

1.1 McDonald and Vang from the Committee on Legacy Finance to which was referred:

1.2 H. F. No. 2563, A bill for an act relating to legacy; appropriating money to maintain  
1.3 dedicated funding website.

1.4 Reported the same back with the following amendments:

1.5 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

1.6 "ARTICLE 1

1.7 OUTDOOR HERITAGE FUND

1.8 Section 1. APPROPRIATIONS.

1.9 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies  
1.10 and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the outdoor heritage  
1.11 fund for the fiscal year indicated for each purpose. The figures "2026" and "2027" used in  
1.12 this article mean that the appropriations listed under them are available for the fiscal year  
1.13 ending June 30, 2026, or June 30, 2027, respectively. "The first year" is fiscal year 2026.  
1.14 "The second year" is fiscal year 2027. "The biennium" is fiscal years 2026 and 2027. The  
1.15 appropriations in this article are onetime appropriations.

1.16		<b><u>APPROPRIATIONS</u></b>	
1.17		<b><u>Available for the Year</u></b>	
1.18		<b><u>Ending June 30</u></b>	
1.19		<b><u>2026</u></b>	<b><u>2027</u></b>

1.20 Sec. 2. OUTDOOR HERITAGE FUND

1.21	<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>162,111,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>775,000</u></b>
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1.22 This appropriation is from the outdoor heritage  
1.23 fund. The amounts that may be spent for each  
1.24 purpose are specified in the following  
1.25 subdivisions.

- 2.1 Subd. 2. Prairies 33,432,000 -0-
- 2.2 (a) Martin County DNR WMA Acquisition,
- 2.3 Phase 9
- 2.4 \$1,332,000 the first year is to the
- 2.5 commissioner of natural resources for
- 2.6 agreements to acquire land in fee and restore
- 2.7 and enhance strategic prairie grassland,
- 2.8 wetland, and other wildlife habitat in Martin
- 2.9 County for wildlife management area purposes
- 2.10 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
- 2.11 subdivision 8, as follows: \$970,000 to Fox
- 2.12 Lake Conservation League, Inc., \$327,000 to
- 2.13 Ducks Unlimited, and \$35,000 to the
- 2.14 Conservation Fund.
- 2.15 (b) Prairie Chicken Habitat Partnership of the
- 2.16 Southern Red River Valley, Phase 11
- 2.17 \$3,607,000 the first year is to the
- 2.18 commissioner of natural resources for an
- 2.19 agreement with Pheasants Forever, in
- 2.20 cooperation with the Minnesota Prairie
- 2.21 Chicken Society, to acquire land in fee and
- 2.22 restore and enhance lands in the southern Red
- 2.23 River Valley for wildlife management
- 2.24 purposes under Minnesota Statutes, section
- 2.25 86A.05, subdivision 8, or to be designated and
- 2.26 managed as waterfowl production areas in
- 2.27 Minnesota, in cooperation with the United
- 2.28 States Fish and Wildlife Service. Subject to
- 2.29 evaluation criteria in Minnesota Rules, part
- 2.30 6136.0900, priority must be given to
- 2.31 acquisitions of lands that are eligible for the
- 2.32 native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes,
- 2.33 section 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected
- 2.34 native prairie.
- 2.35 (c) RIM Grasslands Reserve, Phase 6

3.1 \$3,375,000 the first year is to the Board of  
 3.2 Water and Soil Resources to acquire  
 3.3 permanent conservation easements and to  
 3.4 restore and enhance grassland habitat under  
 3.5 Minnesota Statutes, sections 103F.501 to  
 3.6 103F.531. Of this amount, up to \$70,000 is to  
 3.7 establish a monitoring and enforcement fund  
 3.8 as approved in the accomplishment plan and  
 3.9 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section  
 3.10 97A.056, subdivision 17. Subdivision 8,  
 3.11 paragraph (b), does not apply to this project.  
 3.12 A list of permanent conservation easements  
 3.13 must be provided as part of the final report.

3.14 **(d) RIM Buffers for Wildlife and Water, Phase**  
 3.15 **11**

3.16 \$4,000,000 the first year is to the Board of  
 3.17 Water and Soil Resources to acquire  
 3.18 permanent conservation easements and restore  
 3.19 habitat under Minnesota Statutes, section  
 3.20 103F.515, to protect, restore, and enhance  
 3.21 habitat by expanding the riparian buffer  
 3.22 program under the clean water fund for  
 3.23 additional wildlife benefits from buffers on  
 3.24 private land. Of this amount, up to \$60,000 is  
 3.25 to establish a monitoring and enforcement  
 3.26 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan  
 3.27 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section  
 3.28 97A.056, subdivision 17. Subdivision 8,  
 3.29 paragraph (b), does not apply to this project.  
 3.30 A list of permanent conservation easements  
 3.31 must be provided as part of the final report.

3.32 **(e) Accelerating the Wildlife Management Area**  
 3.33 **Program, Phase 17**

3.34 \$4,863,000 the first year is to the  
 3.35 commissioner of natural resources for an  
 3.36 agreement with Pheasants Forever to acquire

4.1 in fee and restore and enhance lands for  
4.2 wildlife management area purposes under  
4.3 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,  
4.4 subdivision 8. Subject to evaluation criteria  
4.5 in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority  
4.6 must be given to acquisition of lands that are  
4.7 eligible for the native prairie bank under  
4.8 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands  
4.9 adjacent to protected native prairie.

4.10 **(f) Minnesota Prairie Recovery Program, Phase**  
4.11 **14**

4.12 \$2,433,000 the first year is to the  
4.13 commissioner of natural resources for an  
4.14 agreement with The Nature Conservancy to  
4.15 acquire land in fee and restore and enhance  
4.16 native prairie, grasslands, wetlands, and  
4.17 savanna. Subject to evaluation criteria in  
4.18 Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority  
4.19 must be given to acquiring lands that are  
4.20 eligible for the native prairie bank under  
4.21 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands  
4.22 adjacent to protected native prairie. Annual  
4.23 income statements and balance sheets for  
4.24 income and expenses from land acquired with  
4.25 this appropriation must be submitted to the  
4.26 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council no  
4.27 later than 180 days following the close of The  
4.28 Nature Conservancy's fiscal year. A list of  
4.29 proposed land acquisitions, restorations, and  
4.30 enhancements must be provided as part of the  
4.31 required accomplishment plan and must be  
4.32 consistent with the priorities identified in  
4.33 Minnesota Prairie Conservation Plan.

4.34 **(g) Northern Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife**  
4.35 **Refuge, Phase 15**

5.1 \$3,658,000 the first year is to the  
 5.2 commissioner of natural resources for an  
 5.3 agreement with The Nature Conservancy, in  
 5.4 cooperation with the United States Fish and  
 5.5 Wildlife Service, to acquire land in fee or  
 5.6 permanent conservation easements and to  
 5.7 restore and enhance lands in the Northern  
 5.8 Tallgrass Prairie Habitat Preservation Area in  
 5.9 western Minnesota for addition to the Northern  
 5.10 Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife Refuge.  
 5.11 Subject to evaluation criteria in Minnesota  
 5.12 Rules, part 6136.0900, priority must be given  
 5.13 to acquiring lands that are eligible for the  
 5.14 native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes,  
 5.15 section 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected  
 5.16 native prairie.

5.17 **(h) DNR Wildlife Management Area and**  
 5.18 **Scientific and Natural Area Acquisition, Phase**  
 5.19 **17**

5.20 \$1,916,000 the first year is to the  
 5.21 commissioner of natural resources to acquire  
 5.22 in fee and restore and enhance lands for  
 5.23 wildlife management purposes under  
 5.24 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,  
 5.25 subdivision 8, and to acquire land in fee for  
 5.26 scientific and natural area purposes under  
 5.27 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,  
 5.28 subdivision 5. Subject to evaluation criteria  
 5.29 in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority  
 5.30 must be given to acquisition of lands that are  
 5.31 eligible for the native prairie bank under  
 5.32 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands  
 5.33 adjacent to protected native prairie.

5.34 **(i) Enhanced Public Land - Grasslands, Phase**  
 5.35 **8**

6.1 \$3,440,000 the first year is to the  
 6.2 commissioner of natural resources for an  
 6.3 agreement with Pheasants Forever to enhance  
 6.4 and restore grassland and wetland habitat on  
 6.5 public lands in the forest prairie transition,  
 6.6 metro urban, and prairie ecoregions of  
 6.7 Minnesota.

6.8 **(j) Accelerating the USFWS Habitat**  
 6.9 **Conservation Easement Program, Phase 5**

6.10 \$4,808,000 the first year is to the  
 6.11 commissioner of natural resources for  
 6.12 agreements to restore and enhance wetland  
 6.13 and prairie habitat on habitat easements of the  
 6.14 United States Fish and Wildlife Service as  
 6.15 follows: \$3,100,000 to Ducks Unlimited and  
 6.16 \$1,708,000 to Pheasants Forever.

6.17 **Subd. 3. Forests**

19,958,000

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6.18 **(a) Minnesota Forest Recovery Project, Phase**  
 6.19 **3**

6.20 \$3,464,000 the first year is to the  
 6.21 commissioner of natural resources for an  
 6.22 agreement with The Nature Conservancy in  
 6.23 cooperation with the Department of Natural  
 6.24 Resources and Minnesota Land Trust to  
 6.25 acquire permanent conservation easements  
 6.26 and to restore and enhance degraded forests  
 6.27 in Beltrami, Cass, Cook, Itasca, Lake,  
 6.28 Koochiching, and St. Louis Counties. Of this  
 6.29 amount, up to \$84,000 is to the easement  
 6.30 holder to establish a monitoring and  
 6.31 enforcement fund as approved in the  
 6.32 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota  
 6.33 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17.

6.34 **(b) Itasca County Memorial Forest Project**

7.1 \$2,720,000 the first year is to the  
7.2 commissioner of natural resources for an  
7.3 agreement with Itasca County to acquire  
7.4 priority forest habitat lands in fee as county  
7.5 forests.

7.6 **(c) Hardwood Hills Habitat Conservation**  
7.7 **Program, Phase 2**

7.8 \$1,803,000 the first year is to the  
7.9 commissioner of natural resources for  
7.10 agreements to acquire permanent conservation  
7.11 easements and to restore and enhance forest  
7.12 habitats in the hardwood hills ecological  
7.13 section of west-central Minnesota as follows:  
7.14 \$100,000 to St. John's University and  
7.15 \$1,703,000 to Minnesota Land Trust. Of the  
7.16 amount to Minnesota Land Trust, \$196,000 is  
7.17 to establish a monitoring and enforcement  
7.18 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan  
7.19 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section  
7.20 97A.056, subdivision 17.

7.21 **(d) Camp Ripley Sentinel Landscape Protection**  
7.22 **Program ACUB, Phase 13**

7.23 \$2,183,000 the first year is to the Board of  
7.24 Water and Soil Resources, in cooperation with  
7.25 the Morrison County Soil and Water  
7.26 Conservation District, to acquire permanent  
7.27 conservation easements and to restore and  
7.28 enhance forest wildlife habitat within the  
7.29 boundaries of the Minnesota National Guard  
7.30 Camp Ripley Sentinel Landscape and Army  
7.31 Compatible Use Buffer. Of this amount, up to  
7.32 \$110,000 is to establish a monitoring and  
7.33 enforcement fund as approved in the  
7.34 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota  
7.35 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17.  
7.36 Subdivision 8, paragraph (b), does not apply

8.1 to this project. A list of permanent  
8.2 conservation easements must be provided as  
8.3 part of the final report.

8.4 **(e) Minnesota Forests for the Future, Phase 5**

8.5 \$5,241,000 the first year is to the  
8.6 commissioner of natural resources to acquire  
8.7 lands in conservation easements and to restore  
8.8 and enhance forests, wetlands, and shoreline  
8.9 habitat through working forest permanent  
8.10 conservation easements under the Minnesota  
8.11 forests for the future program according to  
8.12 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.66. A  
8.13 conservation easement acquired with money  
8.14 appropriated under this paragraph must  
8.15 comply with Minnesota Statutes, section  
8.16 97A.056, subdivision 13. The accomplishment  
8.17 plan must include an easement monitoring and  
8.18 enforcement plan. Of this amount, up to  
8.19 \$400,000 is to establish a monitoring and  
8.20 enforcement fund as approved in the  
8.21 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota  
8.22 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17.

8.23 **(f) DNR Forest Habitat Enhancement, Phase 5**

8.24 \$2,543,000 the first year is to the  
8.25 commissioner of natural resources to restore  
8.26 and enhance forest wildlife habitats on public  
8.27 lands throughout Minnesota.

8.28 **(g) Moose Habitat Collaborative - Northeast**  
8.29 **Minnesota Forest Habitat Enhancement, Phase**  
8.30 **5**

8.31 \$2,004,000 the first year is to the  
8.32 commissioner of natural resources for an  
8.33 agreement with the Ruffed Grouse Society to  
8.34 restore and enhance public forest lands in the

9.1 northern forest region for moose habitat  
9.2 purposes.

9.3 **Subd. 4. Wetlands** 29,032,000 -0-

9.4 **(a) Wetland Habitat Protection and Restoration**  
9.5 **Program, Phase 10**

9.6 \$2,853,000 the first year is to the  
9.7 commissioner of natural resources for an  
9.8 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to  
9.9 acquire permanent conservation easements  
9.10 and to restore and enhance prairie, wetland,  
9.11 and other habitats on permanently protected  
9.12 conservation easements in high-priority  
9.13 wetland habitat complexes in the prairie,  
9.14 forest/prairie transition, and forest ecoregions.

9.15 Of this amount, up to \$168,000 is to establish  
9.16 a monitoring and enforcement fund as  
9.17 approved in the accomplishment plan and  
9.18 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section  
9.19 97A.056, subdivision 17.

9.20 **(b) Shallow Lake and Wetland Protection and**  
9.21 **Restoration Program, Phase 14**

9.22 \$5,673,000 the first year is to the  
9.23 commissioner of natural resources for an  
9.24 agreement with Ducks Unlimited to acquire  
9.25 land in fee for wildlife management purposes  
9.26 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,  
9.27 subdivision 8, or to be designated and  
9.28 managed as waterfowl production areas or  
9.29 national wildlife refuges in Minnesota, in  
9.30 cooperation with the United States Fish and  
9.31 Wildlife Service, and to restore and enhance  
9.32 prairie lands, wetlands, and land-buffering  
9.33 shallow lakes.

9.34 **(c) RIM Wetlands - Restoring the Most**  
9.35 **Productive Habitat in Minnesota, Phase 14**

10.1 \$4,291,000 the first year is to the Board of  
 10.2 Water and Soil Resources to acquire  
 10.3 permanent conservation easements and to  
 10.4 restore wetlands and native grassland habitat  
 10.5 under Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.515.  
 10.6 Of this amount, up to \$70,000 is for  
 10.7 establishing a monitoring and enforcement  
 10.8 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan  
 10.9 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section  
 10.10 97A.056, subdivision 17. Subdivision 8,  
 10.11 paragraph (b), does not apply to this project.  
 10.12 A list of permanent conservation easements  
 10.13 must be provided as part of the final report.

10.14 **(d) Accelerating the Waterfowl Production Area**  
 10.15 **Acquisition Program, Phase 17**

10.16 \$5,121,000 the first year is to the  
 10.17 commissioner of natural resources for an  
 10.18 agreement with Pheasants Forever, in  
 10.19 cooperation with the United States Fish and  
 10.20 Wildlife Service, to acquire land in fee and to  
 10.21 restore and enhance wetlands and grasslands  
 10.22 to be designated and managed as waterfowl  
 10.23 production areas in Minnesota.

