

Subject Office on the Economic Status of Women

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Overview

This bill provides an appropriation from the general fund to the Legislative Coordinating Commission (LCC) to support its work fulfilling an ongoing statutory requirement that the Commission study matters relating to the economic status of women in Minnesota.

Among the requirements of the appropriation is that it fund the Office on the Economic Status of Women. Funds to support dedicated staff for that office, which is under the LCC's jurisdiction, were eliminated as part of the fiscal year 2018-2019 biennial state government finance budget.

Though these duties have existed in different forms and under different names over time, a statutory obligation for state government to review economic conditions impacting women in Minnesota has existed since the 1970s.