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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

H.F. 7 provides that if a major appropriation bill is not enacted before July 1 of an odd-numbered year, existing appropriations that pertain to that bill remain in effect at the base level for one year.

#### Section

#### **1 Continuing appropriations.**

**Subd. 1. Appropriations continue for one year.** Provides that if a major appropriation bill is not enacted before July 1 of an odd-numbered year, existing base-level appropriation amounts pertaining to the bill remain in effect through the next fiscal year. Authorizes the House and Senate to adopt joint resolutions designating the major appropriation bills and specifying which appropriations pertain to each for purposes of this section.

**Subd. 2. Exceptions and adjustments.** Provides that base-level appropriations continuing under this section must be adjusted so that one-time appropriations do not continue, and appropriations are pro-rated for programs that are scheduled to expire during a fiscal year. Specifies further conditions under which the Commissioner of Finance may make technical adjustments to the amount of an appropriation to accurately reflect the amount that constitutes the annual base level. Requires the Commissioner of Finance to notify the chairs of the Senate Finance and House Ways

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and Means Committees of adjustments made under this subdivision.

**2**        **Effective date.** Section 1 is effective July 1, 2007.