10.24 **(e) Nelson Slough - East Park Wildlife**  
 10.25 **Management Area, Phase 2**

10.26 \$1,543,000 the first year is to the  
 10.27 commissioner of natural resources for an  
 10.28 agreement with the Middle-Snake-Tamarac  
 10.29 Rivers Watershed District to restore and  
 10.30 enhance wetland and upland wildlife habitat  
 10.31 in Nelson Slough and the East Park Wildlife  
 10.32 Management Area in Marshall County.

10.33 **(f) Living Shallow Lakes and Wetlands**  
 10.34 **Enhancement and Restoration Initiative, Phase**  
 10.35 **11**

11.1 \$5,601,000 the first year is to the  
 11.2 commissioner of natural resources for an  
 11.3 agreement with Ducks Unlimited to restore  
 11.4 and enhance shallow lakes and wetlands on  
 11.5 public lands and wetlands under permanent  
 11.6 conservation easement for wildlife  
 11.7 management.

11.8 **(g) Big Swamp North**

11.9 \$1,442,000 the first year is to the  
 11.10 commissioner of natural resources for an  
 11.11 agreement with the Roseau River Watershed  
 11.12 District to restore and enhance wetland,  
 11.13 stream, and other related wildlife habitat on  
 11.14 public lands in the Big Swamp area in Roseau  
 11.15 County.

11.16 **(h) DNR Accelerated Shallow Lakes and**  
 11.17 **Wetland Enhancement, Phase 17**

11.18 \$2,508,000 the first year is to the  
 11.19 commissioner of natural resources to enhance  
 11.20 and restore shallow lakes and wetland habitat  
 11.21 statewide.

11.22 **Subd. 5. Habitats**

77,646,000

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11.23 **(a) Cannon River Watershed Habitat**  
 11.24 **Restoration and Protection Program, Phase 14**

11.25 \$2,663,000 the first year is to the  
 11.26 commissioner of natural resources for  
 11.27 agreements to acquire land in fee and to  
 11.28 restore and enhance wildlife habitat in the  
 11.29 Cannon River Watershed as follows: \$62,000  
 11.30 to Clean River Partners; \$1,198,000 to Great  
 11.31 River Greening; and \$1,403,000 to the Trust  
 11.32 for Public Land.

11.33 **(b) Spring Road Conservation Project**

12.1 \$1,982,000 the first year is to the  
 12.2 commissioner of natural resources for an  
 12.3 agreement with the Riley Purgatory Bluff  
 12.4 Creek Watershed District to acquire priority  
 12.5 wildlife habitat lands in fee in Hennepin  
 12.6 County.

12.7 **(c) Anoka Sand Plain Habitat Conservation,**  
 12.8 **Phase 10**

12.9 \$3,518,000 the first year is to the  
 12.10 commissioner of natural resources for  
 12.11 agreements to acquire permanent conservation  
 12.12 easements and to restore and enhance wildlife  
 12.13 habitat on public lands and easements in the  
 12.14 Anoka Sand Plain ecoregion and intersecting  
 12.15 minor watersheds as follows: \$553,000 to  
 12.16 Anoka Conservation District; \$1,385,000 to  
 12.17 Great River Greening; \$300,000 to The Nature  
 12.18 Conservancy; and \$1,280,000 to Minnesota  
 12.19 Land Trust. Up to \$112,000 to Minnesota  
 12.20 Land Trust is to establish a monitoring and  
 12.21 enforcement fund as approved in the  
 12.22 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota  
 12.23 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17.

12.24 **(d) Integrating Habitat and Clean Water, Phase**  
 12.25 **3**

12.26 \$2,691,000 the first year is to the Board of  
 12.27 Water and Soil Resources to acquire  
 12.28 permanent conservation easements and restore  
 12.29 and enhance wildlife habitat identified in One  
 12.30 Watershed, One Plan for stacked benefit to  
 12.31 wildlife and clean water. Of this amount, up  
 12.32 to \$80,000 is for establishing a monitoring and  
 12.33 enforcement fund as approved in the  
 12.34 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota  
 12.35 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17.  
 12.36 Subdivision 8, paragraph (b), does not apply

13.1 to this project. A list of permanent  
 13.2 conservation easements must be provided as  
 13.3 part of the final report.

13.4 **(e) St. Croix Watershed Habitat Protection and**  
 13.5 **Restoration, Phase 6**

13.6 \$3,184,000 the first year is to the  
 13.7 commissioner of natural resources for  
 13.8 agreements to acquire land in fee and  
 13.9 permanent conservation easements and to  
 13.10 restore and enhance natural habitat systems in  
 13.11 the St. Croix River Watershed as follows:  
 13.12 \$1,199,000 to the Trust for Public Land;  
 13.13 \$121,000 to Wild Rivers Conservancy; and  
 13.14 \$1,864,000 to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to  
 13.15 \$168,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is to  
 13.16 establish a monitoring and enforcement fund  
 13.17 as approved in the accomplishment plan and  
 13.18 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section  
 13.19 97A.056, subdivision 17.

13.20 **(f) Mississippi Headwaters Habitat Corridor**  
 13.21 **Project, Phase 9**

13.22 \$2,769,000 the first year is to acquire lands in  
 13.23 fee and permanent conservation easements  
 13.24 and to restore wildlife habitat in the  
 13.25 Mississippi headwaters. Of this amount: (1)  
 13.26 \$1,769,000 is to the commissioner of natural  
 13.27 resources for agreements as follows: \$60,000  
 13.28 to the Mississippi Headwaters Board and  
 13.29 \$1,709,000 to the Trust for Public Land; and  
 13.30 (2) \$1,000,000 is to the Board of Water and  
 13.31 Soil Resources, of which up to \$50,000 is to  
 13.32 establish a monitoring and enforcement fund  
 13.33 as approved in the accomplishment plan and  
 13.34 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section  
 13.35 97A.056, subdivision 17.

14.1 **(g) Southeast Minnesota Protection and**  
 14.2 **Restoration, Phase 13**

14.3 \$2,334,000 the first year is to the  
 14.4 commissioner of natural resources for an  
 14.5 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to  
 14.6 acquire permanent conservation easements  
 14.7 and to restore and enhance wildlife habitat on  
 14.8 public lands and permanent conservation  
 14.9 easements in southeast Minnesota. Of this  
 14.10 amount, up to \$140,000 is to establish a  
 14.11 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved  
 14.12 in the accomplishment plan and subject to  
 14.13 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,  
 14.14 subdivision 17.

14.15 **(h) Protecting Coldwater Fisheries on**  
 14.16 **Minnesota's North Shore, Phase 3**

14.17 \$2,187,000 the first year is to the  
 14.18 commissioner of natural resources for an  
 14.19 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to  
 14.20 acquire permanent conservation easements  
 14.21 and to restore and enhance wildlife habitat in  
 14.22 priority coldwater tributaries to Lake Superior.  
 14.23 Of this amount, up to \$196,000 is to establish  
 14.24 a monitoring and enforcement fund as  
 14.25 approved in the accomplishment plan and  
 14.26 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section  
 14.27 97A.056, subdivision 17.

14.28 **(i) Metro Big Rivers, Phase 15**

14.29 \$6,793,000 the first year is to the  
 14.30 commissioner of natural resources for  
 14.31 agreements to acquire land in fee and  
 14.32 permanent conservation easements and to  
 14.33 restore and enhance natural habitat systems  
 14.34 associated with the Mississippi, Minnesota,  
 14.35 and St. Croix Rivers and their tributaries in

15.1 the metropolitan area as follows: \$1,000,000  
 15.2 to Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge  
 15.3 Trust, Inc.; \$488,000 to Friends of the  
 15.4 Mississippi River; \$975,000 to Great River  
 15.5 Greening; \$2,151,000 to the Trust for Public  
 15.6 Land; and \$2,179,000 to Minnesota Land  
 15.7 Trust. Up to \$168,000 to Minnesota Land  
 15.8 Trust is to establish a monitoring and  
 15.9 enforcement fund as approved in the  
 15.10 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota  
 15.11 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17.

15.12 **(j) Minnesota River Watershed Habitat**  
 15.13 **Conservation Program**

15.14 \$3,078,000 the first year is to the  
 15.15 commissioner of natural resources for  
 15.16 agreements to acquire land in fee and  
 15.17 permanent conservation easements and to  
 15.18 restore and enhance priority habitat in the  
 15.19 Minnesota River watershed as follows:  
 15.20 \$1,364,000 to Great River Greening and  
 15.21 \$1,714,000 to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to  
 15.22 \$168,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is to  
 15.23 establish a monitoring and enforcement fund  
 15.24 as approved in the accomplishment plan and  
 15.25 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section  
 15.26 97A.056, subdivision 17.

15.27 **(k) Shell Rock River Watershed Habitat**  
 15.28 **Restoration Program, Phase 14**

15.29 \$2,141,000 the first year is to the  
 15.30 commissioner of natural resources for an  
 15.31 agreement with the Shell Rock River  
 15.32 Watershed District to acquire land in fee and  
 15.33 to restore and enhance habitat in the Shell  
 15.34 Rock River watershed.

15.35 **(l) Protecting Minnesota's Lakes of Outstanding**  
 15.36 **Biological Significance, Phase 4**

16.1 \$3,137,000 the first year is to the  
 16.2 commissioner of natural resources for  
 16.3 agreements to acquire land in fee and  
 16.4 permanent conservation easements and to  
 16.5 restore and enhance lakes of outstanding  
 16.6 biological significance in northeast and  
 16.7 north-central Minnesota. Of this amount,  
 16.8 \$1,494,000 is to the Northern Waters Land  
 16.9 Trust and \$1,643,000 is to Minnesota Land  
 16.10 Trust. Up to \$168,000 to Minnesota Land  
 16.11 Trust is for establishing a monitoring and  
 16.12 enforcement fund as approved in the  
 16.13 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota  
 16.14 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17.

16.15 **(m) Shakopee Creek: Headwaters Restored,**  
 16.16 **Species and Land Protected**

16.17 \$2,359,000 the first year is to the  
 16.18 commissioner of natural resources for an  
 16.19 agreement with the Kandiyohi Soil and Water  
 16.20 Conservation District to restore and enhance  
 16.21 wildlife habitat in the headwaters area of  
 16.22 Shakopee Creek in Kandiyohi County.

16.23 **(n) DNR Trout Stream Conservation Easements,**  
 16.24 **Phase 4**

16.25 \$973,000 the first year is to the commissioner  
 16.26 of natural resources to acquire land in  
 16.27 permanent conservation easements to protect  
 16.28 trout-stream aquatic habitat. Of this amount,  
 16.29 up to \$120,000 is for establishing a monitoring  
 16.30 and enforcement fund as approved in the  
 16.31 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota  
 16.32 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17.

16.33 **(o) Fisheries Habitat Protection on Strategic**  
 16.34 **North-Central Minnesota Lakes, Phase 11**

17.1 \$2,878,000 the first year is to the  
 17.2 commissioner of natural resources for  
 17.3 agreements to acquire land in fee and  
 17.4 permanent conservation easements and to  
 17.5 restore and enhance wildlife habitat to sustain  
 17.6 healthy fish habitat on coldwater lakes in  
 17.7 Aitkin, Cass, Crow Wing, and Hubbard  
 17.8 Counties as follows: \$1,259,000 to Northern  
 17.9 Waters Land Trust and \$1,619,000 to  
 17.10 Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$168,000 to  
 17.11 Minnesota Land Trust is to establish a  
 17.12 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved  
 17.13 in the accomplishment plan and subject to  
 17.14 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,  
 17.15 subdivision 17.

17.16 **(p) Minnesota Statewide Trout Habitat**  
 17.17 **Enhancement, Phase 2**

17.18 \$2,124,000 the first year is to the  
 17.19 commissioner of natural resources for an  
 17.20 agreement with Minnesota Trout Unlimited  
 17.21 to restore and enhance habitat for trout and  
 17.22 other species in and along coldwater rivers,  
 17.23 lakes, and streams throughout Minnesota.

17.24 **(q) Restoring and Enhancing Minnesota's**  
 17.25 **Important Bird Areas, Phase 4**

17.26 \$2,003,000 the first year is to the  
 17.27 commissioner of natural resources for an  
 17.28 agreement with Audubon Minnesota to restore  
 17.29 and enhance wildlife habitat in important bird  
 17.30 areas or Minnesota Prairie Conservation Plan  
 17.31 Priority areas of northwestern Minnesota.

17.32 **(r) Fall River Restoration**

17.33 \$1,318,000 the first year is to the  
 17.34 commissioner of natural resources for an  
 17.35 agreement with Cook County to restore and

18.1 enhance coldwater stream habitat in the Fall  
 18.2 River in Cook County.

18.3 **(s) DNR Aquatic Habitat Restoration and**  
 18.4 **Enhancement, Phase 8**

18.5 \$3,800,000 the first year is to the  
 18.6 commissioner of natural resources to restore  
 18.7 and enhance aquatic habitat in degraded  
 18.8 streams and aquatic management areas and to  
 18.9 facilitate fish passage throughout Minnesota.

18.10 **(t) Rum River Corridor Fish and Wildlife**  
 18.11 **Habitat Enhancement, Phase 3**

18.12 \$1,356,000 the first year is to the  
 18.13 commissioner of natural resources for an  
 18.14 agreement with the Anoka County Soil and  
 18.15 Water Conservation District to restore and  
 18.16 enhance upland and riverine habitat in the  
 18.17 Rum River corridor.

18.18 **(u) DNR Roving Crew, Phase 3**

18.19 \$12,642,000 the first year is to the  
 18.20 commissioner of natural resources to restore  
 18.21 and enhance fish and wildlife habitat on  
 18.22 permanently protected lands throughout  
 18.23 Minnesota using the roving crew program of  
 18.24 the Department of Natural Resources.

18.25 **(v) Conservation Partners Legacy Grant**  
 18.26 **Program: Statewide and Metro Habitat, Phase**  
 18.27 **17**

18.28 \$11,716,000 the first year is to the  
 18.29 commissioner of natural resources for a  
 18.30 program to provide competitive matching  
 18.31 grants of up to \$500,000 to local, regional,  
 18.32 state, and national organizations for enhancing,  
 18.33 restoring, or protecting forests, wetlands,  
 18.34 prairies, or habitat for fish, game, or wildlife  
 18.35 in Minnesota. Of this amount, unless not

19.1 enough eligible grant applications are  
19.2 received, at least \$3,000,000 is for grants in  
19.3 the seven-county metropolitan area and cities  
19.4 with a population of 50,000 or more and at  
19.5 least \$2,620,000 is for grants to applicants that  
19.6 have not previously applied for money from  
19.7 the outdoor heritage fund. Grants must not be  
19.8 made for activities required to fulfill the duties  
19.9 of owners of lands subject to conservation  
19.10 easements. Grants must not be made from the  
19.11 appropriation in this paragraph for projects  
19.12 that have a total project cost exceeding  
19.13 \$1,000,000. Of the total appropriation,  
19.14 \$600,000 may be spent for personnel costs,  
19.15 outreach, and support to first-time applicants  
19.16 and other direct and necessary administrative  
19.17 costs. Grantees may acquire land or interests  
19.18 in land. Easements must be permanent. Grants  
19.19 may not be used to establish easement  
19.20 stewardship accounts. The program must  
19.21 require a match of at least ten percent from  
19.22 nonstate sources for all grants. The match may  
19.23 be cash or in-kind. For grant applications of  
19.24 \$25,000 or less, the commissioner must  
19.25 provide a separate, simplified application  
19.26 process. Subject to Minnesota Statutes, the  
19.27 commissioner of natural resources must, when  
19.28 evaluating projects of equal value, give  
19.29 priority to organizations that have a history of  
19.30 receiving, or a charter to receive, private  
19.31 contributions for local conservation or habitat  
19.32 projects. All restoration or enhancement  
19.33 projects must be on land permanently  
19.34 protected by a permanent covenant ensuring  
19.35 perpetual maintenance and protection of  
19.36 restored and enhanced habitat, by a

20.1 conservation easement, or by public ownership  
 20.2 or in public waters as defined in Minnesota  
 20.3 Statutes, section 103G.005, subdivision 15.  
 20.4 Priority must be given to restoration and  
 20.5 enhancement projects on public lands.  
 20.6 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,  
 20.7 subdivision 13, applies to grants awarded  
 20.8 under this paragraph. This appropriation is  
 20.9 available until June 30, 2028. No less than five  
 20.10 percent of the amount of each grant must be  
 20.11 held back from reimbursement until the grant  
 20.12 recipient completes a grant accomplishment  
 20.13 report by the deadline and in the form  
 20.14 prescribed by and satisfactory to the  
 20.15 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council. The  
 20.16 commissioner must provide notice of the grant  
 20.17 program in the summary of game and fish law  
 20.18 prepared under Minnesota Statutes, section  
 20.19 97A.051, subdivision 2.

