrating taconite is located in a school district other than a school district in which the mining and concentrating processes are conducted, .4541 cent per taxable ton of the tax imposed and collected from the taxpayer shall be paid to the school district.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective beginning for the 2014 distribution.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 298.28, subdivision 9a, is amended to read:

Subd. 9a. **Taconite economic development fund.** (a) 30.1 20.4 cents per ton

for distributions in 2002 2014 and thereafter must be paid to the taconite economic

development fund. No distribution shall be made under this paragraph in 2004 or any

subsequent year in which total industry production falls below 30 million tons. Distribution

shall only be made to a taconite producer's fund under section 298.227 if the producer

timely pays its tax under section 298.24 by the dates provided under section 298.27, or

pursuant to the due dates provided by an administrative agreement with the commissioner.

(b) An amount equal to 50 percent of the tax under section 298.24 for concentrate sold in the form of pellet chips and fines not exceeding 5/16 inch in size and not including crushed pellets shall be paid to the taconite economic development fund. The amount paid shall not exceed \$700,000 annually for all companies. If the initial amount to be paid to the fund exceeds this amount, each company's payment shall be prorated so the total does not exceed \$700,000.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective beginning for the 2014 distribution.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 298.75, subdivision 2, is amended to read: Subd. 2. **Tax imposed.** (a) Except as provided in paragraph (e), A county that imposes the aggregate production tax, as defined in this section, shall impose upon every operator a production tax of 21.5 cents per cubic yard or 15 cents per ton of aggregate material excavated in the county except that the county board may decide not to impose this tax if it determines that in the previous year operators removed less than 20,000 tons or 14,000 cubic yards of aggregate material from that county. A county may impose upon every operator an additional production tax of up to 21.5 cents per cubic yard or 15 cents

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per ton of aggregate material excavated in the county. The tax shall not be imposed on aggregate material excavated in the county until the aggregate material is transported from the extraction site or sold, whichever occurs first. When aggregate material is stored in a stockpile within the state of Minnesota and a public highway, road or street is not used for transporting the aggregate material, the tax shall not be imposed until either when the aggregate material is sold, or when it is transported from the stockpile site, or when it is used from the stockpile, whichever occurs first.

- (b) Except as provided in paragraph (e), A county that imposes the aggregate production tax under paragraph (a), as defined in this section, shall impose upon every importer a production tax of 21.5 cents per cubic yard or 15 cents per ton of aggregate material imported into the county. A county may impose upon every importer an additional production tax of up to 21.5 cents per cubic yard or 15 cents per ton of aggregate material imported into the county. The tax shall be imposed when the aggregate material is imported from the extraction site or sold. When imported aggregate material is stored in a stockpile within the state of Minnesota and a public highway, road, or street is not used for transporting the aggregate material, the tax shall be imposed either when the aggregate material is sold, when it is transported from the stockpile site, or when it is used from the stockpile, whichever occurs first. The tax shall be imposed on an importer when the aggregate material is imported into the county that imposes the tax.
- (c) If the aggregate material is transported directly from the extraction site to a waterway, railway, or another mode of transportation other than a highway, road or street, the tax imposed by this section shall be apportioned equally between the county where the aggregate material is extracted and the county to which the aggregate material is originally transported. If that destination is not located in Minnesota, then the county where the aggregate material was extracted shall receive all of the proceeds of the tax.
- (d) A county, city, or town that receives revenue under this section is prohibited from imposing any additional host community fees on aggregate production within that county, city, or town.
- (e) A county that borders two other states and that is not contiguous to a county that imposes a tax under this section may impose the taxes under paragraphs (a) and (b) at the rate of ten cents per cubic yard or seven cents per ton. This paragraph expires December 31, 2014.

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

Sec. 13. 2013 DISTRIBUTION ONLY.

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| 55.1 | For the 2013 distribution, a special fund is established to receive \$ of the |
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| 55.2 | amount that otherwise would be distributed under Minnesota Statutes, section 298.28, |
| 55.3 | subdivision 6, and this amount must be paid as follows: |
| 55.4 | (1) \$ to the city of Hibbing for improvements to the city's water supply system; |
| 55.5 | <u>and</u> |
| 55.6 | (2) \$ to the city of Mountain Iron for the cost of moving utilities required as a |
| 55.7 | result of actions undertaken by United States Steel Corporation. |
| 55.8 | EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for the 2013 distribution, all of which |
| 55.9 | must be made in the August 2013 payment. |
| 55.10 | Sec. 14. IRON RANGE RESOURCES AND REHABILITATION |
| 55.10 | COMMISSIONER; BONDS AUTHORIZED. |
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| 55.12 | Subdivision 1. Issuance; purpose. Notwithstanding any provision of Minnesota |
| 55.13 | Statutes, chapter 298, to the contrary, the commissioner of Iron Range resources and |
| 55.14 | rehabilitation may issue revenue bonds in a principal amount of \$ in one or more |
| 55.15 | series, and bonds to refund those bonds. The proceeds of the bonds must be used to make |
| 55.16 | grants to school districts located in the taconite tax relief area defined in Minnesota Statutes, |
| 55.17 | section 273.134, or the taconite assistance area defined in Minnesota Statutes, section |
| 55.18 | 273.1341, to be used by the school districts to pay for building projects, such as energy |
| 55.19 | efficiency, technology, infrastructure, health, safety, and maintenance improvements. |
| 55.20 | Subd. 2. Appropriation. (a) There is annually appropriated from the distribution of |
| 55.21 | taconite production tax revenues under Minnesota Statues, section 298.28, prior to the |
| 55.22 | calculation of the amount of the remainder under Minnesota Statutes, section 298.28, |
| 55.23 | subdivision 11, an amount sufficient to pay when due the principal and interest on the |
| 55.24 | bonds issued pursuant to subdivision 1. The appropriation under this section must not |
| 55.25 | exceed an amount equal to ten cents per taxable ton. |
| 55.26 | (b) If in any year the amount available under paragraph (a) is insufficient to pay |
| 55.27 | principal and interest due on the bonds in that year, an additional amount is appropriated |
| 55.28 | from the Douglas J. Johnson fund to make up the deficiency. |
| 55.29 | (c) The appropriation under this subdivision terminates upon payment or maturity of |
| 55.30 | the last of the bonds issued under this section. |
| 55.31 | Subd. 3. Credit enhancement. The bonds issued under this section are "debt |
| 55.32 | obligations" and the commissioner of Iron Range resources and rehabilitation is a "district" |
| 55.33 | for purposes of Minnesota Statutes, section 126C.55, provided that advances made under |

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Minnesota Statutes, section 126C.55, subdivision 2, are not subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 126C.55, subdivisions 4 to 7.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment and applies beginning with the 2014 distribution under Minnesota Statutes, section 298.28.

Sec. 15. IRON RANGE FISCAL DISPARITIES STUDY.

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Subdivision 1. **Study required.** The commissioner of revenue shall conduct a study of the tax relief area revenue distribution program contained in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 276A, commonly known as the Iron Range fiscal disparities program. By February 1, 2015, the commissioner shall submit a report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the house of representatives and senate tax committees consisting of the findings of the study and identification of issues for policy makers to consider. The study must analyze:

- (1) the extent to which the benefits of the economic growth in the region are shared throughout the region, especially for growth that results from state or regional decisions;
- (2) the program's impact on the variability of tax rates across jurisdictions of the region;
- (3) the program's impact on the distribution of homestead property tax burdens across jurisdictions of the region; and
- (4) the relationship between the impacts of the program and overburden on jurisdictions containing properties that provide regional benefits, specifically the costs those properties impose on their host jurisdictions in excess of their tax payments. The report must include a description of other property tax, aid, and local development programs that interact with the fiscal disparities program.
- Subd. 2. Funds transfer from fiscal disparities levy. For taxes payable in 2014 only, \$75,000 must be added to St. Louis County's areawide levy as otherwise determined under Minnesota Statutes, section 276A.06, subdivision 5. Upon receipt of the proceeds of this levy, St. Louis County must transfer this money to the commissioner of management and budget for deposit into an account in the special revenue fund. One-half of the proceeds of the levy must be transferred prior to June 30, 2014.
- Subd. 3. **Appropriation.** \$37,500 in fiscal year 2014 and \$37,500 in fiscal year 2015 are appropriated from the account in the special revenue fund established under subdivision 2 to the commissioner of revenue to pay for the study required by this section. Any amounts remaining in the account in the special revenue fund on June 30, 2015, must

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be distributed to St. Louis County for the purposes of reducing the areawide tax rate for taxes payable in 2016.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2013.

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57.5 **LOCAL SALES TAXES**

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.190, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 1a. Tax base; locally collected taxes. A tax imposed on the gross receipts from lodging under this section or under a special law applies to the same base as taxes collected by the commissioner of revenue under subdivision 7 and section 270C.171.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment. In enacting this section, the legislature confirms its original intent in enacting Minnesota Statutes, section 469.190, its predecessor provisions, and any special laws authorizing political subdivisions to impose lodging taxes, and that those taxes were and are intended to apply to the entire consideration paid to obtain access to transient lodging, including ancillary or related services, such as services provided by accommodation intermediaries as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.61, and similar services. The provisions of this section must not be interpreted to imply a narrower construction of the tax base under lodging tax provisions of Minnesota law prior to the enactment of this section.

Subd. 7. **Collection.** (a) The statutory or home rule charter city may agree with the commissioner of revenue that a tax imposed pursuant to this section shall be collected by the commissioner together with the tax imposed by chapter 297A, and subject to the same interest, penalties, and other rules and that its proceeds, less the cost of collection, shall be remitted to the city.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.190, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

(b) If a tax imposed under this section or under a special law is not collected by the commissioner of revenue, the local government imposing the tax may only require an accommodations intermediary, as defined in section 297A.61, subdivision 47, to file and remit the tax related to accommodations intermediary services once in every calendar year. The local government must inform the tax intermediary of the date when the return and remittance is due.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for sales and purchases made after June 30, 2013.

Sec. 3. Laws 1993, chapter 375, article 9, section 46, subdivision 2, as amended by Laws 1997, chapter 231, article 7, section 40, Laws 1998, chapter 389, article 8, section 30, Laws 2003, First Special Session chapter 21, article 8, section 13, Laws 2005, First Special Session chapter 3, article 5, section 26, and Laws 2009, chapter 88, article 4, section 15, is amended to read:

- Subd. 2. **Use of revenues.** Revenues received from the tax authorized by subdivision 1 may only be used by the city to pay the cost of collecting the tax, and, except as provided in <u>paragraph (e)</u>, to pay for the following projects or to secure or pay any principal, premium, or interest on bonds issued in accordance with subdivision 3 for the following projects.
- (a) To pay all or a portion of the capital expenses of construction, equipment and acquisition costs for the expansion and remodeling of the St. Paul Civic Center complex, including the demolition of the existing arena and the construction and equipping of a new arena.
- (b) Except as provided in paragraphs (e) and (f), the remainder of the funds must be spent for:
- (1) capital projects to further residential, cultural, commercial, and economic development in both downtown St. Paul and St. Paul neighborhoods; and
- (2) capital and operating expenses of cultural organizations in the city, provided that the amount spent under this clause must equal ten percent of the total amount spent under this paragraph in any year.
- (c) The amount apportioned under paragraph (b) shall be no less than 60 percent of the revenues derived from the tax each year, except to the extent that a portion of that amount is required to pay debt service on (1) bonds issued for the purposes of paragraph (a) prior to March 1, 1998; or (2) bonds issued for the purposes of paragraph (a) after March 1, 1998, but only if the city council determines that 40 percent of the revenues derived from the tax together with other revenues pledged to the payment of the bonds, including the proceeds of definitive bonds, is expected to exceed the annual debt service on the bonds.
- (d) If in any year more than 40 percent of the revenue derived from the tax authorized by subdivision 1 is used to pay debt service on the bonds issued for the purposes of paragraph (a) and to fund a reserve for the bonds, the amount of the debt service payment that exceeds 40 percent of the revenue must be determined for that year. In any year when 40 percent of the revenue produced by the sales tax exceeds the amount required to pay debt service on the bonds and to fund a reserve for the bonds under paragraph (a), the amount of the excess must be made available for capital projects to further residential, cultural, commercial, and economic development in the neighborhoods and downtown until the cumulative amounts determined for all years under the preceding sentence have

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been made available under this sentence. The amount made available as reimbursement in the preceding sentence is not included in the 60 percent determined under paragraph (c).

- (e) In each of calendar years 2006 to 2014, revenue not to exceed \$3,500,000 may be used to pay the principal of bonds issued for capital projects of the city. After December 31, 2014, revenue from the tax imposed under subdivision 1 may not be used for this purpose. If the amount necessary to meet obligations under paragraphs (a) and (d) are less than 40 percent of the revenue from the tax in any year, the city may place the difference between 40 percent of the revenue and the amounts allocated under paragraphs (a) and (d) in an economic development fund to be used for any economic development purposes.
- (f) By January 15 of each year, the mayor and the city council must report to the legislature on the use of sales tax revenues during the preceding one-year period.
- **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day after compliance by the governing body of the city of St. Paul with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivisions 2 and 3.
- Sec. 4. Laws 2005, First Special Session chapter 3, article 5, section 37, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
 - Subd. 2. **Use of revenues.** (a) Revenues received from the tax authorized by subdivision 1 by the city of St. Cloud must be used for the cost of collecting and administering the tax and to pay all or part of the capital or administrative costs of the development, acquisition, construction, improvement, and securing and paying debt service on bonds or other obligations issued to finance the following regional projects as approved by the voters and specifically detailed in the referendum authorizing the tax or extending the tax:
 - (1) St. Cloud Regional Airport;
- 59.25 (2) regional transportation improvements;
- 59.26 (3) regional community and aquatics and recreation centers and facilities;
- 59.27 (4) regional public libraries; and

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- 59.28 (5) acquisition and improvement of regional park land and open space.
 - (b) Revenues received from the tax authorized by subdivision 1 by the cities of St. Joseph, Waite Park, Sartell, Sauk Rapids, and St. Augusta must be used for the cost of collecting and administering the tax and to pay all or part of the capital or administrative costs of the development, acquisition, construction, improvement, and securing and paying debt service on bonds or other obligations issued to fund the projects specifically approved by the voters at the referendum authorizing the tax or extending the tax. The portion of

revenues from the city going to fund the regional airport or regional library located in the city of St. Cloud will be as required under the applicable joint powers agreement.

(c) The use of revenues received from the taxes authorized in subdivision 1 for projects allowed under paragraphs (a) and (b) are limited to the amount authorized for each project under the enabling referendum.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for a city that approves it the day after compliance by the governing body of that city with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

- Sec. 5. Laws 2005, First Special Session chapter 3, article 5, section 37, subdivision 4, is amended to read:
- Subd. 4. **Termination of tax.** The tax imposed in the cities of St. Joseph, St. Cloud, St. Augusta, Sartell, Sauk Rapids, and Waite Park under subdivision 1 expires when the city council determines that sufficient funds have been collected from the tax to retire or redeem the bonds and obligations authorized under subdivision 2, paragraph (a), but no later than December 31, 2018. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.99, subdivision 3, paragraphs (a), (c), and (d), a city may extend the tax imposed under subdivision 1 through December 31, 2038, if approved under the referendum authorizing the tax under subdivision 1 or if approved by voters of the city at a general election held no later than November 6, 2018.
- EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for a city that approves it the day
 after compliance by the governing body of that city with Minnesota Statutes, section
 60.22 645.021, subdivision 3.
 - Sec. 6. Laws 2008, chapter 366, article 7, section 19, subdivision 3, as amended by Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 7, article 4, section 8, is amended to read:
 - Subd. 3. **Use of revenues.** Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.99, subdivision 3, paragraph (b), the proceeds of the tax imposed under this section shall be used to pay for the costs of improvements to the Sportsman Park/Ballfields, Riverside Park, Lions Park/Pavilion, Cedar South Park also known as Eldorado Park, and Spring Street Park; improvements to and extension of the River County Bike Trail; acquisition, and construction, improvement, and development of regional parks, bieyele trails, park land, open space, and of a pedestrian walkways, as described in the city improvement plan adopted by the city council by resolution on December 12, 2006, and walkway over Interstate 94 and State Highway 24; and the acquisition of land and construction of

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buildings for a community and recreation center. The total amount of revenues from the taxes in subdivisions 1 and 2 that may be used to fund these projects is \$12,000,000 plus any associated bond costs.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day after compliance by the governing body of the city of Clearwater with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivisions 2 and 3.

Sec. 7. CITY OF PROCTOR; VALIDATION OF PRIOR ACT.

Notwithstanding the time limits in Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, the city of Proctor may approve, by resolution, Laws 2008, chapter 366, article 7, section 13, and Laws 2010, chapter 389, article 5, sections 1 and 2, and file its approval with the secretary of state by January 1, 2014. If approved under this paragraph, actions undertaken by the city pursuant to the approval of the voters on November 2, 2010, and otherwise in accordance with those laws are validated.

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

Sec. 8. CITY OF BEMIDJI; LOCAL TAXES AUTHORIZED.

Statutes, section 477A.016, or any ordinance, city charter, or other provision of law, the city of Bemidji may, by ordinance, impose a sales tax of up to one percent on the gross receipts of all food and beverages sold by a restaurant or place of refreshment located within the city. For purposes of this section, "food and beverages" include retail on-sale of intoxicating liquor and fermented malt beverages.

Subd. 2. **Lodging tax.** Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 469.190 or 477A.016, or any other provision of law, ordinance, or city charter, the city of Bemidji may impose, by ordinance, a tax of up to one percent on the gross receipts for the furnishing for consideration of lodging at a hotel, motel, rooming house, tourist court, or resort, other than for the renting or leasing of it for a continuous period of 30 days or more.

Subd. 3. Use of proceeds from authorized taxes. The proceeds of the taxes imposed under subdivisions 1 and 2 must only be used by the city to fund the costs of operation, maintenance, and capital replacement costs for the Sanford Center.

Subd. 4. Collection, administration, and enforcement. The city may enter into an agreement with the commissioner of revenue to administer, collect, and enforce the

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taxes under subdivisions 1 and 2. If the commissioner agrees to collect the tax, the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.99, related to collection, administration, and enforcement, and Minnesota Statutes, section 270C.171, apply.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day after the governing body of the city of Bemidji and its chief clerical officer comply with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivisions 2 and 3.

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MARKET VALUE DEFINITIONS

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 38.18, is amended to read:

38.18 COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS; IMPROVEMENT AIDED.

time having a an estimated market value of all its taxable property, exclusive of money and eredits, of more than \$105,000,000, and having a county fair located within its corporate limits, is hereby authorized to aid in defraying may pay part of the expense of improving any such the fairground, by appropriating and paying over to the treasurer of the county owning the fairground such sum of money, not exceeding \$10,000, for each of the political subdivisions, as the its governing body of the town, statutory city, or school district may, by resolution, determine determines to be for the best interest of the political subdivision. The sums so appropriated to amounts paid to the county must be used solely for the purpose of aiding in the improvement of to improve the fairground in such the manner as the county board of the county shall determine determines to be for the best interest of the county.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 40A.15, subdivision 2, is amended to read: Subd. 2. **Eligible recipients.** All counties within the state, municipalities that prepare plans and official controls instead of a county, and districts are eligible for assistance under the program. Counties and districts may apply for assistance on behalf of other municipalities. In order to be eligible for financial assistance a county or municipality must agree to levy at least 0.01209 percent of taxable estimated market value for agricultural land preservation and conservation activities or otherwise spend the equivalent amount of local money on those activities, or spend \$15,000 of local money, whichever is less.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 69.011, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** Unless the language or context clearly indicates that a different meaning is intended, the following words and terms, for the purposes of this chapter and chapters 423, 423A, 424 and 424A, have the meanings ascribed to them:

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| 63.1 | (a) "Commissioner" means | the commissioner of re | venue. | | | |
| 63.2 | (b) "Municipality" means: | | | | | |
| 63.3 | (1) a home rule charter or s | tatutory city; | | | | |
| 63.4 | (2) an organized town; | | | | | |
| 63.5 | (3) a park district subject to | chapter 398; | | | | |
| 63.6 | (4) the University of Minne | esota; | | | | |
| 63.7 | (5) for purposes of the fire | state aid program only, | an American India | n tribal | | |
| 63.8 | government entity located within | a federally recognized | American Indian re | eservation; | | |
| 63.9 | (6) for purposes of the police | ce state aid program on | ly, an American Inc | lian tribal | | |
| 63.10 | government with a tribal police of | lepartment which exerc | ises state arrest pov | vers under | | |
| 63.11 | section 626.90, 626.91, 626.92, o | or 626.93; | | | | |
| 63.12 | (7) for purposes of the police | ce state aid program on | ly, the Metropolitar | ı Airports | | |
| 63.13 | Commission; and | | | | | |
| 63.14 | (8) for purposes of the police | ce state aid program on | ly, the Department | of Natural | | |
| 63.15 | Resources and the Department of | f Public Safety with res | pect to peace office | rs covered | | |
| 63.16 | under chapter 352B. | | | | | |
| 63.17 | (c) "Minnesota Firetown Pr | remium Report" means | a form prescribed l | by the | | |
| 63.18 | commissioner containing space f | or reporting by insurers | of fire, lightning, s | sprinkler | | |
| 63.19 | leakage and extended coverage p | remiums received upon | risks located or to | be performed | | |
| 63.20 | in this state less return premiums | and dividends. | | | | |
| 63.21 | (d) "Firetown" means the ar | rea serviced by any mu | nicipality having a | qualified fire | | |
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| 63.23 | firefighters' relief association. | | | | | |
| 63.24 | (e) "Estimated market value | e" means latest availabl | e <u>estimated</u> market | value of all | | |
| 63.25 | property in a taxing jurisdiction, | whether the property is | subject to taxation, | , or exempt | | |
| 63.26 | from ad valorem taxation obtaine | from ad valorem taxation obtained from information which appears on abstracts filed with | | | | |
| 63.27 | the commissioner of revenue or equalized by the State Board of Equalization. | | | | | |
| 63.28 | (f) "Minnesota Aid to Polic | e Premium Report" me | ans a form prescrib | ed by the | | |

- (f) "Minnesota Aid to Police Premium Report" means a form prescribed by the commissioner for reporting by each fire and casualty insurer of all premiums received upon direct business received by it in this state, or by its agents for it, in cash or otherwise, during the preceding calendar year, with reference to insurance written for insuring against the perils contained in auto insurance coverages as reported in the Minnesota business schedule of the annual financial statement which each insurer is required to file with the commissioner in accordance with the governing laws or rules less return premiums and dividends.
 - (g) "Peace officer" means any person:

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| 64.1 | (1) whose primary source of income derived from wages is from direct employment |
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| 64.2 | by a municipality or county as a law enforcement officer on a full-time basis of not less |
| 64.3 | than 30 hours per week; |
| 64.4 | (2) who has been employed for a minimum of six months prior to December 31 |
| 64.5 | preceding the date of the current year's certification under subdivision 2, clause (b); |
| 64.6 | (3) who is sworn to enforce the general criminal laws of the state and local ordinances; |
| 64.7 | (4) who is licensed by the Peace Officers Standards and Training Board and is |
| 64.8 | authorized to arrest with a warrant; and |
| 64.9 | (5) who is a member of the State Patrol retirement plan or the public employees |
| 64.10 | police and fire fund. |
| 64.11 | (h) "Full-time equivalent number of peace officers providing contract service" means |
| 64.12 | the integral or fractional number of peace officers which would be necessary to provide |
| 64.13 | the contract service if all peace officers providing service were employed on a full-time |
| 64.14 | basis as defined by the employing unit and the municipality receiving the contract service. |
| 64.15 | (i) "Retirement benefits other than a service pension" means any disbursement |
| 64.16 | authorized under section 424A.05, subdivision 3, clauses (3) and (4). |
| 64.17 | (j) "Municipal clerk, municipal clerk-treasurer, or county auditor" means: |
| 64.18 | (1) for the police state aid program and police relief association financial reports: |
| 64.19 | (i) the person who was elected or appointed to the specified position or, in the |
| 64.20 | absence of the person, another person who is designated by the applicable governing body; |
| 64.21 | (ii) in a park district, the secretary of the board of park district commissioners; |
| 64.22 | (iii) in the case of the University of Minnesota, the official designated by the Board |
| 64.23 | of Regents; |
| 64.24 | (iv) for the Metropolitan Airports Commission, the person designated by the |
| 64.25 | commission; |
| 64.26 | (v) for the Department of Natural Resources or the Department of Public Safety, the |
| 64.27 | respective commissioner; |
| 64.28 | (vi) for a tribal police department which exercises state arrest powers under section |
| 64.29 | 626.90, 626.91, 626.92, or 626.93, the person designated by the applicable American |
| 64.30 | Indian tribal government; and |
| 64.31 | (2) for the fire state aid program and fire relief association financial reports, the |
| 64.32 | person who was elected or appointed to the specified position, or, for governmental |
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the position to perform the function, the chief financial official of the governmental entity

or the chief administrative official of the governmental entity.

