

## THIRTY-FIFTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

St. Paul, Minnesota, Monday, May 12, 2025

The Senate met at 11:00 a.m. and was called to order by the President.

**CALL OF THE SENATE**

Senator Westlin imposed a call of the Senate. The Sergeant at Arms was instructed to bring in the absent members.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Rev. Christy Stang.

The members of the Senate gave the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

The roll was called, and the following Senators were present:

Abeler	Duckworth	Johnson	Mathews	Rarick
Anderson	Farnsworth	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Rasmusson
Bahr	Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Rest
Boldon	Frentz	Koran	Miller	Seeberger
Carlson	Green	Kreun	Mitchell	Utke
Champion	Gruenhagen	Kunesh	Mohamed	Weber
Clark	Gustafson	Kupec	Murphy	Wesenberg
Coleman	Hauschild	Lang	Nelson	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hawj	Latz	Oumou Verbeten	Westrom
Dahms	Heintzeman	Lieske	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Hoffman	Limmer	Pha	Xiong
Dornink	Housley	Lucero	Port	
Draheim	Howe	Mann	Pratt	
Drazkowski	Jasinski	Marty	Putnam	

The President declared a quorum present.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal, as printed and corrected, was approved.

**MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE**

Mr. President:

I have the honor to announce the passage by the House of the following Senate File, AS AMENDED by the House, in which amendments the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested:

**S.F. No. 1832:** A bill for an act relating to state government; establishing a biennial budget for jobs, labor, and economic development; appropriating money for the Department of Employment and Economic Development, Department of Labor and Industry, Bureau of Mediation Services, and Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals; modifying economic development provisions; modifying Explore Minnesota provisions; making labor policy changes; modifying provisions governing the certification of underground telecommunications installers; canceling prior appropriations; creating accounts; requiring reports; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 116J.431, subdivision 2; 116J.659, subdivisions 4, 5; 116J.8733, subdivision 4; 116J.8752, subdivision 2; 116L.04, subdivisions 1, 1a; 116L.05, subdivision 5; 116L.98, subdivision 2; 116M.18, subdivision 3; 116U.05; 116U.06; 116U.15; 116U.30; 116U.35; 177.253, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 177.254, subdivisions 1, 2, by adding a subdivision; 177.27, subdivision 5; 248.07, subdivisions 7, 8; 268.085, subdivision 15; 268.184, subdivision 1; 326B.103, by adding subdivisions; 326B.184, subdivisions 1a, 2; 326B.198, subdivisions 2, 3; 326B.31, subdivision 29; 326B.33, subdivision 21; 326B.37, subdivisions 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, by adding a subdivision; 326B.49, subdivisions 2, 3; 326B.986, subdivision 9; 327.31, by adding a subdivision; 327.32, subdivisions 1a, 1e, 7; 327.33, subdivisions 1, 2, 2a, 2b, 2c, by adding subdivisions; 327B.01, subdivisions 1, 7, 19, by adding subdivisions; 327B.04, subdivisions 3, 4, 6, 7a; 327B.041; 327B.05, subdivision 1; 469.54, subdivision 4; Laws 2023, chapter 53, article 15, section 33, subdivision 4, as amended; article 18, sections 2, subdivisions 1, 4; 3, subdivisions 1, 4, 5; article 20, section 2, subdivision 2, as amended; article 21, section 7, as amended; Laws 2024, chapter 127, article 14, section 3; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 116J; 326B; repealing Laws 2024, chapter 120, article 1, section 13.

Senate File No. 1832 is herewith returned to the Senate.

Patrick Duffy Murphy, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Returned May 9, 2025

Senator Kunesh, for Senator Champion, moved that the Senate do not concur in the amendments by the House to S.F. No. 1832, and that a Conference Committee of 6 members be appointed by the Subcommittee on Conference Committees on the part of the Senate, to act with a like Conference Committee appointed on the part of the House. The motion prevailed.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### Senator McEwen from the Committee on Labor, to which was referred

**S.F. No. 3407:** A bill for an act relating to workers' compensation; adopting recommendations from the Workers' Compensation Advisory Council; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 176.011, subdivisions 9, 11; 176.041, subdivision 1; 176.135, subdivision 1; 176.151; 176.175, subdivision 2; 176.361, subdivision 2; 176.421, subdivision 4; repealing Minnesota Rules, part 5220.2840.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, after line 7, insert:

**"ARTICLE 1****WORKERS' COMPENSATION"**

Page 13, after line 9, insert:

**"ARTICLE 2****OTHER INSURANCE POLICIES****Section 1. [79.101] ATTESTATION REQUIRED.**

Subdivision 1. **Zero estimated exposure.** For purposes of this section, a "zero estimated exposure policy" has the meaning given in section 176.011, subdivision 19a. This section applies to zero estimated exposure policies issued to employers performing building construction or improvement services.

Subd. 2. **Attestation.** Each insurer shall require with or as part of each completed application for a zero estimated exposure policy a statement signed by the applicant attesting to the accuracy of the information on the application, including the applicant's absence of employees and estimated exposure of zero. The attestation shall include the following: "I attest that all information provided on this application is current, true, correct, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further attest that I have no employees and an estimated exposure of zero. If I employ any employees during the policy period, I must provide within 60 days of the employment written notification to my workers' compensation insurer of the employment, including estimated payroll and classification codes of my employees. I understand that omissions or misrepresentations with intent to defraud on this application are a crime under Minnesota Statutes, section 609.611."

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for policies issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2026.

**Sec. 2. [79.102] OWNER- AND CONTRACTOR-CONTROLLED INSURANCE PROGRAMS.**

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) "Project sponsor" means a person who engages the services of a contractor for the purpose of working on a single, specific, and large construction, erection, or demolition project.

(b) "Owner-controlled insurance program" is a single, specific, and large construction, erection, or demolition project for which a series of policies have been issued to a project sponsor and two or more contractors or subcontractors engaged in the project to cover liability for workers' compensation as provided in section 176.181.

(c) "Contractor-controlled insurance program" is a single, specific, and large construction, erection, or demolition project for which a series of policies have been issued to a general contractor or construction manager and two or more contractors or subcontractors engaged in the project to cover liability for workers' compensation as provided in section 176.181.

(d) "Program" means either of the programs under paragraphs (b) or (c).

Subd. 2. **Approval.** (a) Owner- and contractor-controlled insurance programs must be approved by the commissioner.

(b) Separate insurance policies must be issued to each eligible entity involved in the program. Separate legal entities may be insured by one insurance policy in the program only if the same person or group of persons own the majority interest in each such legal entity.

Subd. 3. **Application.** (a) The commissioner, upon application of a project sponsor or general contractor, shall approve or disapprove owner- and contractor-controlled insurance programs within 60 days of receipt of a completed application. The commissioner shall grant approval upon a determination that the project sponsor or general contractor has provided all the information that is available at the time of application required in paragraph (b) and that the program meets the following requirements:

(1) the project has an aggregate value in excess of \$100,000,000;

(2) the project is a specific construction, erection, or demolition project at a single location or multiple related locations;

(3) the project generates a combined \$500,000 or more in annual written workers' compensation premiums in Minnesota for the policies issued to all employers as part of the program;

(4) the project sponsor, contractors, or subcontractors in the program have not been convicted of a crime involving insurance fraud as defined in section 609.611; and

(5) the program's proposed insurer's rates and rating plan for the program have been approved by the commissioner pursuant to section 79.56, subdivision 1, paragraph (a).

(b) A project sponsor or general contractor must provide the following information regarding the project and each individual contractor and subcontractor involved in the program as part of the application to the commissioner:

(1) the name of the proposed insurer;

(2) project location and address;

(3) project sponsor name, address, and telephone number;

(4) addresses and telephone numbers for all contractors and subcontractors in the program;

(5) estimated project duration;

(6) estimated payroll for the project;

(7) estimated number of employees for the project;

(8) classification code or primary business code for the project;

(9) professional or occupational licenses for all contractors in the program;

(10) any professional or occupational license discipline or suspension for all contractors in the program;

(11) any criminal charges or convictions for insurance fraud as defined in section 609.611 of any individuals in the program; and

(12) any bankruptcy or receivership proceedings for any legal entities in the program.

(c) Every three months during the course of a project of an approved program, the project sponsor or general contractor must provide to the commissioner any updates to the application information required by paragraph (b).

(d) The commissioner may share with a licensed data service organization information concerning approved programs. A licensed data service organization must provide upon request to the commissioner any policy issued to an employer involved in an approved program.

(e) An approved program's insurance policies shall provide that upon cancellation of a policy prior to completion of the construction project, the project sponsor or contractor must either replace the insurance or pay the contractor or subcontractor to obtain replacement insurance in an amount equal to the premium paid by the contractor or subcontractor to obtain replacement insurance for the duration of the project.

(f) A project sponsor or general contractor applying for approval of an owner-controlled insurance program or a contractor-controlled insurance program must pay a nonrefundable application fee of \$2,500.

Subd. 4. **Exclusion.** No contractor or subcontractor involved in an approved program may have a zero estimated exposure policy as defined in section 176.011, subdivision 19a, for its work on the program's project.

Subd. 5. **Policy forms and rates.** (a) An approved program's insurer must use forms and auditing standards of a licensed data service organization.

(b) An approved program's insurer must use the experience rating plan of a licensed data service organization.

(c) An approved program's policy deductible or retrospective rating plan retention must be no less than \$50,000 and no more than \$1,000,000. The deductible or retrospective rating plan retention must not be higher than the program's insurer's applicable Workers' Compensation Reinsurance Association retention limit.

(d) To the extent an approved program's insurer deviates from the rates and rating plan approved by the commissioner when determining rates for each employer in the program, the insurer shall submit to the commissioner data and calculations used by the insurer to calculate the deviations within 60 days of the program's policies' effective date.

Subd. 6. **Payroll records.** A project sponsor or general contractor of an approved program must obtain payroll records for the project from all contractors and subcontractors in the program at the

time of premium audit. The project sponsor or general contractor shall maintain the payroll records under this subdivision for three years after the date of completion of the project.

Subd. 7. **Notice required.** All contractors and subcontractors participating in an approved program shall be provided with a copy of the insurance policy that covers their employees. The project sponsor, general contractor, or construction manager shall post the notice required by section 176.139, subdivision 1, at all job sites in English and Spanish, including information about how to submit a claim for compensation under the program's policy or policies. Upon request, contractors and subcontractors must furnish this information to an employee covered by the program in a language that the employee understands.

Subd. 8. **Audits.** The commissioner is authorized to conduct audits and investigations under section 45.027 to determine if insurers and approved owner- and contractor-controlled insurance programs are complying with Minnesota law in the issuance of policies described in this section.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2026.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 176.011, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 19a. **Zero estimated exposure policy.** "Zero estimated exposure policy" means a policy of insurance that an employer obtains to cover the employer's liability to pay compensation under this chapter after reporting the employer's total estimated exposure is zero.

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

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 176.185, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

Subd. 11. **Employment and insurance data.** (a) The following workers' compensation insurance coverage data reported to or collected by the department under this section, or otherwise created or received by the department, is public data required to be reported by an insurer, subject to the limitations provided in paragraph (b):

(1) all action on an insurance policy, but not including the policy itself. Examples of action on a policy are the date of issuance of a new policy, the date of cancellation, or copies of a correction, binder, reinstatement, expiration, cancellation, termination, or declaration page;

(2) the employer's legal name;

(3) every "doing business as" name used by the employer;

(4) the employer's legal form of ownership, such as corporation, partnership, limited partnership, or government entity, and the names of all owners and partners including, for limited partnerships, the names of general partners;

(5) the employer's complete mailing and physical addresses;

(6) the nature of the employer's business;

(7) the policy number;

(8) the effective and expiration dates of the policy;

(9) the name of the insurance carrier;

(10) if the policy has been canceled, the type of cancellation, reason for cancellation, and effective date of cancellation; ~~and~~

(11) the employer's unemployment account number; and

(12) the employer's total estimated exposure amount for a zero estimated exposure policy and the employer's reported construction classification codes for a zero estimated exposure policy.