20.20 Subd. 6. Administration 2,043,000 775,000

20.21 **(a) Contract Management**  
 20.22 \$410,000 the first year is to the commissioner  
 20.23 of natural resources for contract management  
 20.24 duties assigned in this section. The  
 20.25 commissioner must provide an  
 20.26 accomplishment plan in the form specified by  
 20.27 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council  
 20.28 on expending this appropriation. The  
 20.29 accomplishment plan must include a copy of  
 20.30 the grant contract template and reimbursement  
 20.31 manual. No money may be expended before  
 20.32 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council  
 20.33 approves the accomplishment plan. Money  
 20.34 appropriated in this paragraph is available until  
 20.35 June 30, 2027.

21.1 **(b) Legislative Coordinating Commission**

21.2 \$732,000 the first year and \$772,000 the  
 21.3 second year are to the Legislative  
 21.4 Coordinating Commission for administrative  
 21.5 expenses of the Lessard-Sams Outdoor  
 21.6 Heritage Council and for compensating and  
 21.7 reimbursing expenses of council members.  
 21.8 This appropriation is available until June 30,  
 21.9 2027. Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.281,  
 21.10 applies to this appropriation.

21.11 **(c) Technical Evaluation Panel**

21.12 \$157,000 the first year is to the commissioner  
 21.13 of natural resources for a technical evaluation  
 21.14 panel to conduct up to 20 restoration and  
 21.15 enhancement evaluations under Minnesota  
 21.16 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 10.  
 21.17 Money appropriated in this paragraph is  
 21.18 available until June 30, 2027.

21.19 **(d) Core Functions in Partner-Led OHF Land**  
 21.20 **Acquisitions**

21.21 \$740,000 the first year is to the commissioner  
 21.22 of natural resources for administering the  
 21.23 initial development, restoration, and  
 21.24 enhancement of land acquired in fee with  
 21.25 money appropriated from the outdoor heritage  
 21.26 fund. This appropriation may be used for land  
 21.27 acquisition costs incurred by the department  
 21.28 as part of conveyance of parcels to the  
 21.29 Department of Natural Resources and initial  
 21.30 development activities on fee title acquisitions.  
 21.31 Money appropriated in this paragraph is  
 21.32 available until June 30, 2033.

21.33 **(e) Legacy Website**

22.1 \$4,000 the first year and \$3,000 the second  
22.2 year are to the Legislative Coordinating  
22.3 Commission for the website required under  
22.4 Minnesota Statutes, section 3.303, subdivision  
22.5 10.

22.6 **Subd. 7. Availability of Appropriation**

22.7 (a) Money appropriated in this section may  
22.8 not be spent on activities unless they are  
22.9 directly related to and necessary for a specific  
22.10 appropriation and are specified in the  
22.11 accomplishment plan approved by the  
22.12 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council.

22.13 Money appropriated in this section must not  
22.14 be spent on indirect costs or other institutional  
22.15 overhead charges that are not directly related  
22.16 to and necessary for a specific appropriation.

22.17 Money appropriated for fee title acquisition  
22.18 of land may be used to restore, enhance, and  
22.19 provide for public use of the land acquired  
22.20 with the appropriation. Public-use facilities  
22.21 must have a minimal impact on habitat in  
22.22 acquired lands.

22.23 (b) Money appropriated in this section is  
22.24 available as follows:

22.25 (1) money appropriated for acquiring real  
22.26 property is available until June 30, 2029;

22.27 (2) money appropriated for restoring and  
22.28 enhancing land acquired with an appropriation  
22.29 in this article is available for four years after  
22.30 the acquisition date with a maximum end date  
22.31 of June 30, 2033;

22.32 (3) money appropriated for restoring and  
22.33 enhancing other land is available until June  
22.34 30, 2030;

23.1 (4) notwithstanding clauses (1) to (3), money  
 23.2 appropriated for a project that receives at least  
 23.3 15 percent of its funding from federal funds  
 23.4 is available until a date sufficient to match the  
 23.5 availability of federal funding to a maximum  
 23.6 of six years if the federal funding was  
 23.7 confirmed and included in the original  
 23.8 approved draft accomplishment plan; and  
 23.9 (5) money appropriated for other projects is  
 23.10 available until the end of the fiscal year in  
 23.11 which it is appropriated.

23.12 **Subd. 8. Payment Conditions and Capital**  
 23.13 **Equipment Expenditures**

23.14 (a) All agreements referred to in this section  
 23.15 must be administered on a reimbursement  
 23.16 basis unless otherwise provided in this section.  
 23.17 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section  
 23.18 16A.41, expenditures directly related to each  
 23.19 appropriation's purpose made on or after July  
 23.20 1, 2025, or the date of accomplishment plan  
 23.21 approval, whichever is later, are eligible for  
 23.22 reimbursement unless otherwise provided in  
 23.23 this section. For the purposes of administering  
 23.24 appropriations and legislatively authorized  
 23.25 agreements paid out of the outdoor heritage  
 23.26 fund, an expense must be considered  
 23.27 reimbursable by the administering agency  
 23.28 when the recipient presents the agency with  
 23.29 an invoice or binding agreement with the  
 23.30 landowner and the recipient attests that the  
 23.31 goods have been received or the landowner  
 23.32 agreement is binding. Periodic reimbursement  
 23.33 must be made upon receiving documentation  
 23.34 that the items articulated in the  
 23.35 accomplishment plan approved by the

24.1 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council have  
24.2 been achieved, including partial achievements  
24.3 as evidenced by progress reports approved by  
24.4 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council.  
24.5 Reasonable amounts may be advanced to  
24.6 projects to accommodate cash flow needs,  
24.7 support future management of acquired lands,  
24.8 or match a federal share. The advances must  
24.9 be approved as part of the accomplishment  
24.10 plan. Capital equipment expenditures for  
24.11 specific items in excess of \$10,000 must be  
24.12 itemized in and approved as part of the  
24.13 accomplishment plan.

24.14 (b) Unless otherwise provided, no money  
24.15 appropriated from the outdoor heritage fund  
24.16 in this article may be used to acquire, restore,  
24.17 or enhance any real property unless the  
24.18 specific acquisition, restoration, or  
24.19 enhancement is approved as part of the  
24.20 accomplishment plan on the parcel list.

24.21 **Subd. 9. Mapping**

24.22 Each direct recipient of money appropriated  
24.23 in this section, as well as each recipient of a  
24.24 grant awarded under this section, must provide  
24.25 geographic information to the Lessard-Sams  
24.26 Outdoor Heritage Council for mapping of any  
24.27 lands acquired in fee with funds appropriated  
24.28 in this section and open to the public taking  
24.29 of fish and game. The commissioner of natural  
24.30 resources must include the lands acquired in  
24.31 fee with money appropriated in this section  
24.32 on maps showing public recreation  
24.33 opportunities. Maps must include information  
24.34 on and acknowledgment of the outdoor

25.1 heritage fund, including a notation of any  
 25.2 restrictions.

25.3 **Subd. 10. Carryforward**

25.4 (a) The availability of the appropriation for  
 25.5 Laws 2020, chapter 104, article 1, section 2,  
 25.6 subdivision 5, paragraph (b), Metro Big Rivers  
 25.7 - Phase X, is extended to June 30, 2026.

25.8 (b) The availability of the appropriation for  
 25.9 Laws 2020, chapter 104, article 1, section 2,  
 25.10 subdivision 5, paragraph (k), St. Louis River  
 25.11 Restoration Initiative - Phase VII, is extended  
 25.12 to June 30, 2026.

25.13 (c) The availability of the appropriation for  
 25.14 Laws 2023, chapter 40, article 1, section 2,  
 25.15 subdivision 6, paragraph (d), Core Functions  
 25.16 in Partner-Led OHF Land Acquisitions, is  
 25.17 extended to June 30, 2031.

25.18 **Subd. 11. Cancellation**

25.19 \$120,000 of the outdoor heritage fund  
 25.20 appropriation in Laws 2020, chapter 104,  
 25.21 article 1, section 2, subdivision 2, paragraph  
 25.22 (i), is canceled no later than June 29, 2025.

25.23 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** Subdivision 11 is effective the day following final enactment.

25.24 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 97A.056, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
 25.25 read:

25.26 **Subd. 25. Federal grant fund requirements.** An interest in real property acquired with  
 25.27 money appropriated from the outdoor heritage fund may be used to leverage federal grant  
 25.28 funds for related conservation programs, such as Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration,  
 25.29 United States Code, title 16, section 669 et seq.; Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration,  
 25.30 United States Code, title 16, section 777 et seq.; and the North American Wetlands  
 25.31 Conservation Act, United States Code, title 16, section 4401. These grant programs may  
 25.32 place conditions on land use that require the continued use of the land for conservation  
 25.33 purposes. Placement of conditions on land use under these programs does not require prior

26.1 review and approval of the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council or its successor under  
26.2 subdivision 15, paragraph (b).

26.3 **ARTICLE 2**

26.4 **CLEAN WATER FUND**

26.5 Section 1. **CLEAN WATER FUND APPROPRIATIONS.**

26.6 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies  
26.7 and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the clean water  
26.8 fund and are available for the fiscal years indicated for allowable activities under the  
26.9 Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 15. The figures "2026" and "2027" used in this  
26.10 article mean that the appropriations listed under the figure are available for the fiscal year  
26.11 ending June 30, 2026, or June 30, 2027, respectively. "The first year" is fiscal year 2026.  
26.12 "The second year" is fiscal year 2027. "The biennium" is fiscal years 2026 and 2027. These  
26.13 are onetime appropriations.

26.14 **APPROPRIATIONS**

26.15 **Available for the Year**

26.16 **Ending June 30**

26.17 **2026**

**2027**

26.18 Sec. 2. **CLEAN WATER FUND**

26.19 Subdivision 1. **Total Appropriation** **\$ 144,625,000 \$ 159,301,000**

26.20 This appropriation is from the clean water  
26.21 fund. The amounts that may be spent for each  
26.22 purpose are specified in the following sections.

26.23 **Subd. 2. Availability of Appropriation**

26.24 Money appropriated in this article may not be  
26.25 spent on activities unless they are directly  
26.26 related to and necessary for a specific  
26.27 appropriation. Money appropriated in this  
26.28 article must be spent in accordance with  
26.29 Minnesota Management and Budget MMB  
26.30 Guidance to Agencies on Legacy Fund  
26.31 Expenditure. Notwithstanding Minnesota  
26.32 Statutes, section 16A.28, and unless otherwise  
26.33 specified in this article, fiscal year 2026

27.1 appropriations are available until June 30,  
 27.2 2027, and fiscal year 2027 appropriations are  
 27.3 available until June 30, 2028. If a project  
 27.4 receives federal funds, the period of the  
 27.5 appropriation is extended to equal the  
 27.6 availability of federal funding.

27.7 **Subd. 3. Disability Access**

27.8 Where appropriate, grant recipients of clean  
 27.9 water funds, in consultation with the Council  
 27.10 on Disability and other appropriate  
 27.11 governor-appointed disability councils, boards,  
 27.12 committees, and commissions, should make  
 27.13 progress toward providing people with  
 27.14 disabilities greater access to programs, print  
 27.15 publications, and digital media related to the  
 27.16 programs the recipient funds using  
 27.17 appropriations made in this article.

27.18 **Subd. 4. Increasing Diversity in Environmental**  
 27.19 **Careers**

27.20 Agencies should work to provide opportunities  
 27.21 that encourage a diversity of students to pursue  
 27.22 careers in environment and natural resources  
 27.23 when implementing appropriations in this  
 27.24 article.

27.25 **Sec. 3. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**    **\$**    **16,075,000**    **\$**    **17,275,000**

27.26 (a) \$370,000 the first year and \$370,000 the  
 27.27 second year are to increase monitoring for  
 27.28 pesticides and pesticide degradates in surface  
 27.29 water and groundwater and to use data  
 27.30 collected to assess pesticide use practices.

27.31 (b) \$3,100,000 the first year and \$3,100,000  
 27.32 the second year are for monitoring and  
 27.33 evaluating trends in the concentration of  
 27.34 nitrate in groundwater; promoting, developing,

- 28.1 and evaluating regional and crop-specific  
28.2 nutrient best management practices, cover  
28.3 crops, and other vegetative cover; assessing  
28.4 adoption of best management practices and  
28.5 other recommended practices; education and  
28.6 technical support from University of  
28.7 Minnesota Extension; grants to support  
28.8 agricultural demonstration and implementation  
28.9 activities, including research activities at the  
28.10 Rosholt Research Farm; and other actions to  
28.11 protect groundwater from degradation from  
28.12 nitrate.
- 28.13 (c) \$2,000,000 the first year and \$2,000,000  
28.14 the second year are for the agriculture best  
28.15 management practices loan program. Any  
28.16 unencumbered balance at the end of the second  
28.17 year must be added to the corpus of the loan  
28.18 fund.
- 28.19 (d) \$1,600,000 the first year and \$1,600,000  
28.20 the second year are for technical assistance;  
28.21 research, demonstration, and promotion  
28.22 projects on properly implementing best  
28.23 management practices and vegetative cover;  
28.24 and more-precise information on nonpoint  
28.25 contributions to impaired waters and for grants  
28.26 to support on-farm demonstration of  
28.27 agricultural practices.
- 28.28 (e) \$50,000 the first year and \$50,000 the  
28.29 second year are for maintenance of the  
28.30 Minnesota Water Research Digital Library.  
28.31 Costs for information technology development  
28.32 or support for the digital library may be paid  
28.33 to Minnesota IT Services.
- 28.34 (f) \$3,500,000 the first year and \$3,500,000  
28.35 the second year are to implement the

- 29.1 Minnesota agricultural water quality  
29.2 certification program statewide.
- 29.3 (g) \$155,000 the first year and \$155,000 the  
29.4 second year are for a regional irrigation water  
29.5 quality specialist through University of  
29.6 Minnesota Extension.
- 29.7 (h) \$2,000,000 the first year and \$3,000,000  
29.8 the second year are for grants to the Board of  
29.9 Regents of the University of Minnesota to  
29.10 fund the Forever Green initiative and to protect  
29.11 the state's natural resources while increasing  
29.12 the efficiency, profitability, and productivity  
29.13 of Minnesota farmers by incorporating  
29.14 perennial and winter-annual crops into existing  
29.15 agricultural practices.
- 29.16 (i) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the  
29.17 second year are for testing drinking-water  
29.18 wells for pesticides.
- 29.19 (j) \$1,750,000 the first year and \$1,750,000  
29.20 the second year are for conservation  
29.21 equipment assistance grants to purchase  
29.22 equipment or items to retrofit existing  
29.23 equipment that has climate and water quality  
29.24 benefits.
- 29.25 (k) \$1,050,000 the first year and \$1,250,000  
29.26 the second year are for expanding the existing  
29.27 state weather station and soil temperature  
29.28 network to provide accurate and timely  
29.29 weather data to optimize the timing of  
29.30 irrigation, fertilizer, pesticide, and manure  
29.31 applications and support land management  
29.32 decisions.