(k) "Voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan" means the retirement plan established by chapter 353G.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 69.021, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

- Subd. 7. Apportionment of fire state aid to municipalities and relief associations.
- (a) The commissioner shall apportion the fire state aid relative to the premiums reported on the Minnesota Firetown Premium Reports filed under this chapter to each municipality and/or firefighters relief association.
- (b) The commissioner shall calculate an initial fire state aid allocation amount for each municipality or fire department under paragraph (c) and a minimum fire state aid allocation amount for each municipality or fire department under paragraph (d). The municipality or fire department must receive the larger fire state aid amount.
- (c) The initial fire state aid allocation amount is the amount available for apportionment as fire state aid under subdivision 5, without inclusion of any additional funding amount to support a minimum fire state aid amount under section 423A.02, subdivision 3, allocated one-half in proportion to the population as shown in the last official statewide federal census for each fire town and one-half in proportion to the estimated market value of each fire town, including (1) the estimated market value of tax-exempt property and (2) the estimated market value of natural resources lands receiving in lieu payments under sections 477A.11 to 477A.14, but excluding the estimated market value of minerals. In the case of incorporated or municipal fire departments furnishing fire protection to other cities, towns, or townships as evidenced by valid fire service contracts filed with the commissioner, the distribution must be adjusted proportionately to take into consideration the crossover fire protection service. Necessary adjustments must be made to subsequent apportionments. In the case of municipalities or independent fire departments qualifying for the aid, the commissioner shall calculate the state aid for the municipality or relief association on the basis of the population and the estimated market value of the area furnished fire protection service by the fire department as evidenced by duly executed and valid fire service agreements filed with the commissioner. If one or more fire departments are furnishing contracted fire service to a city, town, or township, only the population and estimated market value of the area served by each fire department may be considered in calculating the state aid and the fire departments furnishing service shall enter into an agreement apportioning among themselves the percent of the population and the estimated market value of each service area. The agreement must be in writing and must be filed with the commissioner.

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(d) The minimum fire state aid allocation amount is the amount in addition to the initial fire state allocation amount that is derived from any additional funding amount to support a minimum fire state aid amount under section 423A.02, subdivision 3, and allocated to municipalities with volunteer firefighters relief associations or covered by the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan based on the number of active volunteer firefighters who are members of the relief association as reported in the annual financial reporting for the calendar year 1993 to the Office of the State Auditor, but not to exceed 30 active volunteer firefighters, so that all municipalities or fire departments with volunteer firefighters relief associations receive in total at least a minimum fire state aid amount per 1993 active volunteer firefighter to a maximum of 30 firefighters. If a relief association is established after calendar year 1993 and before calendar year 2000, the number of active volunteer firefighters who are members of the relief association as reported in the annual financial reporting for calendar year 1998 to the Office of the State Auditor, but not to exceed 30 active volunteer firefighters, shall be used in this determination. If a relief association is established after calendar year 1999, the number of active volunteer firefighters who are members of the relief association as reported in the first annual financial reporting submitted to the Office of the State Auditor, but not to exceed 20 active volunteer firefighters, must be used in this determination. If a relief association is terminated as a result of providing retirement coverage for volunteer firefighters by the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan under chapter 353G, the number of active volunteer firefighters of the municipality covered by the statewide plan as certified by the executive director of the Public Employees Retirement Association to the commissioner and the state auditor, but not to exceed 30 active firefighters, must be used in this determination.

- (e) Unless the firefighters of the applicable fire department are members of the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan, the fire state aid must be paid to the treasurer of the municipality where the fire department is located and the treasurer of the municipality shall, within 30 days of receipt of the fire state aid, transmit the aid to the relief association if the relief association has filed a financial report with the treasurer of the municipality and has met all other statutory provisions pertaining to the aid apportionment. If the firefighters of the applicable fire department are members of the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan, the fire state aid must be paid to the executive director of the Public Employees Retirement Association and deposited in the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement fund.
- (f) The commissioner may make rules to permit the administration of the provisions of this section.

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(g) Any adjustments needed to correct prior misallocations must be made to subsequent apportionments.

- Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 69.021, subdivision 8, is amended to read:
- Subd. 8. **Population and <u>estimated</u> market value.** (a) In computations relating to fire state aid requiring the use of population figures, only official statewide federal census figures are to be used. Increases or decreases in population disclosed by reason of any special census must not be taken into consideration.
- (b) In calculations relating to fire state aid requiring the use of <u>estimated</u> market value property figures, only the latest available <u>estimated</u> market value property figures may be used.
- Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 88.51, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
 - Subd. 3. **Determination of <u>estimated</u> market value.** In determining the net tax capacity of property within any taxing district the value of the surface of lands within any auxiliary forest therein, as determined by the county board under the provisions of section 88.48, subdivision 3, shall, for all purposes except the levying of taxes on lands within any such forest, be deemed the estimated market value thereof.
 - Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 103B.245, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
 - Subd. 3. **Tax.** After adoption of the ordinance under subdivision 2, a local government unit may annually levy a tax on all taxable property in the district for the purposes for which the tax district is established. The tax may not exceed 0.02418 percent of <u>estimated</u> market value on taxable property located in rural towns other than urban towns, unless allowed by resolution of the town electors. The proceeds of the tax shall be paid into a fund reserved for these purposes. Any proceeds remaining in the reserve fund at the time the tax is terminated or the district is dissolved shall be transferred and irrevocably pledged to the debt service fund of the local unit to be used solely to reduce tax levies for bonded indebtedness of taxable property in the district.
 - Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 103B.251, subdivision 8, is amended to read:
 - Subd. 8. **Tax.** (a) For the payment of principal and interest on the bonds issued under subdivision 7 and the payment required under subdivision 6, the county shall irrevocably pledge and appropriate the proceeds of a tax levied on all taxable property located within the territory of the watershed management organization or subwatershed unit for which the bonds are issued. Each year until the reserve for payment of the bonds

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is sufficient to retire the bonds, the county shall levy on all taxable property in the territory of the organization or unit, without respect to any statutory or other limitation on taxes, an amount of taxes sufficient to pay principal and interest on the bonds and to restore any deficiencies in reserves required to be maintained for payment of the bonds.

- (b) The tax levied on rural towns other than urban towns may not exceed 0.02418 percent of taxable estimated market value, unless approved by resolution of the town electors.
- (c) If at any time the amounts available from the levy on property in the territory of the organization are insufficient to pay principal and interest on the bonds when due, the county shall make payment from any available funds in the county treasury.
- (d) The amount of any taxes which are required to be levied outside of the territory of the watershed management organization or unit or taken from the general funds of the county to pay principal or interest on the bonds shall be reimbursed to the county from taxes levied within the territory of the watershed management organization or unit.
 - Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 103B.635, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. **Municipal funding of district.** (a) The governing body or board of supervisors of each municipality in the district must provide the funds necessary to meet its proportion of the total cost determined by the board, provided the total funding from all municipalities in the district for the costs shall not exceed an amount equal to .00242 percent of the total <u>taxable estimated</u> market value within the district, unless three-fourths of the municipalities in the district pass a resolution concurring to the additional costs.
- (b) The funds must be deposited in the treasury of the district in amounts and at times as the treasurer of the district requires.
 - Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 103B.691, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. **Municipal funding of district.** (a) The governing body or board of supervisors of each municipality in the district shall provide the funds necessary to meet its proportion of the total cost to be borne by the municipalities as finally certified by the board.
- (b) The municipality's funds may be raised by any means within the authority of the municipality. The municipalities may each levy a tax not to exceed .02418 percent of taxable estimated market value on the taxable property located in the district to provide the funds. The levy shall be within all other limitations provided by law.
- (c) The funds must be deposited into the treasury of the district in amounts and at times as the treasurer of the district requires.

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Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 103D.905, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

- Subd. 2. **Organizational expense fund.** (a) An organizational expense fund, consisting of an ad valorem tax levy, shall not exceed 0.01596 percent of taxable estimated market value, or \$60,000, whichever is less. The money in the fund shall be used for organizational expenses and preparation of the watershed management plan for projects.
- (b) The managers may borrow from the affected counties up to 75 percent of the anticipated funds to be collected from the organizational expense fund levy and the counties affected may make the advancements.
- (c) The advancement of anticipated funds shall be apportioned among affected counties in the same ratio as the net tax capacity of the area of the counties within the watershed district bears to the net tax capacity of the entire watershed district. If a watershed district is enlarged, an organizational expense fund may be levied against the area added to the watershed district in the same manner as provided in this subdivision.
- (d) Unexpended funds collected for the organizational expense may be transferred to the administrative fund and used for the purposes of the administrative fund.
- Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 103D.905, subdivision 3, is amended to read: Subd. 3. **General fund.** A general fund, consisting of an ad valorem tax levy, may not exceed 0.048 percent of taxable estimated market value, or \$250,000, whichever is less. The money in the fund shall be used for general administrative expenses and for the construction or implementation and maintenance of projects of common benefit to the watershed district. The managers may make an annual levy for the general fund as provided in section 103D.911. In addition to the annual general levy, the managers may annually levy a tax not to exceed 0.00798 percent of taxable estimated market value for a period not to exceed 15 consecutive years to pay the cost attributable to the basic water management features of projects initiated by petition of a political subdivision within the watershed district or by petition of at least 50 resident owners whose property
 - Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 103D.905, subdivision 8, is amended to read:
- Subd. 8. **Survey and data acquisition fund.** (a) A survey and data acquisition fund is established and used only if other funds are not available to the watershed district to pay for making necessary surveys and acquiring data.
- (b) The survey and data acquisition fund consists of the proceeds of a property tax that can be levied only once every five years. The levy may not exceed 0.02418 percent of taxable estimated market value.

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(c) The balance of the survey and data acquisition fund may not exceed \$50,000.

(d) In a subsequent proceeding for a project where a survey has been made, the attributable cost of the survey as determined by the managers shall be included as a part of the cost of the work and the sum shall be repaid to the survey and data acquisition fund.

- Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 117.025, subdivision 7, is amended to read:
- Subd. 7. **Structurally substandard.** "Structurally substandard" means a building:
 - (1) that was inspected by the appropriate local government and cited for one or more enforceable housing, maintenance, or building code violations;
 - (2) in which the cited building code violations involve one or more of the following:
- 70.10 (i) a roof and roof framing element;
- 70.11 (ii) support walls, beams, and headers;
- 70.12 (iii) foundation, footings, and subgrade conditions;
- 70.13 (iv) light and ventilation;

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- 70.14 (v) fire protection, including egress;
- 70.15 (vi) internal utilities, including electricity, gas, and water;
- 70.16 (vii) flooring and flooring elements; or
- 70.17 (viii) walls, insulation, and exterior envelope;
 - (3) in which the cited housing, maintenance, or building code violations have not been remedied after two notices to cure the noncompliance; and
 - (4) has uncured housing, maintenance, and building code violations, satisfaction of which would cost more than 50 percent of the assessor's taxable estimated market value for the building, excluding land value, as determined under section 273.11 for property taxes payable in the year in which the condemnation is commenced.

A local government is authorized to seek from a judge or magistrate an administrative warrant to gain access to inspect a specific building in a proposed development or redevelopment area upon showing of probable cause that a specific code violation has occurred and that the violation has not been cured, and that the owner has denied the local government access to the property. Items of evidence that may support a conclusion of probable cause may include recent fire or police inspections, housing inspection, exterior evidence of deterioration, or other similar reliable evidence of deterioration in the specific building.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 127A.48, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. **Computation.** The Department of Revenue must annually conduct an assessment/sales ratio study of the taxable property in each <u>county</u>, city, town, and

school district in accordance with the procedures in subdivisions 2 and 3. Based upon the results of this assessment/sales ratio study, the Department of Revenue must determine an aggregate equalized net tax capacity for the various classes of taxable property in each taxing district, the aggregate of which tax eapacity shall be is designated as the adjusted net tax capacity. The adjusted net tax capacity must be reduced by the captured tax capacity of tax increment districts under section 469.177, subdivision 2, fiscal disparities contribution tax capacities under sections 276A.06 and 473F.08, and the tax capacity of transmission lines required to be subtracted from the local tax base under section 273.425; and increased by fiscal disparities distribution tax capacities under sections 276A.06 and 473F.08. The adjusted net tax capacities shall be determined using the net tax capacity percentages in effect for the assessment year following the assessment year of the study. The Department of Revenue must make whatever estimates are necessary to account for changes in the classification system. The Department of Revenue may incur the expense necessary to make the determinations. The commissioner of revenue may reimburse any county or governmental official for requested services performed in ascertaining the adjusted net tax capacity. On or before March 15 annually, the Department of Revenue shall file with the chair of the Tax Committee of the house of representatives and the chair of the Committee on Taxes and Tax laws of the senate a report of adjusted net tax capacities for school districts. On or before June 15 annually, the Department of Revenue shall file its final report on the adjusted net tax capacities for school districts established by the previous year's assessments and the current year's net tax capacity percentages with the commissioner of education and each county auditor for those school districts for which the auditor has the responsibility for determination of local tax rates. A copy of the report so filed shall be mailed to the clerk of each school district involved and to the county assessor or supervisor of assessments of the county or counties in which each school district is located.

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

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 138.053, is amended to read:

138.053 COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY; TAX LEVY; CITIES OR TOWNS.

The governing body of any home rule charter or statutory city or town may annually appropriate from its general fund an amount not to exceed 0.02418 percent of taxable estimated market value, derived from ad valorem taxes on property or other revenues, to be paid to the historical society of its respective county to be used for the promotion of historical work and to aid in defraying the expenses of carrying on the historical work in the

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county. No city or town may appropriate any funds for the benefit of any historical society unless the society is affiliated with and approved by the Minnesota Historical Society.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 144F.01, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

- Subd. 4. **Property tax levy authority.** The district's board may levy a tax on the taxable real and personal property in the district. The ad valorem tax levy may not exceed 0.048 percent of the taxable estimated market value of the district or \$400,000, whichever is less. The proceeds of the levy must be used as provided in subdivision 5. The board shall certify the levy at the times as provided under section 275.07. The board shall provide the county with whatever information is necessary to identify the property that is located within the district. If the boundaries include a part of a parcel, the entire parcel shall be included in the district. The county auditors must spread, collect, and distribute the proceeds of the tax at the same time and in the same manner as provided by law for all other property taxes.
 - Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 162.07, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
- Subd. 3. **Computation for rural counties.** An amount equal to a levy of 0.01596 percent on each rural county's total <u>taxable estimated</u> market value for the last preceding calendar year shall be computed and shall be subtracted from the county's total estimated construction costs. The result thereof shall be the money needs of the county. For the purpose of this section, "rural counties" means all counties having a population of less than 175,000.
 - Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 162.07, subdivision 4, is amended to read:
- Subd. 4. **Computation for urban counties.** An amount equal to a levy of 0.00967 percent on each urban county's total <u>taxable estimated</u> market value for the last preceding calendar year shall be computed and shall be subtracted from the county's total estimated construction costs. The result thereof shall be the money needs of the county. For the purpose of this section, "urban counties" means all counties having a population of 175,000 or more.
- Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 163.04, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
- Subd. 3. **Bridges within certain cities.** When the council of any statutory city or city of the third or fourth class may determine that it is necessary to build or improve any bridge or bridges, including approaches thereto, and any dam or retaining works connected therewith, upon or forming a part of streets or highways either wholly or partly within its limits, the county board shall appropriate one-half of the money as may be necessary

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therefor from the county road and bridge fund, not exceeding during any year one-half the amount of taxes paid into the county road and bridge fund during the preceding year, on property within the corporate limits of the city. The appropriation shall be made upon the petition of the council, which petition shall be filed by the council with the county board prior to the fixing by the board of the annual county tax levy. The county board shall determine the plans and specifications, shall let all necessary contracts, shall have charge of construction, and upon its request, warrants in payment thereof shall be issued by the county auditor, from time to time, as the construction work proceeds. Any unpaid balance may be paid or advanced by the city. On petition of the council, the appropriations of the county board, during not to exceed three successive years, may be made to apply on the construction of the same items and to repay any money advanced by the city in the construction thereof. None of the provisions of this section shall be construed to be mandatory as applied to any city whose estimated market value exceeds \$2,100 per capita of its population.

- Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 163.06, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

 Subd. 6. **Expenditure in certain counties.** In any county having not less than 95 nor more than 105 full and fractional townships, and having a an estimated market value of not less than \$12,000,000 nor more than \$21,000,000, exclusive of money and eredits, the county board, by resolution, may expend the funds provided in subdivision 4 in any organized or unorganized township or portion thereof in such county.
- Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 165.10, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

 Subdivision 1. **Certain counties may issue and sell.** The county board of any

 county having no outstanding road and bridge bonds may issue and sell county road bonds
 in an amount not exceeding 0.12089 percent of the <u>estimated</u> market value of the taxable

 property within the county <u>exclusive of money and eredits</u>, for the purpose of constructing,
 reconstructing, improving, or maintaining any bridge or bridges on any highway under its
 jurisdiction, without submitting the matter to a vote of the electors of the county.
- Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 272.03, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- Subd. 14. Estimated market value. "Estimated market value" means the assessor's determination of market value, including the effects of any orders made under section 273.32 270.12 or chapter 274, for the parcel. The provisions of section 273.032 apply for certain uses in determining the total estimated market value for the taxing jurisdiction.

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Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 272.03, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 15. Taxable market value. "Taxable market value" means estimated market value for the parcel as reduced by market value exclusions, deferments of value, or other adjustments required by law, that reduce market value before the application of class rates.

Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.032, is amended to read:

273.032 MARKET VALUE DEFINITION.

- (a) Unless otherwise provided, for the purpose of determining any property tax levy limitation based on market value or any limit on net debt, the issuance of bonds, certificates of indebtedness, or capital notes based on market value, any qualification to receive state aid based on market value, or any state aid amount based on market value, the terms "market value," "taxable estimated market value," and "market valuation," whether equalized or unequalized, mean the total taxable estimated market value of taxable property within the local unit of government before any of the following or similar adjustments for:
- 74.15 (1) the market value exclusions under:
- 74.16 (i) section 273.11, subdivisions 14a and 14c (vacant platted land);
- 74.17 (ii) section 273.11, subdivision 16 (certain improvements to homestead property);
- 74.18 (iii) section 273.11, subdivisions 19 and 20 (certain improvements to business
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- 74.20 (iv) section 273.11, subdivision 21 (homestead property damaged by mold);
- 74.21 (v) section 273.11, subdivision 22 (qualifying lead hazardous reduction projects);
- 74.22 (vi) section 273.13, subdivision 34 (homestead of a disabled veteran or family
- 74.23 caregiver);
- 74.24 (vii) section 273.13, subdivision 35 (homestead market value exclusion); or
- 74.25 (2) the deferment of value under:
- 74.26 (i) the Minnesota Agricultural Property Tax Law, section 273.111;
- 74.27 (ii) the Aggregate Resource Preservation Law, section 273.1115;
- 74.28 (iii) the Minnesota Open Space Property Tax Law, section 273.112;
- 74.29 (iv) the rural preserves property tax program, section 273.114; or
- 74.30 (v) the Metropolitan Agricultural Preserves Act, section 473H.10; or
- 74.31 (3) the adjustments to tax capacity for:
- 74.32 (i) tax increment, financing under sections 469.174 to 469.1794;
- 74.33 (ii) fiscal disparity, disparities under chapter 276A or 473F; or
- 74.34 (iii) powerline credit, or wind energy values, but after the limited market adjustments

74.35 under section 273.11, subdivision 1a, and after the market value exclusions of certain

improvements to homestead property under section 273.11, subdivision 16 under section 273.425.

- (b) Estimated market value under paragraph (a) also includes the market value of tax-exempt property if the applicable law specifically provides that the limitation, qualification, or aid calculation includes tax-exempt property.
- (c) Unless otherwise provided, "market value," "taxable estimated market value," and "market valuation" for purposes of this paragraph property tax levy limitations and calculation of state aid, refer to the taxable estimated market value for the previous assessment year and for purposes of limits on net debt, the issuance of bonds, certificates of indebtedness, or capital notes refer to the estimated market value as last finally equalized.

For the purpose of determining any net debt limit based on market value, or any limit on the issuance of bonds, certificates of indebtedness, or capital notes based on market value, the terms "market value," "taxable market value," and "market valuation," whether equalized or unequalized, mean the total taxable market value of property within the local unit of government before any adjustments for tax increment, fiscal disparity, powerline eredit, or wind energy values, but after the limited market value adjustments under section 273.11, subdivision 1a, and after the market value exclusions of certain improvements to homestead property under section 273.11, subdivision 16. Unless otherwise provided, "market value," "taxable market value," and "market valuation" for purposes of this paragraph, mean the taxable market value as last finally equalized.

(d) For purposes of a provision of a home rule charter or of any special law that is not codified in the statutes and that imposes a levy limitation based on market value or any limit on debt, the issuance of bonds, certificates of indebtedness, or capital notes based on market value, the terms "market value," "taxable market value," and "market valuation," whether equalized or unequalized, mean "estimated market value" as defined in paragraph (a).

Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.11, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. **Generally.** Except as provided in this section or section 273.17,

subdivision 1. **Generally.** Except as provided in this section or section 273.17, subdivision 1, all property shall be valued at its market value. The market value as determined pursuant to this section shall be stated such that any amount under \$100 is rounded up to \$100 and any amount exceeding \$100 shall be rounded to the nearest \$100. In estimating and determining such value, the assessor shall not adopt a lower or different standard of value because the same is to serve as a basis of taxation, nor shall the assessor adopt as a criterion of value the price for which such property would sell at a forced sale, or in the aggregate with all the property in the town or district; but the assessor shall value each article or description of property by itself, and at such sum or price as the assessor

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believes the same to be fairly worth in money. The assessor shall take into account the effect on the market value of property of environmental factors in the vicinity of the property. In assessing any tract or lot of real property, the value of the land, exclusive of structures and improvements, shall be determined, and also the value of all structures and improvements thereon, and the aggregate value of the property, including all structures and improvements, excluding the value of crops growing upon cultivated land. In valuing real property upon which there is a mine or quarry, it shall be valued at such price as such property, including the mine or quarry, would sell for at a fair, voluntary sale, for cash, if the material being mined or quarried is not subject to taxation under section 298.015 and the mine or quarry is not exempt from the general property tax under section 298.25. In valuing real property which is vacant, platted property shall be assessed as provided in subdivision 14 subdivisions 14a and 14c. All property, or the use thereof, which is taxable under section 272.01, subdivision 2, or 273.19, shall be valued at the market value of such property and not at the value of a leasehold estate in such property, or at some lesser value than its market value.

Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.124, subdivision 3a, is amended to read:

Subd. 3a. **Manufactured home park cooperative.** (a) When a manufactured home park is owned by a corporation or association organized under chapter 308A or 308B, and each person who owns a share or shares in the corporation or association is entitled to occupy a lot within the park, the corporation or association may claim homestead treatment for the park. Each lot must be designated by legal description or number, and each lot is limited to not more than one-half acre of land.

- (b) The manufactured home park shall be entitled to homestead treatment if all of the following criteria are met:
- (1) the occupant or the cooperative corporation or association is paying the ad valorem property taxes and any special assessments levied against the land and structure either directly, or indirectly through dues to the corporation or association; and
- (2) the corporation or association organized under chapter 308A or 308B is wholly owned by persons having a right to occupy a lot owned by the corporation or association.
- (c) A charitable corporation, organized under the laws of Minnesota with no outstanding stock, and granted a ruling by the Internal Revenue Service for 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status, qualifies for homestead treatment with respect to a manufactured home park if its members hold residential participation warrants entitling them to occupy a lot in the manufactured home park.

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(d) "Homestead treatment" under this subdivision means the class rate provided for class 4c property classified under section 273.13, subdivision 25, paragraph (d), clause (5), item (ii). The homestead market value <u>eredit exclusion</u> under section <u>273.1384 273.13</u>, <u>subdivision 35</u>, does not apply and the property taxes assessed against the park shall not be included in the determination of taxes payable for rent paid under section 290A.03.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxes payable in 2013 and thereafter.

- Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.124, subdivision 13, is amended to read:
- Subd. 13. **Homestead application.** (a) A person who meets the homestead requirements under subdivision 1 must file a homestead application with the county assessor to initially obtain homestead classification.
- (b) The format and contents of a uniform homestead application shall be prescribed by the commissioner of revenue. The application must clearly inform the taxpayer that this application must be signed by all owners who occupy the property or by the qualifying relative and returned to the county assessor in order for the property to receive homestead treatment.
- (c) Every property owner applying for homestead classification must furnish to the county assessor the Social Security number of each occupant who is listed as an owner of the property on the deed of record, the name and address of each owner who does not occupy the property, and the name and Social Security number of each owner's spouse who occupies the property. The application must be signed by each owner who occupies the property and by each owner's spouse who occupies the property, or, in the case of property that qualifies as a homestead under subdivision 1, paragraph (c), by the qualifying relative.

If a property owner occupies a homestead, the property owner's spouse may not claim another property as a homestead unless the property owner and the property owner's spouse file with the assessor an affidavit or other proof required by the assessor stating that the property qualifies as a homestead under subdivision 1, paragraph (e).

Owners or spouses occupying residences owned by their spouses and previously occupied with the other spouse, either of whom fail to include the other spouse's name and Social Security number on the homestead application or provide the affidavits or other proof requested, will be deemed to have elected to receive only partial homestead treatment of their residence. The remainder of the residence will be classified as nonhomestead residential. When an owner or spouse's name and Social Security number appear on homestead applications for two separate residences and only one application is

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signed, the owner or spouse will be deemed to have elected to homestead the residence for which the application was signed.

The Social Security numbers, state or federal tax returns or tax return information, including the federal income tax schedule F required by this section, or affidavits or other proofs of the property owners and spouses submitted under this or another section to support a claim for a property tax homestead classification are private data on individuals as defined by section 13.02, subdivision 12, but, notwithstanding that section, the private data may be disclosed to the commissioner of revenue, or, for purposes of proceeding under the Revenue Recapture Act to recover personal property taxes owing, to the county treasurer.

- (d) If residential real estate is occupied and used for purposes of a homestead by a relative of the owner and qualifies for a homestead under subdivision 1, paragraph (c), in order for the property to receive homestead status, a homestead application must be filed with the assessor. The Social Security number of each relative and spouse of a relative occupying the property shall be required on the homestead application filed under this subdivision. If a different relative of the owner subsequently occupies the property, the owner of the property must notify the assessor within 30 days of the change in occupancy. The Social Security number of a relative or relative's spouse occupying the property is private data on individuals as defined by section 13.02, subdivision 12, but may be disclosed to the commissioner of revenue, or, for the purposes of proceeding under the Revenue Recapture Act to recover personal property taxes owing, to the county treasurer.
- (e) The homestead application shall also notify the property owners that the application filed under this section will not be mailed annually and that if the property is granted homestead status for any assessment year, that same property shall remain classified as homestead until the property is sold or transferred to another person, or the owners, the spouse of the owner, or the relatives no longer use the property as their homestead. Upon the sale or transfer of the homestead property, a certificate of value must be timely filed with the county auditor as provided under section 272.115. Failure to notify the assessor within 30 days that the property has been sold, transferred, or that the owner, the spouse of the owner, or the relative is no longer occupying the property as a homestead, shall result in the penalty provided under this subdivision and the property will lose its current homestead status.
- (f) If the homestead application is not returned within 30 days, the county will send a second application to the present owners of record. The notice of proposed property taxes prepared under section 275.065, subdivision 3, shall reflect the property's classification. If a homestead application has not been filed with the county by December 15, the assessor shall classify the property as nonhomestead for the current assessment year for taxes

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payable in the following year, provided that the owner may be entitled to receive the homestead classification by proper application under section 375.192.

- (g) At the request of the commissioner, each county must give the commissioner a list that includes the name and Social Security number of each occupant of homestead property who is the property owner, property owner's spouse, qualifying relative of a property owner, or a spouse of a qualifying relative. The commissioner shall use the information provided on the lists as appropriate under the law, including for the detection of improper claims by owners, or relatives of owners, under chapter 290A.
- (h) If the commissioner finds that a property owner may be claiming a fraudulent homestead, the commissioner shall notify the appropriate counties. Within 90 days of the notification, the county assessor shall investigate to determine if the homestead classification was properly claimed. If the property owner does not qualify, the county assessor shall notify the county auditor who will determine the amount of homestead benefits that had been improperly allowed. For the purpose of this section, "homestead benefits" means the tax reduction resulting from the classification as a homestead and the homestead market value exclusion under section 273.13, the taconite homestead credit under section 273.135, the residential homestead and agricultural homestead eredits credit under section 273.1384, and the supplemental homestead credit under section 273.1391.

The county auditor shall send a notice to the person who owned the affected property at the time the homestead application related to the improper homestead was filed, demanding reimbursement of the homestead benefits plus a penalty equal to 100 percent of the homestead benefits. The person notified may appeal the county's determination by serving copies of a petition for review with county officials as provided in section 278.01 and filing proof of service as provided in section 278.01 with the Minnesota Tax Court within 60 days of the date of the notice from the county. Procedurally, the appeal is governed by the provisions in chapter 271 which apply to the appeal of a property tax assessment or levy, but without requiring any prepayment of the amount in controversy. If the amount of homestead benefits and penalty is not paid within 60 days, and if no appeal has been filed, the county auditor shall certify the amount of taxes and penalty to the county treasurer. The county treasurer will add interest to the unpaid homestead benefits and penalty amounts at the rate provided in section 279.03 for real property taxes becoming delinquent in the calendar year during which the amount remains unpaid. Interest may be assessed for the period beginning 60 days after demand for payment was made.

If the person notified is the current owner of the property, the treasurer may add the total amount of homestead benefits, penalty, interest, and costs to the ad valorem taxes otherwise payable on the property by including the amounts on the property tax statements

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under section 276.04, subdivision 3. The amounts added under this paragraph to the ad valorem taxes shall include interest accrued through December 31 of the year preceding the taxes payable year for which the amounts are first added. These amounts, when added to the property tax statement, become subject to all the laws for the enforcement of real or personal property taxes for that year, and for any subsequent year.

If the person notified is not the current owner of the property, the treasurer may collect the amounts due under the Revenue Recapture Act in chapter 270A, or use any of the powers granted in sections 277.20 and 277.21 without exclusion, to enforce payment of the homestead benefits, penalty, interest, and costs, as if those amounts were delinquent tax obligations of the person who owned the property at the time the application related to the improperly allowed homestead was filed. The treasurer may relieve a prior owner of personal liability for the homestead benefits, penalty, interest, and costs, and instead extend those amounts on the tax lists against the property as provided in this paragraph to the extent that the current owner agrees in writing. On all demands, billings, property tax statements, and related correspondence, the county must list and state separately the amounts of homestead benefits, penalty, interest and costs being demanded, billed or assessed.

- (i) Any amount of homestead benefits recovered by the county from the property owner shall be distributed to the county, city or town, and school district where the property is located in the same proportion that each taxing district's levy was to the total of the three taxing districts' levy for the current year. Any amount recovered attributable to taconite homestead credit shall be transmitted to the St. Louis County auditor to be deposited in the taconite property tax relief account. Any amount recovered that is attributable to supplemental homestead credit is to be transmitted to the commissioner of revenue for deposit in the general fund of the state treasury. The total amount of penalty collected must be deposited in the county general fund.
- (j) If a property owner has applied for more than one homestead and the county assessors cannot determine which property should be classified as homestead, the county assessors will refer the information to the commissioner. The commissioner shall make the determination and notify the counties within 60 days.
- (k) In addition to lists of homestead properties, the commissioner may ask the counties to furnish lists of all properties and the record owners. The Social Security numbers and federal identification numbers that are maintained by a county or city assessor for property tax administration purposes, and that may appear on the lists retain their classification as private or nonpublic data; but may be viewed, accessed, and used by the county auditor or treasurer of the same county for the limited purpose of assisting the commissioner in the preparation of microdata samples under section 270C.12.

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| 81.1 | (1) On or before April 30 each year beginning in 2007, each county must provide the |
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| 81.2 | commissioner with the following data for each parcel of homestead property by electronic |
| 81.3 | means as defined in section 289A.02, subdivision 8: |
| 81.4 | (i) the property identification number assigned to the parcel for purposes of taxes |
| 81.5 | payable in the current year; |
| 81.6 | (ii) the name and Social Security number of each occupant of homestead property |
| 81.7 | who is the property owner, property owner's spouse, qualifying relative of a property |
| 81.8 | owner, or spouse of a qualifying relative; |
| 81.9 | (iii) the classification of the property under section 273.13 for taxes payable in the |
| 81.10 | current year and in the prior year; |
| 81.11 | (iv) an indication of whether the property was classified as a homestead for taxes |
| 81.12 | payable in the current year because of occupancy by a relative of the owner or by a |
| 81.13 | spouse of a relative; |
| 81.14 | (v) the property taxes payable as defined in section 290A.03, subdivision 13, for the |
| 81.15 | current year and the prior year; |
| 81.16 | (vi) the market value of improvements to the property first assessed for tax purposes |
| 81.17 | for taxes payable in the current year; |
| 81.18 | (vii) the assessor's estimated market value assigned to the property for taxes payable |
| 81.19 | in the current year and the prior year; |
| 81.20 | (viii) the taxable market value assigned to the property for taxes payable in the |
| 81.21 | current year and the prior year; |
| 81.22 | (ix) whether there are delinquent property taxes owing on the homestead; |
| 81.23 | (x) the unique taxing district in which the property is located; and |
| 81.24 | (xi) such other information as the commissioner decides is necessary. |
| 81.25 | The commissioner shall use the information provided on the lists as appropriate |
| 81.26 | under the law, including for the detection of improper claims by owners, or relatives |
| 81.27 | of owners, under chapter 290A. |
| 81.28 | EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxes payable in 2013 and |
| 81.29 | thereafter. |
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| 81.30 | Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.13, subdivision 21b, is amended to read: |
| 81.31 | Subd. 21b. Net tax capacity. (a) Gross tax capacity means the product of the |
| 81.32 | appropriate gross class rates in this section and market values. |
| 81.33 | (b) Net tax capacity means the product of the appropriate net class rates in this |
| 81.34 | section and taxable market values. |

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

Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.1398, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Disparity reduction aid.** The amount of disparity aid certified for each taxing district within each unique taxing jurisdiction for taxes payable in the prior year shall be multiplied by the ratio of (1) the jurisdiction's tax capacity using the class rates for taxes payable in the year for which aid is being computed, to (2) its tax capacity using the class rates for taxes payable in the year prior to that for which aid is being computed, both based upon <u>taxable</u> market values for taxes payable in the year prior to that for which aid is being computed. If the commissioner determines that insufficient information is available to reasonably and timely calculate the numerator in this ratio for the first taxes payable year that a class rate change or new class rate is effective, the commissioner shall omit the effects of that class rate change or new class rate when calculating this ratio for aid payable in that taxes payable year. For aid payable in the year following a year for which such omission was made, the commissioner shall use in the denominator for the class that was changed or created, the tax capacity for taxes payable two years prior to that in which the aid is payable, based on <u>taxable</u> market values for taxes payable in the year prior to that for which aid is being computed.

Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.1398, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Disparity reduction credit.** (a) Beginning with taxes payable in 1989, class 4a and class 3a property qualifies for a disparity reduction credit if: (1) the property is located in a border city that has an enterprise zone, as defined in section 469.166; (2) the property is located in a city with a population greater than 2,500 and less than 35,000 according to the 1980 decennial census; (3) the city is adjacent to a city in another state or immediately adjacent to a city adjacent to a city in another state; and (4) the adjacent city in the other state has a population of greater than 5,000 and less than 75,000 according to the 1980 decennial census.

- (b) The credit is an amount sufficient to reduce (i) the taxes levied on class 4a property to 2.3 percent of the property's <u>taxable</u> market value and (ii) the tax on class 3a property to 2.3 percent of taxable market value.
- (c) The county auditor shall annually certify the costs of the credits to the Department of Revenue. The department shall reimburse local governments for the property taxes forgone as the result of the credits in proportion to their total levies.
- Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 275.011, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

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Subdivision 1. **Determination of levy limit.** The property tax levied for any purpose under a special law that is not codified in Minnesota Statutes or a city charter provision and that is subject to a mill rate limitation imposed by the special law or city charter provision, excluding levies subject to mill rate limitations that use adjusted assessed values determined by the commissioner of revenue under section 124.2131, must not exceed the following amount for the years specified:

- (a) for taxes payable in 1988, the product of the applicable mill rate limitation imposed by special law or city charter provision multiplied by the total assessed valuation of all taxable property subject to the tax as adjusted by the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1986, sections 272.64; 273.13, subdivision 7a; and 275.49;
- (b) for taxes payable in 1989, the product of (1) the property tax levy limitation for the taxes payable year 1988 determined under clause (a) multiplied by (2) an index for market valuation changes equal to the assessment year 1988 total market valuation of all taxable property subject to the tax divided by the assessment year 1987 total market valuation of all taxable property subject to the tax; and
- (c) for taxes payable in 1990 and subsequent years, the product of (1) the property tax levy limitation for the previous year determined pursuant to this subdivision multiplied by (2) an index for market valuation changes equal to the total market valuation of all taxable property subject to the tax for the current assessment year divided by the total market valuation of all taxable property subject to the tax for the previous assessment year.

For the purpose of determining the property tax levy limitation for the taxes payable year 1988 2014 and subsequent years under this subdivision, "total market valuation" means the total estimated market valuation value of all taxable property subject to the tax without valuation adjustments for fiscal disparities (chapters 276A and 473F), tax increment financing (sections 469.174 to 469.179), or powerline credit (section 273.425) as provided under section 273.032.

Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 275.077, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Correction of levy amount.** The difference between the correct levy and the erroneous levy shall be added to the township levy for the subsequent levy year; provided that if the amount of the difference exceeds 0.12089 percent of taxable estimated market value, the excess shall be added to the township levy for the second and later subsequent levy years, not to exceed an additional levy of 0.12089 percent of taxable estimated market value in any year, until the full amount of the difference has been levied. The funds collected from the corrected levies shall be used to reimburse the county for the payment required by subdivision 1.

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Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 275.71, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

- Subd. 4. **Adjusted levy limit base.** For taxes levied in 2008 through 2010, the adjusted levy limit base is equal to the levy limit base computed under subdivision 2 or section 275.72, multiplied by:
- (1) one plus the percentage growth in the implicit price deflator, but the percentage shall not be less than zero or exceed 3.9 percent;
- (2) one plus a percentage equal to 50 percent of the percentage increase in the number of households, if any, for the most recent 12-month period for which data is available; and
- (3) one plus a percentage equal to 50 percent of the percentage increase in the taxable estimated market value of the jurisdiction due to new construction of class 3 property, as defined in section 273.13, subdivision 4, except for state-assessed utility and railroad property, for the most recent year for which data is available.

Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 276.04, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Contents of tax statements. (a) The treasurer shall provide for the printing of the tax statements. The commissioner of revenue shall prescribe the form of the property tax statement and its contents. The tax statement must not state or imply that property tax credits are paid by the state of Minnesota. The statement must contain a tabulated statement of the dollar amount due to each taxing authority and the amount of the state tax from the parcel of real property for which a particular tax statement is prepared. The dollar amounts attributable to the county, the state tax, the voter approved school tax, the other local school tax, the township or municipality, and the total of the metropolitan special taxing districts as defined in section 275.065, subdivision 3, paragraph (i), must be separately stated. The amounts due all other special taxing districts, if any, may be aggregated except that any levies made by the regional rail authorities in the county of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, or Washington under chapter 398A shall be listed on a separate line directly under the appropriate county's levy. If the county levy under this paragraph includes an amount for a lake improvement district as defined under sections 103B.501 to 103B.581, the amount attributable for that purpose must be separately stated from the remaining county levy amount. In the case of Ramsey County, if the county levy under this paragraph includes an amount for public library service under section 134.07, the amount attributable for that purpose may be separated from the remaining county levy amount. The amount of the tax on homesteads qualifying under the senior citizens' property tax deferral program under chapter 290B is the total amount of property tax before subtraction of the deferred property tax amount. The amount of the tax on contamination value imposed under sections 270.91 to 270.98, if any, must also be separately stated. The dollar

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amounts, including the dollar amount of any special assessments, may be rounded to the nearest even whole dollar. For purposes of this section whole odd-numbered dollars may be adjusted to the next higher even-numbered dollar. The amount of market value excluded under section 273.11, subdivision 16, if any, must also be listed on the tax statement.

- (b) The property tax statements for manufactured homes and sectional structures taxed as personal property shall contain the same information that is required on the tax statements for real property.
- (c) Real and personal property tax statements must contain the following information in the order given in this paragraph. The information must contain the current year tax information in the right column with the corresponding information for the previous year in a column on the left:
 - (1) the property's estimated market value under section 273.11, subdivision 1;
- (2) the property's homestead market value exclusion under section 273.13, subdivision 35;
- (3) the property's taxable market value after reductions under sections 273.11, subdivisions 1a and 16, and 273.13, subdivision 35 section 272.03, subdivision 15;
 - (4) the property's gross tax, before credits;

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- (5) for homestead agricultural properties, the credit under section 273.1384;
- (6) any credits received under sections 273.119; 273.1234 or 273.1235; 273.135; 273.1391; 273.1398, subdivision 4; 469.171; and 473H.10, except that the amount of credit received under section 273.135 must be separately stated and identified as "taconite tax relief"; and
 - (7) the net tax payable in the manner required in paragraph (a).
 - (d) If the county uses envelopes for mailing property tax statements and if the county agrees, a taxing district may include a notice with the property tax statement notifying taxpayers when the taxing district will begin its budget deliberations for the current year, and encouraging taxpayers to attend the hearings. If the county allows notices to be included in the envelope containing the property tax statement, and if more than one taxing district relative to a given property decides to include a notice with the tax statement, the county treasurer or auditor must coordinate the process and may combine the information on a single announcement.
 - Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 276A.01, subdivision 10, is amended to read:
- Subd. 10. <u>Adjusted market value</u>. "<u>Adjusted market value</u>" of real and personal property within a municipality means the <u>assessor's estimated taxable</u> market value, as defined in section 272.03, of all real and personal property, including the value of

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manufactured housing, within the municipality. For purposes of sections 276A.01 to 276A.09, the commissioner of revenue shall annually make determinations and reports with respect to each municipality which are comparable to those it makes for school districts, adjusted for sales ratios in a manner similar to the adjustments made to city and town net tax capacities under section 127A.48, subdivisions 1 to 6, in the same manner and at the same times prescribed by the subdivision. The commissioner of revenue shall annually determine, for each municipality, information comparable to that required by section 475.53, subdivision 4, for school districts, as soon as practicable after it becomes available. The commissioner of revenue shall then compute the equalized market value of property within each municipality.

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

- Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 276A.01, subdivision 12, is amended to read:

 Subd. 12. **Fiscal capacity.** "Fiscal capacity" of a municipality means its valuation

 <u>adjusted market value</u>, determined as of January 2 of any year, divided by its population, determined as of a date in the same year.
- Sec. 38. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 276A.01, subdivision 13, is amended to read:

 Subd. 13. **Average fiscal capacity.** "Average fiscal capacity" of municipalities

 means the sum of the <u>valuations adjusted market values</u> of all municipalities, determined

 as of January 2 of any year, divided by the sum of their populations, determined as of

 a date in the same year.
- Sec. 39. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 276A.01, subdivision 15, is amended to read:

 Subd. 15. **Net tax capacity.** "Net tax capacity" means the <u>taxable</u> market value of

 real and personal property multiplied by its net tax capacity rates in section 273.13.
 - Sec. 40. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 276A.06, subdivision 10, is amended to read: Subd. 10. Adjustment of values for other computations. For the purpose of computing the amount or rate of any salary, aid, tax, or debt authorized, required, or limited by any provision of any law or charter, where the authorization, requirement, or limitation is related to any value or valuation of taxable property within any governmental unit, the value or net tax capacity fiscal capacity under section 276A.01, subdivision 12, a municipality's taxable market value must be adjusted to reflect the adjustments reductions to net tax capacity effected by subdivision 2, clause (a), provided that: (1) in determining the taxable market value of commercial-industrial property or any class thereof within

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a governmental unit for any purpose other than section 276A.05 <u>municipality</u>, (a) the reduction required by this subdivision is that amount which bears the same proportion to the amount subtracted from the <u>governmental unit's municipality's</u> net tax capacity pursuant to subdivision 2, clause (a), as the <u>taxable market value of commercial-industrial property</u>, or such class thereof, located within the <u>governmental unit municipality</u> bears to the net tax capacity of commercial-industrial property, or such class thereof, located within the governmental unit, and (b) the increase required by this subdivision is that amount which bears the same proportion to the amount added to the governmental unit's net tax capacity pursuant to subdivision 2, clause (b), as the market value of commercial-industrial property, or such class thereof, located within the governmental unit; and (2) in determining the market value of real property within a municipality for purposes of section 276A.05, the adjustment prescribed by clause (1)(a) must be made and that prescribed by clause (1)(b) must not be made municipality. No adjustment shall be made to taxable market value for the increase in net tax capacity under subdivision 2, clause (b).

Sec. 41. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 287.08, is amended to read:

287.08 TAX, HOW PAYABLE; RECEIPTS.

- (a) The tax imposed by sections 287.01 to 287.12 must be paid to the treasurer of any county in this state in which the real property or some part is located at or before the time of filing the mortgage for record. The treasurer shall endorse receipt on the mortgage and the receipt is conclusive proof that the tax has been paid in the amount stated and authorizes any county recorder or registrar of titles to record the mortgage. Its form, in substance, shall be "registration tax hereon of dollars paid." If the mortgage is exempt from taxation the endorsement shall, in substance, be "exempt from registration tax." In either case the receipt must be signed by the treasurer. In case the treasurer is unable to determine whether a claim of exemption should be allowed, the tax must be paid as in the case of a taxable mortgage. For documents submitted electronically, the endorsements and tax amount shall be affixed electronically and no signature by the treasurer will be required. The actual payment method must be arranged in advance between the submitter and the receiving county.
- (b) The county treasurer may refund in whole or in part any mortgage registry tax overpayment if a written application by the taxpayer is submitted to the county treasurer within 3-1/2 years from the date of the overpayment. If the county has not issued a denial of the application, the taxpayer may bring an action in Tax Court in the county in which the tax was paid at any time after the expiration of six months from the time that the

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application was submitted. A denial of refund may be appealed within 60 days from the date of the denial by bringing an action in Tax Court in the county in which the tax was paid. The action is commenced by the serving of a petition for relief on the county treasurer, and by filing a copy with the court. The county attorney shall defend the action. The county treasurer shall notify the treasurer of each county that has or would receive a portion of the tax as paid.

