

File Number: H.F. 4167
Version: First engrossment

Date: April 19, 2018

Authors: Gunther

Subject: Omnibus Legacy Bill

Analyst: Janelle Taylor (Articles 1 & 2)
Mary Mullen (Article 3)

This publication can be made available in alternative formats upon request. Please call 651-296-6753 (voice); or the Minnesota State Relay Service at 1-800-627-3529 (TTY) for assistance. Summaries are also available on our website at: www.house.mn/hrd/.

Overview

This bill contains fiscal year 2019 appropriations from the outdoor heritage fund and supplemental appropriations from the clean water fund and arts and cultural heritage fund.

Article 1: Outdoor Heritage Fund

Overview

This article contains fiscal year 2019 appropriations from the outdoor heritage fund as recommended by the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council (LSOHC)

Section

1 Outdoor heritage appropriation. Technical.

2 Outdoor heritage.

Subd. 1. Total appropriation. Provides a total appropriation of \$113,923,000 from the outdoor heritage fund in fiscal year 2019.

Subd. 2. Prairies. Provides a total appropriation of \$35,288,000 for various prairie projects.

Section

Subd. 3. Forests. Provides a total appropriation of \$9,131,000 for various forest projects.

Subd. 4. Wetlands. Provides a total appropriation of \$28,116,000 for various wetland projects.

Subd. 5. Habitat. Provides a total appropriation of \$40,978,000 for various habitat projects.

Subd. 6. Administration. Provides a total appropriation of \$410,000 in fiscal year 2019 for administration, including contract management services from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), and other expenses.

Subd. 7. Availability of appropriation. States that money appropriated may not be spent on activities unless they are directly related to and necessary for a specific appropriation and are specified in the accomplishment plan and may not be spent on indirect costs or other institutional overhead charges that are not directly related to a specific appropriation. Provides for the availability of funding depending on the use of the funds and whether or not federal funds are also used.

Subd. 8. Payment conditions and capital equipment expenditures. Requires all agreements to be administered on a reimbursement basis unless otherwise provided. Allows reasonable amounts to be advanced in some circumstances if approved as part of an accomplishment plan. Requires capital expenditures that exceed \$10,000 to be itemized and approved as part of an accomplishment plan.

Subd. 9. Mapping. Requires recipients of an appropriation to submit to the DNR geographic information on lands acquired in fee with the appropriation that are open to the public for hunting and fishing for mapping.

Subd. 10. Carryforwards. Extends the availability of two previous appropriations.

3 Council recommendations. Amends § 97A.056, subd. 3. Requires the LSOHC to provide counties with a list of potential land acquisition proposals from nongovernmental organizations the council received for the year by July 1 each year.

4 Project requirements. Amends § 97A.056, subd. 13. Requires nongovernmental organizations to notify, at least 30 days prior to closing on a land acquisition, the county and town boards where the land is located.

Article 2: Clean Water Fund

Overview

This article contains supplemental appropriations from the clean water fund.

1 Clean water fund appropriations. Appropriates a total of \$26,403,000 from the clean water fund.

Section

Subd. 1. Department of Agriculture. Provides \$500,000 to the commissioner of agriculture for the Forever Green Agriculture Initiative.

Subd. 2. Public Facilities Authority. Provides \$1,250,000 to the Public Facilities Authority for the point source implementation grants program.

Subd. 3. Pollution Control Agency. Provides \$10,000 to the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency for the expenses of the Clean Water Council.

Subd. 4. Department of Natural Resources. Provides \$1,000,000 to the commissioner of natural resources for the Minnesota forests for the future program.

Subd. 5. Board of Water and Soil Resources. Provides \$23,300,000 to the Board of Water and Soil Resources for the conservation reserve enhancement program (CREP), various grant programs, and increased irrigation outreach and education.

Subd. 6. University of Minnesota. Provides \$343,000 to the University of Minnesota to evaluate the return on investment of the clean water fund.

Article 3: Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund

Overview

This article amends the State Capitol Preservation Commission law and creates the Capitol Art Exhibit Advisory Committee and the Women's Suffrage 100th Anniversary Commemoration Commission. This articles provides Fiscal Year 2019 funding to the Department of Administration and the Minnesota Humanities Center for the new Committee and Commission as well as other projects.

- 1 **State Capitol Preservation Commission.** Amends the existing State Capitol Preservation Commission by adding two members, changing compensation provisions, and allowing the commission to consider ongoing preservation and maintenance of the State Capitol and to report back to the legislature on those needs by January 15 of each year.
- 2 **Capitol Art Exhibit Advisory Committee.** Creates a new Capitol Arts Advisory Committee that reviews art exhibits for specific areas of the State Capitol. This section provides for the creation of the committee, the committee's duties and membership, members terms, and indicates the committee is subject to the open meeting law.
- 3 **Expenditures; accountability.** Provides that a person receiving funding from the arts and cultural heritage fund must be a resident of Minnesota and must complete projects funded by the arts and cultural heritage fund in Minnesota, or return the funds to the state.
- 4 **Prohibited activities.** Prohibits the use of arts and cultural heritage from being used to fund projects that promote criminal activity or domestic terrorism.
- 5 **Women's Suffrage Commission.** Creates a commission to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Women's Suffrage through the ratification of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. This section provides for membership to the commission, duties of the

Section

commission, compensation of members, and requires a legislative report related to the activities of the commission. This section provides that the commission will expire on December 31, 2020, and is effective the day following final enactment.

- 6 Capitol Art Exhibit Advisory Committee; first appointment and first meeting.** Provides for the first appointments to the committee, creates staggered appointments for members of the committee, and requires the commissioner of administration to convene the first meeting by November 1, 2018.
- 7 Department of Administration; appropriation.** Provides appropriations to the commissioner of administration for grants from fiscal year 2019 funding from the arts and cultural heritage fund for the following programs:
- \$300,000 to the Lake Superior Center Authority for the river system exhibit
 - \$150,000 to the China Friendship Garden in Phalen Park
 - \$50,000 to AMPERS for the Veterans' Voices program on the Korean War
 - \$150,000 to the Preston Historical Society for the Preston Grain Elevator restoration
 - \$100,000 to the Litchfield Opera House for updates to the walls and electrical system
 - \$10,000 to Grove City for the restoration of the Grove City Mill
 - \$60,000 to the Capitol Art Exhibit Advisory Committee to support the new committee and provide staffing
- 8 Minnesota Humanities Center; Appropriation.** Provides \$1,000,000 to the Minnesota Humanities Center to support the work of the Women's Suffrage 100th Anniversary Commemoration Commission.