(b) The commissioner shall release the insurance coverage data listed in paragraph (a) only in response to an inquiry about an employer in which the requester provides employer identifying information required by the commissioner. The commissioner or an entity with whom the department has contracted pursuant to subdivision 10 shall provide a website for such public inquiries and may impose access restrictions necessary to limit access to individual inquiries and to otherwise deter the use of the website for purposes other than insurance verification. Persons who obtain the data prescribed in paragraph (a) from the department are prohibited from using the data for commercial purposes.

(c) For purposes of this subdivision, "employer" includes a policyholder and any other entities listed on the same insurance policy as the employer.

(d) For purposes of this subdivision, "commercial purposes" means the sale or use of insurance coverage data listed in paragraph (a) for marketing or profit.

(e) An entity with whom the department has contracted pursuant to subdivision 10 has a private right of action to enforce the prohibition in paragraph (b) against a person who uses the data for commercial purposes. The entity may bring a civil action to recover damages and costs and disbursements, including reasonable attorney fees, from the person, and for other equitable relief as determined by the court.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2026.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 176.185, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

**Subd. 12. Policies with zero estimated exposure.** If an employer providing or performing building construction or improvement services obtains a zero estimated exposure policy, the employer must provide written notification to all entities the employer directly contracts with to provide or perform building construction or improvement services of the employer's total estimated exposure of zero and provide a copy of the policy. When an entity receives the notification under this subdivision, the entity must maintain the written notification and policy provided for three years from the date the notification and policy were received.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2026."

Amend the title accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance.

Pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4, the bill was referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

### INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

The following bills were read the first time.

#### **Senator Klein introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3507:** A bill for an act relating to retirement; Teachers Retirement Association; providing for an unreduced retirement annuity upon reaching age 60 with 30 years of service; modifying the early retirement reduction factors for annuity commencement before normal retirement age; increasing the postretirement adjustments; removing the postretirement adjustment delay for members who retire before the normal retirement age; increasing employer contributions; increasing the pension adjustment revenue for school districts; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 126C.10, subdivision 37; 354.42, subdivision 3; 354.44, subdivision 6; 356.415, subdivision 1d.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

#### **Senators Latz and Clark introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3508:** A bill for an act relating to civil actions; providing that state entity records are not subject to discovery in certain attorney general civil enforcement actions; clarifying the Official Records Act; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 15.17, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 8.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

#### **Senator Oumou Verbeten introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3509:** A bill for an act relating to corrections; providing for improved medical care in licensed facilities; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 241.021, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

#### **Senators Utke, Gruenhagen, and Koran introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3510:** A bill for an act relating to health; establishing a rural EMS uncompensated care pool payment program; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

### MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Senator Nelson moved that the name of Senator Boldon be added as a co-author to Senate Resolution No. 24. The motion prevailed.



Senator Nelson moved that the name of Senator Boldon be added as a co-author to Senate Resolution No. 25. The motion prevailed.

Senator Nelson moved that the name of Senator Boldon be added as a co-author to Senate Resolution No. 26. The motion prevailed.

Senator Nelson moved that the name of Senator Boldon be added as a co-author to Senate Resolution No. 27. The motion prevailed.

Senator Rarick moved that the name of Senator Oumou Verbeten be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2837. The motion prevailed.

Senator Kunesh moved that H.F. No. 2442 be taken from the table.

The question was taken on the adoption of the motion.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 35 and nays 31, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Port
Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Mitchell	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hoffman	Marty	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Pha	Xiong

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Kunesh cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Mohamed and Murphy.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Utke
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Weber
Coleman	Green	Koran	Miller	Westrom
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Nelson	
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Pratt	
Draheim	Housley	Lieske	Rarick	
Drazkowski	Howe	Limmer	Rasmusson	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senator: Johnson.

The motion prevailed.

Pursuant to Rule 26, Senator Kunesh, designee of the Chair of the Committee on Rules and Administration, designated H.F. No. 2442 a Special Order to be heard immediately.

### **SPECIAL ORDER**

**H.F. No. 2442:** A bill for an act relating to energy; appropriating money for energy and renewable development account programs and activities.

**RECONSIDERATION**

Having voted on the prevailing side, Senator Hoffman moved that the vote whereby the Farnsworth (A-9) amendment to H.F. No. 2442 was adopted on May 9, 2025, be now reconsidered.

The question was taken on the adoption of the motion.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 34 and nays 32, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Mitchell	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hoffman	Marty	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Pha	Xiong
Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Port	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Kunesh cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senator: Murphy.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Utke
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Weber
Coleman	Green	Koran	Miller	Wesenberg
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Nelson	Westrom
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Pratt	
Draheim	Housley	Lieske	Rarick	
Drazkowski	Howe	Limmer	Rasmusson	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Johnson and Wesenberg.

The motion prevailed. So the vote was reconsidered.

The question was taken on the adoption of the Farnsworth (A-9) amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 32 and nays 35, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Utke
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Weber
Coleman	Green	Koran	Miller	Wesenberg
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Nelson	Westrom
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Pratt	
Draheim	Housley	Lieske	Rarick	
Drazkowski	Howe	Limmer	Rasmusson	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Johnson and Wesenberg.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Abeler	Carlson	Clark	Dibble	Frentz
Boldon	Champion	Cwodzinski	Fateh	Gustafson

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Maye Quade  
McEwen  
Mitchell  
Mohamed  
Murphy

Oumou Verbeten  
Pappas  
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Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Kunesh cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senator: Murphy.

The motion did not prevail. So the amendment was not adopted.

Senator Rarick moved to amend H.F. No. 2442, the unofficial engrossment, as follows (A16):

Page 12, after line 22, insert:

"Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 216B.164, subdivision 2a, is amended to read:

Subd. 2a. **Definitions.** (a) For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given them.

(b) "Aggregated meter" means a meter located on the premises of a customer's owned or leased property that is contiguous with property containing the customer's designated meter.

(c) "Capacity" means the number of megawatts alternating current ~~(AC) at the point of interconnection between a distributed generation facility and a utility's electric system~~ that a qualifying facility is capable of producing.

(d) "Cogeneration" means a combined process whereby electrical and useful thermal energy are produced simultaneously.

(e) "Contiguous property" means property owned or leased by the customer sharing a common border, without regard to interruptions in contiguity caused by easements, public thoroughfares, transportation rights-of-way, or utility rights-of-way.

(f) "Customer" means the person who is named on the utility electric bill for the premises.

(g) "Designated meter" means a meter that is physically attached to the customer's facility that the customer-generator designates as the first meter to which net metered credits are to be applied as the primary meter for billing purposes when the customer is serviced by more than one meter.

(h) "Distributed generation" means a facility that:

(1) has a capacity of ten megawatts or less;

(2) is interconnected with a utility's distribution system, over which the commission has jurisdiction; and

(3) generates electricity from natural gas, renewable fuel, or a similarly clean fuel, and may include waste heat, cogeneration, or fuel cell technology.

(i) "High-efficiency distributed generation" means a distributed energy facility that has a minimum efficiency of 40 percent, as calculated under section 272.0211, subdivision 1.

(j) "Net metered facility" means an electric generation facility constructed for the purpose of offsetting energy use through the use of renewable energy or high-efficiency distributed generation sources.

(k) "Renewable energy" has the meaning given in section 216B.2411, subdivision 2.

(l) "Standby charge" means a charge imposed by an electric utility upon a distributed generation facility for the recovery of costs for the provision of standby services, as provided for in a utility's tariffs approved by the commission, necessary to make electricity service available to the distributed generation facility.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 216B.164, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

**Subd. 3. Purchases; small facilities.** (a) This paragraph applies to cooperative electric associations and municipal utilities. For a qualifying facility having less than 40-kilowatt capacity, the customer shall be billed for the net energy supplied by the utility according to the applicable rate schedule for sales to that class of customer. A cooperative electric association or municipal utility may charge an additional fee to recover the fixed costs not already paid for by the customer through the customer's existing billing arrangement. Any additional charge by the utility must be reasonable and appropriate for that class of customer based on the most recent cost of service study. The cost of service study must be made available for review by a customer of the utility upon request. In the case of net input into the utility system by a qualifying facility having less than 40-kilowatt capacity, compensation to the customer shall be at a per kilowatt-hour rate determined under paragraph (c), ~~(d)~~, or (f).

(b) This paragraph applies to public utilities. For a qualifying facility having less than 1,000-kilowatt capacity, the customer shall be billed for the net energy supplied by the utility according to the applicable rate schedule for sales to that class of customer. In the case of net input into the utility system by a qualifying facility having: (1) more than 40-kilowatt but less than 1,000-kilowatt capacity, compensation to the customer shall be at a per kilowatt-hour rate determined under paragraph (c); or (2) less than 40-kilowatt capacity, compensation to the customer shall be at a per-kilowatt rate determined under paragraph (c) or (d).

(c) In setting rates, the commission shall consider the fixed distribution costs to the utility not otherwise accounted for in the basic monthly charge and shall ensure that the costs charged to the qualifying facility are not discriminatory in relation to the costs charged to other customers of the utility. The commission shall set the rates for net input into the utility system based on avoided costs as defined in the Code of Federal Regulations, title 18, section 292.101, paragraph (b)(6), the factors listed in Code of Federal Regulations, title 18, section 292.304, and all other relevant factors.

(d) Notwithstanding any provision in this chapter to the contrary, a qualifying facility ~~having~~ that is interconnected to a public utility and has less than 40-kilowatt capacity may elect that the compensation for net input by the qualifying facility into the utility system ~~shall be~~ is at the average retail utility energy rate. "Average retail utility energy rate" is defined as the average of the retail energy rates, exclusive of special rates based on income, age, or energy conservation, according to the applicable rate schedule of the utility for sales to that class of customer.

(e) If the qualifying facility or net metered facility is interconnected with a nongenerating utility which has a sole source contract with a municipal power agency or a generation and transmission

utility, the nongenerating utility may elect to treat its purchase of any net input under this subdivision as being made on behalf of its supplier and shall be reimbursed by its supplier for any additional costs incurred in making the purchase. Qualifying facilities or net metered facilities having less than 1,000-kilowatt capacity if interconnected to a public utility, or less than 40-kilowatt capacity if interconnected to a cooperative electric association or municipal utility may, at the customer's option, elect to be governed by the provisions of subdivision 4.

(f) A customer with a qualifying facility or net metered facility having a capacity below 40 kilowatts that is interconnected to a cooperative electric association or a municipal utility may elect to be compensated for the customer's net input into the utility system in the form of a kilowatt-hour credit on the customer's energy bill carried forward and applied to subsequent energy bills. Any kilowatt-hour credits carried forward by the customer cancel at the end of the calendar year ~~with no additional compensation~~. A customer must be compensated for a canceled credit at the per kilowatt-hour rate determined under paragraph (c).

(g) This section applies only to qualifying facilities that begin operation after June 30, 2025. Qualifying facilities that began operation before that date are subject to section 216B.164.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2025."

Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

Amend the title accordingly

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 32 and nays 35, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Utke
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Weber
Coleman	Green	Koran	Miller	Wesenberg
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Nelson	Westrom
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Pratt	
Draheim	Housley	Lieske	Rarick	
Drazkowski	Howe	Limmer	Rasmusson	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Anderson, Johnson, and Wesenberg.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Abeler	Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Port
Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Mitchell	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hoffman	Marty	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Pha	Xiong

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Kunesh cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Fateh, and Murphy.

The motion did not prevail. So the amendment was not adopted.