- (c) If the county treasurer determines a refund should be paid, or if a refund is ordered by the court, the county treasurer of each county that actually received a portion of the tax shall immediately pay a proportionate share of three percent of the refund using any available county funds. The county treasurer of each county that received, or would have received, a portion of the tax shall also pay their county's proportionate share of the remaining 97 percent of the court-ordered refund on or before the 20th day of the following month using solely the mortgage registry tax funds that would be paid to the commissioner of revenue on that date under section 287.12. If the funds on hand under this procedure are insufficient to fully fund 97 percent of the court-ordered refund, the county treasurer of the county in which the action was brought shall file a claim with the commissioner of revenue under section 16A.48 for the remaining portion of 97 percent of the refund, and shall pay over the remaining portion upon receipt of a warrant from the state issued pursuant to the claim.
- (d) When any mortgage covers real property located in more than one county in this state the total tax must be paid to the treasurer of the county where the mortgage is first presented for recording, and the payment must be receipted as provided in paragraph (a). If the principal debt or obligation secured by such a multiple county mortgage exceeds \$10,000,000, the nonstate portion of the tax must be divided and paid over by the county treasurer receiving it, on or before the 20th day of each month after receipt, to the county or counties entitled in the ratio that the <u>estimated</u> market value of the real property covered by the mortgage in each county bears to the <u>estimated</u> market value of all the real property in this state described in the mortgage. In making the division and payment the county treasurer shall send a statement giving the description of the real property described in the mortgage and the <u>estimated</u> market value of the part located in each county. For this purpose, the treasurer of any county may require the treasurer of any other county to certify to the former the <u>estimated</u> market <u>valuation</u> value of any tract of real property in any mortgage.
- (e) The mortgagor must pay the tax imposed by sections 287.01 to 287.12. The mortgagee may undertake to collect and remit the tax on behalf of the mortgagor. If the mortgagee collects money from the mortgagor to remit the tax on behalf of the mortgagor,

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the mortgagee has a fiduciary duty to remit the tax on behalf of the mortgagor as to the amount of the tax collected for that purpose and the mortgagor is relieved of any further obligation to pay the tax as to the amount collected by the mortgagee for this purpose.

Sec. 42. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 287.23, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Real property outside county.** If any taxable deed or instrument describes any real property located in more than one county in this state, the total tax must be paid to the treasurer of the county where the document is first presented for recording, and the payment must be receipted as provided in section 287.08. If the net consideration exceeds \$700,000, the nonstate portion of the tax must be divided and paid over by the county treasurer receiving it, on or before the 20th day of each month after receipt, to the county or counties entitled in the ratio which the <u>estimated market value of</u> the real property covered by the document in each county bears to the <u>estimated market value of</u> all the real property in this state described in the document. In making the division and payment the county treasurer shall send a statement to the other involved counties giving the description of the real property described in the document and the <u>estimated market</u> value of the part located in each county. The treasurer of any county may require the treasurer of any other county to certify to the former the <u>estimated market valuation value</u> of any parcel of real property for this purpose.

Sec. 43. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 353G.08, subdivision 2, is amended to read: Subd. 2. **Cash flow funding requirement.** If the executive director determines that an account in the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan has insufficient assets to meet the service pensions determined payable from the account, the executive director shall certify the amount of the potential service pension shortfall to the municipality or municipalities and the municipality or municipalities shall make an additional employer contribution to the account within ten days of the certification. If more than one municipality is associated with the account, unless the municipalities agree to a different allocation, the municipalities shall allocate the additional employer contribution one-half in proportion to the population of each municipality and one-half in proportion to the estimated market value of the property of each municipality.

Sec. 44. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 365.025, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Major purchases: notice, petition, election.** Before buying anything under subdivision 2 that costs more than 0.24177 percent of the <u>estimated</u> market value of the town, the town must follow this subdivision.

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The town must publish in its official newspaper the board's resolution to pay for the property over time. Then a petition for an election on the contract may be filed with the clerk. The petition must be filed within ten days after the resolution is published. To require the election the petition must be signed by a number of voters equal to ten percent of the voters at the last regular town election. The contract then must be approved by a majority of those voting on the question. The question may be voted on at a regular or special election.

Sec. 45. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 366.095, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Certificates of indebtedness.** The town board may issue certificates of indebtedness within the debt limits for a town purpose otherwise authorized by law.

The certificates shall be payable in not more than ten years and be issued on the terms and in the manner as the board may determine. If the amount of the certificates to be issued exceeds 0.25 percent of the estimated market value of the town, they shall not be issued for at least ten days after publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the town of the board's resolution determining to issue them. If within that time, a petition asking for an election on the proposition signed by voters equal to ten percent of the number of voters at the last regular town election is filed with the clerk, the certificates shall not be issued until their issuance has been approved by a majority of the votes cast on the question at a regular or special election. A tax levy shall be made to pay the principal and interest on the certificates as in the case of bonds.

Sec. 46. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 366.27, is amended to read:

366.27 FIREFIGHTERS' RELIEF; TAX LEVY.

The town board of any town in this state having therein a platted portion on which resides 1,200 or more people, and wherein a duly incorporated firefighters' relief association is located may each year levy a tax not to exceed 0.00806 percent of taxable estimated market value for the benefit of the relief association.

Sec. 47. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 368.01, subdivision 23, is amended to read: Subd. 23. **Financing purchase of certain equipment.** The town board may issue certificates of indebtedness within debt limits to purchase fire or police equipment or ambulance equipment or street construction or maintenance equipment. The certificates shall be payable in not more than five years and be issued on terms and in the manner as the board may determine. If the amount of the certificates to be issued to finance a purchase exceeds 0.24177 percent of the <u>estimated</u> market value of the town, <u>excluding money</u>

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newspaper of a town board resolution determining to issue them. If before the end of that time, a petition asking for an election on the proposition signed by voters equal to ten percent of the number of voters at the last regular town election is filed with the clerk, the certificates shall not be issued until the proposition of their issuance has been approved by a majority of the votes cast on the question at a regular or special election. A tax levy shall be made for the payment of the principal and interest on the certificates as in the case of bonds.

Sec. 48. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 368.47, is amended to read:

368.47 TOWNS MAY BE DISSOLVED.

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- (1) When the voters residing within a town have failed to elect any town officials for more than ten years continuously;
- (2) when a town has failed for a period of ten years to exercise any of the powers and functions of a town;
 - (3) when the <u>estimated</u> market value of a town drops to less than \$165,000;
- (4) when the tax delinquency of a town, exclusive of taxes that are delinquent or unpaid because they are contested in proceedings for the enforcement of taxes, amounts to 12 percent of its market value; or
- (5) when the state or federal government has acquired title to 50 percent of the real estate of a town, which facts, or any of them, may be found and determined by the resolution of the county board of the county in which the town is located, according to the official records in the office of the county auditor, the county board by resolution may declare the town, naming it, dissolved and no longer entitled to exercise any of the powers or functions of a town.

In Cass, Itasca, and St. Louis Counties, before the dissolution is effective the voters of the town shall express their approval or disapproval. The town clerk shall, upon a petition signed by a majority of the registered voters of the town, filed with the clerk at least 60 days before a regular or special town election, give notice at the same time and in the same manner of the election that the question of dissolution of the town will be submitted for determination at the election. At the election the question shall be voted upon by a separate ballot, the terms of which shall be either "for dissolution" or "against dissolution." The ballot shall be deposited in a separate ballot box and the result of the voting canvassed, certified, and returned in the same manner and at the same time as other facts and returns of the election. If a majority of the votes cast at the election are for dissolution, the town shall be dissolved. If a majority of the votes cast at the election are against dissolution, the town shall not be dissolved.

When a town is dissolved under sections 368.47 to 368.49 the county shall acquire title to any telephone company or other business conducted by the town. The business shall be operated by the board of county commissioners until it can be sold. The subscribers or patrons of the business shall have the first opportunity of purchase. If the town has any outstanding indebtedness chargeable to the business, the county auditor shall levy a tax against the property situated in the dissolved town to pay the indebtedness as it becomes due.

Sec. 49. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 370.01, is amended to read:

370.01 CHANGE OF BOUNDARIES; CREATION OF NEW COUNTIES.

The boundaries of counties may be changed by taking territory from a county and attaching it to an adjoining county, and new counties may be established out of territory of one or more existing counties. A new county shall contain at least 400 square miles and have at least 4,000 inhabitants. A proposed new county must have a total taxable estimated market value of at least 35 percent of (i) the total taxable estimated market value of the existing county, or (ii) the average total taxable estimated market value of the existing counties, included in the proposition. The determination of the taxable estimated market value of a county must be made by the commissioner of revenue. An existing county shall not be reduced in area below 400 square miles, have less than 4,000 inhabitants, or have a total taxable estimated market value of less than that required of a new county.

No change in the boundaries of any county having an area of more than 2,500 square miles, whether by the creation of a new county, or otherwise, shall detach from the existing county any territory within 12 miles of the county seat.

- Sec. 50. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 373.40, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** For purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given.
- (a) "Bonds" means an obligation as defined under section 475.51.
- (b) "Capital improvement" means acquisition or betterment of public lands, buildings, or other improvements within the county for the purpose of a county courthouse, administrative building, health or social service facility, correctional facility, jail, law enforcement center, hospital, morgue, library, park, qualified indoor ice arena, roads and bridges, and the acquisition of development rights in the form of conservation easements under chapter 84C. An improvement must have an expected useful life of five years or more to qualify. "Capital improvement" does not include a recreation or sports facility building (such as, but not limited to, a gymnasium, ice arena, racquet sports facility,

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swimming pool, exercise room or health spa), unless the building is part of an outdoor park facility and is incidental to the primary purpose of outdoor recreation.

- (c) "Metropolitan county" means a county located in the seven-county metropolitan area as defined in section 473.121 or a county with a population of 90,000 or more.
- (d) "Population" means the population established by the most recent of the following (determined as of the date the resolution authorizing the bonds was adopted):
 - (1) the federal decennial census,

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- (2) a special census conducted under contract by the United States Bureau of the Census, or
- (3) a population estimate made either by the Metropolitan Council or by the state demographer under section 4A.02.
 - (e) "Qualified indoor ice arena" means a facility that meets the requirements of section 373.43.
- (f) "Tax capacity" means total taxable market value, but does not include captured market value.
- Sec. 51. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 373.40, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

 Subd. 4. **Limitations on amount.** A county may not issue bonds under this section if the maximum amount of principal and interest to become due in any year on all the outstanding bonds issued pursuant to this section (including the bonds to be issued) will equal or exceed 0.12 percent of taxable the estimated market value of property in the county. Calculation of the limit must be made using the taxable estimated market value for the taxes payable year in which the obligations are issued and sold. This section does not limit the authority to issue bonds under any other special or general law.
- Sec. 52. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 375.167, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. **Appropriations.** Notwithstanding any contrary law, a county board may appropriate from the general revenue fund to any nonprofit corporation a sum not to exceed 0.00604 percent of taxable estimated market value to provide legal assistance to persons who are unable to afford private legal counsel.
- Sec. 53. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 375.18, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
- Subd. 3. **Courthouse.** Each county board may erect, furnish, and maintain a suitable courthouse. No indebtedness shall be created for a courthouse in excess of an amount equal to a levy of 0.04030 percent of taxable estimated market value without the

approval of a majority of the voters of the county voting on the question of issuing the obligation at an election.

Sec. 54. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 375.555, is amended to read:

375.555 FUNDING.

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To implement the county emergency jobs program, the county board may expend an amount equal to what would be generated by a levy of 0.01209 percent of taxable estimated market value. The money to be expended may be from any available funds not otherwise earmarked.

Sec. 55. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 383B.152, is amended to read:

383B.152 BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE FUND.

The county board may by resolution levy a tax to provide money which shall be kept in a fund known as the county reserve building and maintenance fund. Money in the fund shall be used solely for the construction, maintenance, and equipping of county buildings that are constructed or maintained by the board. The levy shall not be subject to any limit fixed by any other law or by any board of tax levy or other corresponding body, but shall not exceed 0.02215 percent of taxable estimated market value, less the amount required by chapter 475 to be levied in the year for the payment of the principal of and interest on all bonds issued pursuant to Extra Session Laws 1967, chapter 47, section 1.

Sec. 56. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 383B.245, is amended to read:

383B.245 LIBRARY LEVY.

- (a) The county board may levy a tax on the taxable property within the county to acquire, better, and construct county library buildings and branches and to pay principal and interest on bonds issued for that purpose.
- (b) The county board may by resolution adopted by a five-sevenths vote issue and sell general obligation bonds of the county in the manner provided in sections 475.60 to 475.73. The bonds shall not be subject to the limitations of sections 475.51 to 475.59, but the maturity years and amounts and interest rates of each series of bonds shall be fixed so that the maximum amount of principal and interest to become due in any year, on the bonds of that series and of all outstanding series issued by or for the purposes of libraries, shall not exceed an amount equal to 0.01612 percent of estimated market value of all taxable property in the county as last finally equalized before the issuance of the new series. When the tax levy authorized in this section is collected it shall be appropriated

and credited to a debt service fund for the bonds in amounts required each year in lieu of a countywide tax levy for the debt service fund under section 475.61.

Sec. 57. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 383B.73, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. Levy. To provide funds for the purposes of the Three Rivers Park District as set forth in its annual budget, in lieu of the levies authorized by any other special law for such purposes, the Board of Park District Commissioners may levy taxes on all the taxable property in the county and park district at a rate not exceeding 0.03224 percent of estimated market value. Notwithstanding section 398.16, on or before October 1 of each year, after public hearing, the Board of Park District Commissioners shall adopt a budget for the ensuing year and shall determine the total amount necessary to be raised from ad valorem tax levies to meet its budget. The Board of Park District Commissioners shall submit the budget to the county board. The county board may veto or modify an item contained in the budget. If the county board determines to veto or to modify an item in the budget, it must, within 15 days after the budget was submitted by the district board, state in writing the specific reasons for its objection to the item vetoed or the reason for the modification. The Park District Board, after consideration of the county board's objections and proposed modifications, may reapprove a vetoed item or the original version of an item with respect to which a modification has been proposed, by a two-thirds majority. If the district board does not reapprove a vetoed item, the item shall be deleted from the budget. If the district board does not reapprove the original version of a modified item, the item shall be included in the budget as modified by the county board. After adoption of the final budget and no later than October 1, the superintendent of the park district shall certify to the office of the Hennepin County director of tax and public records exercising the functions of the county auditor the total amount to be raised from ad valorem tax levies to meet its budget for the ensuing year. The director of tax and public records shall add the amount of any levy certified by the district to other tax levies on the property of the county within the district for collection by the director of tax and public records with other taxes. When collected, the director shall make settlement of such taxes with the district in the same manner as other taxes are distributed to the other political subdivisions in Hennepin County.

Sec. 58. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 383E.20, is amended to read:

383E.20 BONDING FOR COUNTY LIBRARY BUILDINGS.

The Anoka County Board may, by resolution adopted by a four-sevenths vote, issue and sell general obligation bonds of the county in the manner provided in chapter 475 to acquire, better, and construct county library buildings. The bonds shall not be subject to the

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requirements of sections 475.57 to 475.59. The maturity years and amounts and interest rates of each series of bonds shall be fixed so that the maximum amount of principal and interest to become due in any year, on the bonds of that series and of all outstanding series issued by or for the purposes of libraries, shall not exceed an amount equal to .01 percent of the taxable estimated market value of all taxable property in the county, excluding any taxable property taxed by any city for the support of any free public library. When the tax levy authorized in this section is collected, it shall be appropriated and credited to a debt service fund for the bonds. The tax levy for the debt service fund under section 475.61 shall be reduced by the amount available or reasonably anticipated to be available in the fund to make payments otherwise payable from the levy pursuant to section 475.61.

Sec. 59. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 383E.23, is amended to read:

383E.23 LIBRARY TAX.

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The Anoka County Board may levy a tax of not more than .01 percent of the taxable estimated market value of taxable property located within the county excluding any taxable property taxed by any city for the support of any free public library, to acquire, better, and construct county library buildings and to pay principal and interest on bonds issued for that purpose. The tax shall be disregarded in the calculation of levies or limits on levies provided by section 373.40, or other law.

Sec. 60. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 385.31, is amended to read:

385.31 PAYMENT OF COUNTY ORDERS OR WARRANTS.

When any order or warrant drawn on the treasurer is presented for payment, if there is money in the treasury for that purpose, the county treasurer shall redeem the same, and write across the entire face thereof the word "redeemed," the date of the redemption, and the treasurer's official signature. If there is not sufficient funds in the proper accounts to pay such orders they shall be numbered and registered in their order of presentation, and proper endorsement thereof shall be made on such orders and they shall be entitled to payment in like order. Such orders shall bear interest at not to exceed the rate of six percent per annum from such date of presentment. The treasurer, as soon as there is sufficient money in the treasury, shall appropriate and set apart a sum sufficient for the payment of the orders so presented and registered, and, if entitled to interest, issue to the original holder a notice that interest will cease in 30 days from the date of such notice; and, if orders thus entitled to priority of payment are not then presented, the next in order of registry may be paid until such orders are presented. No interest shall be paid on any order, except upon a warrant drawn by the county auditor for that purpose, giving the number

and the date of the order on account of which the interest warrant is drawn. In any county in this state now or hereafter having a an estimated market value of all taxable property; exclusive of money and credits, of not less than \$1,033,000,000, the county treasurer, in order to save payment of interest on county warrants drawn upon a fund in which there shall be temporarily insufficient money in the treasury to redeem the same, may borrow temporarily from any other fund in the county treasury in which there is a sufficient balance to care for the needs of such fund and allow a temporary loan or transfer to any other fund, and may pay such warrants out of such funds. Any such money so transferred and used in redeeming such county warrants shall be returned to the fund from which drawn as soon as money shall come in to the credit of such fund on which any such warrant was drawn and paid as aforesaid. Any county operating on a cash basis may use a combined form of warrant or order and check, which, when signed by the chair of the county board and by the auditor, is an order or warrant for the payment of the claim, and, when countersigned by the county treasurer, is a check for the payment of the amount thereof.

Sec. 61. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 394.36, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Continuation of nonconformity; limitations.** Except as provided in subdivision 2, 3, or 4, any nonconformity, including the lawful use or occupation of land or premises existing at the time of the adoption of an official control under this chapter, may be continued, although the use or occupation does not conform to the official control. If the nonconformity or occupancy is discontinued for a period of more than one year, or any nonconforming building or structure is destroyed by fire or other peril to the extent of 50 percent of its <u>estimated</u> market value, any subsequent use or occupancy of the land or

Sec. 62. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 398A.04, subdivision 8, is amended to read: Subd. 8. **Taxation.** Before deciding to exercise the power to tax, the authority shall give six weeks' published notice in all municipalities in the region. If a number of voters in the region equal to five percent of those who voted for candidates for governor at the last gubernatorial election present a petition within nine weeks of the first published notice to the secretary of state requesting that the matter be submitted to popular vote, it shall be submitted at the next general election. The question prepared shall be:

"Shall the regional rail authority have the power to impose a property tax?

premises shall be a conforming use or occupancy.

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If a majority of those voting on the question approve or if no petition is presented within the prescribed time the authority may levy a tax at any annual rate not exceeding 0.04835 percent of estimated market value of all taxable property situated within the municipality or municipalities named in its organization resolution. Its recording officer shall file, on or before September 15, in the office of the county auditor of each county in which territory under the jurisdiction of the authority is located a certified copy of the board of commissioners' resolution levying the tax, and each county auditor shall assess and extend upon the tax rolls of each municipality named in the organization resolution the portion of the tax that bears the same ratio to the whole amount that the net tax capacity of taxable property in that municipality bears to the net tax capacity of taxable property in all municipalities named in the organization resolution. Collections of the tax shall be remitted by each county treasurer to the treasurer of the authority. For taxes levied in 1991, the amount levied for light rail transit purposes under this subdivision shall not exceed 75 percent of the amount levied in 1990 for light rail transit purposes under this subdivision.

- Sec. 63. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 401.05, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
- Subd. 3. **Leasing.** (a) A county or joint powers board of a group of counties which acquires or constructs and equips or improves facilities under this chapter may, with the approval of the board of county commissioners of each county, enter into a lease agreement with a city situated within any of the counties, or a county housing and redevelopment authority established under chapter 469 or any special law. Under the lease agreement, the city or county housing and redevelopment authority shall:
- (1) construct or acquire and equip or improve a facility in accordance with plans prepared by or at the request of a county or joint powers board of the group of counties and approved by the commissioner of corrections; and
 - (2) finance the facility by the issuance of revenue bonds.
- (b) The county or joint powers board of a group of counties may lease the facility site, improvements, and equipment for a term upon rental sufficient to produce revenue for the prompt payment of the revenue bonds and all interest accruing on them. Upon completion of payment, the lessee shall acquire title. The real and personal property acquired for the facility constitutes a project and the lease agreement constitutes a revenue agreement as provided in sections 469.152 to 469.165. All proceedings by the city or county housing and redevelopment authority and the county or joint powers board shall be as provided in sections 469.152 to 469.165, with the following adjustments:
 - (1) no tax may be imposed upon the property;

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(2) the approval of the project by the commissioner of employment and economic development is not required;

- (3) the Department of Corrections shall be furnished and shall record information concerning each project as it may prescribe, in lieu of reports required on other projects to the commissioner of employment and economic development;
- (4) the rentals required to be paid under the lease agreement shall not exceed in any year one-tenth of one percent of the <u>estimated</u> market value of property within the county or group of counties as last equalized before the execution of the lease agreement;
- (5) the county or group of counties shall provide for payment of all rentals due during the term of the lease agreement in the manner required in subdivision 4;
- (6) no mortgage on the facilities shall be granted for the security of the bonds, but compliance with clause (5) may be enforced as a nondiscretionary duty of the county or group of counties; and
- (7) the county or the joint powers board of the group of counties may sublease any part of the facilities for purposes consistent with their maintenance and operation.

Sec. 64. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 410.32, is amended to read:

410.32 CITIES MAY ISSUE CAPITAL NOTES FOR CAPITAL EQUIPMENT.

- (a) Notwithstanding any contrary provision of other law or charter, a home rule charter city may, by resolution and without public referendum, issue capital notes subject to the city debt limit to purchase capital equipment.
 - (b) For purposes of this section, "capital equipment" means:
- (1) public safety equipment, ambulance and other medical equipment, road construction and maintenance equipment, and other capital equipment; and
- (2) computer hardware and software, whether bundled with machinery or equipment or unbundled.
- (c) The equipment or software must have an expected useful life at least as long as the term of the notes.
- (d) The notes shall be payable in not more than ten years and be issued on terms and in the manner the city determines. The total principal amount of the capital notes issued in a fiscal year shall not exceed 0.03 percent of the <u>estimated</u> market value of taxable property in the city for that year.
- (e) A tax levy shall be made for the payment of the principal and interest on the notes, in accordance with section 475.61, as in the case of bonds.
- 99.34 (f) Notes issued under this section shall require an affirmative vote of two-thirds of 99.35 the governing body of the city.

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(g) Notwithstanding a contrary provision of other law or charter, a home rule charter city may also issue capital notes subject to its debt limit in the manner and subject to the limitations applicable to statutory cities pursuant to section 412.301.

Sec. 65. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 412.221, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Contracts.** The council shall have power to make such contracts as may
be deemed necessary or desirable to make effective any power possessed by the council.

