

**CHAPTER 262—S.F.No. 2735**

*An act relating to legislature; regulating the Legislative Audit Commission; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 3.97, subdivision 2; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2004, sections 3.97, subdivision 3; 3.979, subdivision 5.*

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 3.97, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Membership; terms; meetings; compensation; powers.** The Legislative Audit Commission consists of:

(1) ~~the majority leader~~ three members of the senate ~~and the president of the senate or their designees appointed by the senate committee on committees;~~

(2) ~~the chair~~ three members of the senate ~~Committee on Governmental Operations and reform or a designee who is a member of the committee~~ appointed by the senate minority leader;

(3) ~~a chair of a senate Committee on Finance designated by the majority leader~~ three members of the house appointed by the speaker of the house; and

(4) ~~four~~ three members of the ~~senate~~ house appointed by the ~~senate~~ house minority leader;

(5) ~~the speaker of the house and the chair of the house Committee on Rules or their designees;~~

(6) ~~the chair of the house Committee on Governmental Operations and Gaming or a designee who is a member of the committee;~~

(7) ~~the chair of the house Ways and Means Committee or a designee who is a member of the committee; and~~

(8) ~~four members of the house appointed by the house minority leader.~~

~~The appointed members of the commission shall serve for a term commencing upon appointment and expiring at the opening of the next regular session of the legislature in the odd-numbered year and until a successor is appointed. A vacancy in the membership of the commission shall be filled for the unexpired term in a manner that will preserve the representation established by this subdivision. Members shall serve until replaced, or until they are not members of the legislative body from which they were appointed. Appointing authorities shall fill vacancies on the commission within 30 days of a vacancy being created.~~

The commission shall meet in January of each odd-numbered year to elect its chair and ~~other officers~~ as it may determine necessary vice-chair. ~~A chair~~ They shall serve ~~a two-year term, expiring on January 1 in the odd-numbered year following election, and until a successor is~~ successors are elected. The chair ~~and vice-chair~~ shall alternate biennially between the senate and the house. The commission shall meet at the call of the chair ~~or the executive secretary~~. The members shall serve without compensation but be reimbursed for their reasonable expenses as members of the legislature. The commission may exercise the powers prescribed by section 3.153.

Sec. 2. **REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 2004, sections 3.97, subdivision 3; and 3.979, subdivision 5, are repealed.

Presented to the governor May 22, 2006

Signed by the governor May 31, 2006, 10:45 p.m.