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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

H. F. 174 codifies and extends the expiration date for the Advisory Committee for Technology Standards for Accessibility and Usability. This Advisory Committee was created in a 2009 session law (Laws 2009, chapter 131) and under that law currently is scheduled to expire on June 30, 2011. This bill extends the expiration date to June 30, 2013. The bill also appropriates money from the telecommunications access Minnesota fund.

- 1**     **Advisory Committee for Technology Standards for Accessibility and Usability.** Codifies the law governing the Advisory Committee for Technology Standards for Accessibility and Usability. Currently this group exists under a 2009 session law, but is not codified in Minnesota Statutes.

The membership and duties of this committee remain the same as under the 2009 session law. The sunset date for the group is extended from June 30, 2011 to June 30, 2013.

- 2**     **Appropriations.** Appropriates money from the telecommunications access Minnesota fund for the upcoming biennium:

- \$230,000 each year to the chief information officer in the Office of Enterprise Technology for coordinating technology accessibility and usability;
- \$20,000 each year to the Commission of DeafBlind and Hard of Hearing Minnesotans to provide information on their Web site in American Sign Language and to provide technical assistance to state agencies;
- \$150,000 each year to the Legislative Coordinating Commission to provide captioning of live streaming of legislative activity on the commission's Web site and for a consolidated access fund for other state agencies.

Provides that these appropriations are one-time.