The city may purchase personal property through a conditional sales contract and real
property through a contract for deed under which contracts the seller is confined to the
remedy of recovery of the property in case of nonpayment of all or part of the purchase
price, which shall be payable over a period of not to exceed five years. When the contract
price of property to be purchased by contract for deed or conditional sales contract
exceeds 0.24177 percent of the <u>estimated market value</u> of the city, the city may not enter
into such a contract for at least ten days after publication in the official newspaper of a
council resolution determining to purchase property by such a contract; and, if before the
end of that time a petition asking for an election on the proposition signed by voters equal
to ten percent of the number of voters at the last regular city election is filed with the clerk,
the city may not enter into such a contract until the proposition has been approved by a
majority of the votes cast on the question at a regular or special election.

Sec. 66. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 412.301, is amended to read:

412.301 FINANCING PURCHASE OF CERTAIN EQUIPMENT.

- (a) The council may issue certificates of indebtedness or capital notes subject to the city debt limits to purchase capital equipment.
 - (b) For purposes of this section, "capital equipment" means:
- (1) public safety equipment, ambulance and other medical equipment, road construction and maintenance equipment, and other capital equipment; and
- 100.26 (2) computer hardware and software, whether bundled with machinery or equipment or unbundled.
 - (c) The equipment or software must have an expected useful life at least as long as the terms of the certificates or notes.
 - (d) Such certificates or notes shall be payable in not more than ten years and shall be issued on such terms and in such manner as the council may determine.
 - (e) If the amount of the certificates or notes to be issued to finance any such purchase exceeds 0.25 percent of the <u>estimated</u> market value of taxable property in the city, they shall not be issued for at least ten days after publication in the official newspaper of

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a council resolution determining to issue them; and if before the end of that time, a petition asking for an election on the proposition signed by voters equal to ten percent of the number of voters at the last regular municipal election is filed with the clerk, such certificates or notes shall not be issued until the proposition of their issuance has been approved by a majority of the votes cast on the question at a regular or special election.

(f) A tax levy shall be made for the payment of the principal and interest on such certificates or notes, in accordance with section 475.61, as in the case of bonds.

Sec. 67. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 428A.02, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. **Ordinance.** The governing body of a city may adopt an ordinance establishing a special service district. Only property that is classified under section 273.13 and used for commercial, industrial, or public utility purposes, or is vacant land zoned or designated on a land use plan for commercial or industrial use and located in the special service district, may be subject to the charges imposed by the city on the special service district. Other types of property may be included within the boundaries of the special service district but are not subject to the levies or charges imposed by the city on the special service district. If 50 percent or more of the estimated market value of a parcel of property is classified under section 273.13 as commercial, industrial, or vacant land zoned or designated on a land use plan for commercial or industrial use, or public utility for the current assessment year, then the entire taxable market value of the property is subject to a service charge based on net tax capacity for purposes of sections 428A.01 to 428A.10. The ordinance shall describe with particularity the area within the city to be included in the district and the special services to be furnished in the district. The ordinance may not be adopted until after a public hearing has been held on the question. Notice of the hearing shall include the time and place of hearing, a map showing the boundaries of the proposed district, and a statement that all persons owning property in the proposed district that would be subject to a service charge will be given opportunity to be heard at the hearing. Within 30 days after adoption of the ordinance under this subdivision, the governing body shall send a copy of the ordinance to the commissioner of revenue.

Sec. 68. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 430.102, subdivision 2, is amended to read: Subd. 2. Council approval; special tax levy limitation. The council shall receive

and consider the estimate required in subdivision 1 and the items of cost after notice and hearing before it or its appropriate committee as it considers necessary or expedient, and shall approve the estimate, with necessary amendments. The amounts of each item of cost

estimated are then appropriated to operate, maintain, and improve the pedestrian mall

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during the next fiscal year. The amount of the special tax to be charged under subdivision 1, clause (3), must not, however, exceed 0.12089 percent of <u>estimated market value</u> of taxable property in the district. The council shall make any necessary adjustment in costs of operating and maintaining the district to keep the amount of the tax within this limitation.

Sec. 69. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 447.10, is amended to read:

447.10 TAX LEVY FOR OPERATING AND MAINTAINING HOSPITAL.

The governing body of a city of the first class owning a hospital may annually levy a tax to operate and maintain the hospital. The tax must not exceed 0.00806 percent of taxable estimated market value.

Sec. 70. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 450.19, is amended to read:

450.19 TOURIST CAMPING GROUNDS.

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A home rule charter or statutory city or town may establish and maintain public tourist camping grounds. The governing body thereof may acquire by lease, purchase, or gift, suitable lands located either within or without the corporate limits for use as public tourist camping grounds and provide for the equipment, operation, and maintenance of the same. The amount that may be expended for the maintenance, improvement, or operation of tourist camping grounds shall not exceed, in any year, a sum equal to 0.00806 percent of taxable estimated market value.

Sec. 71. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 450.25, is amended to read:

102.20 **450.25 MUSEUM, GALLERY, OR SCHOOL OF ARTS OR CRAFTS; TAX** 102.21 **LEVY.**

After the acquisition of any museum, gallery, or school of arts or crafts, the board of park commissioners of the city in which it is located shall cause to be included in the annual tax levy upon all the taxable property of the county in which the museum, gallery, or school of arts or crafts is located, a tax of 0.00846 percent of estimated market value. The board shall certify the levy to the county auditor and it shall be added to, and collected with and as part of, the general, real, and personal property taxes, with like penalties and interest, in case of nonpayment and default, and all provisions of law in respect to the levy, collection, and enforcement of other taxes shall, so far as applicable, be followed in respect of these taxes. All of these taxes, penalties, and interest, when collected, shall be paid to the city treasurer of the city in which is located the museum, gallery, or school of arts or crafts and credited to a fund to be known as the park museum fund, and shall

be used only for the purposes specified in sections 450.23 to 450.25. Any part of the proceeds of the levy not expended for the purposes specified in section 450.24 may be used for the erection of new buildings for the same purposes.

Sec. 72. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 458A.10, is amended to read:

458A.10 PROPERTY TAX.

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The commission shall annually levy a tax not to exceed 0.12089 percent of estimated market value on all the taxable property in the transit area at a rate sufficient to produce an amount necessary for the purposes of sections 458A.01 to 458A.15, other than the payment of principal and interest due on any revenue bonds issued pursuant to section 458A.05. Property taxes levied under this section shall be certified by the commission to the county auditors of the transit area, extended, assessed, and collected in the manner provided by law for the property taxes levied by the governing bodies of cities. The proceeds of the taxes levied under this section shall be remitted by the respective county treasurers to the treasurer of the commission, who shall credit the same to the funds of the commission for use for the purposes of sections 458A.01 to 458A.15 subject to any applicable pledges or limitations on account of tax anticipation certificates or other specific purposes. At any time after making a tax levy under this section and certifying it to the county auditors, the commission may issue general obligation certificates of indebtedness in anticipation of the collection of the taxes as provided by section 412.261.

Sec. 73. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 458A.31, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Levy limit.** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the charter of the city of Duluth, any ordinance thereof, or any statute applicable thereto, limiting the amount levied in any one year for general or special purposes, the city council of the city of Duluth shall each year levy a tax in an amount not to exceed 0.07253 percent of taxable estimated market value, by ordinance. An ordinance fixing the levy shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval. The proceeds of the levy shall be paid into the city treasury and deposited in the operating fund provided for in section 458A.24, subdivision 3.

Sec. 74. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 465.04, is amended to read:

465.04 ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS.

Cities of the second, third, or fourth class, having at any time <u>a an estimated</u> market value of not more than \$41,000,000, <u>exclusive of money and credits</u>, as officially equalized by the commissioner of revenue, either under home rule charter or under the

laws of this state, in addition to all other powers possessed by them, hereby are authorized and empowered to receive and accept gifts and donations for the use and benefit of such cities and the inhabitants thereof upon terms and conditions to be approved by the governing bodies of such cities; and such cities are authorized to comply with and perform such terms and conditions, which may include payment to the donor or donors of interest on the value of the gift at not exceeding five percent per annum payable annually or semiannually, during the remainder of the natural life or lives of such donor or donors.

Sec. 75. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.033, subdivision 6, is amended to read: Subd. 6. Operation area as taxing district, special tax. All of the territory included within the area of operation of any authority shall constitute a taxing district for the purpose of levying and collecting special benefit taxes as provided in this subdivision. All of the taxable property, both real and personal, within that taxing district shall be deemed to be benefited by projects to the extent of the special taxes levied under this subdivision. Subject to the consent by resolution of the governing body of the city in and for which it was created, an authority may levy a tax upon all taxable property within that taxing district. The tax shall be extended, spread, and included with and as a part of the general taxes for state, county, and municipal purposes by the county auditor, to be collected and enforced therewith, together with the penalty, interest, and costs. As the tax, including any penalties, interest, and costs, is collected by the county treasurer it shall be accumulated and kept in a separate fund to be known as the "housing and redevelopment project fund." The money in the fund shall be turned over to the authority at the same time and in the same manner that the tax collections for the city are turned over to the city, and shall be expended only for the purposes of sections 469.001 to 469.047. It shall be paid out upon vouchers signed by the chair of the authority or an authorized representative. The amount of the levy shall be an amount approved by the governing body of the city, but shall not exceed 0.0185 percent of taxable estimated market value. The authority shall each year formulate and file a budget in accordance with the budget procedure of the city in the same manner as required of executive departments of the city or, if no budgets are required to be filed, by

Sec. 76. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.034, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

August 1. The amount of the tax levy for the following year shall be based on that budget.

Subd. 2. **General obligation revenue bonds.** (a) An authority may pledge the general obligation of the general jurisdiction governmental unit as additional security for bonds payable from income or revenues of the project or the authority. The authority must find that the pledged revenues will equal or exceed 110 percent of the principal and

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interest due on the bonds for each year. The proceeds of the bonds must be used for a qualified housing development project or projects. The obligations must be issued and sold in the manner and following the procedures provided by chapter 475, except the obligations are not subject to approval by the electors, and the maturities may extend to not more than 35 years for obligations sold to finance housing for the elderly and 40 years for other obligations issued under this subdivision. The authority is the municipality for purposes of chapter 475.

- (b) The principal amount of the issue must be approved by the governing body of the general jurisdiction governmental unit whose general obligation is pledged. Public hearings must be held on issuance of the obligations by both the authority and the general jurisdiction governmental unit. The hearings must be held at least 15 days, but not more than 120 days, before the sale of the obligations.
- (c) The maximum amount of general obligation bonds that may be issued and outstanding under this section equals the greater of (1) one-half of one percent of the taxable estimated market value of the general jurisdiction governmental unit whose general obligation is pledged, or (2) \$3,000,000. In the case of county or multicounty general obligation bonds, the outstanding general obligation bonds of all cities in the county or counties issued under this subdivision must be added in calculating the limit under clause (1).
- (d) "General jurisdiction governmental unit" means the city in which the housing development project is located. In the case of a county or multicounty authority, the county or counties may act as the general jurisdiction governmental unit. In the case of a multicounty authority, the pledge of the general obligation is a pledge of a tax on the taxable property in each of the counties.
- (e) "Qualified housing development project" means a housing development project providing housing either for the elderly or for individuals and families with incomes not greater than 80 percent of the median family income as estimated by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for the standard metropolitan statistical area or the nonmetropolitan county in which the project is located. The project must be owned for the term of the bonds either by the authority or by a limited partnership or other entity in which the authority or another entity under the sole control of the authority is the sole general partner and the partnership or other entity must receive (1) an allocation from the Department of Management and Budget or an entitlement issuer of tax-exempt bonding authority for the project and a preliminary determination by the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency or the applicable suballocator of tax credits that the project will qualify for four percent low-income housing tax credits or (2) a reservation of nine

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percent low-income housing tax credits from the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency or a suballocator of tax credits for the project. A qualified housing development project may admit nonelderly individuals and families with higher incomes if:

(1) three years have passed since initial occupancy;

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- (2) the authority finds the project is experiencing unanticipated vacancies resulting in insufficient revenues, because of changes in population or other unforeseen circumstances that occurred after the initial finding of adequate revenues; and
- (3) the authority finds a tax levy or payment from general assets of the general jurisdiction governmental unit will be necessary to pay debt service on the bonds if higher income individuals or families are not admitted.
- (f) The authority may issue bonds to refund bonds issued under this subdivision in accordance with section 475.67. The finding of the adequacy of pledged revenues required by paragraph (a) and the public hearing required by paragraph (b) shall not apply to the issuance of refunding bonds. This paragraph applies to refunding bonds issued on and after July 1, 1992.
- Sec. 77. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.053, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

 Subd. 4. **Mandatory city levy.** A city shall, at the request of the port authority, levy

 a tax in any year for the benefit of the port authority. The tax must not exceed 0.01813

 percent of taxable estimated market value. The amount levied must be paid by the city

 treasurer to the treasurer of the port authority, to be spent by the authority.
 - Sec. 78. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.053, subdivision 4a, is amended to read: Subd. 4a. **Seaway port authority levy.** A levy made under this subdivision shall replace the mandatory city levy under subdivision 4. A seaway port authority is a special taxing district under section 275.066 and may levy a tax in any year for the benefit of the seaway port authority. The tax must not exceed 0.01813 percent of taxable estimated market value. The county auditor shall distribute the proceeds of the property tax levy to the seaway port authority.
 - Sec. 79. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.053, subdivision 6, is amended to read:
- Subd. 6. **Discretionary city levy.** Upon request of a port authority, the port authority's city may levy a tax to be spent by and for its port authority. The tax must enable the port authority to carry out efficiently and in the public interest sections 469.048 to 469.068 to create and develop industrial development districts. The levy must not be more than 0.00282 percent of taxable estimated market value. The county treasurer shall

pay the proceeds of the tax to the port authority treasurer. The money may be spent by the authority in performance of its duties to create and develop industrial development districts. In spending the money the authority must judge what best serves the public interest. The levy in this subdivision is in addition to the levy in subdivision 4.

Sec. 80. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.107, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. **City tax levy.** A city may, at the request of the authority, levy a tax in any year for the benefit of the authority. The tax must be not more than 0.01813 percent of taxable estimated market value. The amount levied must be paid by the city treasurer to the treasurer of the authority, to be spent by the authority.

Sec. 81. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.180, subdivision 2, is amended to read: Subd. 2. **Tax levies.** Notwithstanding any law, the county board of any county may appropriate from the general revenue fund a sum not to exceed a county levy of 0.00080 percent of taxable estimated market value to carry out the purposes of this section.

Sec. 82. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.187, is amended to read:

469.187 FIRST CLASS CITY SPENDING FOR PUBLICITY; PUBLICITY BOARD.

Any city of the first class may expend money for city publicity purposes. The city may levy a tax, not exceeding 0.00080 percent of taxable estimated market value. The proceeds of the levy shall be expended in the manner and for the city publicity purposes the council directs. The council may establish and provide for a publicity board or bureau to administer the fund, subject to the conditions and limitations the council prescribes by ordinance.

Sec. 83. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 469.206, is amended to read:

469.206 HAZARDOUS PROPERTY PENALTY.

A city may assess a penalty up to one percent of the <u>estimated</u> market value of real property, including any building located within the city that the city determines to be hazardous as defined in section 463.15, subdivision 3. The city shall send a written notice to the address to which the property tax statement is sent at least 90 days before it may assess the penalty. If the owner of the property has not paid the penalty or fixed the property within 90 days after receiving notice of the penalty, the penalty is considered delinquent and is increased by 25 percent each 60 days the penalty is not paid and the property remains hazardous. For the purposes of this section, a penalty that is delinquent

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is considered a delinquent property tax and subject to chapters 279, 280, and 281, in the same manner as delinquent property taxes.

Sec. 84. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 471.24, is amended to read:

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471.24 TOWNS, STATUTORY CITIES; JOINT MAINTENANCE OF CEMETERY.

Where a statutory city or town owns and maintains an established cemetery or burial ground, either within or without the municipal limits, the statutory city or town may, by mutual agreement with contiguous statutory cities and towns, each having a an estimated market value of not less than \$2,000,000, join together in the maintenance of such public cemetery or burial ground for the use of the inhabitants of each of such municipalities; and each such municipality is hereby authorized, by action of its council or governing body, to levy a tax or make an appropriation for the annual support and maintenance of such cemetery or burial ground; provided, the amount thus appropriated by each municipality shall not exceed a total of \$10,000 in any one year.

- Sec. 85. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 471.571, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. **Application.** This section applies to each city in which the net tax capacity of real and personal property consists in part of iron ore or lands containing taconite or semitaconite and in which the total taxable estimated market value of real
- Sec. 86. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 471.571, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

and personal property exceeds \$2,500,000.

- Subd. 2. **Creation of fund, tax levy.** The governing body of the city may create a permanent improvement and replacement fund to be maintained by an annual tax levy. The governing body may levy a tax in excess of any charter limitation for the support of the permanent improvement and replacement fund, but not exceeding the following:
 - (a) in cities having a population of not more than 500 inhabitants, the lesser of \$20 per capita or 0.08059 percent of taxable estimated market value;
 - (b) in cities having a population of more than 500 and less than 2500 2,500, the greater of \$12.50 per capita or \$10,000 but not exceeding 0.08059 percent of taxable estimated market value;
- (c) in cities having a population of more than 2500 2,500 or more inhabitants, the greater of \$10 per capita or \$31,500 but not exceeding 0.08059 percent of taxable estimated market value.

Sec. 87. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 471.73, is amended to read:

471.73 ACCEPTANCE OF PROVISIONS.

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In the case of any city within the class specified in section 471.72 having a an estimated market value, as defined in section 471.72, in excess of \$37,000,000; and in the case of any statutory city within such class having a an estimated market value, as defined in section 471.72, of less than \$5,000,000; and in the case of any statutory city within such class which is governed by Laws 1933, chapter 211, or Laws 1937, chapter 356; and in the case of any statutory city within such class which is governed by Laws 1929, chapter 208, and has a an estimated market value of less than \$83,000,000; and in the case of any school district within such class having a an estimated market value, as defined in section 471.72, of more than \$54,000,000; and in the case of all towns within said class; sections 471.71 to 471.83 apply only if the governing body of the city or statutory city, the board of the school district, or the town board of the town shall have adopted a resolution determining to issue bonds under the provisions of sections 471.71 to 471.83 or to go upon a cash basis in accordance with the provisions thereof.

Subd. 2. **Chapter 475 applies; exceptions.** The Metropolitan Council shall sell and issue the bonds in the manner provided in chapter 475, and shall have the same powers and duties as a municipality issuing bonds under that law, except that the approval of a

Sec. 88. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 473.325, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

majority of the electors shall not be required and the net debt limitations shall not apply.

The terms of each series of bonds shall be fixed so that the amount of principal and interest

on all outstanding and undischarged bonds, together with the bonds proposed to be issued,

due in any year shall not exceed 0.01209 percent of <u>estimated</u> market value of all taxable property in the metropolitan area as last finally equalized prior to a proposed issue. The

bonds shall be secured in accordance with section 475.61, subdivision 1, and any taxes

required for their payment shall be levied by the council, shall not affect the amount or rate

of taxes which may be levied by the council for other purposes, shall be spread against all taxable property in the metropolitan area and shall not be subject to limitation as to rate or

amount. Any taxes certified by the council to the county auditors for collection shall be

reduced by the amount received by the council from the commissioner of management and

budget or the federal government for the purpose of paying the principal and interest on

bonds to which the levy relates. The council shall certify the fact and amount of all money

so received to the county auditors, and the auditors shall reduce the levies previously made

109.34 for the bonds in the manner and to the extent provided in section 475.61, subdivision 3.

Sec. 89. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 473.629, is amended to read:

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473.629 VALUE OF PROPERTY FOR BOND ISSUES BY SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

As to any lands to be detached from any school district under the provisions hereof section 473.625, notwithstanding such prospective the detachment, the estimated market value of such the detached lands and the net tax capacity of taxable properties now located therein or thereon shall be and on the lands on the date of the detachment constitute from and after the date of the enactment hereof a part of the estimated market value of properties upon the basis of which such used to calculate the net debt limit of the school district may issue its bonds. The value of such the lands for such purpose to be and other taxable properties for purposes of the school district's net debt limit are 33-1/3 percent of the estimated market value thereof as determined and certified by said the assessor to said the school district, and it shall be the duty of such the assessor annually on or before the tenth day of October from and after the passage hereof, to so of each year, shall determine and certify that value; provided, however, that the value of such the detached lands and such taxable properties shall never exceed 20 percent of the estimated market value of all properties constituting and making up the basis aforesaid used to calculate the net debt limit of the school district.

Sec. 90. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 473.661, subdivision 3, is amended to read: Subd. 3. **Levy limit.** In any budget certified by the commissioners under this section, the amount included for operation and maintenance shall not exceed an amount which, when extended against the property taxable therefor under section 473.621, subdivision 5, will require a levy at a rate of 0.00806 percent of <u>estimated</u> market value. Taxes levied by the corporation shall not affect the amount or rate of taxes which may be levied by any other local government unit within the metropolitan area under the provisions of any charter.

Sec. 91. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 473.667, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. **Additional taxes.** Nothing herein shall prevent the commission from levying a tax not to exceed 0.00121 percent of <u>estimated market</u> value on taxable property within its taxing jurisdiction, in addition to any levies found necessary for the debt service fund authorized by section 473.671. Nothing herein shall prevent the levy and appropriation for purposes of the commission of any other tax on property or on any income, transaction, or privilege, when and if authorized by law. All collections of any taxes so levied shall be included in the revenues appropriated for the purposes referred to in this section, unless otherwise provided in the law authorizing the levies; but no

covenant as to the continuance or as to the rate and amount of any such levy shall be made with the holders of the commission's bonds unless specifically authorized by law.

Sec. 92. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 473.671, is amended to read:

473.671 LIMIT OF TAX LEVY.

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The taxes levied against the property of the metropolitan area in any one year shall not exceed 0.00806 percent of taxable estimated market value, exclusive of taxes levied to pay the principal or interest on any bonds or indebtedness of the city issued under Laws 1943, chapter 500, and exclusive of any taxes levied to pay the share of the city for payments on bonded indebtedness of the corporation provided for in Laws 1943, chapter 500. The levy of taxes authorized in Laws 1943, chapter 500, shall be in addition to the maximum rate allowed to be levied to defray the cost of government under the provisions of the charter of any city affected by Laws 1943, chapter 500.

Sec. 93. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 473.711, subdivision 2a, is amended to read:
Subd. 2a. **Tax levy.** (a) The commission may levy a tax on all taxable property in the district as defined in section 473.702 to provide funds for the purposes of sections 473.701 to 473.716. The tax shall not exceed the property tax levy limitation determined in this subdivision. A participating county may agree to levy an additional tax to be used by the commission for the purposes of sections 473.701 to 473.716 but the sum of the county's and commission's taxes may not exceed the county's proportionate share of the property tax levy limitation determined under this subdivision based on the ratio of its total net tax capacity to the total net tax capacity of the entire district as adjusted by section 270.12, subdivision 3. The auditor of each county in the district shall add the amount of the levy made by the district to other taxes of the county for collection by the county treasurer with other taxes. When collected, the county treasurer shall make settlement of the tax with the district in the same manner as other taxes are distributed to political subdivisions. No county shall levy any tax for mosquito, disease vectoring tick, and black gnat (Simuliidae) control except under this section. The levy shall be in addition to other taxes authorized by law.

(b) The property tax levied by the Metropolitan Mosquito Control Commission shall not exceed the product of (i) the commission's property tax levy limitation for the previous year determined under this subdivision multiplied by (ii) an index for market valuation changes equal to the total <u>estimated market valuation value</u> of all taxable property for the current tax payable year located within the district plus any area that has been added to the district since the previous year, divided by the total <u>estimated market valuation value</u> of all taxable property located within the district for the previous taxes payable year.

