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Overview

Chapter 113 funds claims against the state and makes deficiency appropriations and forecast adjustments for the current biennium.

Section

Article 1: Claims Against the State

Overview

This article appropriates general fund money to the Departments of Corrections and Revenue for claims against the state, as approved by the joint legislative subcommittee on claims.

- 1 Department of Corrections.** Appropriates \$59,683 from the general fund for settlement of claims against the state for sentence-to-service and community service claims paid by the department (\$3,472), payment to named individuals for permanent injuries (\$24,231), payment to medical providers for treatment of named individuals injured performing assigned duties or sentence-to-service work (\$22,977), and reimbursement for payment by a named correctional facility (\$350).
- 2 Department of Revenue.** Appropriates \$1,123 from the general fund for payment of property tax refund check and reimbursement of the filing fee for a named individual who failed to cash the check for medical reasons.

Article 2: Fiscal Year 2011 Deficiency Funding and Adjustments

Overview

This article makes appropriations to the named agencies from the general fund for fiscal year 2011 for the specified purposes.

- 1 **Appropriations.** Specifies that the appropriations in this article are in addition to those made in 2009 and are available until June 30, 2011.
- 2 **Department of Public Safety.** Appropriates \$2.043 million as a one-time federal match for disaster assistance for spring flooding in 2009 (DR-1830). The appropriation is available until spent.
- 3 **Tax court.** Appropriates \$38,000, one-time, for operating deficiency and allows \$3,000 to be carried back to fiscal year 2010.
- 4 **Secretary of state.** Appropriates \$471,000, with \$149,000, onetime, for payment of legal fees related to a specified district court case, available until June 30, 2013, and \$322,000 to reimburse counties for the costs of 2010 general election recounts, available until December 31, 2011.
- 5 **Human services.** Reduces by \$3 million, a general fund appropriation for fiscal year 2011 for Minnesota sex offender services. Also cancels in fiscal year 2011, \$11.75 million of a health care access fund appropriation for the COBRA subsidy program with a June 1, 2011, effective date.
- 6 **Sale of state land.** Extends by two years, until 2013, the time for executive agencies to meet the requirements in current law to sell state lands valued at \$6.44 million and deposit the proceeds into the general fund. These land sale requirements were originally enacted in 2005.
- 7 **Appropriations made only once.** Specifies that these appropriations take effect only one time, if they are enacted more than once.
- 8 **Effective date.** This article is effective June 1, 2011.

Article 3: Education Forecast Adjustment

Overview

This article makes changes to the appropriation to the Department of Education to be consistent with the February state forecast.

- 1 - 21 **Education forecast adjustments.** Makes adjustments to general fund appropriations for the following programs:

General Education

General education aid

Enrollment options transportation

Abatement revenue

Consolidation transition

Nonpublic pupil education aid

Nonpublic pupil transportation

Education Excellence

Charter school building lease aid

Charter school startup aid

Integration aid

Inter district desegregation or integration transportation grants

Tribal contract schools

Special Education

Aid for children with disabilities

Travel for home-based services

Facilities and Technology

Deferred maintenance aid

Nutrition

School lunch

School breakfast

Kindergarten milk

Early Education, Prevention, and Self-Sufficiency and Lifelong Learning

Early childhood family education aid

Health and developmental screening aid

Community education aid

Adult basic education aid

3 **Effective date.** This article is effective June 1, 2011.

Article 4: Human Services Forecast Adjustments

Overview

This article makes changes to appropriation to the Department of Human Services to be consistent with the February state forecast.

1 **Department of Human Services forecast adjustments.** Specifies that the changes are added to or subtracted from amounts enacted in 2009 or 2010.

2 **Commissioner of human services.** Reduces appropriations by \$235.463 million, with a \$381.869 million reduction to general fund appropriations, a \$169.514 million increase to health care access appropriations, and a \$23.108 million reduction to federal TANF appropriations. Appropriations for the following programs are adjusted:

Revenue and Pass-through

Children and Economic Assistance

MFIP/DWP Grants	MFIP child care assistance grants
Minnesota supplemental aid grants	Group residential housing grants

Basic Health Care Grants

MinnesotaCare grants	Medical assistance basic health care - families and children
Medical assistance basic health care - elderly and disabled	Medical assistance basic health care - adults without children

Continuing Care Grants

Medical assistance long-term care facilities	Medical assistance long-term care waivers
Chemical dependency entitlement grants	

- 3 Health care grants.** Reduces the health care access fund transfer to the general fund in Laws 2010 retroactive to May 22. Requires a reestimate of the reduction, based on that date and adjustments in fiscal year 2011 to general assistance medical care appropriations to reflect the reductions under this section.
- 4 Effective date.** This article is effective June 1, 2011.