Senator Weber moved to amend H.F. No. 2442, the unofficial engrossment, as follows (A-7):

Page 12, after line 25, insert:

"Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 216B.1691, subdivision 2g, is amended to read:

Subd. 2g. **Carbon-free standard.** (a) In addition to the requirements under subdivisions 2a and 2f, each electric utility must generate or procure sufficient electricity generated from a carbon-free energy technology to provide the electric utility's retail customers in Minnesota, or the retail customers of a distribution utility to which the electric utility provides wholesale electric service, so that the electric utility generates or procures an amount of electricity from carbon-free energy technologies that is equivalent to at least the following standard percentages of the electric utility's total retail electric sales to retail customers in Minnesota by the end of the year indicated:

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| (1) | 2030 | 80 percent for public utilities; 60 percent for other electric utilities |
| (2) | 2035 | 90 percent for all electric utilities                                    |
| (3) | 2040 | 100 percent for all electric utilities.                                  |

(b) For purposes of this section, electricity generated from a carbon-free technology includes electricity generated by a peaking facility that uses only biodiesel fuel, as defined in section 239.77, subdivision 1, paragraph (b), for the first 400 hours each year in which the peaking facility uses only biodiesel fuel.

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

Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

Amend the title accordingly

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 32 and nays 35, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Utke
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Weber
Coleman	Green	Koran	Miller	Wesenberg
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Nelson	Westrom
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Pratt	
Draheim	Housley	Lieske	Rarick	
Draskowski	Howe	Limmer	Rasmusson	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Johnson, Miller, and Wesenberg.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Abeler	Champion	Dibble	Gustafson	Hoffman
Boldon	Clark	Fateh	Hauschild	Johnson Stewart
Carlson	Cwodzinski	Frentz	Hawj	Klein

Kunesh	Marty	Mohamed	Pha	Seeberger
Kupec	Maye Quade	Murphy	Port	Westlin
Latz	McEwen	Oumou Verbeten	Putnam	Wiklund
Mann	Mitchell	Pappas	Rest	Xiong

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Kunesh cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Fateh, and Murphy.

The motion did not prevail. So the amendment was not adopted.

Senator Drazkowski moved to amend H.F. No. 2442, the unofficial engrossment, as follows (A-4):

Page 20, after line 1, insert:

**"Sec. 15. [216L.081] APPLICATION OF COUNTY STANDARDS.**

A county may adopt, by ordinance, standards for large wind energy conversion systems and solar energy generating systems that are more stringent than standards in commission rules or in the commission's permit standards. The commission, in considering a permit application for large wind energy conversion systems and solar energy generating systems in a county that has adopted more stringent standards, shall consider and apply those more stringent standards, unless the commission finds good cause not to apply the standards."

Amend the title accordingly

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 32 and nays 35, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Utke
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Weber
Coleman	Green	Koran	Miller	Wesenberg
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Nelson	Westrom
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Pratt	
Draheim	Housley	Lieske	Rarick	
Drazkowski	Howe	Limmer	Rasmusson	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Johnson and Wesenberg.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Abeler	Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Port
Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Mitchell	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hoffman	Marty	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Pha	Xiong

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Kunesh cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Fateh, and Murphy.

The motion did not prevail. So the amendment was not adopted.

Senator Mathews moved to amend H.F. No. 2442, the unofficial engrossment, as follows (A17):

Page 13, after line 26, insert:

"Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 216B.243, subdivision 3b, is amended to read:

Subd. 3b. ~~Nuclear power plant; new construction prohibited; relicensing~~ **Additional storage of spent nuclear fuel.** (a) ~~The commission may not issue a certificate of need for the construction of a new nuclear-powered electric generating plant.~~

(b) Any certificate of need for additional storage of spent nuclear fuel for a facility seeking a license extension shall address the impacts of continued operations over the period for which approval is sought.

(b) Any new nuclear generation facility must not store nuclear waste within 20 miles of the Prairie Island Community reservation boundary.

(c) The commission must not approve new nuclear generation facilities of any type within 20 miles of the Prairie Island Community reservation boundary.

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

Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

Amend the title accordingly

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 32 and nays 35, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Utke
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Weber
Coleman	Green	Koran	Miller	Wesenberg
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Nelson	Westrom
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Pratt	
Draheim	Housley	Lieske	Rarick	
Drazkowski	Howe	Limmer	Rasmusson	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Johnson, Limmer, and Wesenberg.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Abeler	Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Port
Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Mitchell	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hoffman	Marty	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Pha	Xiong



Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Kunesch cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Fateh, Latz, Marty, and Murphy.

The motion did not prevail. So the amendment was not adopted.

H.F. No. 2442 was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 36 and nays 31, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Frentz	Kupec	Murphy	Seeberger
Boldon	Gustafson	Latz	Nelson	Westlin
Carlson	Hauschild	Mann	Oumou Verbeten	Wiklund
Champion	Hawj	Marty	Pappas	Xiong
Clark	Hoffman	Maye Quade	Pha	
Cwodzinski	Johnson Stewart	McEwen	Port	
Dibble	Klein	Mitchell	Putnam	
Fateh	Kunesch	Mohamed	Rest	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Kunesch cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Clark, Dibble, Fateh, Johnson Stewart, Latz, Marty, Murphy, Oumou Verbeten, Putnam, Seeberger, and Westlin.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Weber
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Wesenberg
Coleman	Green	Koran	Miller	Westrom
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Pratt	
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Rarick	
Draheim	Housley	Lieske	Rasmusson	
Drazkowski	Howe	Limmer	Utke	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Rasmusson cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Duckworth, Jasinski, Johnson, Koran, Lieske, and Wesenberg.

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

#### **CONFERENCE COMMITTEE EXCUSED**

Pursuant to Rule 12.5, Senator Dibble moved that the following members be excused for a Conference Committee on H.F. No. 2438 at 1:00 p.m.:

Senators Dibble, Johnson Stewart, Jasinski, Carlson, and Clark. The motion prevailed.

#### **CONFERENCE COMMITTEE EXCUSED**

Pursuant to Rule 12.5, Senator Latz moved that the following members be excused for a Conference Committee on H.F. No. 2432 at 1:00 p.m.:

Senators Latz, Oumou Verbeten, Seeberger, Westlin, and Clark. The motion prevailed.

**CONFERENCE COMMITTEE EXCUSED**

Pursuant to Rule 12.5, Senator Fateh moved that the following members be excused for a Conference Committee on H.F. No. 2431 at 1:00 p.m.:

Senators Fateh, Putnam, and Duckworth. The motion prevailed.

**MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS - CONTINUED**

Senator Kunesh moved that H.F. No. 2563 be taken from the table.

The question was taken on the adoption of the motion.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 35 and nays 32, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Port
Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Mitchell	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hoffman	Marty	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Pha	Xiong

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Kunesh cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Clark, Dibble, Fateh, Johnson Stewart, Latz, Marty, Murphy, Oumou Verbeten, Putnam, Seeberger, Westlin, and Xiong.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Utke
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Weber
Coleman	Green	Koran	Miller	Wesenberg
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Nelson	Westrom
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Pratt	
Draheim	Housley	Lieske	Rarick	
Drazkowski	Howe	Limmer	Rasmusson	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Rasmusson cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Duckworth, Jasinski, Johnson, Koran, Lieske, and Wesenberg.

The motion prevailed.

Pursuant to Rule 26, Senator Kunesh, designee of the Chair of the Committee on Rules and Administration, designated H.F. No. 2563 a Special Order to be heard immediately.

**SPECIAL ORDER**

**H.F. No. 2563:** A bill for an act relating to legacy; appropriating money from outdoor heritage, clean water, parks and trails, and arts and cultural heritage funds; extending prior appropriations; providing for leveraging federal grant money; modifying reporting requirements; modifying accountability provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 97A.056, by adding a

subdivision; 114D.30, subdivision 7; 129D.17, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; Laws 2023, chapter 40, article 4, section 2, subdivision 6.

Senator Hawj moved to amend H.F. No. 2563, as amended pursuant to Rule 45, adopted by the Senate April 29, 2025, as follows (A23):

(The text of the amended House File is identical to S.F. No. 2865.)

Page 53, delete article 4 and insert:

## **"ARTICLE 4**

### **ARTS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE FUND**

#### Section 1. **ARTS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE FUND APPROPRIATIONS.**

The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the entities and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the arts and cultural heritage fund and are available for the fiscal years indicated for allowable activities under the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 15, except that any unencumbered balance remaining under this article from the first year does not cancel but is available in the second year. The figures "2026" and "2027" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed under the figure are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, and June 30, 2027, respectively. "The first year" is fiscal year 2026. "The second year" is fiscal year 2027. "The biennium" is fiscal years 2026 and 2027. All appropriations in this article are onetime.

<b><u>APPROPRIATIONS</u></b>	
<b><u>Available for the Year</u></b>	
<b><u>Ending June 30</u></b>	
<b><u>2026</u></b>	<b><u>2027</u></b>

#### Sec. 2. **ARTS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE**

<b><u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>85,293,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>94,618,000</u></b>
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The amounts that may be spent for each purpose are specified in the following subdivisions.

#### Subd. 2. **Availability of Appropriation**

Money appropriated in this article must not be spent on activities unless they are directly related to and necessary for a specific appropriation. Money appropriated in this article must not be spent on institutional overhead charges that are not directly related to and necessary for a specific appropriation.

Money appropriated in this article must be spent in accordance with Minnesota Management and Budget MMB Guidance to Agencies on Legacy Fund Expenditure. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, and unless otherwise specified in this article, fiscal year 2026 appropriations are available until June 30, 2027, and fiscal year 2027 appropriations are available until June 30, 2028. Water and energy conservation technology and the use of renewable energy should be priorities for construction and building projects funded through this appropriation. If a project receives federal funds, the period of the appropriation is extended to equal the availability of federal funding.

### **Sec. 3. MINNESOTA STATE ARTS BOARD**

<b><u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>40,088,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>44,470,000</u></b>
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The amounts that may be spent for each purpose are specified in the following subdivisions.

#### **Subd. 2. Grant Agreements**

The amounts in this section are appropriated to the Minnesota State Arts Board for arts, arts education, arts preservation, and arts access. Grant agreements entered into by the Minnesota State Arts Board and other recipients of appropriations in this section must ensure that the money is used to supplement and not substitute for traditional sources of funding. Each grant program established in this appropriation must be separately administered from other state appropriations for program planning and outcome measurements, but may take into consideration other state resources awarded in the selection of applicants and grant award size.

<b><u>Subd. 3. Arts and Arts Access Initiatives</u></b>	<b><u>32,071,000</u></b>	<b><u>35,576,000</u></b>
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\$32,071,000 the first year and \$35,576,000 the second year are to support Minnesota

artists and arts organizations in creating, producing, and presenting high-quality arts activities; to preserve, maintain, and interpret art forms and works of art so that they are accessible to Minnesota audiences; to overcome barriers to accessing high-quality arts activities; and to instill the arts into the community and public life in this state. Grants provided under this subdivision must prioritize artists and arts organizations that plan to present art from communities that have been historically underrepresented in the arts or that improve access to the programs and projects for groups, including youth and historically underserved communities, that have struggled to access arts programming in the past.

**Subd. 4. Arts Education**

6,013,000

6,670,000

\$6,013,000 the first year and \$6,670,000 the second year are for high-quality, age-appropriate arts education for Minnesotans of all ages to develop knowledge, skills, and understanding of the arts. Priority in the award of grants under this subdivision must be given to providing educational opportunities to underserved communities with grants for organizations or entities providing opportunities to K-12 students throughout the state for arts education, including access to arts instruction, arts programming, museums, and arts presentations.

**Subd. 5. Arts and Cultural Heritage**

2,004,000

2,224,000

\$2,004,000 the first year and \$2,224,000 the second year are for events and activities that represent, preserve, and maintain the diverse cultural arts traditions, including folk and traditional artists and art organizations, represented in this state.

**Subd. 6. Administrative Costs**

Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.98, subdivision 14, up to five percent of the totals in subdivisions 3 to 5 each year is

for administering grant programs, delivering technical services, providing fiscal oversight for the statewide system, and ensuring accountability in fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

**Subd. 7. Regional Arts Councils**

Thirty percent of the remaining total appropriation to each of the categories listed in subdivisions 3 to 5 is for grants to the regional arts councils. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, regional arts council grants or other arts council grants for touring programs, projects, or exhibits must ensure the programs, projects, or exhibits are able to tour in their own region as well as all other regions of the state.