30.1 (l) Unless otherwise specified, the  
 30.2 appropriations in this section are available  
 30.3 until June 30, 2030.

30.4 **Sec. 4. POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY     \$     24,501,000 \$     24,702,000**

30.5 (a) \$9,450,000 the first year and \$9,450,000  
 30.6 the second year are for completing needed  
 30.7 statewide assessments of surface water quality  
 30.8 and trends according to Minnesota Statutes,  
 30.9 chapter 114D.

30.10 (b) \$7,250,000 the first year and \$7,250,000  
 30.11 the second year are to support public  
 30.12 participation in the watershed approach and  
 30.13 to update watershed restoration and protection  
 30.14 strategies, which include total maximum daily  
 30.15 load (TMDL) and other supporting studies  
 30.16 according to Minnesota Statutes, chapter  
 30.17 114D, for waters on the impaired waters list  
 30.18 approved by the United States Environmental  
 30.19 Protection Agency.

30.20 (c) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000  
 30.21 the second year are for groundwater  
 30.22 assessment, including enhancing the ambient  
 30.23 monitoring network, modeling, and evaluating  
 30.24 trends.

30.25 (d) \$1,600,000 the first year and \$1,600,000  
 30.26 the second year are for national pollutant  
 30.27 discharge elimination system wastewater and  
 30.28 stormwater TMDL implementation efforts.

30.29 (e) \$3,340,000 the first year and \$3,541,000  
 30.30 the second year are for enhancing the  
 30.31 county-level delivery systems for subsurface  
 30.32 sewage treatment system (SSTS) activities  
 30.33 necessary to implement Minnesota Statutes,  
 30.34 sections 115.55 and 115.56, for protecting

31.1 groundwater. This appropriation includes base  
31.2 grants for all counties with SSTS programs.  
31.3 Counties that receive base grants must report  
31.4 the number of properties with noncompliant  
31.5 systems upgraded through an SSTS  
31.6 replacement, connection to a centralized sewer  
31.7 system, or other means, including property  
31.8 abandonment or buyout. Counties also must  
31.9 report the number of existing SSTS  
31.10 compliance inspections conducted in areas  
31.11 under county jurisdiction. The required reports  
31.12 must be part of the established annual  
31.13 reporting for SSTS programs. Of this amount,  
31.14 at least \$900,000 each year is available to  
31.15 counties for grants to low-income landowners  
31.16 to address systems that pose an imminent  
31.17 threat to public health or safety or fail to  
31.18 protect groundwater. A county receiving a  
31.19 grant under this paragraph must submit a  
31.20 report to the agency listing the projects funded,  
31.21 including an account of the expenditures.  
31.22 (f) \$650,000 the first year and \$650,000 the  
31.23 second year are for activities and grants that  
31.24 reduce chloride pollution.  
31.25 (g) \$461,000 the first year and \$461,000 the  
31.26 second year are to support activities of the  
31.27 Clean Water Council according to Minnesota  
31.28 Statutes, section 114D.30, subdivision 1.  
31.29 (h) \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000 the  
31.30 second year are for a grant program for  
31.31 sanitary sewer projects that are included in the  
31.32 draft or any updated Voyageurs National Park  
31.33 Clean Water Project Comprehensive Plan to  
31.34 restore the water quality of waters in  
31.35 Voyageurs National Park. Grants must be

32.1 awarded to local government units for projects  
 32.2 approved by the Voyageurs National Park  
 32.3 Clean Water Joint Powers Board and must be  
 32.4 matched by at least 25 percent from sources  
 32.5 other than the clean water fund.

32.6 (i) Any unencumbered grant balances in the  
 32.7 first year do not cancel but are available for  
 32.8 grants in the second year. Notwithstanding  
 32.9 Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, the  
 32.10 appropriations in this section are available  
 32.11 until June 30, 2030.

32.12 **Sec. 5. DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL**  
 32.13 **RESOURCES**

**\$ 14,150,000 \$ 14,650,000**

32.14 (a) \$2,825,000 the first year and \$2,825,000  
 32.15 the second year are for stream flow  
 32.16 monitoring.

32.17 (b) \$1,525,000 the first year and \$1,525,000  
 32.18 the second year are for lake Index of  
 32.19 Biological Integrity (IBI) assessments.

32.20 (c) \$550,000 the first year and \$550,000 the  
 32.21 second year are for assessing mercury and  
 32.22 other fish contaminants, including PFAS  
 32.23 compounds, and monitoring to track the status  
 32.24 of impaired waters over time.

32.25 (d) \$2,250,000 the first year and \$2,500,000  
 32.26 the second year are for developing targeted,  
 32.27 science-based watershed restoration and  
 32.28 protection strategies and for technical  
 32.29 assistance for local governments.

32.30 (e) \$2,350,000 the first year and \$2,350,000  
 32.31 the second year are for water-supply planning,  
 32.32 aquifer protection, and monitoring activities  
 32.33 and analysis.

33.1 (f) \$2,100,000 the first year and \$2,250,000  
 33.2 the second year are for technical assistance to  
 33.3 support local implementation of nonpoint  
 33.4 source restoration and protection activities and  
 33.5 targeted forest stewardship for water quality.

33.6 (g) \$700,000 the first year and \$700,000 the  
 33.7 second year are for tool development and  
 33.8 evaluation, including maintaining and updating  
 33.9 spatial data for watershed boundaries, streams,  
 33.10 and water bodies and integrating  
 33.11 high-resolution digital elevation data and for  
 33.12 assessing the effectiveness of forestry best  
 33.13 management practices for water quality.

33.14 (h) \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the  
 33.15 second year are for accelerating completion  
 33.16 of or updates to county geologic atlases and  
 33.17 supplementing water chemistry or chemical  
 33.18 movement studies.

33.19 (i) \$350,000 the first year and \$350,000 the  
 33.20 second year are for increasing native  
 33.21 freshwater mussel production capacity and  
 33.22 restoring and monitoring freshwater mussel  
 33.23 restoration efforts.

33.24 (j) \$1,400,000 the first year and \$1,500,000  
 33.25 the second year are for providing technical  
 33.26 and financial assistance for county and local  
 33.27 governments to replace failing or ineffective  
 33.28 culverts using modern designs that restore  
 33.29 floodplain connectivity, biological  
 33.30 connectivity, and channel stability. This  
 33.31 appropriation is available for up to two  
 33.32 additional years.

33.33 **Sec. 6. BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL**  
 33.34 **RESOURCES**

**\$ 64,332,000 \$ 75,004,000**

34.1 (a) \$39,962,000 the first year and \$48,138,000  
34.2 the second year are for agreements to  
34.3 implement state-approved watershed-based  
34.4 plans. The agreements may be used to  
34.5 implement projects or programs that protect,  
34.6 enhance, and restore surface water quality in  
34.7 lakes, rivers, and streams; protect groundwater  
34.8 from degradation; and protect drinking water  
34.9 sources. Activities must be identified in a  
34.10 comprehensive watershed plan developed  
34.11 under the One Watershed, One Plan program  
34.12 and seven-county metropolitan groundwater  
34.13 or surface water management frameworks as  
34.14 provided for in Minnesota Statutes, chapters  
34.15 103B, 103C, 103D, and 114D. Other legacy  
34.16 funds may be used to supplement projects  
34.17 funded under this paragraph. This  
34.18 appropriation may be used for:

34.19 (1) implementing state-approved plans,  
34.20 including within the following watershed  
34.21 planning areas: Big Fork River, Blue Earth  
34.22 River, Bois de Sioux - Mustinka, Buffalo-Red  
34.23 River, Cannon River, Cedar - Wapsipinicon,  
34.24 Chippewa River, Clearwater River,  
34.25 Cottonwood-Middle Minnesota, Crow Wing  
34.26 River, Des Moines River, Greater Zumbro  
34.27 River, Hawk Creek - Middle Minnesota, Kettle  
34.28 and Upper St. Croix, Lac qui Parle-Yellow  
34.29 Bank, Lake of the Woods, Lake Superior  
34.30 North, Le Sueur River, Leech Lake River,  
34.31 Little Fork River, Long Prairie River, Lower  
34.32 Minnesota River East, Lower Minnesota River  
34.33 West, Lower St. Croix River,  
34.34 Middle-Snake-Tamarac Rivers, Minnesota  
34.35 River-Mankato, Mississippi River Brainerd,  
34.36 Mississippi River Headwaters, Mississippi

- 35.1 River St. Cloud, Mississippi River-Sartell,  
 35.2 Mississippi River Winona/La Crescent,  
 35.3 Missouri River Basin, Nemadji River, North  
 35.4 Fork Crow River, Otter Tail, Pine River,  
 35.5 Pomme de Terre River, Rainy-Rapid River,  
 35.6 Rainy Headwaters - Vermilion, Rainy  
 35.7 River-Rainy Lake, Red Lake River, Redeye  
 35.8 River, Redwood River, Root River, Roseau  
 35.9 River, Rum River, Sand Hill River, Sauk  
 35.10 River, Shell Rock and Winnebago River,  
 35.11 Snake River, South Fork of the Crow River,  
 35.12 St. Louis River, Thief River, Two Rivers Plus,  
 35.13 Upper and Lower Red Lake, Upper Minnesota  
 35.14 River, Upper Mississippi - Grand Rapids,  
 35.15 Watowan River, Wild Rice - Marsh, and  
 35.16 Yellow Medicine River;
- 35.17 (2) implementing seven-county metropolitan  
 35.18 groundwater or surface water management  
 35.19 frameworks; and
- 35.20 (3) implementing other comprehensive  
 35.21 watershed management plan planning areas  
 35.22 that have a board-approved and  
 35.23 local-government-adopted plan as authorized  
 35.24 in Minnesota Statutes, section 103B.801.
- 35.25 The board must establish eligibility criteria  
 35.26 and determine whether a planning area is ready  
 35.27 to proceed.
- 35.28 (b) \$2,935,000 the first year and \$3,065,000  
 35.29 the second year are for agreements with local  
 35.30 government units to protect and restore surface  
 35.31 water and drinking water; to keep water on  
 35.32 the land; to protect, enhance, and restore water  
 35.33 quality in lakes, rivers, and streams; and to  
 35.34 protect groundwater and drinking water,  
 35.35 including feedlot water quality and subsurface

36.1 sewage treatment system projects and stream  
36.2 bank, stream channel, shoreline restoration,  
36.3 and ravine stabilization projects. The projects  
36.4 must use practices demonstrated to be  
36.5 effective, be of long-lasting public benefit,  
36.6 include a match, and be consistent with total  
36.7 maximum daily load (TMDL) implementation  
36.8 plans, watershed restoration and protection  
36.9 strategies (WRAPS), groundwater restoration  
36.10 and protection strategies (GRAPS), or local  
36.11 water management plans or their equivalents.  
36.12 Up to 50 percent of this appropriation is  
36.13 available for land-treatment projects and  
36.14 practices that benefit drinking water.

36.15 (c) \$4,350,000 the first year and \$4,350,000  
36.16 the second year are for accelerated  
36.17 implementation, local resource protection,  
36.18 statewide analytical targeting or technology  
36.19 tools that fill an identified gap, program  
36.20 enhancements for technical assistance, citizen  
36.21 and community outreach, compliance, and  
36.22 training and certification.

36.23 (d) \$1,250,000 the first year and \$1,250,000  
36.24 the second year are:

36.25 (1) to provide state oversight and  
36.26 accountability, evaluate and communicate  
36.27 results, provide implementation tools, and  
36.28 measure the value of conservation program  
36.29 implementation by local governments; and

36.30 (2) to submit to the legislature by December  
36.31 15 each even-numbered year a biennial report  
36.32 detailing the recipients and projects funded  
36.33 and the results accomplished under this  
36.34 section.

- 37.1 (e) \$2,000,000 the first year and \$2,000,000  
37.2 the second year are to provide assistance,  
37.3 oversight, and support for local governments  
37.4 in implementing and complying with riparian  
37.5 protection and excessive soil loss  
37.6 requirements.
- 37.7 (f) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000  
37.8 the second year are for a working lands  
37.9 floodplain program and to purchase, restore,  
37.10 or preserve riparian land and floodplains  
37.11 adjacent to lakes, wetlands, rivers, streams,  
37.12 and tributaries, by conservation easements or  
37.13 other agreements to keep water on the land,  
37.14 to decrease sediment, pollutant, and nutrient  
37.15 transport; reduce hydrologic impacts to surface  
37.16 waters; and increase protection and recharge  
37.17 for groundwater. Up to \$60,000 is for deposit  
37.18 in a conservation easement stewardship  
37.19 account established according to Minnesota  
37.20 Statutes, section 103B.103.
- 37.21 (g) \$2,500,000 the first year and \$2,500,000  
37.22 the second year are for conservation easements  
37.23 under Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.501  
37.24 to 103F.535, or for agreements with local units  
37.25 of government or Tribal governments for  
37.26 long-term protection of groundwater supply  
37.27 sources. Priority must be placed on drinking  
37.28 water supply management areas where the  
37.29 vulnerability of the drinking water supply is  
37.30 designated as high or very high by the  
37.31 commissioner of health, that are mitigation  
37.32 level 1 or 2 under the groundwater protection  
37.33 rule, where drinking water protection plans  
37.34 developed by Tribal governments have  
37.35 identified high vulnerability, or where drinking

38.1 water protection plans have identified specific  
38.2 activities that will achieve long-term  
38.3 protection. Up to \$200,000 is for deposit in a  
38.4 conservation easement stewardship account  
38.5 established according to Minnesota Statutes,  
38.6 section 103B.103.

38.7 (h) \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the  
38.8 second year are for a technical evaluation  
38.9 panel to conduct restoration evaluations under  
38.10 Minnesota Statutes, section 114D.50,  
38.11 subdivision 6.

38.12 (i) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the  
38.13 second year are for assistance to, oversight of,  
38.14 and agreements with local governments to  
38.15 enhance and update comprehensive watershed  
38.16 management plans developed under Minnesota  
38.17 Statutes, section 103B.801.

38.18 (j) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000  
38.19 the second year are for technical and financial  
38.20 assistance for the conservation drainage  
38.21 program, in consultation with the Drainage  
38.22 Work Group, coordinated under Minnesota  
38.23 Statutes, section 103B.101, subdivision 13,  
38.24 and including projects to improve  
38.25 multipurpose water management under  
38.26 Minnesota Statutes, section 103E.015.

38.27 (k) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the  
38.28 second year are to purchase permanent  
38.29 conservation easements to protect lands  
38.30 adjacent to public waters that have good water  
38.31 quality but that are threatened with  
38.32 degradation. Up to \$60,000 is for deposit in a  
38.33 conservation easement stewardship account  
38.34 established according to Minnesota Statutes,  
38.35 section 103B.103.

39.1 (l) \$425,000 the first year and \$425,000 the  
39.2 second year are to systematically collect data  
39.3 and produce county, watershed, and statewide  
39.4 estimates of soil erosion caused by water and  
39.5 wind, and track adoption of conservation  
39.6 measures, including cover crops, to address  
39.7 erosion. This appropriation may be used for  
39.8 agreements with the University of Minnesota  
39.9 to complete this work.

39.10 (m) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the  
39.11 second year are for implementing a water  
39.12 legacy program to expand partnerships for  
39.13 clean water.

39.14 (n) \$2,500,000 the first year and \$2,500,000  
39.15 the second year are for permanent  
39.16 conservation easements to protect and restore  
39.17 wetlands and associated uplands. Up to  
39.18 \$100,000 is for deposit in a conservation  
39.19 easement stewardship account established  
39.20 according to Minnesota Statutes, section  
39.21 103B.103.

