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Advisory committee for technology standards for accessibility and usability. Increases the membership of the advisory committee for technology standards for accessibility and usability from 10 to 12 members by adding two representatives with disabilities who have expertise in accessible technology and usability. Requires that the overall committee membership include at least four appointees with disabilities.

Modifies duties of the council, including adding a duty to assist the state chief information officer in developing a multi-year strategic plan for improving technology accessibility and usability, and adding a duty to serve as a strategic resource in developing and implementing technology accessibility and usability policies throughout the executive branch.

Extends the expiration date of this council from June 30, 2013 to June 30, 2019.

Telecommunications access Minnesota fund; appropriations. Appropriates money from the telecommunications access Minnesota fund to the chief information officer to coordinate technology accessibility and usability, and to the Legislative Coordinating Commission for providing captioning of legislative activity on the commission's website and for a consolidated access fund for other state agencies.