**Sec. 4. MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

<b><u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>14,409,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>20,000,000</u></b>
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The amounts that may be spent for each purpose are specified in the following subdivisions.

**Subd. 2. Grant Agreements**

(a) The amounts in this section are appropriated to the governing board of the Minnesota Historical Society to preserve and enhance access to Minnesota's history and its cultural and historical resources. Grant agreements entered into by the Minnesota Historical Society and other recipients of appropriations in this section must ensure that the money is used to supplement and not substitute for traditional sources of funding. Money directly appropriated to the Minnesota Historical Society must be used to supplement and not substitute for traditional sources of funding. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, for historic preservation projects that improve historic structures, the amounts are available until June 30, 2029. The Minnesota Historical Society or grant recipients of the Minnesota Historical Society using money from the arts and cultural heritage fund under

this section must give consideration to Conservation Corps Minnesota and Iowa and Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps, or an organization carrying out similar work, for projects with the potential to need historic preservation services.

(b) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.98, subdivision 14, up to five percent of the totals in subdivisions 3 and 4 each year is for administering grants and grant programs, delivering technical services, providing fiscal oversight, and ensuring accountability in fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

**Subd. 3. Historical Grants and Programs**

14,284,000

19,875,000

**(a) Statewide Historic and Cultural Grants**

\$4,822,000 the first year and \$7,640,000 the second year are for statewide historic and cultural grants to local, county, regional, or other historical or cultural organizations or for activities to preserve significant historic and cultural resources. Money must be distributed through a competitive grant process. The Minnesota Historical Society must administer the money using established grant mechanisms with assistance from the advisory committee created under Laws 2009, chapter 172, article 4, section 2, subdivision 4, paragraph (b), item (ii).

**(b) Statewide History Programs**

\$4,940,000 the first year and \$7,640,000 the second year are for historic and cultural programs and purposes related to the heritage of the state.

**(c) History Partnerships**

\$1,812,000 the first year and \$2,935,000 the second year are for history partnerships involving multiple organizations, which may include the Minnesota Historical Society, to preserve and enhance access to Minnesota's history and cultural heritage in all regions of the state.

**(d) Statewide Survey of Historical and Archaeological Sites**

\$330,000 the first year and \$330,000 the second year are for one or more contracts to be competitively awarded to conduct statewide surveys or investigations of Minnesota's sites of historical, archeological, and cultural significance. Results of the surveys or investigations must be published in a searchable form and available to the public cost free. The Minnesota Historical Society, the Office of the State Archeologist, the Indian Affairs Council, and the State Historic Preservation Office must each appoint a representative to an oversight board to select contractors and direct the conduct of the surveys or investigations. The oversight board must consult with the Departments of Transportation and Natural Resources.

**(e) Digital Library**

\$330,000 the first year and \$330,000 the second year are for a digital library project to preserve, digitize, and share Minnesota images, documents, and historical materials. The Minnesota Historical Society must cooperate with the Minitex interlibrary loan system and must jointly share this appropriation for these purposes.

**(f) 250th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence**

\$200,000 the first year is for Minnesota's commemoration of the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. The Minnesota Historical Society, the Minnesota America 250 Committee, and the Minnesota Humanities Center must work collaboratively to create public programs and activities and to support local efforts to commemorate this anniversary. A portion of this money may be used to support the work of the Minnesota America 250 Committee.

**(g) Memorials and Statues**



\$950,000 the first year and \$1,000,000 the second year are for grants to community-based organizations and local units of government for statues and memorials commemorating the historical significance and cultural contributions of Minnesotans. The governing board of the Minnesota Historical Society must give priority consideration for funding under this paragraph to the city of St. Paul to design and construct a mural and statue honoring Tou Ger Xiong at Lake Phalen's Tou Ger Xiong Island in St. Paul; the city of Marshall to replace the historic bandshell at Liberty Park; the Dakota County Historical Society to design and build the Heroes and Heritage Interpretive Trail Loop along existing paved trails in South St. Paul, West St. Paul, and Inver Grove Heights; and the Forest Lake Veterans Memorial Committee to construct a memorial to veterans of the United States armed forces at Lakeside Memorial Park in the city of Forest Lake.

**(h) 50 Years of Southeast Asians in Minnesota**

\$900,000 the first year is for competitive grants to eligible community organizations to commemorate 50 years of Southeast Asians in Minnesota. This funding is in addition to and for the same purposes as the grant program appropriated in Laws 2024, chapter 106, article 4, section 2, subdivision 6, paragraph (b), clause (2). Any funds remaining may be used for the competitive grants program in paragraph (a).

**Subd. 4. Grants**

125,000

125,000

\$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the second year are for a grant to Special Guerrilla Units Veterans and Families of USA, Inc. to collect, document, archive, and preserve the oral histories of Hmong veterans of the United States-sponsored Secret War in Laos and to create programming and educational resources to teach the public and future generations about the history, legacy,

and cultural heritage of the Hmong in Minnesota.

Sec. 5. <b><u>DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>1,923,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>2,923,000</u></b>
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\$1,923,000 the first year and \$2,923,000 the second year are appropriated to the commissioner of education for grants to the 12 Minnesota regional library systems to provide educational opportunities in the arts, history, literary arts, and cultural heritage of Minnesota. When possible, funding under this section should be used to promote and share the work of Minnesota authors, including authors from diverse backgrounds. This money must be allocated using the formulas in Minnesota Statutes, section 134.355, subdivisions 3 to 5, with the remaining 25 percent to be distributed to all qualifying systems in an amount proportionate to the number of qualifying system entities in each system. For purposes of this section, "qualifying system entity" means a public library, a regional library system, a regional library system headquarters, a county, or an outreach service program. This money may be used to sponsor programs provided by regional libraries or to provide grants to local arts and cultural heritage programs for programs in partnership with regional libraries. This money must be distributed in ten equal payments per year. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, the appropriations encumbered on or before June 30, 2027, as grants or contracts in this section are available until June 30, 2029. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.98, subdivision 14, up to two percent of the amount in this section is for administering the grants in this section.

Sec. 6. **DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION**

Subdivision 1. <b><u>Total Appropriation</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>10,787,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>11,387,000</u></b>
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The amounts that may be spent for each purpose are specified in the following subdivisions.

**Subd. 2. Grant Agreements**

(a) The amounts in this section are appropriated to the commissioner of administration for grants to the named organizations for the purposes specified in this section.

(b) Grant agreements entered into by the commissioner and recipients of appropriations under this section must ensure that money appropriated in this section is used to supplement and not substitute for traditional sources of funding.

(c) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.98, subdivision 14, up to three percent of the amounts in subdivision 3 are for administering the grants, providing fiscal oversight, and ensuring accountability in fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

**Subd. 3. Grants**

10,687,000

11,387,000

**(a) Minnesota Public Radio**

\$1,557,000 the first year and \$2,057,000 the second year are for Minnesota Public Radio to create programming and expand news service on Minnesota's cultural heritage and history.

**(b) Association of Minnesota Public Educational Radio Stations**

\$1,557,000 the first year and \$2,057,000 the second year are to the Association of Minnesota Public Educational Radio Stations for production and acquisition grants in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 129D.19.

**(c) Public Television**

\$3,686,000 the first year and \$4,686,000 the second year are to the Minnesota Public Television Association for production and

acquisition grants according to Minnesota Statutes, section 129D.18.

**(d) Wilderness Inquiry**

\$485,000 the first year and \$485,000 the second year are to Wilderness Inquiry to preserve Minnesota's outdoor history, culture, and heritage by connecting Minnesota youth and families to natural resources.

**(e) Como Park Zoo**

\$1,520,000 the first year and \$1,520,000 the second year are to the Como Park Zoo and Conservatory for program development that features educational programs and habitat enhancement, special exhibits, music appreciation programs, and historical garden access and preservation.

**(f) Science Museum of Minnesota**

\$450,000 the first year and \$450,000 the second year are to the Science Museum of Minnesota for arts, arts education, and arts access and to preserve Minnesota's history and cultural heritage, including student and teacher outreach, statewide educational initiatives, and community-based exhibits that preserve Minnesota's history and cultural heritage.

**(g) Lake Superior Zoo**

\$132,000 the first year and \$132,000 the second year are to the Lake Superior Zoo to develop educational exhibits and programs.

**(h) Taste of Minnesota**

\$1,300,000 the first year is for a grant to the Minneapolis Downtown Council to support the Taste of Minnesota event. This appropriation is for infrastructure and associated costs, including but not limited to event build-out, permits, waste management, staffing, security, equipment rentals, signs, and insurance.

**(i) Minnesota African American Heritage Museum and Gallery**

\$100,000 the first year is for a grant to the Minnesota African American Heritage Museum and Gallery for cultural programming.

Sec. 7. <b><u>MINNESOTA ZOO</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>1,490,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>2,150,000</u></b>
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The amounts in this section are appropriated to the Minnesota Zoological Board for programs at and development of the Minnesota Zoological Garden and to provide access and education related to programs on the cultural heritage of Minnesota.

**Sec. 8. MINNESOTA HUMANITIES CENTER**

Subdivision 1. <b><u>Total Appropriation</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>13,959,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>11,056,000</u></b>
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The amounts that may be spent for each purpose are specified in the following subdivisions.

**Subd. 2. Grant Agreements**

(a) The amounts in this section are appropriated to the Board of Directors of the Minnesota Humanities Center for the purposes specified in this section. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.98, subdivision 14, the Minnesota Humanities Center may use up to 5.5 percent of the appropriations for the administration of these funds and to cover the cost of administering, planning, evaluating, and reporting these grants. The Minnesota Humanities Center must develop a written plan to issue the grants under this section and must submit the plan for review and approval by the commissioner of administration. The written plan must require the Minnesota Humanities Center to create and adhere to grant policies that are similar to those established according to Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.97, subdivision 4, paragraph (a), clause (1).

(b) No grants awarded under this section may be used for travel outside the state of Minnesota. The grant agreement must specify the repercussions for failing to comply with the grant agreement.

**Subd. 3. Programs**

1,912,000

1,762,000

(a) \$1,762,000 the first year and \$1,762,000 the second year are for statewide humanities programs and to support and expand outreach, partnerships, and humanities programming with organizations and individuals throughout the state, including but not limited to programming related to veterans and the military experience; professional development opportunities for educators; and programming celebrating, representing, and reflecting upon the heritage of diverse Minnesota communities that have been historically underserved.

(b) \$150,000 the first year is for a joint commemoration program, in collaboration with the Minnesota Historical Society for the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War/Secret War in Laos/Southeast Asian conflict that recognizes and honors the contributions of veterans of the conflict. The Minnesota Humanities Center must build on the preparation and programming undertaken with the appropriation under Laws 2024, chapter 106, article 4, section 2, subdivision 5, paragraph (k).

**Subd. 4. Children's Museum Grants**

2,157,000

2,157,000

\$2,157,000 the first year and \$2,157,000 the second year are for arts and cultural heritage grants to children's museums for arts and cultural exhibits and related educational outreach programs. Of this amount:

(1) \$500,000 each year is for the Minnesota Children's Museum, St. Paul;

(2) \$175,000 each year is for The Works, Bloomington;

(3) \$125,000 each year is for the WonderTrek Children's Museum, Brainerd-Baxter;

(4) \$100,000 each year is for the Children's Discovery Center, Breckenridge;

(5) \$125,000 each year is for the Duluth Children's Museum, Duluth;

(6) \$100,000 each year is for the Otter Cove Children's Museum, Fergus Falls;

(7) \$100,000 each year is for the Children's Discovery Museum, Grand Rapids;

(8) \$100,000 each year is for the Wheel and Cog Children's Museum, Hutchinson;

(9) \$175,000 each year is for the Children's Museum of Southern Minnesota, Mankato;

(10) \$175,000 each year is for the Great River Children's Museum, St. Cloud;

(11) \$100,000 each year is for The Village Children's Museum, Willmar;

(12) \$100,000 each year is for the Mini Sota Ag Museum, Benson;

(13) \$150,000 each year is for the SPARK Children's Museum, Rochester; and

(14) \$132,000 each year is for the Bakken Museum, Minneapolis.