39.22 (o) \$3,560,000 the first year and \$5,926,000  
39.23 the second year are for financial and technical  
39.24 assistance to enhance adoption of cover crops  
39.25 and other soil health practices to achieve water  
39.26 quality or drinking water benefits. The board  
39.27 may use agreements with local governments,  
39.28 the United States Department of Agriculture,  
39.29 AgCentric at Minnesota State Center for  
39.30 Excellence, and other practitioners and  
39.31 partners to accomplish this work. Up to  
39.32 \$450,000 is for an agreement with the  
39.33 University of Minnesota Office for Soil Health  
39.34 for applied research and education on  
39.35 Minnesota's agroecosystems and soil health

40.1 management systems. This appropriation may  
 40.2 be extended to leverage available federal  
 40.3 funds.

40.4 (p) \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000 the  
 40.5 second year are to contract for delivery of  
 40.6 services with Conservation Corps Minnesota  
 40.7 and Iowa for restoration, maintenance,  
 40.8 training, and other activities consistent with  
 40.9 this section.

40.10 (q) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the  
 40.11 second year are to provide support to soil and  
 40.12 water conservation districts and other local  
 40.13 governments and partner organizations in the  
 40.14 Lake Superior basin to leverage Great Lakes  
 40.15 Restoration Initiative or other federal funding  
 40.16 to implement prioritized activities.

40.17 (r) The board may shift funds in this section  
 40.18 and may adjust the technical and  
 40.19 administrative assistance portion of the funds  
 40.20 to leverage federal or other nonstate funds, to  
 40.21 facilitate oversight responsibilities, or to  
 40.22 address high-priority activities identified by  
 40.23 the board consistent with local water  
 40.24 management plans.

40.25 (s) The board must require grantees to specify  
 40.26 the outcomes that will be achieved by the  
 40.27 grants.

40.28 (t) The appropriations in this section are  
 40.29 available until June 30, 2030, except grant or  
 40.30 easement funds are available for five years  
 40.31 after the date a grant or other agreement is  
 40.32 executed. Returned funds must be repurposed  
 40.33 consistent with the purposes of this section.

40.34 **Sec. 7. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH                    \$            14,295,000 \$            15,845,000**

- 41.1 (a) \$5,925,000 the first year and \$5,925,000  
41.2 the second year are to develop health risk  
41.3 limits and other health-based guidance and  
41.4 conduct outreach activities for contaminants  
41.5 found or anticipated to be found in Minnesota  
41.6 drinking water; to accredit private laboratories  
41.7 to conduct analyses for these contaminants;  
41.8 and to increase the capacity of the  
41.9 department's laboratory to analyze for these  
41.10 contaminants.
- 41.11 (b) \$2,300,000 the first year and \$3,700,000  
41.12 the second year are for ensuring safe drinking  
41.13 water for private well users in southeast  
41.14 Minnesota and statewide by designing and  
41.15 implementing voluntary interventions to  
41.16 reduce health risks to private well users,  
41.17 including identifying private well locations,  
41.18 studying the occurrence and magnitude of  
41.19 contaminants in private wells, developing  
41.20 guidance and conducting outreach and  
41.21 education about well testing and mitigation,  
41.22 awarding grants to local governments, and  
41.23 offering well testing.
- 41.24 (c) \$3,770,000 the first year and \$3,920,000  
41.25 the second year are for protecting sources of  
41.26 drinking water, including planning,  
41.27 implementation, and monitoring activities and  
41.28 grants to local governments and public water  
41.29 systems.
- 41.30 (d) \$1,750,000 the first year and \$1,750,000  
41.31 the second year are to develop and deliver  
41.32 groundwater restoration and protection  
41.33 strategies on a watershed scale for use in local  
41.34 comprehensive water planning efforts, to  
41.35 provide resources to local governments for

42.1 activities that sustain groundwater and protect  
 42.2 sources of drinking water, and to enhance  
 42.3 approaches that improve the capacity of local  
 42.4 governmental units to protect and restore  
 42.5 groundwater resources.

42.6 (e) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the  
 42.7 second year are to develop public health  
 42.8 policies and approaches to address threats to  
 42.9 safe drinking water, including implementation  
 42.10 of a statewide action plan for protecting  
 42.11 drinking water.

42.12 (f) \$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the  
 42.13 second year are for optimizing the statewide  
 42.14 recreational water portal that includes an  
 42.15 inventory of public beaches and information  
 42.16 about local monitoring results and closures  
 42.17 and that provides information about preventing  
 42.18 illness and recreational water stewardship.

42.19 (g) Unless otherwise specified, the  
 42.20 appropriations in this section are available  
 42.21 until June 30, 2029.

42.22 **Sec. 8. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL                    \$            2,025,000 \$            2,125,000**

42.23 (a) \$1,375,000 the first year and \$1,375,000  
 42.24 the second year are to support communities  
 42.25 implementing projects that address emerging  
 42.26 drinking water supply threats and overall water  
 42.27 sustainability, provide cost-effective regional  
 42.28 solutions, leverage interjurisdictional  
 42.29 coordination, support local implementation of  
 42.30 wellhead protection plans, and prevent  
 42.31 degradation of groundwater and surface water  
 42.32 resources. These activities will provide  
 42.33 communities with:

- 43.1 (1) potential solutions to better connect land
- 43.2 use impacts on water supply and overall water
- 43.3 sustainability;
- 43.4 (2) ways to balance regional water use by
- 43.5 using surface water, stormwater, wastewater,
- 43.6 and groundwater;
- 43.7 (3) an analysis of infrastructure requirements
- 43.8 needed to maintain and strengthen the
- 43.9 reliability of water systems;
- 43.10 (4) development of planning-level cost
- 43.11 estimates, including capital costs and operating
- 43.12 costs;
- 43.13 (5) funding mechanisms and an equitable
- 43.14 cost-sharing structure for regionally beneficial
- 43.15 water supply development projects;
- 43.16 (6) information and tools to use to address
- 43.17 climate change impacts on overall water
- 43.18 supply systems and overall water
- 43.19 sustainability; and
- 43.20 (7) ways to reduce impacts on the groundwater
- 43.21 system through stormwater reuse grants to
- 43.22 assist communities in reducing water use.
- 43.23 (b) \$650,000 the first year and \$750,000 the
- 43.24 second year are for grants that implement
- 43.25 water demand reduction measures. The grants
- 43.26 are to assist municipalities in the metropolitan
- 43.27 area with implementing water demand
- 43.28 reduction measures to ensure the reliability
- 43.29 and protection of drinking water supplies.
- 43.30 **Sec. 9. UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA**
- 43.31 (a) \$400,000 the first year and \$400,000 the
- 43.32 second year are for developing Part A of

	<b>\$</b>	<b><u>1,000,000</u></b>	<b>\$</b>	<b><u>1,400,000</u></b>
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44.1 county geologic atlases. This appropriation is  
44.2 available until June 30, 2030.

44.3 (b) \$600,000 the first year and \$1,000,000 the  
44.4 second year are for a program to evaluate  
44.5 performance and technology transfer for  
44.6 stormwater best management practices, to  
44.7 evaluate best management performance and  
44.8 effectiveness to support meeting total  
44.9 maximum daily loads, to develop standards  
44.10 and incorporate state-of-the-art guidance using  
44.11 minimal impact design standards as the model,  
44.12 and to implement a system to transfer  
44.13 knowledge and technology across the local  
44.14 government, industry, and regulatory sectors.

44.15 This appropriation is available until June 30,  
44.16 2032.

44.17 **Sec. 10. PUBLIC FACILITIES AUTHORITY \$ 8,240,000 \$ 8,300,000**

44.18 (a) \$8,190,000 the first year and \$8,250,000  
44.19 the second year are for the point source  
44.20 implementation grants program under  
44.21 Minnesota Statutes, section 446A.073. This  
44.22 appropriation is available until June 30, 2032.

44.23 (b) \$50,000 the first year and \$50,000 the  
44.24 second year are for small community  
44.25 wastewater treatment grants and loans under  
44.26 Minnesota Statutes, section 446A.075. This  
44.27 appropriation is available until June 30, 2032.

44.28 (c) If there is any uncommitted money at the  
44.29 end of each fiscal year under paragraph (a) or  
44.30 (b), the Public Facilities Authority may  
44.31 transfer the remaining funds to eligible  
44.32 projects under any of the programs listed in  
44.33 this section according to a project's priority

45.1 rank on the Pollution Control Agency's project  
45.2 priority list.

45.3 Sec. 11. **LEGISLATURE** \$ **7,000** \$ **-0-**

45.4 \$7,000 the first year is for the Legislative  
45.5 Coordinating Commission for the website  
45.6 required under Minnesota Statutes, section  
45.7 3.303, subdivision 10.

45.8 Sec. 12. **ASH RIVER SANITARY SEWER COLLECTION AND TREATMENT**  
45.9 **SYSTEM APPROPRIATION EXTENSION.**

45.10 The portion of the appropriation in Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 2, article  
45.11 2, section 5, paragraph (h), as amended by Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 1,  
45.12 article 2, section 18, for the Ash River Sanitary Sewer Collection and Treatment System is  
45.13 available until June 30, 2026.

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

45.15 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 114D.30, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

45.16 Subd. 7. **Reports to legislature.** By January 15 each odd-numbered year, the council  
45.17 must submit a report to the legislature that includes:

45.18 (1) a summary of the activities for which money has been or will be spent in the current  
45.19 biennium;

45.20 (2) the recommendations required under subdivision 6 for how money in the clean water  
45.21 fund should be spent in the next biennium, broken out by fiscal year and including  
45.22 recommended legislative bill language; and

45.23 (3) the impact on economic development of the implementation of efforts to protect and  
45.24 restore groundwater and the impaired waters program.

45.25 **ARTICLE 3**  
45.26 **PARKS AND TRAILS FUND**

45.27 Section 1. **PARKS AND TRAILS FUND APPROPRIATIONS.**

45.28 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies  
45.29 and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the parks and  
45.30 trails fund and are available for the fiscal years indicated for each purpose. The figures  
45.31 "2026" and "2027" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed under the figure



47.1 progress toward providing people with  
 47.2 disabilities greater access to programs, print  
 47.3 publications, and digital media related to the  
 47.4 programs the recipient funds using  
 47.5 appropriations made in this article.

47.6 **Subd. 4. Energy and Water Conservation**

47.7 Grant recipients of parks and trails funds  
 47.8 should prioritize water and energy  
 47.9 conservation technology and the use of  
 47.10 renewable energy for construction and  
 47.11 building projects funded with an appropriation  
 47.12 made in this article.

47.13 **Sec. 3. DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL**  
 47.14 **RESOURCES**

<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>37,120,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>41,511,000</u></b>
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47.15 (a) \$24,310,000 the first year and \$27,222,000  
 47.16 the second year are for state parks, recreation  
 47.17 areas, and trails to:

- 47.18 (1) connect people to the outdoors;
- 47.19 (2) acquire land and create opportunities;
- 47.20 (3) maintain existing holdings; and
- 47.21 (4) improve cooperation by coordinating with  
 47.22 partners to implement the 25-year long-range  
 47.23 parks and trails legacy plan.

47.24 (b) Of the amount appropriated under  
 47.25 paragraph (a), \$100,000 the first year and  
 47.26 \$100,000 the second year are for grants to  
 47.27 Wilderness Inquiry to connect Minnesota  
 47.28 youth and families to natural resources through  
 47.29 activities that support state parks and trails.

47.30 (c) The commissioner may spend money  
 47.31 appropriated under paragraph (a) on I Can!  
 47.32 programs, including but not limited to  
 47.33 programs designed to provide underserved

48.1 youth the opportunity to experience the  
48.2 outdoors with similar peers.

48.3 (d) \$12,146,000 the first year and \$13,561,000  
48.4 the second year are for grants for parks and  
48.5 trails of regional significance outside the  
48.6 seven-county metropolitan area under  
48.7 Minnesota Statutes, section 85.535. The grants  
48.8 awarded under this paragraph must be based  
48.9 on the lists of recommended projects  
48.10 submitted to the legislative committees under  
48.11 Minnesota Statutes, section 85.536,  
48.12 subdivision 10, from the Greater Minnesota  
48.13 Regional Parks and Trails Commission  
48.14 established under Minnesota Statutes, section  
48.15 85.536. Grants funded under this paragraph  
48.16 must support parks and trails of regional or  
48.17 statewide significance that meet the applicable  
48.18 definitions and criteria for regional parks and  
48.19 trails contained in the Greater Minnesota  
48.20 Regional Parks and Trails Strategic Plan  
48.21 adopted by the Greater Minnesota Regional  
48.22 Parks and Trails Commission on April 22,  
48.23 2015. Grant recipients identified under this  
48.24 paragraph must submit a grant application to  
48.25 the commissioner of natural resources. Up to  
48.26 2.5 percent of the appropriation may be used  
48.27 by the commissioner for the actual cost of  
48.28 issuing and monitoring the grants for the  
48.29 commission. Of the amount appropriated,  
48.30 \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the  
48.31 second year are for the Greater Minnesota  
48.32 Regional Parks and Trails Commission to  
48.33 carry out its duties under Minnesota Statutes,  
48.34 section 85.536, including the continued  
48.35 development of a statewide system plan for

- 49.1 regional parks and trails outside the  
49.2 seven-county metropolitan area.
- 49.3 (e) \$50,000 the first year and \$50,000 the  
49.4 second year are for grants to Wilderness  
49.5 Inquiry to connect Minnesota youth and  
49.6 families to natural resources through activities  
49.7 that support parks and trails of regional  
49.8 significance outside the seven-county  
49.9 metropolitan area.
- 49.10 (f) By January 15, 2026, the Greater  
49.11 Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails  
49.12 Commission must submit a list of projects that  
49.13 contains the commission's recommendations  
49.14 for funding from the parks and trails fund for  
49.15 fiscal year 2027 to the chairs and ranking  
49.16 minority members of the legislative  
49.17 committees and divisions with jurisdiction  
49.18 over environment and natural resources and  
49.19 the parks and trails fund.
- 49.20 (g) By January 15, 2026, the Greater  
49.21 Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails  
49.22 Commission must submit a report that contains  
49.23 the commission's criteria for funding from the  
49.24 parks and trails fund, including the criteria  
49.25 used to determine if a park or trail is of  
49.26 regional significance, to the chairs and ranking  
49.27 minority members of the legislative  
49.28 committees and divisions with jurisdiction  
49.29 over environment and natural resources and  
49.30 the parks and trails fund.
- 49.31 (h) \$614,000 the first year and \$678,000 the  
49.32 second year are for coordination and projects  
49.33 between the department, the Metropolitan  
49.34 Council, and the Greater Minnesota Regional  
49.35 Parks and Trails Commission; enhanced



51.1 used only to fund the list of projects approved  
 51.2 by the elected representatives of each of the  
 51.3 metropolitan parks implementing agencies.  
 51.4 Projects funded by the money appropriated  
 51.5 under this section must be substantially  
 51.6 consistent with the project descriptions and  
 51.7 dollar amounts approved by each elected body.  
 51.8 Any money remaining after completing the  
 51.9 listed projects may be spent by the  
 51.10 implementing agencies on projects to support  
 51.11 parks and trails.

51.12 (d) Grant agreements entered into by the  
 51.13 Metropolitan Council and recipients of money  
 51.14 appropriated under this section must ensure  
 51.15 that the money is used to supplement and not  
 51.16 substitute for traditional sources of funding.

51.17 (e) The implementing agencies receiving  
 51.18 appropriations under this section must give  
 51.19 consideration to contracting with Conservation  
 51.20 Corps Minnesota and Iowa for restoration,  
 51.21 maintenance, and other activities.

51.22 **Sec. 5. LEGISLATURE** **\$** **4,000** **\$** **-0-**

51.23 \$4,000 the first year is for the Legislative  
 51.24 Coordinating Commission for the website  
 51.25 required under Minnesota Statutes, section  
 51.26 3.303, subdivision 10.

