

H.F. 3870

As Introduced

Subject Minnesota National Guard Armories

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Overview

This bill would modify requirements and other provisions pertaining to the management, rental, exchange, and sale of Minnesota National Guard armories.

Summary

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1 State armory building commission, powers.

Expands the purposes for which the Minnesota State Armory Building Commission may transfer money between armory accounts in the Minnesota State Armory Building Commission Fund to include the payment of another armory's reasonable and necessary obligations.

2 **Armory board.**

Grants the adjutant general the authority to control, operate, and use armory buildings and grounds, or to delegate this authority to an armory board consisting of representatives of the officers, warrant officers, or enlisted personnel quartered in the armory. Under current law, this statute grants the authority to control, operate, and use most armory buildings and grounds directly to the armory board.

3 Rentals; proceeds.

Grants to the adjutant general the authority to set armory rental terms and conditions. Under current law, this authority is provided to the armory board.

4 May sell and convey property.

Authorizes the adjutant general to consider other local government contributions when selling or conveying property to a municipality or county.

5 May sell and convey property in certain cases to limited resource municipalities.

Authorizes the adjutant general to sell and convey property to a municipality at a price below the property's appraised value if the sale is advantageous for military

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training, the municipality lacks a sufficient property tax base or other financial resources, and the property remains in public use for at least 25 years.

6 Exchange of property.

Authorizes the adjutant general, with approval from the Land Exchange Board (i.e., the governor, state auditor, and attorney general), to exchange unused armory property for other public or private property, regardless of value, if advantageous for military training or operations, or to reduce management costs.

7 Disposition of unsuitable armory sites and buildings.

Provides that money received by the adjutant general from the sale of unsuitable armory sites and facilities must be credited to the maintenance appropriation of the Department of Military Affairs or the Minnesota State Armory Building Commission. Under current law, these proceeds must be deposited in the general fund.

8 **Bond financed property.**

Provides that any conveyance, sale, or exchange of state general obligation (GO) bond-financed armory property is subject to the restrictions and requirements that apply to the sale of any state GO bond-financed property, including that the sale must be authorized by law, for fair market value, and approved by Minnesota Management and Budget.



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