**Subd. 5. Community Identity and Heritage  
Emergency Grants**

200,000

200,000

\$200,000 the first year and \$200,000 the second year are for emergency grants to organizations otherwise qualified to receive grants under subdivision 6 and must be awarded on a rolling basis based on emerging needs to assist communities responding to major events and to facilitate the process of grieving, encourage healing, create memorials, or assist in recovery of the community. Any amount described in the preceding sentence that is not expended by

October 15 of the second year may be used for general programming costs or grants under subdivision 6.

**Subd. 6. Community Identity and Heritage Competitive Grant Program**

8,690,000

6,937,000

(a) \$8,690,000 the first year and \$6,937,000 the second year are for a competitive grant program to provide grants to organizations or individuals working to create, celebrate, and teach the art, culture, and heritage of diverse Minnesota communities, with a priority on organizations from communities whose culture and heritage have been historically underrepresented or that have struggled to access culture and heritage resources in the past, including but not limited to Asian and Pacific Island communities, the Somali diaspora and other African immigrant communities, Indigenous communities with a focus on the 11 Tribes in Minnesota, the African American community, the Latinx community, the LGBTQIA+ community, and other underrepresented cultural groups, including communities of Black, Indigenous, and people of color, to celebrate the cultural diversity of Minnesota. An individual or organization that receives a grant under this subdivision must do at least one of the following:

(1) preserve and honor the cultural heritage of Minnesota;

(2) provide education and student outreach on cultural diversity;

(3) support the development of culturally diverse humanities programming, including arts programming, by individuals and organizations; or

(4) empower communities in building identity and culture, including preserving and honoring communities whose Indigenous cultures are endangered or disappearing.



(b) At least 75 percent of the amount in paragraphs (c) to (f) must be for grants of less than \$200,000. A grant awarded to an entity receiving priority consideration under paragraphs (c) to (f) must not exceed \$200,000.

(c) Of the amount in paragraph (a), \$2,218,000 the first year and \$1,368,000 the second year are for grants to community-based organizations and local governments for museums, exhibits, and collections. The Minnesota Humanities Center must give priority consideration for funding under this paragraph to the Minnesota Fishing Museum and Hall of Fame, MN Zej Zog, and the Somali Museum of Minnesota.

(d) Of the amount in paragraph (a), \$1,650,000 the first year and \$2,750,000 the second year are for grants to community-based organizations and local governments to support arts and cultural festivals and events in the state of Minnesota. The Minnesota Humanities Center must give priority consideration for funding under this paragraph to Asian Economic Development Association for Minnesota Asian American film and music festivals, the Minnesota State Band to provide free concerts, Siengkane Lao for a Southeast Asian music festival, Stairstep Foundation, and Walker West Music Academy to provide free concerts.

(e) Of the amount in paragraph (a), \$4,572,000 the first year and \$2,569,000 the second year are for grants to community-based organizations and local governments for education and recreational programming and events. The Minnesota Humanities Center must give priority consideration for funding under this paragraph to Art from the Inside, Asian Economic Development Association for youth outdoor programs, Augsburg University for the Urban Debate League, Capri Theater, Comunidades Latinas Unidas

En Servicio (CLUES), Fight for Your Dreams for youth boxing, the Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities, HIRPHA International for Oromo youth programs, Hmong Cultural Center, the Lundstrum Center for the Performing Arts, organizations that provide arts programs in cultural malls in Moorhead and Maplewood, People in Action, the Phyllis Wheatley Community Center, Siengkane Lao to preserve traditional dance performances, and Sweet Potato Comfort Pie.

(f) Of the amount in paragraph (a), \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the second year are for grants to provide funding to ethnic media organizations creating video content in a language other than English.

**Subd. 7. Underrepresented Groups Cultural Studies Materials**

500,000

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\$500,000 the first year is for competitive grants to develop high-quality academic, cultural, and ethnic studies materials for communities that do not have adequate cultural and ethnic studies materials or who are underrepresented in those materials, including but not limited to the Hmong, Karen, Somali, and Oromo cultures and cultures without a formal writing system that are largely oral-based. In developing these materials, a recipient of a grant under this subdivision must work with school districts that intend to use the materials.

**Subd. 8. Gordon Parks Commemoration**

500,000

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\$500,000 the first year is to work in collaboration with Soul Touch Productions to create an art installation and programming to celebrate the incredible life and rich legacy of Gordon Parks.

**Sec. 9. INDIAN AFFAIRS COUNCIL**

2,030,000

2,030,000

(a) \$750,000 each year is to provide grants to Minnesota Tribal Nations to preserve Dakota and Ojibwe Indian language and to

foster education programs and services for Dakota and Ojibwe language.

(b) \$575,000 each year is for grants to Dakota and Ojibwe language-immersion educational institutions.

(c) \$525,000 each year is to provide grants to preserve the Dakota and Ojibwe Indian language through support of projects and services and to support educational programs and immersion efforts in Dakota and Ojibwe language.

(d) \$50,000 each year is for a Dakota and Ojibwe Indian language working group coordinated by the Indian Affairs Council.

(e) \$130,000 each year is for the Indian Affairs Council to carry out responsibilities under Minnesota Statutes, section 307.08, to comply with Public Law 101-601, the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act.

#### **Sec. 10. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

<b><u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>602,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>602,000</u></b>
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The amounts that may be spent for each purpose are specified in the following subdivisions.

<b><u>Subd. 2. County Fair Grants</u></b>		<b><u>352,000</u></b>		<b><u>352,000</u></b>
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\$352,000 the first year and \$352,000 the second year are for grants to county agricultural societies to enhance arts access and education and to preserve and promote Minnesota's history and cultural heritage as embodied in its county fairs. The grants may be distributed in equal amounts to each of the county fairs that submitted an application. The grants are in addition to the aid distribution to county agricultural societies under Minnesota Statutes, section 38.02. The commissioner of agriculture must develop grant-making criteria and guidance for expending money under this subdivision to

provide funding for projects and events that provide access to the arts or the state's agricultural, historical, and cultural heritage. The commissioner must seek input from all interested parties. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.98, subdivision 14, the commissioner may use up to two percent of the amounts in this subdivision for the administration and distribution of the grants. Money not used in the first year may be used in the second year.

**Subd. 3. Minnesota FFA**

250,000

250,000

(a) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the second year are for grants to the Minnesota FFA to provide new and expanded access for Minnesota FFA members involved in art- and history-related FFA activities. Of this amount:

(1) up to \$100,000 each year may be used to document and commemorate 100 years of fostering leadership, agricultural education, and community service across the state by creating a history book, video storytelling series, and an in-person arts-focused event; and

(2) any amount not spent for the purposes described in clause (1) may be used for other activities that provide new and expanded access for Minnesota FFA members involved in art- and history-related FFA activities, including activities related to national and state FFA band and choir, state and national FFA talent competitions, FFA floriculture, and FFA state fair landscape booths.

(b) The commissioner of agriculture must develop grant-making criteria and guidance for grants under this subdivision to provide funding for projects and events and must seek input from the Minnesota FFA and Minnesota FFA Foundation. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.98, subdivision 14, the commissioner may use up to five percent of the amounts in this

subdivision to cover the costs of administering, planning, evaluating, and reporting these grants.

**Sec. 11. LEGISLATIVE COORDINATING COMMISSION**

**\$**

**5,000 \$**

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The amount in this section is appropriated to the Legislative Coordinating Commission to maintain the website required under Minnesota Statutes, section 3.303, subdivision 10.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 129D.17, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Expenditures; accountability.** (a) Funding from the arts and cultural heritage fund may be spent only for arts, arts education, and arts access, and to preserve Minnesota's history and cultural heritage. A project or program receiving funding from the arts and cultural heritage fund must include measurable outcomes, and a plan for measuring and evaluating the results. A project or program must be consistent with current scholarship, or best practices, when appropriate and must incorporate state-of-the-art technology when appropriate.

(b) Funding from the arts and cultural heritage fund may be granted for an entire project or for part of a project so long as the recipient provides a description and cost for the entire project and can demonstrate that it has adequate resources to ensure that the entire project will be completed.

(c) Money from the arts and cultural heritage fund shall be expended for benefits across all regions and residents of the state.

(d) A state agency or other recipient of a direct appropriation from the arts and cultural heritage fund must compile and submit all information for funded projects or programs, including the proposed measurable outcomes and all other items required under section 3.303, subdivision 10, to the Legislative Coordinating Commission as soon as practicable or by January 15 of the applicable fiscal year, whichever comes first. The Legislative Coordinating Commission must post submitted information on the website required under section 3.303, subdivision 10, as soon as it becomes available.

(e) Grants funded by the arts and cultural heritage fund must be implemented according to section 16B.98 and must account for all expenditures of funds. Priority for grant proposals must be given to proposals involving grants that will be competitively awarded.

(f) All money from the arts and cultural heritage fund must be for projects located in Minnesota.

(g) When practicable, a direct recipient of an appropriation from the arts and cultural heritage fund shall prominently display on the recipient's website home page the legacy logo required under Laws 2009, chapter 172, article 5, section 10, as amended by Laws 2010, chapter 361, article 3, section 5, accompanied by the phrase "Click here for more information." When a person clicks on the legacy logo image, the website must direct the person to a web page that includes both the contact

information that a person may use to obtain additional information, as well as a link to the Legislative Coordinating Commission website required under section 3.303, subdivision 10.

(h) Future eligibility for money from the arts and cultural heritage fund is contingent upon a state agency or other recipient satisfying all applicable requirements in this section, as well as any additional requirements contained in applicable session law. If the Office of the Legislative Auditor, in the course of an audit or investigation, publicly reports that a recipient of money from the arts and cultural heritage fund has not complied with the laws, rules, or regulations in this section or other laws applicable to the recipient, the recipient must be listed in an annual report to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over the legacy funds. The list must be publicly available. The legislative auditor shall remove a recipient from the list upon determination that the recipient is in compliance. A recipient on the list is not eligible for future funding from the arts and cultural heritage fund until the recipient demonstrates compliance to the legislative auditor.

(i) Any state agency or organization requesting a direct appropriation from the arts and cultural heritage fund must inform the house of representatives and senate committees having jurisdiction over the arts and cultural heritage fund, at the time the request for funding is made, whether the request is supplanting or is a substitution for any previous funding that was not from a legacy fund and was used for the same purpose and provide a copy of the most recent year's Internal Revenue Service Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 129D.17, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7. **Construction costs.** Money from the arts and cultural heritage fund must not be appropriated to fund new construction or for capital construction projects, including major renovations or long-term building projects, with the exception of preservation of historic structures or sites. This prohibition does not apply to:

(1) accessibility accommodations;

(2) the creation of exhibits or installations; and

(3) renovations to provide care for collections or facilitate exhibits, installations, or other projects funded with arts and cultural heritage fund appropriations.

Sec. 14. Laws 2023, chapter 40, article 4, section 2, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. <b>Department of Education</b>	3,000,000	2,750,000
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(a) \$2,750,000 each year is appropriated to the commissioner of education for grants to the 12 Minnesota regional library systems to provide educational opportunities in the arts, history, literary arts, and cultural heritage of Minnesota. When possible, funding under this subdivision should be used to promote and share the work of Minnesota authors, including authors from diverse backgrounds. This money must be allocated using the

formulas in Minnesota Statutes, section 134.355, subdivisions 3 to 5, with the remaining 25 percent to be distributed to all qualifying systems in an amount proportionate to the number of qualifying system entities in each system. For purposes of this subdivision, "qualifying system entity" means a public library, a regional library system, a regional library system headquarters, a county, or an outreach service program. This money may be used to sponsor programs provided by regional libraries or to provide grants to local arts and cultural heritage programs for programs in partnership with regional libraries. This money must be distributed in ten equal payments per year. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, the appropriations encumbered on or before June 30, ~~2025~~ 2026, as grants or contracts in this subdivision are available until June 30, ~~2026~~ 2027.