(e) For the purpose of determining the commission's property tax levy limitation under this subdivision, "total market valuation" means the total market valuation of all taxable property within the district without valuation adjustments for fiscal disparities (chapter 473F), tax increment financing (sections 469.174 to 469.179), and high voltage transmission lines (section 273.425).

Sec. 94. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 473F.02, subdivision 12, is amended to read:

Subd. 12. Adjusted market value. "Adjusted market value" of real and personal property within a municipality means the assessor's estimated taxable market value, as defined in section 272.03, of all real and personal property, including the value of manufactured housing, within the municipality, adjusted for sales ratios in a manner similar to the adjustments made to city and town net tax capacities. For purposes of sections 473F.01 to 473F.13, the commissioner of revenue shall annually make determinations and reports with respect to each municipality which are comparable to those it makes for school districts under section 127A.48, subdivisions 1 to 6, in the same manner and at the same times as are prescribed by the subdivisions. The commissioner of revenue shall annually determine, for each municipality, information comparable to that required by section 475.53, subdivision 4, for school districts, as soon as practicable after it becomes available. The commissioner of revenue shall then compute the equalized market value of property within each municipality using the aggregate sales ratios from the Department of Revenue's sales ratio study.

Sec. 95. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 473F.02, subdivision 14, is amended to read:

Subd. 14. **Fiscal capacity.** "Fiscal capacity" of a municipality means its valuation

adjusted market value, determined as of January 2 of any year, divided by its population,

determined as of a date in the same year.

Sec. 96. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 473F.02, subdivision 15, is amended to read: Subd. 15. **Average fiscal capacity.** "Average fiscal capacity" of municipalities means the sum of the <u>valuations</u> <u>adjusted market values</u> of all municipalities, determined as of January 2 of any year, divided by the sum of their populations, determined as of a date in the same year.

Sec. 97. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 473F.02, subdivision 23, is amended to read:

Subd. 23. **Net tax capacity.** "Net tax capacity" means the <u>taxable</u> market value of

real and personal property multiplied by its net tax capacity rates in section 273.13.

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Sec. 98. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 473F.08, subdivision 10, is amended to read: Subd. 10. Adjustment of value or net tax capacity. For the purpose of computing the amount or rate of any salary, aid, tax, or debt authorized, required, or limited by any provision of any law or charter, where such authorization, requirement, or limitation is related in any manner to any value or valuation of taxable property within any governmental unit, such value or net tax capacity fiscal capacity under section 473F.02, subdivision 14, a municipality's taxable market value shall be adjusted to reflect the adjustments reductions to net tax capacity effected by subdivision 2, clause (a), provided that: (1) in determining the taxable market value of commercial-industrial property or any class thereof within a governmental unit for any purpose other than section 473F.07 municipality, (a) the reduction required by this subdivision shall be that amount which bears the same proportion to the amount subtracted from the governmental unit's municipality's net tax capacity pursuant to subdivision 2, clause (a), as the taxable market value of commercial-industrial property, or such class thereof, located within the governmental unit municipality bears to the net tax capacity of commercial-industrial property, or such class thereof, located within the governmental unit, and (b) the increase required by this subdivision shall be that amount which bears the same proportion to the amount added to the governmental unit's net tax capacity pursuant to subdivision 2, clause (b), as the market value of commercial-industrial property, or such class thereof, located within the governmental unit bears to the net tax capacity of commercial-industrial property, or such class thereof, located within the governmental unit; and (2) in determining the market value of real property within a municipality for purposes of section 473F.07, the adjustment prescribed by clause (1)(a) hereof shall be made and that prescribed by elause (1)(b) hereof shall not be made municipality. No adjustment shall be made to taxable market value for the increase in net tax capacity under subdivision 2, clause (b).

Sec. 99. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 475.521, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Limitations on amount.** A municipality may not issue bonds under this section if the maximum amount of principal and interest to become due in any year on all the outstanding bonds issued under this section, including the bonds to be issued, will equal or exceed 0.16 percent of the taxable estimated market value of property in the municipality. Calculation of the limit must be made using the taxable estimated market value for the taxes payable year in which the obligations are issued and sold. In the case of a municipality with a population of 2,500 or more, the bonds are subject to the net debt limits under section 475.53. In the case of a shared facility in which more than one municipality participates, upon compliance by each participating municipality

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with the requirements of subdivision 2, the limitations in this subdivision and the net debt represented by the bonds shall be allocated to each participating municipality in proportion to its required financial contribution to the financing of the shared facility, as set forth in the joint powers agreement relating to the shared facility. This section does not limit the authority to issue bonds under any other special or general law.

Sec. 100. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 475.53, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Generally.** Except as otherwise provided in sections 475.51 to

475.74, no municipality, except a school district or a city of the first class, shall incur or be subject to a net debt in excess of three percent of the <u>estimated</u> market value of taxable property in the municipality.

Sec. 101. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 475.53, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Cities first class.** Unless its charter permits a greater net debt a city of the first class may not incur a net debt in excess of two percent of the <u>estimated market</u> value of all taxable property therein. If the charter of the city permits a net debt of the city in excess of two percent of its valuation, it may not incur a net debt in excess of 3-2/3 percent of the <u>estimated market</u> value of the taxable property therein.

The county auditor, at the time of preparing the tax list of the city, shall compile a statement setting forth the total net tax capacity and the total <u>estimated</u> market value of each class of taxable property in such city for such year.

Sec. 102. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 475.53, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **School districts.** Except as otherwise provided by law, no school district shall be subject to a net debt in excess of 15 percent of the actual estimated market value of all taxable property situated within its corporate limits, as computed in accordance with this subdivision. The county auditor of each county containing taxable real or personal property situated within any school district shall certify to the district upon request the estimated market value of all such property. Whenever the commissioner of revenue, in accordance with section 127A.48, subdivisions 1 to 6, has determined that the net tax capacity of any district furnished by county auditors is not based upon the adjusted market value of taxable property in the district exceeds the estimated market value of property within the district, the commissioner of revenue shall certify to the district upon request the ratio most recently ascertained to exist between such the estimated market value and the actual adjusted market value of property within the district. and the actual market value of property within a district, on which its debt limit under this subdivision is will be based, is (a) the

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value certified by the county auditors, or (b) this on the estimated market value divided by the ratio certified by the commissioner of revenue, whichever results in a higher value.

Sec. 103. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 475.58, subdivision 2, is amended to read: Subd. 2. Funding, refunding. Any county, city, town, or school district whose outstanding gross debt, including all items referred to in section 475.51, subdivision 4, exceed in amount 1.62 percent of its estimated market value may issue bonds under this subdivision for the purpose of funding or refunding such indebtedness or any part thereof. A list of the items of indebtedness to be funded or refunded shall be made by the recording officer and treasurer and filed in the office of the recording officer. The initial resolution of the governing body shall refer to this subdivision as authority for the issue, state the amount of bonds to be issued and refer to the list of indebtedness to be funded or refunded. This resolution shall be published once each week for two successive weeks in a legal newspaper published in the municipality or if there be no such newspaper, in a legal newspaper published in the county seat. Such bonds may be issued without the submission of the question of their issue to the electors unless within ten days after the second publication of the resolution a petition requesting such election signed by ten or more voters who are taxpayers of the municipality, shall be filed with the recording officer. In event such petition is filed, no bonds shall be issued hereunder unless authorized by a majority of the electors voting on the question.

Sec. 104. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 475.73, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **May purchase these bonds; conditions.** Obligations sold under the provisions of section 475.60 may be purchased by the State Board of Investment if the obligations meet the requirements of section 11A.24, subdivision 2, upon the approval of the attorney general as to form and execution of the application therefor, and under rules as the board may specify, and the state board shall have authority to purchase the same to an amount not exceeding 3.63 percent of the <u>estimated</u> market value of the taxable property of the municipality, according to the last preceding assessment. The obligations shall not run for a shorter period than one year, nor for a longer period than 30 years and shall bear interest at a rate to be fixed by the state board but not less than two percent per annum. Forthwith upon the delivery to the state of Minnesota of any obligations issued by virtue thereof, the commissioner of management and budget shall certify to the respective auditors of the various counties wherein are situated the municipalities issuing the same, the number, denomination, amount, rate of interest and date of maturity of each obligation.

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Sec. 105. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 477A.011, subdivision 20, is amended to read:

Subd. 20. City net tax capacity. "City net tax capacity" means (1) the net tax capacity computed using the net tax capacity rates in section 273.13 for taxes payable in the year of the aid distribution, and the market values, after the exclusion in section 273.13, subdivision 35, for taxes payable in the year prior to the aid distribution plus (2) a city's fiscal disparities distribution tax capacity under section 276A.06, subdivision 2, paragraph (b), or 473F.08, subdivision 2, paragraph (b), for taxes payable in the year prior to that for which aids are being calculated. The market value utilized in computing city net tax capacity shall be reduced by the sum of (1) a city's market value of commercial industrial property as defined in section 276A.01, subdivision 3, or 473F.02, subdivision 3, multiplied by the ratio determined pursuant to section 276A.06, subdivision 2, paragraph (a), or 473F.08, subdivision 2, paragraph (a), (2) the market value of the captured value of tax increment financing districts as defined in section 469.177, subdivision 2, and (3) the market value of transmission lines deducted from a city's total net tax capacity under section 273.425. The city net tax capacity will be computed using equalized market values the city's adjusted net tax capacity under section 273.1325.

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

Sec. 106. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 477A.011, subdivision 32, is amended to read:

Subd. 32. **Commercial industrial percentage.** "Commercial industrial percentage" for a city is 100 times the sum of the estimated market values of all real property in the city classified as class 3 under section 273.13, subdivision 24, excluding public utility property, to the total <u>estimated market</u> value of all taxable real and personal property in the city. The <u>estimated market</u> values are the amounts computed before any adjustments for fiscal disparities under section 276A.06 or 473F.08. The <u>estimated market</u> values used for this subdivision are not equalized.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for aids payable in 2014 and thereafter.

Sec. 107. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 477A.0124, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Definitions.** (a) For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given them.

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(b) "County program aid" means the sum of "county need aid," "county tax base equalization aid," and "county transition aid."

- (c) "Age-adjusted population" means a county's population multiplied by the county age index.
- (d) "County age index" means the percentage of the population over age 65 within the county divided by the percentage of the population over age 65 within the state, except that the age index for any county may not be greater than 1.8 nor less than 0.8.
- (e) "Population over age 65" means the population over age 65 established as of July 15 in an aid calculation year by the most recent federal census, by a special census conducted under contract with the United States Bureau of the Census, by a population estimate made by the Metropolitan Council, or by a population estimate of the state demographer made pursuant to section 4A.02, whichever is the most recent as to the stated date of the count or estimate for the preceding calendar year and which has been certified to the commissioner of revenue on or before July 15 of the aid calculation year. A revision to an estimate or count is effective for these purposes only if certified to the commissioner on or before July 15 of the aid calculation year. Clerical errors in the certification or use of estimates and counts established as of July 15 in the aid calculation year are subject to correction within the time periods allowed under section 477A.014.
- (f) "Part I crimes" means the three-year average annual number of Part I crimes reported for each county by the Department of Public Safety for the most recent years available. By July 1 of each year, the commissioner of public safety shall certify to the commissioner of revenue the number of Part I crimes reported for each county for the three most recent calendar years available.
- (g) "Households receiving food stamps" means the average monthly number of households receiving food stamps for the three most recent years for which data is available. By July 1 of each year, the commissioner of human services must certify to the commissioner of revenue the average monthly number of households in the state and in each county that receive food stamps, for the three most recent calendar years available.
- (h) "County net tax capacity" means the net tax capacity of the county, computed analogously to city net tax capacity under section 477A.011, subdivision 20 county's adjusted net tax capacity under section 273.1325.
- 117.32 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.
- 117.33 Sec. 108. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 641.23, is amended to read:
- 117.34 **641.23 FUNDS; HOW PROVIDED.**

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Before any contract is made for the erection of a county jail, sheriff's residence, or both, the county board shall either levy a sufficient tax to provide the necessary funds, or issue county bonds therefor in accordance with the provisions of chapter 475, provided that no election is required if the amount of all bonds issued for this purpose and interest on them which are due and payable in any year does not exceed an amount equal to 0.09671 percent of <u>estimated</u> market value of taxable property within the county, as last determined before the bonds are issued.

Sec. 109. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 641.24, is amended to read:

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The county may, by resolution of the county board, enter into a lease agreement with any statutory or home rule charter city situated within the county, or a county housing and redevelopment authority established pursuant to chapter 469 or any special law whereby the city or county housing and redevelopment authority will construct a jail or other law enforcement facilities for the county sheriff, deputy sheriffs, and other employees of the sheriff and other law enforcement agencies, in accordance with plans prepared by or at the request of the county board and, when required, approved by the commissioner of corrections and will finance it by the issuance of revenue bonds, and the county may lease the site and improvements for a term and upon rentals sufficient to produce revenue for the prompt payment of the bonds and all interest accruing thereon and, upon completion of payment, will acquire title thereto. The real and personal property acquired for the jail shall constitute a project and the lease agreement shall constitute a revenue agreement as contemplated in chapter 469, and all proceedings shall be taken by the city or county housing and redevelopment authority and the county in the manner and with the force and effect provided in chapter 469; provided that:

- (1) no tax shall be imposed upon or in lieu of a tax upon the property;
- (2) the approval of the project by the commissioner of commerce shall not be required;
- (3) the Department of Corrections shall be furnished and shall record such information concerning each project as it may prescribe;
 - (4) the rentals required to be paid under the lease agreement shall not exceed in any year one-tenth of one percent of the <u>estimated</u> market value of property within the county, as last finally equalized before the execution of the agreement;
- 118.32 (5) the county board shall provide for the payment of all rentals due during the term of the lease, in the manner required in section 641.264, subdivision 2;

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| 119.1 | (6) no mortgage on the property shall be granted for the security of the bonds, but |
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| 119.2 | compliance with clause (5) hereof may be enforced as a nondiscretionary duty of the |
| 119.3 | county board; and |
| 119.4 | (7) the county board may sublease any part of the jail property for purposes consistent |
| 119.5 | with the maintenance and operation of a county jail or other law enforcement facility. |
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| 119.6 | Sec. 110. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 645.44, is amended by adding a subdivision |
| 119.7 | to read: |
| 119.8 | Subd. 20. Estimated market value. When used in determining or calculating a |
| 119.9 | limit on taxation, spending, state aid amounts, or debt, bond, certificate of indebtedness, or |
| 119.10 | capital note issuance by or for a local government unit, "estimated market value" has the |
| 119.11 | meaning given in section 273.032. |
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| 119.12 | Sec. 111. <u>REVISOR'S INSTRUCTION.</u> |
| 119.13 | The revisor of statutes shall recodify Minnesota Statutes, section 127.48, |
| 119.14 | subdivisions 1 to 6, as section 273.1325, subdivisions 1 to 6, and change all |
| 119.15 | cross-references to the affected subdivisions accordingly. |
| 119.16 | EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment. |
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| 119.17 | Sec. 112. REPEALER. |
| 119.18 | Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 273.11, subdivision 1a; 276A.01, subdivision 11; |
| 119.19 | 473F.02, subdivision 13; and 477A.011, subdivision 21, are repealed. |
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| 119.20 | Sec. 113. EFFECTIVE DATE. |
| 119.21 | Unless otherwise specifically provided, this article is effective the day following |
| 119.22 | final enactment for purposes of limits on net debt, the issuance of bonds, certificates of |
| 119.23 | indebtedness, and capital notes and is effective beginning for taxes payable in 2014 for |
| 119.24 | all other purposes. |
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| 119.26 | DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE PROPERTY AND MINERALS PROVISIONS |
| 119.27 | Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 123A.455, subdivision 1, is amended to |
| 119.28 | read: |
| 119.29 | Subdivision 1. Definitions. "Split residential property parcel" means a parcel of |
| 119.30 | real estate that is located within the boundaries of more than one school district and that |
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| (1) section 273.13, subdivision 22, paragraph (a) or (b) | (a) or (b); | 2, paragraph | subdivision 22, |) section 273.13. | 0.1 (1) | 120.1 |
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- (2) section 273.13, subdivision 25, paragraph (b), clause (1); or
- (3) section 273.13, subdivision 25, paragraph (c), clause (1).

120.4 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for taxes payable in 2014 and 120.5 thereafter.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 270.077, is amended to read:

270.077 TAXES CREDITED TO STATE AIRPORTS FUND.

All taxes levied under sections 270.071 to 270.079 must be collected by the commissioner and credited to the state airports fund created in section 360.017.

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

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 270.41, subdivision 5, is amended to read: Subd. 5. **Prohibited activity.** A licensed assessor or other person employed by an assessment jurisdiction or contracting with an assessment jurisdiction for the purpose of valuing or classifying property for property tax purposes is prohibited from making appraisals or analyses, accepting an appraisal assignment, or preparing an appraisal report as defined in section 82B.021, subdivisions 2, 4, 6, and 7, on any property within the assessment jurisdiction where the individual is employed or performing the duties of the assessor under contract. Violation of this prohibition shall result in immediate revocation of the individual's license to assess property for property tax purposes. This prohibition must not be construed to prohibit an individual from carrying out any duties required for the proper assessment of property for property tax purposes or performing duties enumerated in section 273.061, subdivision 7 or 8. If a formal resolution has been adopted by the governing body of a governmental unit, which specifies the purposes for which such work will be done, this prohibition does not apply to appraisal activities undertaken on behalf of and at the request of the governmental unit that has employed or contracted with the individual. The resolution may only allow appraisal activities which are related to condemnations, right-of-way acquisitions, land exchanges, or special assessments.

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

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 270C.34, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Authority.** (a) The commissioner may abate, reduce, or refund any

penalty or interest that is imposed by a law administered by the commissioner, or imposed

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by section 270.0725, subdivision 1 or 2, or 270.075, subdivision 2, as a result of the late payment of tax or late filing of a return, or any part of an additional tax charge under section 289A.25, subdivision 2, or 289A.26, subdivision 4, if the failure to timely pay the tax or failure to timely file the return is due to reasonable cause, or if the taxpayer is located in a presidentially declared disaster or in a presidentially declared state of emergency area or in an area declared to be in a state of emergency by the governor under section 12.31.

- (b) The commissioner shall abate any part of a penalty or additional tax charge under section 289A.25, subdivision 2, or 289A.26, subdivision 4, attributable to erroneous advice given to the taxpayer in writing by an employee of the department acting in an official capacity, if the advice:
- (1) was reasonably relied on and was in response to a specific written request of the taxpayer; and
- 121.13 (2) was not the result of failure by the taxpayer to provide adequate or accurate 121.14 information.

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

- Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 272.01, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. Exempt property used by private entity for profit. (a) When any real or personal property which is exempt from ad valorem taxes, and taxes in lieu thereof, is leased, loaned, or otherwise made available and used by a private individual, association, or corporation in connection with a business conducted for profit, there shall be imposed a tax, for the privilege of so using or possessing such real or personal property, in the same amount and to the same extent as though the lessee or user was the owner of such property.
 - (b) The tax imposed by this subdivision shall not apply to:
- (1) property leased or used as a concession in or relative to the use in whole or part of a public park, market, fairgrounds, port authority, economic development authority established under chapter 469, municipal auditorium, municipal parking facility, municipal museum, or municipal stadium;
 - (2) property of an airport owned by a city, town, county, or group thereof which is:
- (i) leased to or used by any person or entity including a fixed base operator; and
- (ii) used as a hangar for the storage or repair of aircraft or to provide aviation goods, services, or facilities to the airport or general public;
- the exception from taxation provided in this clause does not apply to:
- (i) property located at an airport owned or operated by the Metropolitan Airports
 Commission or by a city of over 50,000 population according to the most recent federal
 census or such a city's airport authority; or

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(ii) hangars leased by a private individual, association, or corporation in connection with a business conducted for profit other than an aviation-related business;

(3) property constituting or used as a public pedestrian ramp or concourse in connection with a public airport;

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- (4) property constituting or used as a passenger check-in area or ticket sale counter, boarding area, or luggage claim area in connection with a public airport but not the airports owned or operated by the Metropolitan Airports Commission or cities of over 50,000 population or an airport authority therein. Real estate owned by a municipality in connection with the operation of a public airport and leased or used for agricultural purposes is not exempt;
- (5) property leased, loaned, or otherwise made available to a private individual, corporation, or association under a cooperative farming agreement made pursuant to section 97A.135; or
- (6) property leased, loaned, or otherwise made available to a private individual, corporation, or association under section 272.68, subdivision 4.
- (c) Taxes imposed by this subdivision are payable as in the case of personal property taxes and shall be assessed to the lessees or users of real or personal property in the same manner as taxes assessed to owners of real or personal property, except that such taxes shall not become a lien against the property. When due, the taxes shall constitute a debt due from the lessee or user to the state, township, city, county, and school district for which the taxes were assessed and shall be collected in the same manner as personal property taxes. If property subject to the tax imposed by this subdivision is leased or used jointly by two or more persons, each lessee or user shall be jointly and severally liable for payment of the tax.
- (d) The tax on real property of the <u>federal government</u>, the state or any of its political subdivisions that is leased by, loaned, or otherwise made available to a private individual, association, or corporation and becomes taxable under this subdivision or other provision of law must be assessed and collected as a personal property assessment. The taxes do not become a lien against the real property.

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

- Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 272.02, subdivision 97, is amended to read:
- Subd. 97. **Property used in business of mining subject to net proceeds tax.** The following property used in the business of mining that is subject to the net proceeds tax under section 298.015 is exempt:
- (1) deposits of ores, metals, and minerals and the lands in which they are contained;

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(2) all real and personal property used in mining, quarrying, producing, or refining ores, minerals, or metals, including lands occupied by or used in connection with the mining, quarrying, production, or ore refining facilities; and

(3) concentrate or direct reduced ore.

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This exemption applies for each year that a person subject to tax under section 298.015 uses the property for mining, quarrying, producing, or refining ores, metals, or minerals.

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

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 272.03, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. **Person.** "Person" includes means an individual, association, estate, trust,

partnership, firm, company, or corporation.

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

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.032, is amended to read:

273.032 MARKET VALUE DEFINITION.

For the purpose of determining any property tax levy limitation based on market value, any qualification to receive state aid based on market value, or any state aid amount based on market value, the terms "market value," "taxable market value," and "market value of property within the local unit of government before any adjustments for tax increment, fiscal disparity, powerline credit, or wind energy values, but after the limited market adjustments under section 273.11, subdivision 1a, and after the market value exclusions of certain improvements to homestead property under section 273.11, subdivision 16. Unless otherwise provided, "market value," "taxable market value," and "market valuation" for purposes of this paragraph, refer to the taxable market value for the previous assessment year.

For the purpose of determining any net debt limit based on market value, or any limit on the issuance of bonds, certificates of indebtedness, or capital notes based on market value, the terms "market value," "taxable market value," and "market valuation," whether equalized or unequalized, mean the total taxable market value of property within the local unit of government before any adjustments for tax increment, fiscal disparity, powerline credit, or wind energy values, but after the limited market value adjustments under section 273.11, subdivision 1a, and after the market value exclusions of certain improvements to homestead property under section 273.11, subdivision 16. Unless otherwise provided,

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"market value," "taxable market value," and "market valuation" for purposes of this paragraph, mean the taxable market value as last finally equalized.

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Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.114, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. Additional taxes. (a) When real property which is being, or has been valued and assessed under this section is sold, transferred, or no longer qualifies under subdivision 2, the portion sold, transferred, or no longer qualifying shall be subject to additional taxes in the amount equal to the difference between the taxes determined in accordance with subdivision 3 and the amount determined under subdivision 4, provided that the amount determined under subdivision 4 shall not be greater than it would have been had the actual bona fide sale price of the real property at an arm's-length transaction been used in lieu of the market value determined under subdivision 4. The additional taxes shall be extended against the property on the tax list for taxes payable in the current year, provided that no interest or penalties shall be levied on the additional taxes if timely paid and provided that the additional taxes shall only be levied with respect to the current year

(b) In the case of a sale or transfer, the additional taxes under paragraph (a) shall not be extended against the property if the new owner submits a successful application under this section by the later of May 1 of the current year or 30 days after the sale or transfer.

plus two prior years that the property has been valued and assessed under this section.

