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1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to elections; appropriating money from the Help America Vote Act account.

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

1.4 Section 1. **HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT TRANSFERS AND APPROPRIATIONS;**
1.5 **SECRETARY OF STATE.**

1.6 (a) \$7,389,506 in fiscal year 2020 is appropriated from the Help America Vote Act
1.7 (HAVA) account established in Minnesota Statutes, section 5.30, to the secretary of state
1.8 for the purposes of improving the administration and security of elections as authorized by
1.9 federal law, including but not limited to any of the following activities:

1.10 (1) modernizing, securing, and updating the statewide voter registration system and for
1.11 cybersecurity upgrades as authorized by federal law;

1.12 (2) improving accessibility;

1.13 (3) preparing training materials and training local election officials;

1.14 (4) implementing security improvements for election systems; and

1.15 (5) funding other activities to improve the security of elections.

1.16 (b) Any amount earned in interest on the amount appropriated under paragraph (a) is
1.17 appropriated from the HAVA account to the secretary of state for purposes of improving
1.18 the administration and security of elections as authorized by federal law.

1.19 (c) The appropriations under paragraphs (a) and (b) are onetime and available until
1.20 December 21, 2024.

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

2.2 Sec. 2. **HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT APPROPRIATION; FEDERAL CARES**
2.3 **ACT.**

2.4 (a) \$6,930,610 in fiscal year 2020 is appropriated from the Help America Vote Act
2.5 (HAVA) account established in Minnesota Statutes, section 5.30, to the secretary of state
2.6 to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the infectious disease known as COVID-19 in the
2.7 2020 election cycle as authorized by federal law.

2.8 (b) Any amount earned in interest on the amount appropriated under paragraph (a) is
2.9 appropriated from the HAVA account to the secretary of state to prevent, prepare for, and
2.10 respond to the infectious disease known as COVID-19 in the 2020 election cycle as
2.11 authorized by federal law.

2.12 (c) The appropriations under paragraphs (a) and (b) are onetime and available until
2.13 December 31, 2020.

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