(b) \$250,000 the first year is appropriated to the commissioner of education for a water safety grant program. The commissioner of education must allocate grants to eligible applicants. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations and city and county parks and recreation programs providing swimming lessons to youth. Eligible applicants are not required to partner with other entities. Grant funds must primarily be used to provide scholarships to low-income and at-risk children for swimming lessons. Up to 15 percent of the grant funds may also be used to hire water safety instructors or lifeguards or train water safety instructors or lifeguards in nationally recognized water safety practices and instruction.

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

Sec. 15. Laws 2023, chapter 40, article 4, section 2, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Department of Administration**

17,040,000

14,105,000

(a) The amounts in this subdivision are appropriated to the commissioner of administration for grants to the named organizations for the purposes specified in this subdivision. The commissioner of administration may use a portion of this appropriation for costs that are directly related to and necessary for the administration of grants in this subdivision.

(b) Grant agreements entered into by the commissioner and recipients of appropriations under this subdivision must ensure that money appropriated in this subdivision is used to supplement and not substitute for traditional sources of funding.

**(c) Minnesota Public Radio**

\$2,050,000 each year is for Minnesota Public Radio to create programming and expand news service on Minnesota's cultural heritage and history.

**(d) Association of Minnesota Public Educational Radio Stations**

\$2,050,000 the first year and \$2,050,000 the second year are to the Association of Minnesota Public Educational Radio Stations for production and acquisition grants in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 129D.19.

**(e) Public Television**

\$5,000,000 the first year and \$4,500,000 the second year are to the Minnesota Public Television Association for production and acquisition grants according to Minnesota Statutes, section 129D.18. Of the amount in the first year, \$1,000,000 is for producing Minnesota military and veterans' history stories and unique immigrant stories from around the state.

**(f) Wilderness Inquiry**

\$500,000 the first year and \$600,000 the second year are to Wilderness Inquiry to



preserve Minnesota's outdoor history, culture, and heritage by connecting Minnesota youth and families to natural resources.

**(g) Como Park Zoo**

\$1,725,000 each year is to the Como Park Zoo and Conservatory for program development that features educational programs and habitat enhancement, special exhibits, music appreciation programs, and historical garden access and preservation.

**(h) Science Museum of Minnesota**

\$825,000 each year is to the Science Museum of Minnesota for arts, arts education, and arts access and to preserve Minnesota's history and cultural heritage, including student and teacher outreach, statewide educational initiatives, and community-based exhibits that preserve Minnesota's history and cultural heritage.

**(i) Appetite for Change**

\$200,000 the first year is to the nonprofit Appetite for Change for the Community Cooks programming, which will preserve the cultural heritage of growing and cooking food in Minnesota.

**(j) Lake Superior Zoo**

\$150,000 each year is to the Lake Superior Zoo to develop educational exhibits and programs.

**(k) Great Lakes Aquarium**

\$250,000 each year is to the Lake Superior Center Authority to prepare, fabricate, and install a hands-on exhibit with interactive learning components to educate Minnesotans on the history of the natural landscape of the state.

**(l) State Band**

\$25,000 the first year and \$25,000 the second year are to the Minnesota state band to provide free concerts throughout the state.

**(m) Veterans Memorial Park in Wyoming**

\$100,000 the first year is for a grant to the city of Wyoming to build the Veterans Memorial Plaza and related interpretive walk in Railroad Park.

**(n) Great Northern Festival**

\$75,000 the first year and \$75,000 the second year are for a grant to support the Great Northern Festival, which connects attendees to parks, outdoor spaces, and cultural venues through a festival.

**(o) Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities**

\$50,000 the first year is to the Minnesota Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities to continue to preserve and raise awareness of the history of Minnesotans with developmental disabilities.

**(p) Minnesota Council on Disability**

\$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the second year are to the Minnesota Council on Disability to provide educational opportunities in the arts, history, and cultural heritage of Minnesotans with disabilities in conjunction with the 50th anniversary of the Minnesota Council on Disability. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2027.

**(q) Keller Regional Park**

\$500,000 the first year is for a grant to Ramsey County to preserve Minnesota's cultural heritage by enhancing the tuj lub courts at Keller Regional Park.

**(r) Vietnam War Anniversary**

\$250,000 the first year is for a grant to the commissioner of veterans affairs to prepare and host a commemoration program for the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War.

**(s) St. Paul Cultural Art Installation**

\$500,000 the first year is for a grant to the city of St. Paul for an art installation celebrating Olympic gold medalist Suni Lee. The project funded by this paragraph must be located in St. Paul at the Conway Recreation Center or, if that site is not practicable, at Lake Phalen at the platform containing the bust of Suni Lee. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2027.

**(t) One Heartland Center**

\$50,000 each year is for a grant to One Heartland Center for programming and outdoor activities for families and youth in Minnesota.

**(u) Forest Lake Veterans Memorial**

\$100,000 the first year is for a grant to the Forest Lake Veterans Memorial Committee to construct a memorial to veterans of the United States armed forces at Lakeside Memorial Park in the city of Forest Lake. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2027.

**(v) Hmong Plaza**

\$450,000 the first year is for a grant to the city of St. Paul to construct the Hmong Plaza at Phalen Lake.

**(w) Camille Gage Artist Fellowship**

\$55,000 the first year and \$55,000 the second year are for a grant to YWCA Minneapolis to fund an annual fellowship to be known as the Camille J. Gage Artist Fellowship. Of this amount, up to \$5,000 each year may be used for administrative expenses. YWCA Minneapolis must select a person for the Camille J. Gage Artist Fellowship after an application process that allows both applications by interested persons and nominations of persons by third parties. By October 1, 2026, YWCA Minneapolis must report to the chairs and ranking minority

members of the legislative committees and divisions with jurisdiction over legacy on the use of money appropriated under this paragraph and on the activities of the person selected for the Camille J. Gage Artist Fellowship under this paragraph. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2026.

**(x) Minnesota African American Heritage Museum and Gallery**

\$235,000 the first year and \$125,000 the second year are for arts and cultural heritage programming celebrating African American and Black communities in Minnesota. Of the amount in the first year, \$110,000 is for C. Caldwell Fine Arts for an outdoor mural project in North Minneapolis to work with young people to develop skills while using art as the impetus.

**(y) Tibetan American Foundation of Minnesota**

\$25,000 the first year and \$25,000 the second year are for a grant to the Tibetan American Foundation of Minnesota to celebrate and teach the art, culture, and heritage of Tibetan Americans in Minnesota.

**(z) Hong De Wu Guan**

\$25,000 the first year is for a grant to Hong De Wu Guan to create cultural arts projects like Lion Dance for after-school programs for youth.

**(aa) Sepak Takraw of USA**

\$50,000 the first year is for a grant to the Sepak Takraw of USA to work with youth and after-school programs in the community to teach the cultural games of tuj lub and sepak takraw. This appropriation may not be used to hold events.

**(bb) 30,000 Feet**

\$75,000 the first year and \$75,000 the second year are for a grant to 30,000 Feet, a nonprofit organization, to help youth and community artists further develop their

artistic skills, to create community art and artistic performances, and to promote and share African American history and culture through the arts.

**(cc) Siengkane Lao Minnesota**

\$50,000 the first year and \$50,000 the second year are for a grant to Siengkane Lao MN to create cultural arts projects and to preserve traditional performances.

**(dd) Hmong Cultural Center**

\$150,000 the first year and \$150,000 the second year are for a grant to the Hmong Cultural Center of Minnesota for museum-related programming and educational outreach activities to teach the public about the historical, cultural, and folk arts heritage of Hmong Minnesotans.

**(ee) Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio**

\$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the second year are for a grant to Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio (CLUES) to expand arts programming to celebrate Latino cultural heritage; support local artists; and provide professional development, networking, and presentation opportunities.

**(ff) Hmong RPA Writing System**

\$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the second year are for grants to recipients who have demonstrated knowledge and interest in preserving Hmong culture to preserve Hmong Minnesotans' heritage, history, language, and culture. Grants must be used in conjunction with Minnesota universities to improve and develop a unified and standardized Latin alphabet form of the Hmong RPA writing system. No portion of this appropriation may be used to encourage religious membership or to conduct personal ceremonies or events. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2028.

**(gg) Somali Museum of Minnesota**

\$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the second year are for a grant to the Somali Museum of Minnesota for heritage arts and cultural vitality programs to provide classes, exhibits, presentations, and outreach about the Somali community and heritage in Minnesota.

**(hh) Minnesota Museum of American Art**

\$200,000 the first year and \$200,000 the second year are for a grant to the Minnesota Museum of American Art for exhibit programming and for a Native American Fellowship at the museum.

**(ii) Fanka Programs**

\$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the second year are for a grant to Ka Joog statewide Somali-based collaborative programs for arts and cultural heritage. The funding must be used for Fanka programs to provide arts education and workshops, mentor programs, and community presentations and community engagement events throughout Minnesota.

**(jj) The Bakken Museum**

\$150,000 the first year is for a grant to The Bakken Museum for interactive exhibits and outreach programs on arts and cultural heritage.

**(kk) 4-H Shooting Sports**

\$50,000 the first year is to the University of Minnesota Extension Office to provide grants to Minnesota 4-H chapters that have members participating in state and national 4-H-sanctioned shooting sports events. Eligible costs for grant money include shooting sports equipment and supplies and event fees associated with participating in state shooting sports events.

**(ll) Public Art Saint Paul**

\$75,000 each year is for a grant to Public Art Saint Paul for art programming at the Wakpa

Triennial Art Festival to showcase new art across the Twin Cities by Minnesota artists in outdoor and indoor settings and to encourage visitors to experience the arts and culture produced by local arts and culture organizations.

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

Sec. 16. Laws 2024, chapter 106, article 4, section 2, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Minnesota Historical Society**

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1,201,000

(a) The amounts in this subdivision are appropriated to the governing board of the Minnesota Historical Society to preserve and enhance access to Minnesota's history and its cultural and historical resources. Grant agreements entered into by the Minnesota Historical Society and other recipients of appropriations in this subdivision must ensure that these funds are used to supplement and not substitute for traditional sources of funding. Funds directly appropriated to the Minnesota Historical Society must be used to supplement and not substitute for traditional sources of funding. The appropriations in this subdivision are onetime.

(b) **Grants**

(1) \$100,000 the second year is to facilitate negotiations for the purchase by the state of the Wizard of Oz ruby slippers through a combination of available state funds and nonstate sources of funding. Any remaining amount not used to facilitate the purchase of the slippers by the state may be used as a grant to the Judy Garland Children's Discovery Museum to create an exhibit highlighting the history and cultural relevance of the slippers;

(2) \$400,000 the second year is for statewide historic and cultural grants to cultural community organizations, historical organizations, and veterans organizations for activities to commemorate 50 years of

Southeast Asians in Minnesota. Money under this paragraph must be distributed through a competitive grant process. The Minnesota Historical Society must administer the grants using established grant mechanisms with assistance from the advisory committee created under Laws 2009, chapter 172, article 4, section 2, subdivision 4, paragraph (b), item (ii).

(3) \$200,000 the second year is for activities to prepare and coordinate community commemoration programs celebrating 50 years of Hmong Americans in Minnesota. The Minnesota Historical Society must form an advisory task force consisting of members of the Hmong community to advise the society on the design and implementation of these activities and programs;

(4) \$200,000 the second year is for planning and outreach, in collaboration with the Minnesota Humanities Center, for Minnesota's commemoration of the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. The Minnesota Historical Society and Minnesota Humanities Center must enter into an agreement between the organizations on how best to maximize the impact of this grant and of collaboration with statewide partners;

(5) \$50,000 the second year is for a grant to the Greater Litchfield Opera House Association to repair and update the Litchfield Opera House; and

(6) \$251,000 the second year is for a grant to the Dakota County Historical Society to design and build exhibits at the Lawshe Memorial Museum.