51.27 **Sec. 6. PARKS AND TRAILS FUND**  
 51.28 **APPROPRIATION EXTENSIONS**

51.29 The availability of the grant to Goodhue  
 51.30 County for the Cannon Valley Trail project  
 51.31 from the parks and trails fund fiscal year 2023  
 51.32 appropriation under Laws 2021, First Special  
 51.33 Session chapter 1, article 3, section 3,  
 51.34 paragraph (b), is extended to June 30, 2027.

52.1 The availability of the grant to Stearns County  
 52.2 for the Beaver Island Trail project from the  
 52.3 parks and trails fund fiscal year 2023  
 52.4 appropriation under Laws 2021, First Special  
 52.5 Session chapter 1, article 3, section 3,  
 52.6 paragraph (b), is extended to June 30, 2027.

52.7 The availability of the grant to the city of  
 52.8 Winona for the Bluffs Traverse Trail project  
 52.9 from the parks and trails fund fiscal year 2023  
 52.10 appropriation under Laws 2021, First Special  
 52.11 Session chapter 1, article 3, section 3,  
 52.12 paragraph (b), is extended to June 30, 2027.

52.13 The availability of the grant to the city of  
 52.14 Austin for the Jay C. Hormel Nature Center  
 52.15 project from the parks and trails fund fiscal  
 52.16 year 2024 appropriation under Laws 2023,  
 52.17 chapter 40, article 3, section 3, paragraph (c),  
 52.18 is extended to June 30, 2027.

52.19 The availability of the grant to the city of  
 52.20 Duluth for the Spirit Mountain Recreation  
 52.21 Area project from the parks and trails fund  
 52.22 fiscal year 2023 appropriation under Laws  
 52.23 2021, First Special Session chapter 1, article  
 52.24 3, section 3, paragraph (b), is extended to June  
 52.25 30, 2027.

52.26 The availability of the grant to the city of  
 52.27 Duluth for the Waabizheshikana/Marten Trail  
 52.28 project from the parks and trails fund fiscal  
 52.29 year 2024 appropriation under Laws 2023,  
 52.30 chapter 40, article 3, section 3, paragraph (c),  
 52.31 is extended to June 30, 2027.

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

52.33 **Sec. 7. CANCELLATIONS**

53.1 (a) The unobligated balance from the parks  
 53.2 and trails fund appropriation under Laws 2019,  
 53.3 First Special Session, chapter 2, article 3,  
 53.4 section 3, paragraph (b), for grants estimated  
 53.5 to be \$10,000 is canceled to the parks and  
 53.6 trails fund no later than June 30, 2025.

53.7 (b) The unobligated balance from the parks  
 53.8 and trails fund appropriation under Laws 2021,  
 53.9 First Special Session, chapter 1, article 3,  
 53.10 section 3, paragraph (b), for grants estimated  
 53.11 to be \$31,000 is canceled to the parks and  
 53.12 trails fund no later than June 30, 2025.

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

53.14 **ARTICLE 4**

53.15 **ARTS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE FUND**

53.16 Section 1. **ARTS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE FUND APPROPRIATIONS.**

53.17 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the entities  
 53.18 and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the arts and cultural  
 53.19 heritage fund and are available for the fiscal years indicated for allowable activities under  
 53.20 the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 15, except that any unencumbered balance  
 53.21 remaining under this article from the first year does not cancel but is available in the second  
 53.22 year. The figures "2026" and "2027" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed  
 53.23 under the figure are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, and June 30, 2027,  
 53.24 respectively. "The first year" is fiscal year 2026. "The second year" is fiscal year 2027. "The  
 53.25 biennium" is fiscal years 2026 and 2027. All appropriations in this article are onetime.

53.26 **APPROPRIATIONS**

53.27 **Available for the Year**

53.28 **Ending June 30**

53.29 **2026**

**2027**

53.30 **Sec. 2. ARTS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE**

53.31 <b><u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>85,293,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>94,618,000</u></b>
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54.1 The amounts that may be spent for each  
 54.2 purpose are specified in the following  
 54.3 subdivisions.

54.4 **Subd. 2. Availability of Appropriation**

54.5 Money appropriated in this article must not  
 54.6 be spent on activities unless they are directly  
 54.7 related to and necessary for a specific  
 54.8 appropriation. Money appropriated in this  
 54.9 article must not be spent on institutional  
 54.10 overhead charges that are not directly related  
 54.11 to and necessary for a specific appropriation.

54.12 Money appropriated in this article must be  
 54.13 spent in accordance with Minnesota  
 54.14 Management and Budget *MMB Guidance to*  
 54.15 *Agencies on Legacy Fund Expenditure.*

54.16 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section  
 54.17 16A.28, and unless otherwise specified in this  
 54.18 article, fiscal year 2026 appropriations are  
 54.19 available until June 30, 2027, and fiscal year  
 54.20 2027 appropriations are available until June  
 54.21 30, 2028. Water and energy conservation  
 54.22 technology and the use of renewable energy  
 54.23 should be priorities for construction and  
 54.24 building projects funded through this  
 54.25 appropriation. If a project receives federal  
 54.26 funds, the period of the appropriation is  
 54.27 extended to equal the availability of federal  
 54.28 funding.

54.29 **Sec. 3. MINNESOTA STATE ARTS BOARD**

54.30 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation**                    **\$        38,136,000** **\$        47,322,000**

54.31 The amounts that may be spent for each  
 54.32 purpose are specified in the following  
 54.33 subdivisions.

54.34 **Subd. 2. Grant Agreements**

55.1 The amounts in this section are appropriated  
 55.2 to the Minnesota State Arts Board for arts, arts  
 55.3 education, arts preservation, and arts access.  
 55.4 Grant agreements entered into by the  
 55.5 Minnesota State Arts Board and other  
 55.6 recipients of appropriations in this section  
 55.7 must ensure that the money is used to  
 55.8 supplement and not substitute for traditional  
 55.9 sources of funding. Each grant program  
 55.10 established in this appropriation must be  
 55.11 separately administered from other state  
 55.12 appropriations for program planning and  
 55.13 outcome measurements, but may take into  
 55.14 consideration other state resources awarded  
 55.15 in the selection of applicants and grant award  
 55.16 size.

55.17 **Subd. 3. Arts and Arts Access Initiatives** 29,669,000 37,978,000

55.18 \$29,669,000 the first year and \$37,978,000  
 55.19 the second year are to support Minnesota  
 55.20 artists and arts organizations in creating,  
 55.21 producing, and presenting high-quality arts  
 55.22 activities; to preserve, maintain, and interpret  
 55.23 art forms and works of art so that they are  
 55.24 accessible to Minnesota audiences; to  
 55.25 overcome barriers to accessing high-quality  
 55.26 arts activities; and to instill the arts into the  
 55.27 community and public life in this state. Grants  
 55.28 provided under this subdivision must prioritize  
 55.29 artists and arts organizations that plan to  
 55.30 present art from communities that have been  
 55.31 historically underrepresented in the arts or that  
 55.32 improve access to the programs and projects  
 55.33 for groups, including youth and historically  
 55.34 underserved communities, that have struggled  
 55.35 to access arts programming in the past.

56.1	<b><u>Subd. 4. Arts Education</u></b>	<b><u>6,013,000</u></b>	<b><u>6,670,000</u></b>
56.2	<u>\$6,013,000 the first year and \$6,670,000 the</u>		
56.3	<u>second year are for high-quality,</u>		
56.4	<u>age-appropriate arts education for Minnesotans</u>		
56.5	<u>of all ages to develop knowledge, skills, and</u>		
56.6	<u>understanding of the arts. Priority in the award</u>		
56.7	<u>of grants under this subdivision must be given</u>		
56.8	<u>to providing educational opportunities to</u>		
56.9	<u>underserved communities with grants for</u>		
56.10	<u>organizations or entities providing</u>		
56.11	<u>opportunities to K-12 students throughout the</u>		
56.12	<u>state for arts education, including access to</u>		
56.13	<u>arts instruction, arts programming, museums,</u>		
56.14	<u>and arts presentations.</u>		
56.15	<b><u>Subd. 5. Arts and Cultural Heritage</u></b>	<b><u>2,004,000</u></b>	<b><u>2,224,000</u></b>
56.16	<u>\$2,004,000 the first year and \$2,224,000 the</u>		
56.17	<u>second year are for events and activities that</u>		
56.18	<u>represent, preserve, and maintain the diverse</u>		
56.19	<u>cultural arts traditions, including folk and</u>		
56.20	<u>traditional artists and art organizations,</u>		
56.21	<u>represented in this state.</u>		
56.22	<b><u>Subd. 6. Administrative Costs</u></b>		
56.23	<u>Up to five percent of the totals in subdivisions</u>		
56.24	<u>3 to 5 each year is for administering grant</u>		
56.25	<u>programs, delivering technical services,</u>		
56.26	<u>providing fiscal oversight for the statewide</u>		
56.27	<u>system, and ensuring accountability in fiscal</u>		
56.28	<u>years 2026 and 2027.</u>		
56.29	<b><u>Subd. 7. Regional Arts Councils</u></b>		
56.30	<u>Thirty percent of the remaining total</u>		
56.31	<u>appropriation to each of the categories listed</u>		
56.32	<u>in subdivisions 3 to 5 is for grants to the</u>		
56.33	<u>regional arts councils. Notwithstanding any</u>		
56.34	<u>other provision of law, regional arts council</u>		

57.1 grants or other arts council grants for touring  
 57.2 programs, projects, or exhibits must ensure  
 57.3 the programs, projects, or exhibits are able to  
 57.4 tour in their own region as well as all other  
 57.5 regions of the state.

57.6 **Subd. 8. Minnesota Musicians**

57.7 \$200,000 each year is for a competitive grant  
 57.8 program to award grants to Minnesota  
 57.9 musicians to create, produce, and perform  
 57.10 music throughout the state.

57.11 **Subd. 9. Youth Literary Grants**

57.12 \$250,000 each year is for competitive grants  
 57.13 to individual authors and organizations  
 57.14 creating and producing books. The grants  
 57.15 under this subdivision must be used for the  
 57.16 creation and distribution of books for youth  
 57.17 that celebrate cultural expression with a focus  
 57.18 on excellent creative work and educational  
 57.19 value.

57.20 **Sec. 4. MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

57.21	<b><u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>19,253,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>19,253,000</u></b>
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57.22 The amounts that may be spent for each  
 57.23 purpose are specified in the following  
 57.24 subdivisions.

57.25 **Subd. 2. Grant Agreements**

57.26 (a) The amounts in this section are  
 57.27 appropriated to the governing board of the  
 57.28 Minnesota Historical Society to preserve and  
 57.29 enhance access to Minnesota's history and its  
 57.30 cultural and historical resources. Grant  
 57.31 agreements entered into by the Minnesota  
 57.32 Historical Society and other recipients of  
 57.33 appropriations in this section must ensure that

58.1 the money is used to supplement and not  
 58.2 substitute for traditional sources of funding.  
 58.3 Money directly appropriated to the Minnesota  
 58.4 Historical Society must be used to supplement  
 58.5 and not substitute for traditional sources of  
 58.6 funding. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes,  
 58.7 section 16A.28, for historic preservation  
 58.8 projects that improve historic structures, the  
 58.9 amounts are available until June 30, 2029. The  
 58.10 Minnesota Historical Society or grant  
 58.11 recipients of the Minnesota Historical Society  
 58.12 using money from the arts and cultural  
 58.13 heritage fund under this section must give  
 58.14 consideration to Conservation Corps  
 58.15 Minnesota and Iowa and Northern Bedrock  
 58.16 Historic Preservation Corps, or an organization  
 58.17 carrying out similar work, for projects with  
 58.18 the potential to need historic preservation  
 58.19 services.

58.20 (b) Up to five percent of the totals in  
 58.21 subdivisions 3 and 4 each year is for  
 58.22 administering grants and grant programs,  
 58.23 delivering technical services, providing fiscal  
 58.24 oversight, and ensuring accountability in fiscal  
 58.25 years 2026 and 2027.

58.26 <b><u>Subd. 3. Historical Grants and Programs</u></b>	<u>19,253,000</u>	<u>19,253,000</u>
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58.27 **(a) Statewide Historic and Cultural Grants**  
 58.28 \$6,993,000 the first year and \$6,993,000 the  
 58.29 second year are for statewide historic and  
 58.30 cultural grants to local, county, regional, or  
 58.31 other historical or cultural organizations or for  
 58.32 activities to preserve significant historic and  
 58.33 cultural resources. Money must be distributed  
 58.34 through a competitive grant process. The  
 58.35 Minnesota Historical Society must administer

59.1 the money using established grant mechanisms  
 59.2 with assistance from the advisory committee  
 59.3 created under Laws 2009, chapter 172, article  
 59.4 4, section 2, subdivision 4, paragraph (b), item  
 59.5 (ii).

59.6 **(b) Statewide History Programs**

59.7 \$7,760,000 the first year and \$7,760,000 the  
 59.8 second year are for historic and cultural  
 59.9 programs and purposes related to the heritage  
 59.10 of the state.

59.11 **(c) History Partnerships**

59.12 \$2,875,000 the first year and \$2,875,000 the  
 59.13 second year are for history partnerships  
 59.14 involving multiple organizations, which may  
 59.15 include the Minnesota Historical Society, to  
 59.16 preserve and enhance access to Minnesota's  
 59.17 history and cultural heritage in all regions of  
 59.18 the state.

59.19 **(d) Statewide Survey of Historical and**  
 59.20 **Archaeological Sites**

59.21 \$375,000 the first year and \$375,000 the  
 59.22 second year are for one or more contracts to  
 59.23 be competitively awarded to conduct statewide  
 59.24 surveys or investigations of Minnesota's sites  
 59.25 of historical, archeological, and cultural  
 59.26 significance. Results of the surveys or  
 59.27 investigations must be published in a  
 59.28 searchable form and available to the public  
 59.29 cost-free. The Minnesota Historical Society,  
 59.30 the Office of the State Archeologist, the Indian  
 59.31 Affairs Council, and the State Historic  
 59.32 Preservation Office must each appoint a  
 59.33 representative to an oversight board to select  
 59.34 contractors and direct the conduct of the  
 59.35 surveys or investigations. The oversight board

60.1 must consult with the Departments of  
60.2 Transportation and Natural Resources.

60.3 **(e) Digital Library**

60.4 \$375,000 the first year and \$375,000 the  
60.5 second year are for a digital library project to  
60.6 preserve, digitize, and share Minnesota  
60.7 images, documents, and historical materials.

60.8 The Minnesota Historical Society must  
60.9 cooperate with the Minitex interlibrary loan  
60.10 system and must jointly share this  
60.11 appropriation for these purposes.

60.12 **Subd. 4. Grants**

875,000

875,000

60.13 (a) \$750,000 each year is for grants to  
60.14 organizations that own buildings or structures  
60.15 that are considered historically significant to  
60.16 their local communities to improve access to  
60.17 the buildings or structures, to preserve the  
60.18 buildings or structures, or to enhance the use  
60.19 of the buildings or structures, including  
60.20 improving access to museums, music halls,  
60.21 opera houses, libraries, and sites celebrating  
60.22 diverse cultures and heritages throughout the  
60.23 state. Grant money not encumbered in the first  
60.24 year is available for statewide history  
60.25 programs in the second year. The Minnesota  
60.26 Historical Society must give priority  
60.27 consideration for funding to the Fairmont  
60.28 Opera House for structural beam repair and  
60.29 the Litchfield Opera House for expanding and  
60.30 installing balcony seating.

60.31 (b) \$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the  
60.32 second year are for a grant to Special Guerrilla  
60.33 Units Veterans and Families of USA, Inc. to  
60.34 collect, document, archive, and preserve the

61.1 oral histories of Hmong veterans of the United  
 61.2 States-sponsored Secret War in Laos and to  
 61.3 create programming and educational resources  
 61.4 to teach the public and future generations  
 61.5 about the history, legacy, and cultural heritage  
 61.6 of the Hmong in Minnesota.

