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The Department of Administration's Surplus Services unit redistributes donated federal government property to eligible organizations as part of the federal government's surplus property donation program. Eligible organizations include government entities, schools, and various nonprofit organizations. Surplus Services may charge fees to property recipients in order to cover its expenses.

This bill prohibits Surplus Services from charging a fee to a school district or a Minnesota state college or university. A standing appropriation from the general fund—up to a certain amount not yet specified in the bill—would compensate Surplus Services for expenses that went unreimbursed due to this fee waiver.