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

Sec. 17. **GRANTS TO UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES.**

**(a)** A fiscal agent that administers a competitive grant program under this article must ensure that at least 48 percent of the amount awarded each fiscal year under the program is for grants to



organizations that serve underserved communities and that agree to provide the fiscal agent with detailed information about the manner in which the grantee serves those communities. The fiscal agent must include this information in the next report submitted by the fiscal agent under Minnesota Statutes, section 129D.17, subdivision 6.

(b) For purposes of this section, "underserved communities" means communities whose culture and heritage have been historically underrepresented or that have struggled to access culture and heritage resources in the past, specifically the Asian and Pacific Island communities, the Somali diaspora and other African immigrant communities, Indigenous communities with a focus on the 11 Tribes in Minnesota, the African American community, the Latinx community, the LGBTQIA+ community, Minnesotans with disabilities, and other communities of people of color who have traditionally suffered from inadequate access to resources."

Amend the title accordingly

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 36 and nays 31, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Frentz	Kupec	Murphy	Seeberger
Boldon	Gustafson	Latz	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Carlson	Hauschild	Mann	Pappas	Wiklund
Champion	Hawj	Marty	Pha	Xiong
Clark	Hoffman	Maye Quade	Port	
Cwodzinski	Johnson Stewart	McEwen	Pratt	
Dibble	Klein	Mitchell	Putnam	
Fateh	Kunesh	Mohamed	Rest	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Kunesh cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Clark, Dibble, Fateh, Johnson Stewart, Latz, Marty, Murphy, Oumou Verbeten, Putnam, and Xiong.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Weber
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Wesenberg
Coleman	Green	Koran	Miller	Westrom
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Nelson	
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Rarick	
Draheim	Housley	Lieske	Rasmusson	
Drazkowski	Howe	Limmer	Utke	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Rasmusson cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Duckworth, Jasinski, Johnson, Koran, Lieske, and Wesenberg.

The motion prevailed. So the amendment was adopted.

Senator Pratt moved to amend the Hawj (A23) amendment to H.F. No. 2563, adopted by the Senate May 12, 2025, as follows (A34):

Page 8, line 32, after the period, insert "Priority shall be given to applicants who did not receive a grant under the program administered under Laws 2024, chapter 106, article 4, section 2, subdivision 6, paragraph (b), clause (2)."

The motion prevailed. So the amendment was adopted.

Senator Green moved to amend H.F. No. 2563, as amended pursuant to Rule 45, adopted by the Senate April 29, 2025, as follows (A24):

(The text of the amended House File is identical to S.F. No. 2865.)

Page 87, after line 11, insert:

## **"ARTICLE 5**

### **LEGACY GRANT ACCOUNTABILITY**

#### **Section 1. LEGACY GRANT ACCOUNTABILITY.**

(a) For purposes of this section, the term "granting agency" means an agency or entity that awards a legislatively named or competitive grant of arts and cultural heritage fund money appropriated in this act.

(b) By August 1, 2027, each recipient of a grant under this act must submit to the appropriate granting agency all of the following:

(1) a detailed breakdown and description of how the grant money was spent;

(2) quantifiable information about the outcomes achieved by the grant including an estimate of the number of Minnesotans impacted by the grant;

(3) an explanation of how the grant supported arts, arts education, arts access, or the preservation of Minnesota's history and cultural heritage; and

(4) an explanation of how the recipient ensured that grant money will not be subject to waste, fraud, or abuse.

(c) A granting agency must make a report received under paragraph (b) available on its website and must include summary information about the reports received under that paragraph in the next report submitted by the granting agency under Minnesota Statutes, section 129D.17, subdivision 6.

(d) A granting agency may not disburse more than 90 percent of a grant awarded with money appropriated in this act until the grant recipient has submitted the report required under paragraph (b)."

Amend the title accordingly

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 33 and nays 34, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Drazkowski	Howe	Limmer	Rasmusson
Anderson	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Utke
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Weber
Coleman	Green	Koran	Miller	Wesenberg
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Nelson	Westrom
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Pratt	
Draheim	Housley	Lieske	Rarick	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Rasmusson cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Duckworth, Jasinski, Johnson, Koran, Lieske, and Wesenberg.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Mitchell	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hoffman	Marty	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Pha	Xiong
Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Port	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Kunesh cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Clark, Dibble, Fateh, Johnson Stewart, Marty, Murphy, Putnam, and Xiong.

The motion did not prevail. So the amendment was not adopted.

Senator Green moved to amend H.F. No. 2563, as amended pursuant to Rule 45, adopted by the Senate April 29, 2025, as follows (A30):

(The text of the amended House File is identical to S.F. No. 2865.)

Page 26, after line 4, insert:

"Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 97A.056, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 26. **Prohibition on acquisition of certain land.** A state agency may not purchase or otherwise acquire any land acquired in whole or in part with money appropriated from the outdoor heritage fund unless the party conveying the property enters into an agreement with the county to pay the county each year an amount equal to the amount of net tax calculated for the property, computed using the estimated market value of the property each assessment year, as if the property were not exempt. Payment shall be made as required under section 279.01 for each year the property remains exempt."

Amend the title accordingly

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 33 and nays 34, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Coleman	Draheim	Farnsworth	Heintzeman
Anderson	Dahms	Drazkowski	Green	Housley
Bahr	Dornink	Duckworth	Gruenhagen	Howe

Jasinski	Lang	Mathews	Rarick	Wesenberg
Johnson	Lieske	Miller	Rasmusson	Westrom
Koran	Limmer	Nelson	Utke	
Kreun	Lucero	Pratt	Weber	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Rasmusson cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Duckworth, Jasinski, Johnson, Koran, Lieske, and Wesenberg.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Mitchell	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hoffman	Marty	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Pha	Xiong
Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Port	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Kunesh cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Clark, Dibble, Fateh, Johnson Stewart, Marty, Murphy, Putnam, and Xiong.

The motion did not prevail. So the amendment was not adopted.

Senator Green moved to amend H.F. No. 2563, as amended pursuant to Rule 45, adopted by the Senate April 29, 2025, as follows (A31):

(The text of the amended House File is identical to S.F. No. 2865.)

Page 87, after line 11, insert:

## "ARTICLE 5

### LEGACY POLICY

#### Section 1. **[16B.2971] ACQUIRING REAL PROPERTY; APPROVAL REQUIRED.**

No person, agency, political subdivision, or other entity may acquire real property if the property is paid for in whole or in part with state money and if the acquisition will result in a loss of tax revenue to one or more counties, unless the acquisition is approved by the board of commissioners of the county in which the property is located. If the real property to be acquired is located in more than one county, then the approval of the board of commissioners of all counties in which the property is located is required. In lieu of approving or declining to approve an acquisition under this section, the board of commissioners of a county may put the question to a vote of the people through a ballot question under section 375.20."

Amend the title accordingly

Senator Klein questioned whether the amendment was germane.

The President ruled that the amendment was not germane.

Senator Green moved to amend H.F. No. 2563, as amended pursuant to Rule 45, adopted by the Senate April 29, 2025, as follows (A25):

(The text of the amended House File is identical to S.F. No. 2865.)

Page 87, after line 11, insert:

**"ARTICLE 5**  
**LEGACY POLICY**

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 85.53, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 8. **No more than one legacy fund grant every three years.** (a) Neither a recipient of a grant from the parks and trails fund nor a successor grantee may be awarded a grant from any of the legacy funds more frequently than once every three years.

(b) For purposes of this subdivision:

(1) "legacy funds" means the funds created by the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 15; and

(2) "successor grantee" means a recipient of a grant that shares three or more of the following with a person or entity who has received a grant of money from the parks and trails fund within the preceding three years:

(i) has one or more of the same owners, members, principals, officers, or managers;

(ii) performs similar work within the state of Minnesota;

(iii) has one or more of the same telephone or fax numbers;

(iv) has one or more of the same email addresses or websites;

(v) employs or engages substantially the same individuals to provide or perform services;

(vi) uses substantially the same vehicles, facilities, or equipment; or

(vii) lists or advertises substantially the same project experience and portfolio of work.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 97A.056, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 26. **No more than one legacy fund grant every three years.** (a) Neither a recipient of a grant from the outdoor heritage fund nor a successor grantee may be awarded a grant from any of the legacy funds more frequently than once every three years.

(b) For purposes of this subdivision:

(1) "legacy funds" means the funds created by the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 15; and

(2) "successor grantee" means a recipient of a grant that shares three or more of the following with a person or entity who has received a grant of money from the outdoor heritage fund within the preceding three years:

- (i) has one or more of the same owners, members, principals, officers, or managers;
- (ii) performs similar work within the state of Minnesota;
- (iii) has one or more of the same telephone or fax numbers;
- (iv) has one or more of the same email addresses or websites;
- (v) employs or engages substantially the same individuals to provide or perform services;
- (vi) uses substantially the same vehicles, facilities, or equipment; or
- (vii) lists or advertises substantially the same project experience and portfolio of work.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 114D.50, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 8. **No more than one legacy fund grant every three years.** (a) Neither a recipient of a grant from the clean water fund nor a successor grantee may be awarded a grant from any of the legacy funds more frequently than once every three years.

(b) For purposes of this subdivision:

(1) "legacy funds" means the funds created by the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 15; and

(2) "successor grantee" means a recipient of a grant that shares three or more of the following with a person or entity who has received a grant of money from the clean water fund within the preceding three years:

- (i) has one or more of the same owners, members, principals, officers, or managers;
- (ii) performs similar work within the state of Minnesota;
- (iii) has one or more of the same telephone or fax numbers;
- (iv) has one or more of the same email addresses or websites;
- (v) employs or engages substantially the same individuals to provide or perform services;
- (vi) uses substantially the same vehicles, facilities, or equipment; or
- (vii) lists or advertises substantially the same project experience and portfolio of work.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 129D.17, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7. **No more than one legacy fund grant every three years.** (a) Neither a recipient of a grant from the arts and cultural heritage fund nor a successor grantee may be awarded a grant from any of the legacy funds more frequently than once every three years.

(b) For purposes of this subdivision:

(1) "legacy funds" means the funds created by the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 15; and

(2) "successor grantee" means a recipient of a grant that shares three or more of the following with a person or entity who has received a grant of money from the arts and cultural heritage fund within the preceding three years:

- (i) has one or more of the same owners, members, principals, officers, or managers;
- (ii) performs similar work within the state of Minnesota;
- (iii) has one or more of the same telephone or fax numbers;
- (iv) has one or more of the same email addresses or websites;
- (v) employs or engages substantially the same individuals to provide or perform services;
- (vi) uses substantially the same vehicles, facilities, or equipment; or
- (vii) lists or advertises substantially the same project experience and portfolio of work."

Amend the title accordingly

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 31 and nays 36, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Drazkowski	Howe	Lucero	Weber
Anderson	Duckworth	Jasinski	Mathews	Wesenberg
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Miller	Westrom
Coleman	Green	Koran	Pratt	
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Rarick	
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lieske	Rasmusson	
Draheim	Housley	Limmer	Utke	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Rasmusson cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Duckworth, Jasinski, Johnson, Lieske, and Wesenberg.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Boldon	Gustafson	Lang	Murphy	Seeberger
Carlson	Hauschild	Latz	Nelson	Westlin
Champion	Hawj	Mann	Oumou Verbeten	Wiklund
Clark	Hoffman	Marty	Pappas	Xiong
Cwodzinski	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Pha	
Dibble	Klein	McEwen	Port	
Fateh	Kunesh	Mitchell	Putnam	
Frentz	Kupec	Mohamed	Rest	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Kunesh cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Clark, Dibble, Fateh, Hauschild, Johnson Stewart, Marty, Mohamed, Murphy, Putnam, and Xiong.