61.7 **Sec. 5. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION        \$        3,000,000 \$        3,000,000**

61.8 \$3,00,000 the first year and \$3,000,000 the  
 61.9 second year are appropriated to the  
 61.10 commissioner of education for grants to the  
 61.11 12 Minnesota regional library systems to  
 61.12 provide educational opportunities in the arts,  
 61.13 history, literary arts, and cultural heritage of  
 61.14 Minnesota. When possible, funding under this  
 61.15 section should be used to promote and share  
 61.16 the work of Minnesota authors, including  
 61.17 authors from diverse backgrounds. This money  
 61.18 must be allocated using the formulas in  
 61.19 Minnesota Statutes, section 134.355,  
 61.20 subdivisions 3 to 5, with the remaining 25  
 61.21 percent to be distributed to all qualifying  
 61.22 systems in an amount proportionate to the  
 61.23 number of qualifying system entities in each  
 61.24 system. For purposes of this section,  
 61.25 "qualifying system entity" means a public  
 61.26 library, a regional library system, a regional  
 61.27 library system headquarters, a county, or an  
 61.28 outreach service program. This money may  
 61.29 be used to sponsor programs provided by  
 61.30 regional libraries or to provide grants to local  
 61.31 arts and cultural heritage programs for  
 61.32 programs in partnership with regional libraries.  
 61.33 This money must be distributed in ten equal  
 61.34 payments per year. Notwithstanding  
 61.35 Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, the



63.1 Minnesota's arts and cultural heritage and  
63.2 history.

63.3 **(b) Association of Minnesota Public Educational**  
63.4 **Radio Stations**

63.5 \$2,050,000 the first year and \$2,050,000 the  
63.6 second year are to the Association of  
63.7 Minnesota Public Educational Radio Stations  
63.8 for production and acquisition grants in  
63.9 accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section  
63.10 129D.19.

63.11 **(c) Public Television**

63.12 \$4,750,000 the first year and \$4,750,000 the  
63.13 second year are to the Minnesota Public  
63.14 Television Association for production and  
63.15 acquisition grants according to Minnesota  
63.16 Statutes, section 129D.18.

63.17 **(d) Como Park Zoo**

63.18 \$1,500,000 the first year and \$1,500,000 the  
63.19 second year are to the Como Park Zoo and  
63.20 Conservatory for program development that  
63.21 features educational programs and habitat  
63.22 enhancement, special exhibits, music  
63.23 appreciation programs, and historical garden  
63.24 access and preservation.

63.25 **(e) Great Lakes Aquarium**

63.26 \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the  
63.27 second year are to the Great Lakes Aquarium  
63.28 for a lake sturgeon project, including an  
63.29 exhibit and public education on lake sturgeon,  
63.30 in cooperation with the commissioner of  
63.31 natural resources, Fond du Lac Band of Lake  
63.32 Superior Chippewa, and United States Fish  
63.33 and Wildlife Services.

63.34 **(f) The Bakken Museum**

64.1 \$75,000 the first year and \$75,000 the second  
 64.2 year are for a grant to The Bakken Museum  
 64.3 for interactive exhibits and outreach programs  
 64.4 on arts and cultural heritage.

64.5 **Sec. 7. MINNESOTA ZOO** **\$ 1,175,000 \$ 1,175,000**

64.6 The amounts in this section are appropriated  
 64.7 to the Minnesota Zoological Board for  
 64.8 programs at and development of the Minnesota  
 64.9 Zoological Garden and to provide access and  
 64.10 education related to programs on the cultural  
 64.11 heritage of Minnesota.

64.12 **Sec. 8. MINNESOTA HUMANITIES CENTER**

64.13 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation** **\$ 12,350,000 \$ 12,493,000**

64.14 The amounts that may be spent for each  
 64.15 purpose are specified in the following  
 64.16 subdivisions.

64.17 **Subd. 2. Grant Agreements**

64.18 (a) The amounts in this section are  
 64.19 appropriated to the Board of Directors of the  
 64.20 Minnesota Humanities Center for the purposes  
 64.21 specified in this section. The Minnesota  
 64.22 Humanities Center may use up to 5.5 percent  
 64.23 of the appropriations for the administration of  
 64.24 these funds and to cover the cost of  
 64.25 administering, planning, evaluating, and  
 64.26 reporting these grants. The Minnesota  
 64.27 Humanities Center must develop a written  
 64.28 plan to issue the grants under this section and  
 64.29 must submit the plan for review and approval  
 64.30 by the commissioner of administration. The  
 64.31 written plan must require the Minnesota  
 64.32 Humanities Center to create and adhere to  
 64.33 grant policies that are similar to those  
 64.34 established according to Minnesota Statutes,

65.1 section 16B.97, subdivision 4, paragraph (a),  
65.2 clause (1).

65.3 (b) No grants awarded under this section may  
65.4 be used for travel outside the state of  
65.5 Minnesota. The grant agreement must specify  
65.6 the repercussions for failing to comply with  
65.7 the grant agreement.

65.8 **Subd. 3. Programs** 2,525,000 2,500,000

65.9 \$2,500,000 the first year and \$2,500,000 the  
65.10 second year are for statewide humanities  
65.11 programs and to support and expand outreach,  
65.12 partnerships, and humanities programming  
65.13 with organizations and individuals throughout  
65.14 the state, including but not limited to  
65.15 programming related to veterans and the  
65.16 military experience, professional development  
65.17 opportunities for educators, and programming  
65.18 celebrating, representing, and reflecting upon  
65.19 the heritage of diverse Minnesota communities  
65.20 that have been historically underserved.

65.21 \$25,000 the first year is for outreach and  
65.22 education on the humanities center grant  
65.23 program with a focus on reaching underserved  
65.24 community organizations and providing  
65.25 assistance with grant opportunities,  
65.26 qualifications, and reporting requirements, and  
65.27 specifically providing technical assistance and  
65.28 a nontraditional application process to improve  
65.29 access to grant funding.

65.30 **Subd. 4. Children's Museum Grants** 500,000 500,000

65.31 \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the  
65.32 second year are for arts and cultural heritage  
65.33 grants to children's museums for arts and  
65.34 cultural exhibits and related educational

66.1 outreach programs. The Minnesota Humanities  
 66.2 Center must administer this money using  
 66.3 established grant mechanisms.

66.4 **Subd. 5. Community Identity and Heritage**  
 66.5 **Grant Program**

8,500,000

8,968,000

66.6 \$8,500,000 the first year and \$8,968,000 the  
 66.7 second year are for a competitive grant  
 66.8 program to provide funding to organizations  
 66.9 or individuals working to create, celebrate,  
 66.10 and teach the art, culture, and heritage of the  
 66.11 many cultural groups that make up Minnesota,  
 66.12 including but not limited to Indigenous  
 66.13 communities, veterans, and historical and  
 66.14 recent immigrant communities. At least  
 66.15 \$2,000,000 each year must be for grants  
 66.16 greater than \$150,000. Grants under this clause  
 66.17 should provide funding focused on preserving,  
 66.18 honoring, and sharing unique cultural  
 66.19 heritages; provide education and student  
 66.20 outreach opportunities related to arts and  
 66.21 culture; support the development of humanities  
 66.22 programming, including the arts; and empower  
 66.23 communities in building their identity and  
 66.24 culture.

66.25 Of this amount, \$1,500,000 each year is for  
 66.26 grants to community-based organizations,  
 66.27 cities, and counties to support cultural festivals  
 66.28 and events throughout the state. The funding  
 66.29 may support arts and cultural programming,  
 66.30 staffing, community outreach, transportation,  
 66.31 facilities and equipment rentals, signage, and  
 66.32 public safety expense reimbursements. The  
 66.33 Minnesota Humanities Center must give  
 66.34 priority consideration for funding to the  
 66.35 Somali Museum Annual Celebration, Twin

67.1	<u>Cities Jazz Fest, Selby Avenue Jazz Fest, the</u>		
67.2	<u>International Hmong Freedom Festival, Cinco</u>		
67.3	<u>de Mayo festival, and Rondo Days in St. Paul;</u>		
67.4	<u>the Hiddo Soor International Somali Cultural</u>		
67.5	<u>Festival in Plymouth; Safe Summer Nights</u>		
67.6	<u>and Somali Independence Day in St. Paul;</u>		
67.7	<u>sesquicentennial celebrations in Osseo and</u>		
67.8	<u>Delano; Sienkane Lao Southeast Asian Music</u>		
67.9	<u>Festival; the Asian American Film Festival;</u>		
67.10	<u>Midnimo; and IgboFest Minnesota.</u>		
67.11	<b><u>Subd. 6. Ethnic Media Grants</u></b>	<u>250,000</u>	<u>250,000</u>
67.12	<u>\$250,000 each year is for competitive grants</u>		
67.13	<u>to provide funding to ethnic media</u>		
67.14	<u>organizations creating educational content that</u>		
67.15	<u>is available to the public and for government</u>		
67.16	<u>access television.</u>		
67.17	<b><u>Subd. 7. Youth Poet Laureate</u></b>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>
67.18	<u>\$100,000 each year is for a grant to a nonprofit</u>		
67.19	<u>to operate a statewide youth poet laureate</u>		
67.20	<u>program in coordination with the Minnesota</u>		
67.21	<u>Humanities Center. The program may provide</u>		
67.22	<u>creative writing outreach, programming, and</u>		
67.23	<u>events related to creative writing and must</u>		
67.24	<u>award a young person who is 13 to 19 years</u>		
67.25	<u>of age, through a competitive process similar</u>		
67.26	<u>to the National Youth Poet Laureate program,</u>		
67.27	<u>to be the Minnesota Youth Poet Laureate and</u>		
67.28	<u>provide opportunities to celebrate, mentor,</u>		
67.29	<u>and highlight the work of the Youth Poet</u>		
67.30	<u>Laureate and young writers in Minnesota.</u>		
67.31	<b><u>Subd. 8. Grants</u></b>	<u>475,000</u>	<u>175,000</u>
67.32	<b><u>(a) (Neo)Muralismos de Mexico</u></b>		
67.33	<u>\$100,000 the first year is for a grant to</u>		
67.34	<u>(Neo)Muralismos de Mexico to expand arts</u>		

68.1 programming that celebrates Latino cultural  
 68.2 heritage through workshops and support to  
 68.3 local artists through capacity building,  
 68.4 professional development, networking, and  
 68.5 presentation opportunities on Latino arts and  
 68.6 culture.

68.7 **(b) Lundstrum Center for the Performing Arts**

68.8 \$200,000 the first year is for a grant to the  
 68.9 Lundstrum Center for the Performing Arts for  
 68.10 after-school educational programming that  
 68.11 includes instruction in dance, voice, and  
 68.12 drama.

68.13 **(c) United Hmong Family**

68.14 \$175,000 each year is for a grant to the United  
 68.15 Hmong Family to provide dance and other arts  
 68.16 and cultural programming.

68.17 **Sec. 9. INDIAN AFFAIRS COUNCIL                    \$            1,000,000 \$            1,000,000**

68.18 (a) \$425,000 each year is to provide grants to  
 68.19 Minnesota Tribal Nations to preserve Dakota  
 68.20 and Ojibwe Indian language and to foster  
 68.21 education programs and services for Dakota  
 68.22 and Ojibwe language.

68.23 (b) \$425,000 each year is to provide grants to  
 68.24 preserve the Dakota and Ojibwe Indian  
 68.25 language through support of projects and  
 68.26 services and to support educational programs  
 68.27 and immersion efforts in Dakota and Ojibwe  
 68.28 language.

68.29 (c) \$150,000 each year is for the Indian Affairs  
 68.30 Council to carry out responsibilities under  
 68.31 Minnesota Statutes, section 307.08, to comply  
 68.32 with Public Law 101-601, the Native  
 68.33 American Graves Protection and Repatriation  
 68.34 Act.



70.1 (1) up to \$125,000 each year may be used to  
 70.2 document and commemorate 100 years of  
 70.3 fostering leadership, agricultural education,  
 70.4 and community service across the state by  
 70.5 creating a history book, video storytelling  
 70.6 series, and an in-person arts-focused event;  
 70.7 and

70.8 (2) any amount not spent for the purposes  
 70.9 described in clause (1) may be used for other  
 70.10 activities that provide new and expanded  
 70.11 access for Minnesota FFA members involved  
 70.12 in art- and history-related FFA activities,  
 70.13 including activities related to national and state  
 70.14 FFA band and choir, state and national FFA  
 70.15 talent competitions, FFA floriculture, and FFA  
 70.16 state fair landscape booths.

70.17 (b) The commissioner of agriculture must  
 70.18 develop grant-making criteria and guidance  
 70.19 for grants under this subdivision to provide  
 70.20 funding for projects and events and must seek  
 70.21 input from the Minnesota FFA and Minnesota  
 70.22 FFA Foundation. The commissioner may use  
 70.23 up to five percent of the amounts in this  
 70.24 subdivision to cover the costs of administering,  
 70.25 planning, evaluating, and reporting these  
 70.26 grants.

70.27 **Sec. 11. LEGISLATIVE COORDINATING**  
 70.28 **COMMISSION**

**\$**                      **4,000 \$**                      **-0-**

70.29 The amount in this section is appropriated to  
 70.30 the Legislative Coordinating Commission to  
 70.31 maintain the website required under Minnesota  
 70.32 Statutes, section 3.303, subdivision 10.

71.1 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 129D.17, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

71.2 Subd. 2. **Expenditures; accountability.** (a) Funding from the arts and cultural heritage  
71.3 fund may be spent only for arts, arts education, and arts access, and to preserve Minnesota's  
71.4 history and cultural heritage. A project or program receiving funding from the arts and  
71.5 cultural heritage fund must include measurable outcomes, and a plan for measuring and  
71.6 evaluating the results. A project or program must be consistent with current scholarship, or  
71.7 best practices, when appropriate and must incorporate state-of-the-art technology when  
71.8 appropriate.

71.9 (b) Funding from the arts and cultural heritage fund may be granted for an entire project  
71.10 or for part of a project so long as the recipient provides a description and cost for the entire  
71.11 project and can demonstrate that it has adequate resources to ensure that the entire project  
71.12 will be completed.

71.13 (c) Money from the arts and cultural heritage fund shall be expended for benefits across  
71.14 all regions and residents of the state.

71.15 (d) A state agency or other recipient of a direct appropriation from the arts and cultural  
71.16 heritage fund must compile and submit all information for funded projects or programs,  
71.17 including the proposed measurable outcomes and all other items required under section  
71.18 3.303, subdivision 10, to the Legislative Coordinating Commission as soon as practicable  
71.19 or by January 15 of the applicable fiscal year, whichever comes first. The Legislative  
71.20 Coordinating Commission must post submitted information on the website required under  
71.21 section 3.303, subdivision 10, as soon as it becomes available.

71.22 (e) Grants funded by the arts and cultural heritage fund must be implemented according  
71.23 to section 16B.98 and must account for all expenditures of funds. Priority for grant proposals  
71.24 must be given to proposals involving grants that will be competitively awarded.

71.25 (f) All money from the arts and cultural heritage fund must be for projects located in  
71.26 Minnesota.

71.27 (g) When practicable, a direct recipient of an appropriation from the arts and cultural  
71.28 heritage fund shall prominently display on the recipient's website home page the legacy  
71.29 logo required under Laws 2009, chapter 172, article 5, section 10, as amended by Laws  
71.30 2010, chapter 361, article 3, section 5, accompanied by the phrase "Click here for more  
71.31 information." When a person clicks on the legacy logo image, the website must direct the  
71.32 person to a web page that includes both the contact information that a person may use to  
71.33 obtain additional information, as well as a link to the Legislative Coordinating Commission  
71.34 website required under section 3.303, subdivision 10.