- (c) For the purposes of this section, the following events do not constitute a sale or transfer for property that qualified under subdivision 2 prior to the event:
- (1) death of a property owner when the surviving owners retain ownership of the property;
 - (2) divorce of a married couple when one of the spouses retains ownership of the property;
 - (3) marriage of a single property owner when that owner retains ownership of the property in whole or in part;
- (4) the organization or reorganization of a farm ownership entity that is not prohibited from owning agricultural land in this state under section 500.24, if all owners maintain the same beneficial interest both before and after the organization or reorganization; and
- (5) transfer of the property to a trust or trustee, provided that the individual owners of the property are the grantors of the trust and they maintain the same beneficial interest both before and after placement of the property in trust.

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Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.13, subdivision 23, is amended to read:

Subd. 23. Class 2. (a) An agricultural homestead consists of class 2a agricultural land that is homesteaded, along with any class 2b rural vacant land that is contiguous to the class 2a land under the same ownership. The market value of the house and garage and immediately surrounding one acre of land has the same class rates as class 1a or 1b property under subdivision 22. The value of the remaining land including improvements up to the first tier valuation limit of agricultural homestead property has a net class rate of 0.5 percent of market value. The remaining property over the first tier has a class rate of one percent of market value. For purposes of this subdivision, the "first tier valuation limit of agricultural homestead property" and "first tier" means the limit certified under section 273.11, subdivision 23.

(b) Class 2a agricultural land consists of parcels of property, or portions thereof, that are agricultural land and buildings. Class 2a property has a net class rate of one percent of market value, unless it is part of an agricultural homestead under paragraph (a). Class 2a property must also include any property that would otherwise be classified as 2b, but is interspersed with class 2a property, including but not limited to sloughs, wooded wind shelters, acreage abutting ditches, ravines, rock piles, land subject to a setback requirement, and other similar land that is impractical for the assessor to value separately from the rest of the property.

An assessor may classify the part of a parcel described in this subdivision that is used for agricultural purposes as class 2a and the remainder in the class appropriate to its use.

- (c) Class 2b rural vacant land consists of parcels of property, or portions thereof, that are unplatted real estate, rural in character and not used for agricultural purposes, including land used for growing trees for timber, lumber, and wood and wood products, that is not improved with a structure. The presence of a minor, ancillary nonresidential structure as defined by the commissioner of revenue does not disqualify the property from classification under this paragraph. Any parcel of 20 acres or more improved with a structure that is not a minor, ancillary nonresidential structure must be split-classified, and ten acres must be assigned to the split parcel containing the structure. Class 2b property has a net class rate of one percent of market value unless it is part of an agricultural homestead under paragraph (a), or qualifies as class 2c under paragraph (d).
- (d) Class 2c managed forest land consists of no less than 20 and no more than 1,920 acres statewide per taxpayer that is being managed under a forest management plan that meets the requirements of chapter 290C, but is not enrolled in the sustainable forest resource management incentive program. It has a class rate of .65 percent, provided that the owner of the property must apply to the assessor in order for the property to initially

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qualify for the reduced rate and provide the information required by the assessor to verify that the property qualifies for the reduced rate. If the assessor receives the application and information before May 1 in an assessment year, the property qualifies beginning with that assessment year. If the assessor receives the application and information after April 30 in an assessment year, the property may not qualify until the next assessment year. The commissioner of natural resources must concur that the land is qualified. The commissioner of natural resources shall annually provide county assessors verification information on a timely basis. The presence of a minor, ancillary nonresidential structure as defined by the commissioner of revenue does not disqualify the property from classification under this paragraph.

(e) Agricultural land as used in this section means:

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- (1) contiguous acreage of ten acres or more, used during the preceding year for agricultural purposes-; or
- (2) contiguous acreage used during the preceding year for an intensive livestock or poultry confinement operation, provided that land used only for pasturing or grazing does not qualify under this clause.

"Agricultural purposes" as used in this section means the raising, cultivation, drying, or storage of agricultural products for sale, or the storage of machinery or equipment used in support of agricultural production by the same farm entity. For a property to be classified as agricultural based only on the drying or storage of agricultural products, the products being dried or stored must have been produced by the same farm entity as the entity operating the drying or storage facility. "Agricultural purposes" also includes enrollment in the Reinvest in Minnesota program under sections 103F.501 to 103F.535 or the federal Conservation Reserve Program as contained in Public Law 99-198 or a similar state or federal conservation program if the property was classified as agricultural (i) under this subdivision for the assessment year 2002 taxes payable in 2003 because of its enrollment in a qualifying program and the land remains enrolled or (ii) in the year prior to its enrollment. Agricultural classification shall not be based upon the market value of any residential structures on the parcel or contiguous parcels under the same ownership.

"Contiguous acreage," for purposes of this paragraph, means all of, or a contiguous portion of, a tax parcel as described in section 272.193, or all of, or a contiguous portion of, a set of contiguous tax parcels under that section that are owned by the same person.

- (f) Real estate of Agricultural land under this section also includes:
- 126.34 (1) contiguous acreage that is less than ten acres, which is in size and exclusively or intensively used in the preceding year for raising or cultivating agricultural products, shall

be considered as agricultural land. To qualify under this paragraph, property that includes 127.1 a residential structure must be used intensively for one of the following purposes:; or 127.2 (2) contiguous acreage that contains a residence and is less than 11 acres in size, if 127.3 the contiguous acreage exclusive of the house, garage, and surrounding one acre of land 127.4 was used in the preceding year for one or more of the following three uses: 127.5 (i) for an intensive grain drying or storage of grain operation, or for intensive 127.6 machinery or equipment storage of machinery or equipment activities used to support 127.7 agricultural activities on other parcels of property operated by the same farming entity; 127.8 (ii) as a nursery, provided that only those acres used intensively to produce nursery 127.9 stock are considered agricultural land; or 127.10 (iii) for livestock or poultry confinement, provided that land that is used only for 127.11 pasturing and grazing does not qualify; or 127.12 (iv) (iii) for intensive market farming; for purposes of this paragraph, "market 127.13 farming" means the cultivation of one or more fruits or vegetables or production of animal 127.14 127.15 or other agricultural products for sale to local markets by the farmer or an organization with which the farmer is affiliated. 127.16 "Contiguous acreage," for purposes of this paragraph, means all of a tax parcel as 127.17 described in section 272.193, or all of a set of contiguous tax parcels under that section 127.18 that are owned by the same person. 127.19 (g) Land shall be classified as agricultural even if all or a portion of the agricultural 127.20 use of that property is the leasing to, or use by another person for agricultural purposes. 127.21 Classification under this subdivision is not determinative for qualifying under 127.22 127.23 section 273.111. (h) The property classification under this section supersedes, for property tax 127.24 purposes only, any locally administered agricultural policies or land use restrictions that 127.25 define minimum or maximum farm acreage. 127.26 (i) The term "agricultural products" as used in this subdivision includes production 127.27 for sale of: 127.28 (1) livestock, dairy animals, dairy products, poultry and poultry products, fur-bearing 127.29 animals, horticultural and nursery stock, fruit of all kinds, vegetables, forage, grains, 127.30 bees, and apiary products by the owner; 127.31 (2) fish bred for sale and consumption if the fish breeding occurs on land zoned 127.32 for agricultural use; 127.33 (3) the commercial boarding of horses, which may include related horse training and 127.34 riding instruction, if the boarding is done on property that is also used for raising pasture 127.35 to graze horses or raising or cultivating other agricultural products as defined in clause (1); 127.36

(4) property which is owned and operated by nonprofit organizations used for equestrian activities, excluding racing;

- (5) game birds and waterfowl bred and raised (i) on a game farm licensed under section 97A.105, provided that the annual licensing report to the Department of Natural Resources, which must be submitted annually by March 30 to the assessor, indicates that at least 500 birds were raised or used for breeding stock on the property during the preceding year and that the owner provides a copy of the owner's most recent schedule F; or (ii) for use on a shooting preserve licensed under section 97A.115;
 - (6) insects primarily bred to be used as food for animals;
- (7) trees, grown for sale as a crop, including short rotation woody crops, and not sold for timber, lumber, wood, or wood products; and
- (8) maple syrup taken from trees grown by a person licensed by the Minnesota Department of Agriculture under chapter 28A as a food processor.
- (j) If a parcel used for agricultural purposes is also used for commercial or industrial purposes, including but not limited to:
- 128.16 (1) wholesale and retail sales;
 - (2) processing of raw agricultural products or other goods;
- 128.18 (3) warehousing or storage of processed goods; and
- (4) office facilities for the support of the activities enumerated in clauses (1), (2),

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- the assessor shall classify the part of the parcel used for agricultural purposes as class
- 128.22 1b, 2a, or 2b, whichever is appropriate, and the remainder in the class appropriate to its
- use. The grading, sorting, and packaging of raw agricultural products for first sale is
- 128.24 considered an agricultural purpose. A greenhouse or other building where horticultural
- or nursery products are grown that is also used for the conduct of retail sales must be
- classified as agricultural if it is primarily used for the growing of horticultural or nursery
- products from seed, cuttings, or roots and occasionally as a showroom for the retail sale of
- those products. Use of a greenhouse or building only for the display of already grown
- horticultural or nursery products does not qualify as an agricultural purpose.
 - (k) The assessor shall determine and list separately on the records the market value of the homestead dwelling and the one acre of land on which that dwelling is located. If any farm buildings or structures are located on this homesteaded acre of land, their market value shall not be included in this separate determination.
 - (l) Class 2d airport landing area consists of a landing area or public access area of a privately owned public use airport. It has a class rate of one percent of market value. To qualify for classification under this paragraph, a privately owned public use airport

must be licensed as a public airport under section 360.018. For purposes of this paragraph, "landing area" means that part of a privately owned public use airport properly cleared, regularly maintained, and made available to the public for use by aircraft and includes runways, taxiways, aprons, and sites upon which are situated landing or navigational aids. A landing area also includes land underlying both the primary surface and the approach surfaces that comply with all of the following:

- (i) the land is properly cleared and regularly maintained for the primary purposes of the landing, taking off, and taxiing of aircraft; but that portion of the land that contains facilities for servicing, repair, or maintenance of aircraft is not included as a landing area;
 - (ii) the land is part of the airport property; and

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(iii) the land is not used for commercial or residential purposes.

The land contained in a landing area under this paragraph must be described and certified by the commissioner of transportation. The certification is effective until it is modified, or until the airport or landing area no longer meets the requirements of this paragraph. For purposes of this paragraph, "public access area" means property used as an aircraft parking ramp, apron, or storage hangar, or an arrival and departure building in connection with the airport.

- (m) Class 2e consists of land with a commercial aggregate deposit that is not actively being mined and is not otherwise classified as class 2a or 2b, provided that the land is not located in a county that has elected to opt-out of the aggregate preservation program as provided in section 273.1115, subdivision 6. It has a class rate of one percent of market value. To qualify for classification under this paragraph, the property must be at least ten contiguous acres in size and the owner of the property must record with the county recorder of the county in which the property is located an affidavit containing:
 - (1) a legal description of the property;
- (2) a disclosure that the property contains a commercial aggregate deposit that is not actively being mined but is present on the entire parcel enrolled;
- (3) documentation that the conditional use under the county or local zoning ordinance of this property is for mining; and
- (4) documentation that a permit has been issued by the local unit of government or the mining activity is allowed under local ordinance. The disclosure must include a statement from a registered professional geologist, engineer, or soil scientist delineating the deposit and certifying that it is a commercial aggregate deposit.

For purposes of this section and section 273.1115, "commercial aggregate deposit" means a deposit that will yield crushed stone or sand and gravel that is suitable for use

as a construction aggregate; and "actively mined" means the removal of top soil and overburden in preparation for excavation or excavation of a commercial deposit.

- (n) When any portion of the property under this subdivision or subdivision 22 begins to be actively mined, the owner must file a supplemental affidavit within 60 days from the day any aggregate is removed stating the number of acres of the property that is actively being mined. The acres actively being mined must be (1) valued and classified under subdivision 24 in the next subsequent assessment year, and (2) removed from the aggregate resource preservation property tax program under section 273.1115, if the land was enrolled in that program. Copies of the original affidavit and all supplemental affidavits must be filed with the county assessor, the local zoning administrator, and the Department of Natural Resources, Division of Land and Minerals. A supplemental affidavit must be filed each time a subsequent portion of the property is actively mined, provided that the minimum acreage change is five acres, even if the actual mining activity constitutes less than five acres.
- (o) The definitions prescribed by the commissioner under paragraphs (c) and (d) are not rules and are exempt from the rulemaking provisions of chapter 14, and the provisions in section 14.386 concerning exempt rules do not apply.
- 130.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for taxes payable in 2014 and 130.19 thereafter.
- Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.13, subdivision 25, is amended to read: 130.20 Subd. 25. Class 4. (a) Class 4a is residential real estate containing four or more 130.21 units and used or held for use by the owner or by the tenants or lessees of the owner 130.22 as a residence for rental periods of 30 days or more, excluding property qualifying for 130.23 class 4d. Class 4a also includes hospitals licensed under sections 144.50 to 144.56, other 130.24 than hospitals exempt under section 272.02, and contiguous property used for hospital 130.25 purposes, without regard to whether the property has been platted or subdivided. The 130.26 market value of class 4a property has a class rate of 1.25 percent. 130.27
 - (b) Class 4b includes:
 - (1) residential real estate containing less than four units that does not qualify as class 4bb, other than seasonal residential recreational property;
 - (2) manufactured homes not classified under any other provision;
- 130.32 (3) a dwelling, garage, and surrounding one acre of property on a nonhomestead 130.33 farm classified under subdivision 23, paragraph (b) containing two or three units; and
- 130.34 (4) unimproved property that is classified residential as determined under subdivision 130.35 33.

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- (1) nonhomestead residential real estate containing one unit, other than seasonal residential recreational property; and
- (2) a single family dwelling, garage, and surrounding one acre of property on a nonhomestead farm classified under subdivision 23, paragraph (b).

Class 4bb property has the same class rates as class 1a property under subdivision 22.

Property that has been classified as seasonal residential recreational property at any time during which it has been owned by the current owner or spouse of the current owner does not qualify for class 4bb.

- (d) Class 4c property includes:
- (1) except as provided in subdivision 22, paragraph (c), real and personal property 131.12 devoted to commercial temporary and seasonal residential occupancy for recreation 131.13 purposes, for not more than 250 days in the year preceding the year of assessment. For 131.14 131.15 purposes of this clause, property is devoted to a commercial purpose on a specific day if any portion of the property is used for residential occupancy, and a fee is charged for 131.16 residential occupancy. Class 4c property under this clause must contain three or more 131.17 rental units. A "rental unit" is defined as a cabin, condominium, townhouse, sleeping room, 131.18 or individual camping site equipped with water and electrical hookups for recreational 131.19 vehicles. A camping pad offered for rent by a property that otherwise qualifies for class 131.20 4c under this clause is also class 4c under this clause regardless of the term of the rental 131.21 agreement, as long as the use of the camping pad does not exceed 250 days. In order for a 131.22 131.23 property to be classified under this clause, either (i) the business located on the property must provide recreational activities, at least 40 percent of the annual gross lodging receipts 131.24 related to the property must be from business conducted during 90 consecutive days, 131.25 131.26 and either (A) at least 60 percent of all paid bookings by lodging guests during the year must be for periods of at least two consecutive nights; or (B) at least 20 percent of the 131.27 annual gross receipts must be from charges for providing recreational activities, or (ii) the 131.28 business must contain 20 or fewer rental units, and must be located in a township or a city 131.29 with a population of 2,500 or less located outside the metropolitan area, as defined under 131.30 section 473.121, subdivision 2, that contains a portion of a state trail administered by the 131.31 Department of Natural Resources. For purposes of item (i)(A), a paid booking of five or 131.32 more nights shall be counted as two bookings. Class 4c property also includes commercial 131.33 use real property used exclusively for recreational purposes in conjunction with other class 131.34 4c property classified under this clause and devoted to temporary and seasonal residential 131.35 occupancy for recreational purposes, up to a total of two acres, provided the property is 131.36

not devoted to commercial recreational use for more than 250 days in the year preceding the year of assessment and is located within two miles of the class 4c property with which it is used. In order for a property to qualify for classification under this clause, the owner must submit a declaration to the assessor designating the cabins or units occupied for 250 days or less in the year preceding the year of assessment by January 15 of the assessment year. Those cabins or units and a proportionate share of the land on which they are located must be designated class 4c under this clause as otherwise provided. The remainder of the cabins or units and a proportionate share of the land on which they are located will be designated as class 3a. The owner of property designation as class 4c property under this clause must provide guest registers or other records demonstrating that the units for which class 4c designation is sought were not occupied for more than 250 days in the year preceding the assessment if so requested. The portion of a property operated as a (1) restaurant, (2) bar, (3) gift shop, (4) conference center or meeting room, and (5) other nonresidential facility operated on a commercial basis not directly related to temporary and seasonal residential occupancy for recreation purposes does not qualify for class 4c. For the purposes of this paragraph, "recreational activities" means renting ice fishing houses, boats and motors, snowmobiles, downhill or cross-country ski equipment; providing marina services, launch services, or guide services; or selling bait and fishing tackle;

- (2) qualified property used as a golf course if:
- (i) it is open to the public on a daily fee basis. It may charge membership fees or dues, but a membership fee may not be required in order to use the property for golfing, and its green fees for golfing must be comparable to green fees typically charged by municipal courses; and
 - (ii) it meets the requirements of section 273.112, subdivision 3, paragraph (d).
- A structure used as a clubhouse, restaurant, or place of refreshment in conjunction with the golf course is classified as class 3a property;
 - (3) real property up to a maximum of three acres of land owned and used by a nonprofit community service oriented organization and not used for residential purposes on either a temporary or permanent basis, provided that:
 - (i) the property is not used for a revenue-producing activity for more than six days in the calendar year preceding the year of assessment; or
 - (ii) the organization makes annual charitable contributions and donations at least equal to the property's previous year's property taxes and the property is allowed to be used for public and community meetings or events for no charge, as appropriate to the size of the facility.
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(A) "charitable contributions and donations" has the same meaning as lawful gambling purposes under section 349.12, subdivision 25, excluding those purposes relating to the payment of taxes, assessments, fees, auditing costs, and utility payments;

(B) "property taxes" excludes the state general tax;

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- (C) a "nonprofit community service oriented organization" means any corporation, society, association, foundation, or institution organized and operated exclusively for charitable, religious, fraternal, civic, or educational purposes, and which is exempt from federal income taxation pursuant to section 501(c)(3), (8), (10), or (19) of the Internal Revenue Code; and
- (D) "revenue-producing activities" shall include but not be limited to property or that portion of the property that is used as an on-sale intoxicating liquor or 3.2 percent malt liquor establishment licensed under chapter 340A, a restaurant open to the public, bowling alley, a retail store, gambling conducted by organizations licensed under chapter 349, an insurance business, or office or other space leased or rented to a lessee who conducts a for-profit enterprise on the premises.

Any portion of the property not qualifying under either item (i) or (ii) is class 3a. The use of the property for social events open exclusively to members and their guests for periods of less than 24 hours, when an admission is not charged nor any revenues are received by the organization shall not be considered a revenue-producing activity.

The organization shall maintain records of its charitable contributions and donations and of public meetings and events held on the property and make them available upon request any time to the assessor to ensure eligibility. An organization meeting the requirement under item (ii) must file an application by May 1 with the assessor for eligibility for the current year's assessment. The commissioner shall prescribe a uniform application form and instructions;

- (4) postsecondary student housing of not more than one acre of land that is owned by a nonprofit corporation organized under chapter 317A and is used exclusively by a student cooperative, sorority, or fraternity for on-campus housing or housing located within two miles of the border of a college campus;
- (5)(i) manufactured home parks as defined in section 327.14, subdivision 3, excluding manufactured home parks described in section 273.124, subdivision 3a, and (ii) manufactured home parks as defined in section 327.14, subdivision 3, that are described in section 273.124, subdivision 3a;
- (6) real property that is actively and exclusively devoted to indoor fitness, health, social, recreational, and related uses, is owned and operated by a not-for-profit corporation, and is located within the metropolitan area as defined in section 473.121, subdivision 2;

(7) a leased or privately owned noncommercial aircraft storage hangar not exempt 134.1 under section 272.01, subdivision 2, and the land on which it is located, provided that: 134.2 (i) the land is on an airport owned or operated by a city, town, county, Metropolitan 134.3 Airports Commission, or group thereof; and 134.4 (ii) the land lease, or any ordinance or signed agreement restricting the use of the 134.5 leased premise, prohibits commercial activity performed at the hangar. 134.6 If a hangar classified under this clause is sold after June 30, 2000, a bill of sale must 134.7 be filed by the new owner with the assessor of the county where the property is located 134.8 within 60 days of the sale; 134.9 (8) a privately owned noncommercial aircraft storage hangar not exempt under 134.10 section 272.01, subdivision 2, and the land on which it is located, provided that: 134.11 (i) the land abuts a public airport; and 134.12 (ii) the owner of the aircraft storage hangar provides the assessor with a signed 134.13 agreement restricting the use of the premises, prohibiting commercial use or activity 134.14 performed at the hangar; and 134.15 (9) residential real estate, a portion of which is used by the owner for homestead 134.16 purposes, and that is also a place of lodging, if all of the following criteria are met: 134.17 (i) rooms are provided for rent to transient guests that generally stay for periods 134.18 of 14 or fewer days; 134.19 (ii) meals are provided to persons who rent rooms, the cost of which is incorporated 134.20 in the basic room rate; 134.21 (iii) meals are not provided to the general public except for special events on fewer 134.22 134.23 than seven days in the calendar year preceding the year of the assessment; and (iv) the owner is the operator of the property. 134.24 The market value subject to the 4c classification under this clause is limited to five rental 134.25 134.26 units. Any rental units on the property in excess of five, must be valued and assessed as class 3a. The portion of the property used for purposes of a homestead by the owner must 134.27 be classified as class 1a property under subdivision 22; 134.28 (10) real property up to a maximum of three acres and operated as a restaurant 134.29 as defined under section 157.15, subdivision 12, provided it: (A) is located on a lake 134.30 as defined under section 103G.005, subdivision 15, paragraph (a), clause (3); and (B) 134.31 is either devoted to commercial purposes for not more than 250 consecutive days, or 134.32 receives at least 60 percent of its annual gross receipts from business conducted during 134.33 four consecutive months. Gross receipts from the sale of alcoholic beverages must be 134.34 included in determining the property's qualification under subitem (B). The property's 134.35 primary business must be as a restaurant and not as a bar. Gross receipts from gift shop 134.36

sales located on the premises must be excluded. Owners of real property desiring 4c classification under this clause must submit an annual declaration to the assessor by February 1 of the current assessment year, based on the property's relevant information for the preceding assessment year;

- (11) lakeshore and riparian property and adjacent land, not to exceed six acres, used as a marina, as defined in section 86A.20, subdivision 5, which is made accessible to the public and devoted to recreational use for marina services. The marina owner must annually provide evidence to the assessor that it provides services, including lake or river access to the public by means of an access ramp or other facility that is either located on the property of the marina or at a publicly owned site that abuts the property of the marina. No more than 800 feet of lakeshore may be included in this classification. Buildings used in conjunction with a marina for marina services, including but not limited to buildings used to provide food and beverage services, fuel, boat repairs, or the sale of bait or fishing tackle, are classified as class 3a property; and
- (12) real and personal property devoted to noncommercial temporary and seasonal residential occupancy for recreation purposes.