The motion did not prevail. So the amendment was not adopted.

Senator Green moved to amend H.F. No. 2563, as amended pursuant to Rule 45, adopted by the Senate April 29, 2025, as follows (A29):

(The text of the amended House File is identical to S.F. No. 2865.)

Page 87, after line 11, insert:

"Sec. 17. **REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 129D.17, subdivision 4, is repealed."

Page 87, after line 11, insert:

## "ARTICLE 5

### LEGACY POLICY

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 85.53, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 8. **Competitive grants required.** Effective July 1, 2027, a grant of money from the parks and trails fund may only be awarded through a competitive grant process. This subdivision does not apply to an appropriation of money intended to be used by a state agency.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 97A.056, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 26. **Competitive grants required.** Effective July 1, 2027, a grant of money from the outdoor heritage fund may only be awarded through a competitive grant process. This subdivision does not apply to an appropriation of money intended to be used by a state agency.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 114D.50, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 8. **Competitive grants required.** Effective July 1, 2027, a grant of money from the clean water fund may only be awarded through a competitive grant process. This subdivision does not apply to an appropriation of money intended to be used by a state agency.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 129D.17, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7. **Competitive grants required.** (a) Effective July 1, 2027, a grant of money from the arts and cultural heritage fund may only be awarded through a competitive grant process. This subdivision does not apply to an appropriation of money intended to be used by a state agency.

(b) A competitive grant program that awards money appropriated from the arts and cultural heritage fund must give priority consideration to community arts grants for public schools and regional libraries."

Amend the title accordingly

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.



The roll was called, and there were yeas 32 and nays 35, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Drazkowski	Howe	Limmer	Utke
Anderson	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Weber
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Wesenberg
Coleman	Green	Koran	Nelson	Westrom
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Pratt	
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Rarick	
Draheim	Housley	Lieske	Rasmusson	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Rasmusson cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Duckworth, Housley, Jasinski, Lieske, and Wesenberg.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Miller	Port
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Mitchell	Putnam
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Mohamed	Rest
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Murphy	Seeberger
Cwodzinski	Hoffman	Marty	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Dibble	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Pappas	Wiklund
Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Pha	Xiong

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Kunesh cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Clark, Dibble, Fateh, Hauschild, Johnson Stewart, Marty, Mohamed, Murphy, Port, Putnam, and Xiong.

The motion did not prevail. So the amendment was not adopted.

Senator Lucero moved to amend H.F. No. 2563, as amended pursuant to Rule 45, adopted by the Senate April 29, 2025, as follows (A55):

(The text of the amended House File is identical to S.F. No. 2865.)

Page 87, after line 11, insert:

## "ARTICLE 5

### LEGACY POLICY

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 129D.17, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7. **Lawful presence required.** Money in the arts and cultural heritage fund must not be appropriated or allocated to a person who is not lawfully present in the United States."

Amend the title accordingly

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 33 and nays 34, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Drazkowski	Howe	Limmer	Rasmusson
Anderson	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Utke
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Weber
Coleman	Green	Koran	Miller	Wesenberg
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Nelson	Westrom
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Pratt	
Draheim	Housley	Lieske	Rarick	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Rasmusson cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Duckworth, Housley, Jasinski, Johnson, Lieske, and Wesenberg.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Mitchell	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hoffman	Marty	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Pha	Xiong
Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Port	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Kunesh cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Clark, Dibble, Fateh, Hauschild, Johnson Stewart, Mann, Marty, Mohamed, Murphy, Port, Putnam, and Xiong.

The motion did not prevail. So the amendment was not adopted.

H.F. No. 2563 was read the third time, as amended, and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill, as amended.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 41 and nays 26, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Frentz	Kupec	Mohamed	Rest
Boldon	Gustafson	Lang	Murphy	Seeberger
Carlson	Hauschild	Latz	Nelson	Westlin
Champion	Hawj	Mann	Oumou Verbeten	Wiklund
Clark	Hoffman	Marty	Pappas	Xiong
Coleman	Housley	Maye Quade	Pha	
Cwodzinski	Johnson Stewart	McEwen	Port	
Dibble	Klein	Miller	Pratt	
Fateh	Kunesh	Mitchell	Putnam	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Kunesh cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Clark, Dibble, Fateh, Hauschild, Johnson Stewart, Mann, Marty, Mohamed, Murphy, Port, Putnam, and Xiong.

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Rasmusson cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senator: Housley.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson	Draheim	Green	Jasinski	Lieske
Bahr	Drazkowski	Gruenhagen	Johnson	Limmer
Dahms	Duckworth	Heintzeman	Koran	Lucero
Dornink	Farnsworth	Howe	Kreun	Mathews

Rarick  
Rasmusson

Utke  
Weber

Wesenberg  
Westrom

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Rasmusson cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Duckworth, Jasinski, Johnson, Lieske, and Wesenberg.

So the bill, as amended, was passed and its title was agreed to.

### RECESS

Senator Kunesh moved that the Senate do now recess subject to the call of the President. The motion prevailed.

After a recess, the President called the Senate to order.

### APPOINTMENTS

Senator Murphy from the Subcommittee on Conference Committees recommends that the following Senators be and they hereby are appointed as a Conference Committee on:

S.F. No. 1832: Senators Champion, McEwen, Mohamed, Hauschild, Oumou Verbeten, and Draheim.

Senator Murphy moved that the foregoing appointments be approved. The motion prevailed.

### MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS - CONTINUED

Without objection, remaining on the Order of Business of Motions and Resolutions, the Senate reverted to the Orders of Business of Messages From the House, First Reading of House Bills, and Reports of Committees.

### MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

Mr. President:

I have the honor to announce the passage by the House of the following House File, herewith transmitted: H.F. No. 2435.

Patrick Duffy Murphy, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Transmitted May 12, 2025

### FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

The following bill was read the first time.

**H.F. No. 2435:** A bill for an act relating to state government; modifying provisions relating to health finance and policy, certain health licensing boards, pharmacy benefits, health care finance, the Office of Emergency Medical Services, opioids, mental health warning labels, economic

assistance, child protection and welfare, early care and learning, and licensing and certification; establishing licensure for certified midwives; requiring reports; providing for civil and criminal penalties; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 62A.673, subdivision 2; 62J.51, subdivision 19a; 62J.581; 142A.03, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; 142A.42; 142B.01, subdivision 15, by adding a subdivision; 142B.05, subdivision 3; 142B.10, subdivisions 14, 16; 142B.16, subdivisions 2, 5; 142B.171, subdivision 2; 142B.18, subdivisions 4, 6; 142B.30, subdivision 1; 142B.41, by adding a subdivision; 142B.47; 142B.51, subdivision 2; 142B.65, subdivisions 8, 9; 142B.66, subdivision 3; 142B.70, subdivisions 7, 8; 142B.77; 142B.80; 142C.06, by adding a subdivision; 142C.11, subdivision 8; 142C.12, subdivisions 1, 6; 142D.21, subdivisions 6, 10, by adding a subdivision; 142D.23, subdivision 3; 142D.31, subdivision 2; 142E.03, subdivision 3; 142E.11, subdivisions 1, 2; 142E.13, subdivision 2; 142E.15, subdivision 1; 142E.16, subdivisions 3, 7; 142E.17, subdivision 9; 142F.14; 144.0758, subdivision 3; 144.1222, subdivision 2d; 144.125, subdivisions 1, 2; 144.50, by adding a subdivision; 144.555, subdivisions 1a, 1b; 144.562, subdivisions 2, 3; 144.563; 144.608, subdivision 2; 144.966, subdivision 2; 144.99, subdivision 1; 145.8811; 145C.01, by adding subdivisions; 145C.17; 147.01, subdivision 7; 147.037, by adding a subdivision; 149A.02, by adding a subdivision; 151.37, subdivision 12; 151.555, subdivisions 6, 10; 174.30, subdivision 3; 245.0962, subdivision 1; 245A.18, subdivision 1; 245C.02, by adding a subdivision; 256.045, subdivision 7; 256.9657, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; 256.969, subdivision 2f; 256B.0371, subdivision 3; 256B.04, subdivisions 12, 14; 256B.0625, subdivisions 2, 3b, 13c, 13e, 17, 17a, 30, by adding subdivisions; 256B.064, subdivision 1a; 256B.1973, subdivision 5, by adding a subdivision; 256B.69, subdivisions 3a, 6d; 256R.01, by adding a subdivision; 260.65; 260.66, subdivision 1; 260.691, subdivision 1; 260.692; 260.810, subdivisions 1, 2; 260.821, subdivision 2; 260C.001, subdivision 2; 260C.007, subdivision 19; 260C.141, subdivision 1; 260C.150, subdivision 3; 260C.178, subdivisions 1, 7; 260C.201, subdivisions 1, 2; 260C.202, subdivision 2, by adding subdivisions; 260C.204; 260C.212, subdivisions 1, 1a; 260C.221, subdivision 2; 260C.223, subdivisions 1, 2; 260C.329, subdivisions 3, 8; 260C.451, subdivision 9; 260C.452, subdivision 4; 260E.03, subdivision 15; 260E.09; 260E.14, subdivisions 2, 3; 260E.20, subdivisions 1, 3; 260E.24, subdivisions 1, 2; 325M.34; 518.68, subdivision 2; 518A.34; 518A.46, subdivision 7; 518A.75, subdivision 1; Laws 2023, chapter 70, article 20, section 8; Laws 2024, chapter 127, article 67, section 4; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 135A; 142B; 144; 144E; 145C; 256B; 260E; 306; 307; 325M; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 145.361; 256B.0625, subdivisions 18b, 18e, 18h; Laws 2023, chapter 70, article 16, section 22; Minnesota Rules, part 9503.0030, subpart 1, item B.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration for comparison with S.F. No. 2669, now on General Orders.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Senator Murphy moved that the Committee Report at the Desk be now adopted. The motion prevailed.

**Senator Murphy from the Committee on Rules and Administration, to which was referred under Rule 21, together with the committee report thereon,**

**S.F. No. 2374:** A bill for an act relating to taxation; modifying individual income taxes, corporate franchise taxes, property taxes, local government aids, sales and use taxes, and other taxes and tax-related provisions; repealing the assignability of the education credit; making the research credit

partially refundable; modifying transfer provisions for the short line railroad credit; modifying the airline flight property tax; modifying provisions related to attachments and appurtenances for property taxes; modifying provisions for leased tax-exempt property; reducing the appropriation for aquatic invasive species prevention aid; lowering the sales and use tax rate and expanding the tax base to include sales of certain professional services; modifying provisions for certificates of rent paid; modifying calculations for payments and other provisions under the Sustainable Forest Incentive Act; repealing local government cannabis aid and partial cannabis tax revenue dedication; repealing provisions related to tax filing modernization; canceling amounts; making related clarifying changes; requiring a report; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 41A.30, subdivisions 1, 2, 5, 7; 270.075, by adding a subdivision; 270C.445, subdivision 3; 272.02, subdivision 19; 273.19, subdivision 1; 273.38; 273.41; 289A.60, subdivision 12; 290.068, subdivision 3, by adding subdivisions; 290.0693, subdivision 4; 290.0695, subdivisions 1, 3; 290A.19; 290C.07; 295.81, subdivision 10; 297A.61, subdivision 3; 297A.62, subdivision 1; 297A.65; 297F.25, subdivision 1; 477A.19, subdivision 5; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.4967, subdivision 2a; 270.075, subdivision 1; 290.0679; 477A.32; Laws 2023, chapter 64, article 15, section 24.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the report from the Committee on Taxes, shown in the Journal for May 9, 2025, be amended to read:

"the bill be amended and when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Taxes". Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Senator Murphy moved that the Senate do now adjourn until 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 13, 2025. The motion prevailed.

Thomas S. Bottern, Secretary of the Senate