72.1 (h) Future eligibility for money from the arts and cultural heritage fund is contingent  
 72.2 upon a state agency or other recipient satisfying all applicable requirements in this section,  
 72.3 as well as any additional requirements contained in applicable session law. If the Office of  
 72.4 the Legislative Auditor, in the course of an audit or investigation, publicly reports that a  
 72.5 recipient of money from the arts and cultural heritage fund has not complied with the laws,  
 72.6 rules, or regulations in this section or other laws applicable to the recipient, the recipient  
 72.7 must be listed in an annual report to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over the  
 72.8 legacy funds. The list must be publicly available. The legislative auditor shall remove a  
 72.9 recipient from the list upon determination that the recipient is in compliance. A recipient  
 72.10 on the list is not eligible for future funding from the arts and cultural heritage fund until the  
 72.11 recipient demonstrates compliance to the legislative auditor.

72.12 (i) Any state agency or organization requesting a direct appropriation from the arts and  
 72.13 cultural heritage fund must inform the house of representatives and senate committees  
 72.14 having jurisdiction over the arts and cultural heritage fund, at the time the request for funding  
 72.15 is made, whether the request is supplanting or is a substitution for any previous funding that  
 72.16 was not from a legacy fund and was used for the same purpose and provide a copy of the  
 72.17 most recent year's Internal Revenue Service Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt  
 72.18 From Income Tax.

72.19 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 129D.17, is amended by adding a subdivision  
 72.20 to read:

72.21 Subd. 7. **Construction costs.** Money from the arts and cultural heritage fund must not  
 72.22 be appropriated to fund new construction or for capital construction projects, including  
 72.23 major renovations or long-term building projects, with the exception of preservation of  
 72.24 historic structures or sites. This prohibition does not apply to:

72.25 (1) accessibility accommodations;

72.26 (2) the creation of exhibits or installations; and

72.27 (3) renovations to provide care for collections or facilitate exhibits, installations, or other  
 72.28 projects funded with arts and cultural heritage fund appropriations.

72.29 Sec. 14. Laws 2023, chapter 40, article 4, section 2, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

72.30 **Subd. 6. Department of Administration** 17,040,000 14,105,000

72.31 (a) The amounts in this subdivision are  
 72.32 appropriated to the commissioner of

73.1 administration for grants to the named  
73.2 organizations for the purposes specified in this  
73.3 subdivision. The commissioner of  
73.4 administration may use a portion of this  
73.5 appropriation for costs that are directly related  
73.6 to and necessary for the administration of  
73.7 grants in this subdivision.

73.8 (b) Grant agreements entered into by the  
73.9 commissioner and recipients of appropriations  
73.10 under this subdivision must ensure that money  
73.11 appropriated in this subdivision is used to  
73.12 supplement and not substitute for traditional  
73.13 sources of funding.

73.14 **(c) Minnesota Public Radio**

73.15 \$2,050,000 each year is for Minnesota Public  
73.16 Radio to create programming and expand news  
73.17 service on Minnesota's cultural heritage and  
73.18 history.

73.19 **(d) Association of Minnesota Public Educational**  
73.20 **Radio Stations**

73.21 \$2,050,000 the first year and \$2,050,000 the  
73.22 second year are to the Association of  
73.23 Minnesota Public Educational Radio Stations  
73.24 for production and acquisition grants in  
73.25 accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section  
73.26 129D.19.

73.27 **(e) Public Television**

73.28 \$5,000,000 the first year and \$4,500,000 the  
73.29 second year are to the Minnesota Public  
73.30 Television Association for production and  
73.31 acquisition grants according to Minnesota  
73.32 Statutes, section 129D.18. Of the amount in  
73.33 the first year, \$1,000,000 is for producing  
73.34 Minnesota military and veterans' history

74.1 stories and unique immigrant stories from  
74.2 around the state.

74.3 **(f) Wilderness Inquiry**

74.4 \$500,000 the first year and \$600,000 the  
74.5 second year are to Wilderness Inquiry to  
74.6 preserve Minnesota's outdoor history, culture,  
74.7 and heritage by connecting Minnesota youth  
74.8 and families to natural resources.

74.9 **(g) Como Park Zoo**

74.10 \$1,725,000 each year is to the Como Park Zoo  
74.11 and Conservatory for program development  
74.12 that features educational programs and habitat  
74.13 enhancement, special exhibits, music  
74.14 appreciation programs, and historical garden  
74.15 access and preservation.

74.16 **(h) Science Museum of Minnesota**

74.17 \$825,000 each year is to the Science Museum  
74.18 of Minnesota for arts, arts education, and arts  
74.19 access and to preserve Minnesota's history and  
74.20 cultural heritage, including student and teacher  
74.21 outreach, statewide educational initiatives, and  
74.22 community-based exhibits that preserve  
74.23 Minnesota's history and cultural heritage.

74.24 **(i) Appetite for Change**

74.25 \$200,000 the first year is to the nonprofit  
74.26 Appetite for Change for the Community Cooks  
74.27 programming, which will preserve the cultural  
74.28 heritage of growing and cooking food in  
74.29 Minnesota.

74.30 **(j) Lake Superior Zoo**

74.31 \$150,000 each year is to the Lake Superior  
74.32 Zoo to develop educational exhibits and  
74.33 programs.

75.1 **(k) Great Lakes Aquarium**

75.2 \$250,000 each year is to the Lake Superior  
75.3 Center Authority to prepare, fabricate, and  
75.4 install a hands-on exhibit with interactive  
75.5 learning components to educate Minnesotans  
75.6 on the history of the natural landscape of the  
75.7 state.

75.8 **(l) State Band**

75.9 \$25,000 the first year and \$25,000 the second  
75.10 year are to the Minnesota state band to provide  
75.11 free concerts throughout the state.

75.12 **(m) Veterans Memorial Park in Wyoming**

75.13 \$100,000 the first year is for a grant to the city  
75.14 of Wyoming to build the Veterans Memorial  
75.15 Plaza and related interpretive walk in Railroad  
75.16 Park.

75.17 **(n) Great Northern Festival**

75.18 \$75,000 the first year and \$75,000 the second  
75.19 year are for a grant to support the Great  
75.20 Northern Festival, which connects attendees  
75.21 to parks, outdoor spaces, and cultural venues  
75.22 through a festival.

75.23 **(o) Governor's Council on Developmental  
75.24 Disabilities**

75.25 \$50,000 the first year is to the Minnesota  
75.26 Governor's Council on Developmental  
75.27 Disabilities to continue to preserve and raise  
75.28 awareness of the history of Minnesotans with  
75.29 developmental disabilities.

75.30 **(p) Minnesota Council on Disability**

75.31 \$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the  
75.32 second year are to the Minnesota Council on  
75.33 Disability to provide educational opportunities

76.1 in the arts, history, and cultural heritage of  
 76.2 Minnesotans with disabilities in conjunction  
 76.3 with the 50th anniversary of the Minnesota  
 76.4 Council on Disability. This appropriation is  
 76.5 available until June 30, 2027.

76.6 **(q) Keller Regional Park**

76.7 \$500,000 the first year is for a grant to Ramsey  
 76.8 County to preserve Minnesota's cultural  
 76.9 heritage by enhancing the tuj lub courts at  
 76.10 Keller Regional Park.

76.11 **(r) Vietnam War Anniversary**

76.12 \$250,000 the first year is for a grant to the  
 76.13 commissioner of veterans affairs to prepare  
 76.14 and host a commemoration program for the  
 76.15 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War.

76.16 **(s) St. Paul Cultural Art Installation**

76.17 \$500,000 the first year is for a grant to ~~the city~~  
 76.18 ~~of St. Paul~~ Forecast Public Art for an art  
 76.19 installation celebrating Olympic gold medalist  
 76.20 Suni Lee. This appropriation is available until  
 76.21 June 30, 2027.

76.22 **(t) One Heartland Center**

76.23 \$50,000 each year is for a grant to One  
 76.24 Heartland Center for programming and  
 76.25 outdoor activities for families and youth in  
 76.26 Minnesota.

76.27 **(u) Forest Lake Veterans Memorial**

76.28 \$100,000 the first year is for a grant to the  
 76.29 Forest Lake Veterans Memorial Committee  
 76.30 to construct a memorial to veterans of the  
 76.31 United States armed forces at Lakeside  
 76.32 Memorial Park in the city of Forest Lake. This  
 76.33 appropriation is available until June 30, 2027.

77.1 **(v) Hmong Plaza**

77.2 \$450,000 the first year is for a grant to the city  
77.3 of St. Paul to construct the Hmong Plaza at  
77.4 Phalen Lake.

77.5 **(w) Camille Gage Artist Fellowship**

77.6 \$55,000 the first year and \$55,000 the second  
77.7 year are for a grant to YWCA Minneapolis to  
77.8 fund an annual fellowship to be known as the  
77.9 Camille J. Gage Artist Fellowship. Of this  
77.10 amount, up to \$5,000 each year may be used  
77.11 for administrative expenses. YWCA  
77.12 Minneapolis must select a person for the  
77.13 Camille J. Gage Artist Fellowship after an  
77.14 application process that allows both  
77.15 applications by interested persons and  
77.16 nominations of persons by third parties. By  
77.17 October 1, 2026, YWCA Minneapolis must  
77.18 report to the chairs and ranking minority  
77.19 members of the legislative committees and  
77.20 divisions with jurisdiction over legacy on the  
77.21 use of money appropriated under this  
77.22 paragraph and on the activities of the person  
77.23 selected for the Camille J. Gage Artist  
77.24 Fellowship under this paragraph. This  
77.25 appropriation is available until June 30, 2026.

77.26 **(x) Minnesota African American Heritage  
77.27 Museum and Gallery**

77.28 \$235,000 the first year and \$125,000 the  
77.29 second year are for arts and cultural heritage  
77.30 programming celebrating African American  
77.31 and Black communities in Minnesota. Of the  
77.32 amount in the first year, \$110,000 is for C.  
77.33 Caldwell Fine Arts for an outdoor mural  
77.34 project in North Minneapolis to work with

78.1 young people to develop skills while using art  
78.2 as the impetus.

78.3 **(y) Tibetan American Foundation of Minnesota**

78.4 \$25,000 the first year and \$25,000 the second  
78.5 year are for a grant to the Tibetan American  
78.6 Foundation of Minnesota to celebrate and  
78.7 teach the art, culture, and heritage of Tibetan  
78.8 Americans in Minnesota.

78.9 **(z) Hong De Wu Guan**

78.10 \$25,000 the first year is for a grant to Hong  
78.11 De Wu Guan to create cultural arts projects  
78.12 like Lion Dance for after-school programs for  
78.13 youth.

78.14 **(aa) Sepak Takraw of USA**

78.15 \$50,000 the first year is for a grant to the  
78.16 Sepak Takraw of USA to work with youth and  
78.17 after-school programs in the community to  
78.18 teach the cultural games of tuj lub and sepak  
78.19 takraw. This appropriation may not be used  
78.20 to hold events.

78.21 **(bb) 30,000 Feet**

78.22 \$75,000 the first year and \$75,000 the second  
78.23 year are for a grant to 30,000 Feet, a nonprofit  
78.24 organization, to help youth and community  
78.25 artists further develop their artistic skills, to  
78.26 create community art and artistic  
78.27 performances, and to promote and share  
78.28 African American history and culture through  
78.29 the arts.

78.30 **(cc) Siengkane Lao Minnesota**

78.31 \$50,000 the first year and \$50,000 the second  
78.32 year are for a grant to Siengkane Lao MN to

79.1 create cultural arts projects and to preserve  
79.2 traditional performances.

79.3 **(dd) Hmong Cultural Center**

79.4 \$150,000 the first year and \$150,000 the  
79.5 second year are for a grant to the Hmong  
79.6 Cultural Center of Minnesota for  
79.7 museum-related programming and educational  
79.8 outreach activities to teach the public about  
79.9 the historical, cultural, and folk arts heritage  
79.10 of Hmong Minnesotans.

79.11 **(ee) Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio**

79.12 \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the  
79.13 second year are for a grant to Comunidades  
79.14 Latinas Unidas En Servicio (CLUES) to  
79.15 expand arts programming to celebrate Latino  
79.16 cultural heritage; support local artists; and  
79.17 provide professional development, networking,  
79.18 and presentation opportunities.

79.19 **(ff) Hmong RPA Writing System**

79.20 \$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the  
79.21 second year are for grants to recipients who  
79.22 have demonstrated knowledge and interest in  
79.23 preserving Hmong culture to preserve Hmong  
79.24 Minnesotans' heritage, history, language, and  
79.25 culture. Grants must be used in conjunction  
79.26 with Minnesota universities to improve and  
79.27 develop a unified and standardized Latin  
79.28 alphabet form of the Hmong RPA writing  
79.29 system. No portion of this appropriation may  
79.30 be used to encourage religious membership  
79.31 or to conduct personal ceremonies or events.

79.32 **(gg) Somali Museum of Minnesota**

79.33 \$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the  
79.34 second year are for a grant to the Somali

80.1 Museum of Minnesota for heritage arts and  
80.2 cultural vitality programs to provide classes,  
80.3 exhibits, presentations, and outreach about the  
80.4 Somali community and heritage in Minnesota.

80.5 **(hh) Minnesota Museum of American Art**

80.6 \$200,000 the first year and \$200,000 the  
80.7 second year are for a grant to the Minnesota  
80.8 Museum of American Art for exhibit  
80.9 programming and for a Native American  
80.10 Fellowship at the museum.

80.11 **(ii) Fanka Programs**

80.12 \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the  
80.13 second year are for a grant to Ka Joog  
80.14 statewide Somali-based collaborative  
80.15 programs for arts and cultural heritage. The  
80.16 funding must be used for Fanka programs to  
80.17 provide arts education and workshops, mentor  
80.18 programs, and community presentations and  
80.19 community engagement events throughout  
80.20 Minnesota.

80.21 **(jj) The Bakken Museum**

80.22 \$150,000 the first year is for a grant to The  
80.23 Bakken Museum for interactive exhibits and  
80.24 outreach programs on arts and cultural  
80.25 heritage.

80.26 **(kk) 4-H Shooting Sports**

80.27 \$50,000 the first year is to the University of  
80.28 Minnesota Extension Office to provide grants  
80.29 to Minnesota 4-H chapters that have members  
80.30 participating in state and national  
80.31 4-H-sanctioned shooting sports events.  
80.32 Eligible costs for grant money include  
80.33 shooting sports equipment and supplies and

81.1 event fees associated with participating in state  
81.2 shooting sports events.

81.3 **(ll) Public Art Saint Paul**

81.4 \$75,000 each year is for a grant to Public Art  
81.5 Saint Paul for art programming at the Wakpa  
81.6 Triennial Art Festival to showcase new art  
81.7 across the Twin Cities by Minnesota artists in  
81.8 outdoor and indoor settings and to encourage  
81.9 visitors to experience the arts and culture  
81.10 produced by local arts and culture  
81.11 organizations.

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

81.13 Delete the title and insert:

81.14 "A bill for an act  
81.15 relating to legacy; appropriating money from outdoor heritage, clean water, parks  
81.16 and trails, and arts and cultural heritage funds; extending prior appropriations;  
81.17 providing for leveraging federal grant money; modifying reporting requirements;  
81.18 modifying accountability provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections  
81.19 97A.056, by adding a subdivision; 114D.30, subdivision 7; 129D.17, subdivision  
81.20 2, by adding a subdivision; Laws 2023, chapter 40, article 4, section 2, subdivision  
81.21 6."

81.22 With the recommendation that when so amended the bill be re-referred to the Committee  
81.23 on Ways and Means.

81.24 This Committee action taken April 9, 2025

81.25 ....., Co-Chair

81.26 ....., Co-Chair