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This bill transfers the State Historic Preservation Office from the Minnesota Historical Society to the Department of Administration.

Among other things, the State Historic Preservation Office receives and administers federal grant programs and federal laws that apply to historic sites in Minnesota and administers the state's Historic Preservation Plan. If this bill is enacted, the commissioner of administration would be responsible for each of these activities.

The bill requires the commissioner of administration to consult with the Minnesota Historical Society in developing a plan for transfer of these duties. A report to the legislature on the status of the transfer is due January 15, 2018.