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Overview

Section 1 provides a salary freeze for state employees. Section 2 requires the commissioner of management and budget to allocate \$199.2 million in general fund appropriation reductions in fiscal year 2011 to the executive branch. Section 3 specifies reductions for the house of representatives and certain constitutional officers.

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Salary freeze. Provides that a state employee may not receive a salary or wage increase, effective July 1, 2011. This does not apply to an employee who is promoted or transferred to a position with greater responsibilities.

Forbids a state appointing authority from entering into a collective bargaining agreement or implementing a compensation plan that increases salary or wages in a manner prohibited by this section. Also prohibits an arbitration award that would increase salary or wages in a manner that is prohibited by this section.

This section is codified in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 43A, in which "employee" is defined to include employees in the legislative, executive, and judicial branches.

- Fiscal year 2011 reductions. Directs the MMB commissioner to reduce executive branch spending in fiscal year 2011 by \$ 199.2 million and to allocate that reduction to the agencies of the executive branch. No reductions may be allocated to general or special education funding and the University of Minnesota and the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities funding may not be further reduced in fiscal year 2011. Requires the commissioner to report to the legislature on the agency reductions that apply only to fiscal year 2011.
- **Reductions, legislature, constitutional officers.** Makes reductions in general fund appropriations in fiscal year 2011 for the house of representatives, the state auditor, the attorney general, and the secretary of state.