Class 4c property has a class rate of 1.5 percent of market value, except that (i) each parcel of noncommercial seasonal residential recreational property under clause (12) has the same class rates as class 4bb property, (ii) manufactured home parks assessed under clause (5), item (i), have the same class rate as class 4b property, and the market value of manufactured home parks assessed under clause (5), item (ii), has the same class rate as class 4d property if more than 50 percent of the lots in the park are occupied by shareholders in the cooperative corporation or association and a class rate of one percent if 50 percent or less of the lots are so occupied, (iii) commercial-use seasonal residential recreational property and marina recreational land as described in clause (11), has a class rate of one percent for the first \$500,000 of market value, and 1.25 percent for the remaining market value, (iv) the market value of property described in clause (4) has a class rate of one percent, (v) the market value of property described in clauses (2), (6), and (10) has a class rate of 1.25 percent, and (vi) that portion of the market value of property in clause (9) qualifying for class 4c property has a class rate of 1.25 percent.

(e) Class 4d property is qualifying low-income rental housing certified to the assessor by the Housing Finance Agency under section 273.128, subdivision 3. If only a portion of the units in the building qualify as low-income rental housing units as certified under section 273.128, subdivision 3, only the proportion of qualifying units to the total number of units in the building qualify for class 4d. The remaining portion of the building shall be classified by the assessor based upon its use. Class 4d also includes the same proportion of

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Class 4d property has a class rate of 0.75 percent.

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EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxes payable in 2014 and thereafter.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.19, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Tax-exempt property; lease.** Except as provided in subdivision 3 or 4, tax-exempt property held under a lease for a term of at least one year, and not taxable under section 272.01, subdivision 2, or under a contract for the purchase thereof, shall be considered, for all purposes of taxation, as the property of the person holding it. In this subdivision, "tax-exempt property" means property owned by the United States, the state or any of its political subdivisions, a school, or any religious, scientific, or benevolent society or institution, incorporated or unincorporated, or any corporation whose property is not taxed in the same manner as other property. This subdivision does not apply to property exempt from taxation under section 272.01, subdivision 2, paragraph (b), clauses (2), (3), and (4), or to property exempt from taxation under section 272.0213.

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

- Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.372, subdivision 4, is amended to read:
- Subd. 4. **Administrative appeals.** (a) Companies that submit the reports under section 270.82 or 273.371 by the date specified in that section, or by the date specified by the commissioner in an extension, may appeal administratively to the commissioner prior to bringing an action in court by submitting.
 - (b) Companies that must submit reports under section 270.82 must submit a written request with to the commissioner for a conference within ten days after the date of the commissioner's valuation certification or notice to the company, or by May June 15, whichever is earlier.
 - (c) Companies that submit reports under section 273.371 must submit a written request to the commissioner for a conference within ten days after the date of the commissioner's valuation certification or notice to the company, or by July 1, whichever is earlier.
- 136.32 (d) The commissioner shall conduct the conference upon the commissioner's entire 136.33 files and records and such further information as may be offered. The conference must

be held no later than 20 days after the date of the commissioner's valuation certification or notice to the company, or by the date specified by the commissioner in an extension. Within 60 days after the conference the commissioner shall make a final determination of the matter and shall notify the company promptly of the determination. The conference is not a contested case hearing.

(b) (e) In addition to the opportunity for a conference under paragraph (a), the commissioner shall also provide the railroad and utility companies the opportunity to discuss any questions or concerns relating to the values established by the commissioner through certification or notice in a less formal manner. This does not change or modify the deadline for requesting a conference under paragraph (a), the deadline in section 271.06 for appealing an order of the commissioner, or the deadline in section 278.01 for appealing property taxes in court.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective beginning with assessment year 2014.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 273.39, is amended to read:

273.39 RURAL AREA.

As used in sections 273.39 to 273.41, the term "rural area" shall be deemed to mean any area of the state not included within the boundaries of any incorporated statutory city or home rule charter city, and such term shall be deemed to include both farm and nonfarm population thereof.

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

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 279.06, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **List and notice.** Within five days after the filing of such list, the court administrator shall return a copy thereof to the county auditor, with a notice prepared and signed by the court administrator, and attached thereto, which may be substantially in

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The state of Minnesota, to all persons, companies, or corporations who have or claim any estate, right, title, or interest in, claim to, or lien upon, any of the several parcels of land described in the list hereto attached:

| 138.1 | The list of taxes and penalties on real property for the county of |
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| 138.2 | remaining delinquent on the first Monday in January,, has been filed in the office of |
| 138.3 | the court administrator of the district court of said county, of which that hereto attached is a |
| 138.4 | copy. Therefore, you, and each of you, are hereby required to file in the office of said court |
| 138.5 | administrator, on or before the 20th day after the publication of this notice and list, your |
| 138.6 | answer, in writing, setting forth any objection or defense you may have to the taxes, or any |
| 138.7 | part thereof, upon any parcel of land described in the list, in, to, or on which you have or |
| 138.8 | claim any estate, right, title, interest, claim, or lien, and, in default thereof, judgment will |
| 138.9 | be entered against such parcel of land for the taxes on such list appearing against it, and |
| 138.10 | for all penalties, interest, and costs. Based upon said judgment, the land shall be sold to |
| 138.11 | the state of Minnesota on the second Monday in May, The period of redemption for |
| 138.12 | all lands sold to the state at a tax judgment sale shall be three years from the date of sale to |
| 138.13 | the state of Minnesota if the land is within an incorporated area unless it is: |
| 138.14 | (a) nonagricultural homesteaded land as defined in section 273.13, subdivision 22; |
| 138.15 | (b) homesteaded agricultural land as defined in section 273.13, subdivision 23, |
| 138.16 | paragraph (a); |
| 138.17 | (e) seasonal residential recreational land as defined in section 273.13, subdivisions |
| 138.18 | 22, paragraph (c), and 25, paragraph (d), clause (1), in which event the period of |
| 138.19 | redemption is five years from the date of sale to the state of Minnesota; |
| 138.20 | (d) abandoned property and pursuant to section 281.173 a court order has been |
| 138.21 | entered shortening the redemption period to five weeks; or |
| 138.22 | (e) vacant property as described under section 281.174, subdivision 2, and for which |
| 138.23 | a court order is entered shortening the redemption period under section 281.174. |
| 138.24 | The period of redemption for all other lands sold to the state at a tax judgment sale |
| 138.25 | shall be five years from the date of sale. |
| 138.26 | Inquiries as to the proceedings set forth above can be made to the county auditor of |
| 138.27 | county whose address is |
| 138.28 | (Signed), |
| 138.29 | Court Administrator of the District Court of the |
| 138.30 | County of(Here insert list.) |
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| 138.32 | The notice must contain a narrative description of the various periods to redeem |
| 138.33 | specified in sections 281.17, 281.173, and 281.174, in the manner prescribed by the |
| 138.34 | commissioner of revenue under subdivision 2. |
| 138.35 | The list referred to in the notice shall be substantially in the following form: |
| 138.36 | List of real property for the county of, on which taxes remain |
| 138.37 | delinquent on the first Monday in January, |

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| 139.3 139.4 139.5 139.6 139.7 139.8 139.9 | Names (and Current Filed Addresses) for the Taxpayers and Fee Owners and in Addition Those Parties Who Have Filed Their Addresses Pursuant to section 276.041 | Subdivision of Section | Section | Tax Parcel Number | and Penalty |
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| 139.14 139.15 139.16 139.17 139.18 139.19 139.20 139.21 139.22 139.23 139.24 139.25 139.26 139.27 139.28 139.29 139.30 139.31 139.32 | Bruce Smith (2059 Hand Fairfield, MN 55000) and Fairfield State Bank (100 Main Street Fairfield, MN 55000) | That part of N.E. 1/4 of S.W. 1/4 desc. as follows: Beg. at the S.E. corner of said N.E. 1/4 of S.W. 1/4; thence N. along the E. line of said N.E. 1/4 of S.W. 1/4 a distance of 600 ft.; thence W. parallel with the S. line of said N.E. 1/4 of S.W. 1/4 a distance of 600 ft.; thence S. parallel with said E. line a distance of 600 ft. to S. line of said N.E. 1/4 of S.W. 1/4; thence E. along said S. line a distance of 600 ft. to the point of beg. | 21 | 33211 | 3.15 |
| 139.33 | As to platted proper | rty, the form of heading sha | all conform t | o circumstan | nces and be |
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| 140.8 | The names, descriptions, | and figures employed | in parenth | eses in the abo | ve forms are |
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The name of the town, township, range or city, and addition or subdivision, as the case may be, shall be repeated at the head of each column of the printed lists as brought forward from the preceding column.

Errors in the list shall not be deemed to be a material defect to affect the validity of the judgment and sale.

140.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for lists and notices required after 140.16 December 31, 2013.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 290B.04, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Approval; recording.** The commissioner shall approve all initial applications that qualify under this chapter and shall notify qualifying homeowners on or before December 1. The commissioner may investigate the facts or require confirmation in regard to an application. The commissioner shall record or file a notice of qualification for deferral, including the names of the qualifying homeowners and a legal description of the property, in the office of the county recorder, or registrar of titles, whichever is applicable, in the county where the qualifying property is located. The notice must state that it serves as a notice of lien and that it includes deferrals under this section for future years. The commissioner shall prescribe the form of the notice. Execution of the notice by the original or facsimile signature of the commissioner or a delegate entitles them to be recorded, and no other attestation, certification, or acknowledgment is necessary. The homeowner shall pay the recording or filing fees for the notice, which, notwithstanding section 357.18, shall be paid by the homeowner at the time of satisfaction of the lien.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for notices that are both executed and recorded after June 30, 2013.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 298.01, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Occupation tax; other ores.** Every person engaged in the business of mining, refining, or producing ores, metals, or minerals in this state, except iron ore or

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taconite concentrates, shall pay an occupation tax to the state of Minnesota as provided in this subdivision. For purposes of this subdivision, mining includes the application of hydrometallurgical processes. Hydrometallurgical processes are processes that extract the ores, metals, or minerals, by use of aqueous solutions that leach, concentrate, and recover the ore, metal, or mineral. The tax is determined in the same manner as the tax imposed by section 290.02, except that sections 290.05, subdivision 1, clause (a), 290.17, subdivision 4, and 290.191, subdivision 2, do not apply, and the occupation tax must be computed by applying to taxable income the rate of 2.45 percent. A person subject to occupation tax under this section shall apportion its net income on the basis of the percentage obtained by taking the sum of:

- (1) 75 percent of the percentage which the sales made within this state in connection with the trade or business during the tax period are of the total sales wherever made in connection with the trade or business during the tax period;
- (2) 12.5 percent of the percentage which the total tangible property used by the taxpayer in this state in connection with the trade or business during the tax period is of the total tangible property, wherever located, used by the taxpayer in connection with the trade or business during the tax period; and
- (3) 12.5 percent of the percentage which the taxpayer's total payrolls paid or incurred in this state or paid in respect to labor performed in this state in connection with the trade or business during the tax period are of the taxpayer's total payrolls paid or incurred in connection with the trade or business during the tax period.
- The tax is in addition to all other taxes.

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

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 298.018, is amended to read:

298.018 DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEEDS.

- Subdivision 1. **Within taconite assistance area.** The proceeds of the tax paid under sections 298.015 and 298.016 on ores, metals, or minerals and energy resources mined or extracted within the taconite assistance area defined in section 273.1341, shall be allocated as follows:
- 141.30 (1) five percent to the city or town within which the minerals or energy resources
 141.31 are mined or extracted;
- 141.32 (2) ten percent to the taconite municipal aid account to be distributed as provided 141.33 in section 298.282;

(3) ten percent to the school district within which the minerals or energy resources are mined or extracted;

- (4) 20 percent to a group of school districts comprised of those school districts wherein the mineral or energy resource was mined or extracted or in which there is a qualifying municipality as defined by section 273.134, paragraph (b), in direct proportion to school district indexes as follows: for each school district, its pupil units determined under section 126C.05 for the prior school year shall be multiplied by the ratio of the average adjusted net tax capacity per pupil unit for school districts receiving aid under this clause as calculated pursuant to chapters 122A, 126C, and 127A for the school year ending prior to distribution to the adjusted net tax capacity per pupil unit of the district. Each district shall receive that portion of the distribution which its index bears to the sum of the indices for all school districts that receive the distributions;
- 142.13 (5) 20 percent to the county within which the minerals or energy resources are mined or extracted;
 - (6) 20 percent to St. Louis County acting as the counties' fiscal agent to be distributed as provided in sections 273.134 to 273.136;
- 142.17 (7) five percent to the Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board for the purposes of section 298.22;
 - (8) five percent to the Douglas J. Johnson economic protection trust fund; and
- (9) five percent to the taconite environmental protection fund.
- The proceeds of the tax shall be distributed on July 15 each year.
- Subd. 2. **Outside taconite assistance area.** The proceeds of the tax paid under sections 298.015 and 298.016 on ores, metals, or minerals and energy resources mined or extracted outside of the taconite assistance area defined in section 273.1341, shall be deposited in the general fund.

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

- Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 373.01, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
- Subdivision 1. **Public corporation; listed powers.** (a) Each county is a body politic and corporate and may:
- 142.30 (1) Sue and be sued.

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- 142.31 (2) Acquire and hold real and personal property for the use of the county, and lands 142.32 sold for taxes as provided by law.
- 142.33 (3) Purchase and hold for the benefit of the county real estate sold by virtue of judicial proceedings, to which the county is a party.

(4) Sell, lease, and convey real or personal estate owned by the county, and give contracts or options to sell, lease, or convey it, and make orders respecting it as deemed conducive to the interests of the county's inhabitants.

- (5) Make all contracts and do all other acts in relation to the property and concerns of the county necessary to the exercise of its corporate powers.
- (b) No sale, lease, or conveyance of real estate owned by the county, except the lease of a residence acquired for the furtherance of an approved capital improvement project, nor any contract or option for it, shall be valid, without first advertising for bids or proposals in the official newspaper of the county for three consecutive weeks and once in a newspaper of general circulation in the area where the property is located. The notice shall state the time and place of considering the proposals, contain a legal description of any real estate, and a brief description of any personal property. Leases that do not exceed \$15,000 for any one year may be negotiated and are not subject to the competitive bid procedures of this section. All proposals estimated to exceed \$15,000 in any one year shall be considered at the time set for the bid opening, and the one most favorable to the county accepted, but the county board may, in the interest of the county, reject any or all proposals.
- (c) Sales of personal property the value of which is estimated to be \$15,000 or more shall be made only after advertising for bids or proposals in the county's official newspaper, on the county's Web site, or in a recognized industry trade journal. At the same time it posts on its Web site or publishes in a trade journal, the county must publish in the official newspaper, either as part of the minutes of a regular meeting of the county board or in a separate notice, a summary of all requests for bids or proposals that the county advertises on its Web site or in a trade journal. After publication in the official newspaper, on the Web site, or in a trade journal, bids or proposals may be solicited and accepted by the electronic selling process authorized in section 471.345, subdivision 17. Sales of personal property the value of which is estimated to be less than \$15,000 may be made either on competitive bids or in the open market, in the discretion of the county board. "Web site" means a specific, addressable location provided on a server connected to the Internet and hosting World Wide Web pages and other files that are generally accessible on the Internet all or most of a day.
- (d) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the county may, when acquiring real property for county highway right-of-way, exchange parcels of real property of substantially similar or equal value without advertising for bids. The estimated values for these parcels shall be determined by the county assessor.
- (e) Notwithstanding anything in this section to the contrary, the county may, when acquiring real property for purposes other than county highway right-of-way, exchange

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parcels of real property of substantially similar or equal value without advertising for bids. The estimated values for these parcels must be determined by the county assessor or a private appraisal performed by a licensed Minnesota real estate appraiser. For the purpose of determining for the county the estimated values of parcels proposed to be exchanged, the county assessor need not be licensed under chapter 82B. Before giving final approval to any exchange of land, the county board shall hold a public hearing on the exchange. At least two weeks before the hearing, the county auditor shall post a notice in the auditor's office and the official newspaper of the county of the hearing that contains a description of the lands affected.

- (f) If real estate or personal property remains unsold after advertising for and consideration of bids or proposals the county may employ a broker to sell the property. The broker may sell the property for not less than 90 percent of its appraised market value as determined by the county. The broker's fee shall be set by agreement with the county but may not exceed ten percent of the sale price and must be paid from the proceeds of the sale.
- (g) A county or its agent may rent a county-owned residence acquired for the furtherance of an approved capital improvement project subject to the conditions set by the county board and not subject to the conditions for lease otherwise provided by paragraph (a), clause (4), and paragraphs (b), (c), (d), (f), and (h).
- (h) In no case shall lands be disposed of without there being reserved to the county all iron ore and other valuable minerals in and upon the lands, with right to explore for, mine and remove the iron ore and other valuable minerals, nor shall the minerals and mineral rights be disposed of, either before or after disposition of the surface rights, otherwise than by mining lease, in similar general form to that provided by section 93.20 for mining leases affecting state lands. The lease shall be for a term not exceeding 50 years, and be issued on a royalty basis, the royalty to be not less than 25 cents per ton of 2,240 pounds, and fix a minimum amount of royalty payable during each year, whether mineral is removed or not. Prospecting options for mining leases may be granted for periods not exceeding one year. The options shall require, among other things, periodical showings to the county board of the results of exploration work done.
- (i) Notwithstanding anything in this subdivision to the contrary, the county may, when selling real property owned in fee simple that cannot be improved because of noncompliance with local ordinances regarding minimum area, shape, frontage, or access, proceed to sell the nonconforming parcel without advertising for bid. At the county's discretion, the real property may be restricted to sale to adjoining landowners or may be sold to any other interested party. The property shall be sold to the highest bidder, but in no case shall the property be sold for less than 90 percent of its fair market value as determined

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by the county assessor. All owners of land adjoining the land to be sold shall be given a written notice at least 30 days before the sale. This paragraph shall be liberally construed to encourage the sale of nonconforming real property and promote its return to the tax roles.

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Sec. 20. REPEALER.

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Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 272.69; and 273.11, subdivisions 1a and 22, are repealed.

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

Delete the title and insert:

"A bill for an act 145.10 relating to property taxation; modifying the definition of income for the property 145.11 tax refund; decreasing the threshold percentage for the homestead credit 145.12 145.13 refund for homeowners and the property tax refund for renters; increasing the maximum refunds for renters; changing property tax aids and credits; 145.14 modifying pension aids; providing pension funding; modifying definitions for 145.15 property taxes; authorizing economic development powers; imposing a tax 145.16 on extraction and processing of fracturing sand; requiring a study of the Iron 145.17 Range fiscal disparities program; authorizing local sales taxes; modifying the 145.18 definition of market value for tax, debt, and other purposes; making policy 145.19 and technical changes to property tax provisions; providing criminal penalties; 145.20 appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 38.18; 145.21 40A.15, subdivision 2; 69.011, subdivision 1; 69.021, subdivisions 7, 8, by 145.22 adding a subdivision; 88.51, subdivision 3; 103B.102, subdivision 3; 103B.245, 145.23 subdivision 3; 103B.251, subdivision 8; 103B.335; 103B.3369, subdivision 5; 145.24 103B.635, subdivision 2; 103B.691, subdivision 2; 103C.501, subdivision 4; 145.25 103D.905, subdivisions 2, 3, 8; 103F.405, subdivision 1; 117.025, subdivision 7; 145.26 123A.455, subdivision 1; 127A.48, subdivision 1; 138.053; 144F.01, subdivision 145.27 4; 162.07, subdivisions 3, 4; 163.04, subdivision 3; 163.06, subdivision 6; 145.28 165.10, subdivision 1; 270.077; 270.41, subdivision 5; 270C.34, subdivision 1; 145 29 272.01, subdivision 2; 272.02, subdivision 97, by adding subdivisions; 272.03, 145.30 subdivision 9, by adding subdivisions; 273.032; 273.11, subdivision 1, by adding 145.31 a subdivision; 273.114, subdivision 6; 273.124, subdivisions 3a, 13; 273.13, 145.32 subdivisions 21b, 23, 25; 273.1398, subdivisions 3, 4; 273.19, subdivision 1; 145.33 273.372, subdivision 4; 273.39; 275.011, subdivision 1; 275.077, subdivision 2; 145.34 275.71, subdivision 4; 276.04, subdivision 2; 276A.01, subdivisions 10, 12, 13, 145.35 15; 276A.06, subdivision 10; 279.01, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 145.36 279.02; 279.06, subdivision 1; 287.05, by adding a subdivision; 287.08; 145.37 287.23, subdivision 1; 290A.03, subdivision 3; 290A.04, subdivisions 2, 2a, 4; 145.38 290B.04, subdivision 2; 298.01, subdivision 3; 298.018; 298.28, subdivisions 145.39 4, 6, 9a; 298.75, subdivision 2; 353G.08, subdivision 2; 365.025, subdivision 145.40 4; 366.095, subdivision 1; 366.27; 368.01, subdivision 23; 368.47; 370.01; 145.41 373.01, subdivision 1; 373.40, subdivisions 1, 4; 375.167, subdivision 1; 375.18, 145.42 subdivision 3; 375.555; 383B.152; 383B.245; 383B.73, subdivision 1; 383E.20; 145.43 383E.23; 385.31; 394.36, subdivision 1; 398A.04, subdivision 8; 401.05, 145.44 subdivision 3; 410.32; 412.221, subdivision 2; 412.301; 428A.02, subdivision 1; 145.45 430.102, subdivision 2; 447.10; 450.19; 450.25; 458A.10; 458A.31, subdivision 145.46 1; 465.04; 469.033, subdivision 6; 469.034, subdivision 2; 469.053, subdivisions 145.47 4, 4a, 6; 469.071, subdivision 5; 469.107, subdivision 1; 469.169, by adding a 145.48 subdivision; 469.176, subdivisions 4c, 4g, 6; 469.177, by adding a subdivision; 145.49

469.180, subdivision 2; 469.187; 469.190, subdivision 7, by adding a subdivision; 146.1 469.206; 471.24; 471.571, subdivisions 1, 2; 471.73; 473.325, subdivision 2; 146.2 473.629; 473.661, subdivision 3; 473.667, subdivision 9; 473.671; 473.711, 1463 subdivision 2a; 473F.02, subdivisions 12, 14, 15, 23; 473F.08, subdivision 10, 146.4 by adding a subdivision; 475.521, subdivision 4; 475.53, subdivisions 1, 3, 146.5 4; 475.58, subdivision 2; 475.73, subdivision 1; 477A.011, subdivisions 20, 146.6 30, 32, 34, 42, by adding subdivisions; 477A.0124, subdivision 2; 477A.013, 146.7 subdivisions 8, 9, by adding a subdivision; 477A.03, subdivisions 2a, 2b, by 146.8 adding a subdivision; 641.23; 641.24; 645.44, by adding a subdivision; Laws 146.9 1988, chapter 645, section 3, as amended; Laws 1993, chapter 375, article 9, 146.10 section 46, subdivision 2, as amended; Laws 1999, chapter 243, article 6, section 146.11 11; Laws 2005, First Special Session chapter 3, article 5, section 37, subdivisions 146.12 2, 4; Laws 2008, chapter 366, article 5, sections 26; 33; 34, as amended; article 146.13 7, section 19, subdivision 3, as amended; Laws 2010, chapter 389, article 1, 146.14 section 12; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 116C; 146.15 287; 290A; 297I; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 146.16 297J; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 272.69; 273.11, subdivisions 146.17 1a, 22; 276A.01, subdivision 11; 383A.80, subdivision 4; 383B.80, subdivision 146.18 4; 428A.101; 428A.21; 473F.02, subdivision 13; 477A.011, subdivisions 2a, 19, 146.19 21, 29, 31, 32, 33, 36, 39, 40, 41, 42; 477A.013, subdivisions 11, 12; 477A.0133; 146.20 477A.0134; Laws 2006, chapter 259, article 11, section 3, as amended." 146.21