

1.1 Senator ..... moves to amend S.F. No. 4500 as follows:

1.2 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

1.3 "Section 1. Laws 2020, chapter 71, article 1, section 7, is amended to read:

1.4 **Sec. 7. COVID-19 MINNESOTA FUND.**

1.5 Subdivision 1. **Fund created.** The COVID-19 Minnesota fund is created in the state  
1.6 treasury to pay expenditures related to a peacetime emergency declared by the governor in  
1.7 an executive order that relates to the infectious disease known as COVID-19. Money in the  
1.8 fund, unless otherwise appropriated or transferred, is appropriated to the commissioner of  
1.9 management and budget and may be disbursed or transferred to state agencies as necessary  
1.10 to (1) protect Minnesota citizens from the COVID-19 outbreak, and (2) maintain state  
1.11 government operations throughout the duration of the peacetime emergency. ~~Any money~~  
1.12 ~~in the fund that remains unobligated on May 11, 2020, cancels to the general fund.~~

1.13 Subd. 2. **Legislative COVID-19 Response Commission review.** (a) A Legislative  
1.14 COVID-19 Response Commission is established to review expenditures from the COVID-19  
1.15 Minnesota fund made by the commissioner of management and budget. The majority leader  
1.16 of the senate, the minority leader of the senate, the president of the senate, the chair of the  
1.17 senate Finance Committee, the ranking minority member of the senate Finance Committee,  
1.18 the speaker of the house, the minority leader of the house of representatives, the majority  
1.19 leader of the house of representatives, the chair of the house of representatives Ways and  
1.20 Means Committee, and the ranking minority member of the house of representatives Ways  
1.21 and Means Committee, or their designee, are members of the commission.

1.22 (b) For fiscal year 2020 and fiscal year 2021, the commissioner of management and  
1.23 budget must submit proposed single expenditures from the COVID-19 Minnesota fund that  
1.24 exceed \$1,000,000 to the Legislative COVID-19 Response Commission for its review and  
1.25 recommendations. The submission must include the total amount of the proposed expenditure,  
1.26 the purpose of the proposed expenditure, the time period of the proposed expenditure, and  
1.27 any additional information the commissioner of management and budget determines  
1.28 necessary to properly document the proposed expenditure. Upon receiving a submission,  
1.29 the commission has 24 hours after the request is submitted to review the proposed  
1.30 expenditures submitted under this subdivision.

1.31 (c) Commission members may make a positive recommendation, a negative  
1.32 recommendation, or no recommendation on a proposed expenditure. If a majority of the  
1.33 commission members from the senate and a majority of the commission members from the

2.1 house of representatives make a negative recommendation on a proposed expenditure, the  
2.2 commissioner is prohibited from expending the money. If a majority of the commission  
2.3 members from the senate and a majority of the commission members from the house of  
2.4 representatives do not make a negative recommendation, or if the commission makes no  
2.5 recommendation, the commissioner may expend the money.

2.6 (d) The commission may hold a public meeting to approve or disapprove a proposed  
2.7 expenditure from the COVID-19 Minnesota fund. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes,  
2.8 section 3.055, the commission may conduct a public meeting remotely. The commission  
2.9 may approve or disapprove proposed expenditures without a public meeting. The commission  
2.10 members may approve or disapprove proposed expenditures via written communication  
2.11 sent to the commissioner of management and budget.

2.12 Subd. 3. **Biweekly expenditure report.** The commissioner of management and budget  
2.13 must provide reports on the spending from the COVID-19 Minnesota fund to the Legislative  
2.14 COVID-19 Response Commission on the 15th and last day of each month. The report must  
2.15 include the total amount of each expenditure and transfer, including enacted appropriations  
2.16 and transfers, the purpose of each expenditure and transfer, and any additional information  
2.17 the commissioner of management and budget determines is necessary to properly document  
2.18 each expenditure.

2.19 Sec. 2. Laws 2020, chapter 71, article 1, section 7, the effective date, is amended to read:

2.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment ~~and~~  
2.21 ~~expires May 11, 2020.~~

2.22 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively from May 11, 2020.

2.23 Sec. 3. Laws 2020, chapter 71, article 1, section 8, is amended to read:

2.24 Sec. 8. **FINAL REPORT.**

2.25 The commissioner of management and budget must report all expenditures made under  
2.26 section 7 and all enacted appropriations and transfers from the COVID-19 Minnesota fund  
2.27 to the chairs and ranking minority members of the senate Finance Committee and the house  
2.28 of representatives Ways and Means Committee by July 15, 2021.

2.29 Sec. 4. Laws 2020, chapter 71, article 1, section 8, the effective date, is amended to read:

2.30 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and  
2.31 expires July 16, 2021.

3.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following enactment.

3.2 Sec. 5. Laws 2020, chapter 71, article 1, section 9, the effective date, is amended to read:

3.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment ~~and~~  
3.4 ~~expires May 11, 2020.~~

3.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively from May 11, 2020.

3.6 Sec. 6. **CONTACT TRACING, CASE INVESTIGATION, AND FOLLOW-UP**  
3.7 **SERVICES PROGRAM FOR PERSONS WITH COVID-19.**

3.8 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) The definitions in this subdivision apply to this section.

3.9 (b) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of health.

3.10 (c) "Contact tracing" means a program to identify persons who may be at risk of  
3.11 contracting COVID-19 through contact, in a manner consistent with known or suspected  
3.12 modes of COVID-19 transmission, with a person with COVID-19.

3.13 (d) "Employee" means any person who is employed by an employer to perform health  
3.14 care services in Minnesota for an employer.

3.15 (e) "Employer" means any person having one or more employees in Minnesota and  
3.16 includes the state and political or other governmental subdivisions of the state.

3.17 (f) "Person with COVID-19" means a person who has received a positive diagnostic test  
3.18 for COVID-19 and is currently contagious.

3.19 (g) "Public health response contingency account" or "account" means the account  
3.20 established under Minnesota Statutes, section 144.4199, subdivision 1.

3.21 Subd. 2. **Program established.** In order to control the spread of COVID-19 in the state,  
3.22 the commissioner shall establish a contact tracing, case investigation, and follow-up services  
3.23 program for persons with COVID-19. This program must operate to accurately and efficiently  
3.24 identify contacts of persons with COVID-19, perform case investigations, and provide  
3.25 follow-up services.

3.26 Subd. 3. **Expenditures from public health response contingency**  
3.27 **account.** Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 144.4199, subdivisions 3 and 7, and  
3.28 after meeting the requirement of Minnesota Statutes, section 144.4199 subdivision 5,  
3.29 paragraph (a), the commissioner may make expenditures for the following purposes:

4.1 (1) contact tracing, case investigation, follow-up services, and information technology  
4.2 necessary to support these activities;

4.3 (2) hiring, training, and managing staff and volunteers to perform contact tracing, case  
4.4 investigation, and follow-up services;

4.5 (3) providing essential services, including but not limited to the provision of alternate  
4.6 housing, food delivery, and delivery of medications, to persons with COVID-19 who are  
4.7 subject to isolation or quarantine;

4.8 (4) community education;

4.9 (5) interpreter services;

4.10 (6) community outreach through statewide or local media or other methods of  
4.11 communication;

4.12 (7) purchasing personal protective equipment necessary for staff and volunteers to  
4.13 perform contact tracing, case investigation, and follow-up services;

4.14 (8) providing grants to local health departments, community health boards, and tribal  
4.15 health departments for purposes of this section;

4.16 (9) contracting with a vendor to hire, train, and manage program staff and volunteers;  
4.17 and

4.18 (10) transferring funds to other state agencies as necessary to establish and operate the  
4.19 program.

4.20 **Subd. 4. Health care workers who are furloughed or on unpaid leave. (a)**

4.21 Notwithstanding any law or rule to the contrary, no employer shall prohibit an employee  
4.22 from performing contact tracing, case investigation, and follow-up services under the  
4.23 program established under this section, for a period of one week or more that the employee  
4.24 is furloughed or on unpaid leave of absence, provided such work does not violate the terms  
4.25 of the employee's collective bargaining agreement. An employee who performs contact  
4.26 tracing, case investigation, and follow-up services under the program established under this  
4.27 section shall notify the employer from which the employee has been furloughed or placed  
4.28 on unpaid leave of absence, and shall be available to return to work with that employer upon  
4.29 one week's notice from that employer.

4.30 (b) An employer shall not terminate, retaliate against, or alter the terms, conditions, or  
4.31 benefits of employment of an employee who performs contact tracing, case investigation,  
4.32 and follow-up services under the program established under this section.

5.1 Subd. 5. Expiration. This section expires February 1, 2021.

5.2 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

5.3 Sec. 7. TRANSFERS TO PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE CONTINGENCY  
5.4 ACCOUNT.

5.5 (a) The commissioner of management and budget shall transfer \$..... in fiscal year 2020  
5.6 from the COVID-19 Minnesota Fund to the public health response contingency account  
5.7 under Minnesota Statutes, section 144.4199. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section  
5.8 144.4199, subdivision 4, this transfer is for the contact tracing, case investigation, and  
5.9 follow-up services program for individuals with COVID-19. This is a onetime transfer.

5.10 (b) The commissioner of management and budget shall transfer \$..... in fiscal year 2020  
5.11 from the coronavirus relief fund to the public health response contingency account under  
5.12 Minnesota Statutes, section 144.4199. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 144.4199,  
5.13 subdivision 4, this transfer is for the contact tracing, case investigation, and follow-up  
5.14 services program for individuals with COVID-19. This is a onetime transfer.

5.15 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment."

5.16 Amend the title accordingly