

**SENATE**  
**STATE OF MINNESOTA**  
**NINETY-SECOND SESSION**

**S.F. No. 959**

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02/11/2021	339	Introduction and first reading
		Referred to Environment and Natural Resources Finance
04/12/2021		Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to Finance
		See SF814, Sec. 36, 95-102

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to state government; appropriating money for environment, natural

1.3 resources, and tourism; modifying disposition of certain receipts, appropriations,

1.4 funds, and accounts; modifying state park and fishing contest provisions; modifying

1.5 and establishing fees; eliminating duplicate reporting; modifying certain grant

1.6 programs; providing for environmental justice considerations; modifying

1.7 requirements for labeling items as biodegradable or compostable; modifying

1.8 enforcement authority; establishing Landfill Responsibility Act; modifying

1.9 provisions for conveying state land interests; adding to and deleting from state

1.10 parks and recreation areas; authorizing sales of certain state lands; amending

1.11 Minnesota Statutes 2020, sections 16A.125, subdivision 5; 84.63; 84.943,

1.12 subdivisions 3, 5, by adding a subdivision; 85.019, by adding a subdivision; 85.052,

1.13 subdivisions 1, 6; 85.053, by adding a subdivision; 85.055, subdivision 1; 86B.415,

1.14 subdivisions 1, 1a, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7; 92.502; 97A.075, subdivisions 1, 7; 97A.126, by

1.15 adding a subdivision; 97A.475, subdivisions 2, 3, 3a, 4; 97A.485, subdivision 6;

1.16 97B.022, by adding a subdivision; 97B.715, subdivision 1; 97B.801; 97C.081,

1.17 subdivisions 3, 3a; 115.03, subdivision 1; 115.071, subdivisions 1, 4, by adding

1.18 subdivisions; 115A.03, by adding subdivisions; 115A.565, subdivision 1; 115B.421;

1.19 116.06, by adding subdivisions; 116.07, subdivisions 6, 9, by adding subdivisions;

1.20 116.11; 168.1295, subdivision 1; 325E.046; proposing coding for new law in

1.21 Minnesota Statutes, chapters 115A; 116; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2020, section

1.22 115.44, subdivision 9.

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

1.24 **ARTICLE 1**

1.25 **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES APPROPRIATIONS**

1.26 Section 1. **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES APPROPRIATIONS.**

1.27 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies

1.28 and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the general fund,

1.29 or another named fund, and are available for the fiscal years indicated for each purpose.

1.30 The figures "2022" and "2023" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed under

1.31 them are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, or June 30, 2023, respectively.

2.1 "The first year" is fiscal year 2022. "The second year" is fiscal year 2023. "The biennium"  
 2.2 is fiscal years 2022 and 2023. Appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, are  
 2.3 effective the day following final enactment.

2.4 **APPROPRIATIONS**  
 2.5 **Available for the Year**  
 2.6 **Ending June 30**  
 2.7 **2022** **2023**

2.8 **Sec. 2. POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY**

2.9 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation** **\$ 107,043,000** **\$ 106,915,000**

	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
2.11		
2.12	<u>6,262,000</u>	<u>6,286,000</u>
2.13		
2.14	<u>75,000</u>	<u>75,000</u>
2.15	<u>86,160,000</u>	<u>86,008,000</u>
2.16	<u>14,546,000</u>	<u>14,546,000</u>

2.17 The amounts that may be spent for each  
 2.18 purpose are specified in the following  
 2.19 subdivisions.

2.20 The commissioner must present the agency's  
 2.21 biennial budget for fiscal years 2024 and 2025  
 2.22 to the legislature in a transparent way by  
 2.23 agency division, including the proposed  
 2.24 budget bill and presentations of the budget to  
 2.25 committees and divisions with jurisdiction  
 2.26 over the agency's budget.

2.27 **Subd. 2. Environmental Analysis and Outcomes** **14,724,000** **14,191,000**

	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
2.28		
2.29		
2.30	<u>214,000</u>	<u>224,000</u>
2.31	<u>14,309,000</u>	<u>13,766,000</u>
2.32	<u>201,000</u>	<u>201,000</u>

2.33 (a) \$99,000 the first year and \$109,000 the  
 2.34 second year are from the general fund for:

- 3.1 (1) a municipal liaison to assist municipalities  
3.2 in implementing and participating in the  
3.3 rulemaking process for water quality standards  
3.4 and navigating the NPDES/SDS permitting  
3.5 process;
- 3.6 (2) enhanced economic analysis in the  
3.7 rulemaking process for water quality  
3.8 standards, including more-specific analysis  
3.9 and identification of cost-effective permitting;
- 3.10 (3) developing statewide economic analyses  
3.11 and templates to reduce the amount of  
3.12 information and time required for  
3.13 municipalities to apply for variances from  
3.14 water quality standards; and
- 3.15 (4) coordinating with the Public Facilities  
3.16 Authority to identify and advocate for the  
3.17 resources needed for municipalities to achieve  
3.18 permit requirements.
- 3.19 (b) \$205,000 the first year and \$205,000 the  
3.20 second year are from the environmental fund  
3.21 for a monitoring program under Minnesota  
3.22 Statutes, section 116.454.
- 3.23 (c) \$115,000 the first year and \$115,000 the  
3.24 second year are for monitoring water quality  
3.25 and operating assistance programs.
- 3.26 (d) \$347,000 the first year and \$347,000 the  
3.27 second year are from the environmental fund  
3.28 for monitoring ambient air for hazardous  
3.29 pollutants.
- 3.30 (e) \$90,000 the first year and \$90,000 the  
3.31 second year are from the environmental fund  
3.32 for duties related to harmful chemicals in  
3.33 children's products under Minnesota Statutes,  
3.34 sections 116.9401 to 116.9407. Of this

4.1 amount, \$57,000 each year is transferred to  
4.2 the commissioner of health.

4.3 (f) \$109,000 the first year and \$109,000 the  
4.4 second year are from the environmental fund  
4.5 for registering wastewater laboratories.

4.6 (g) \$926,000 the first year and \$926,000 the  
4.7 second year are from the environmental fund  
4.8 to continue perfluorochemical biomonitoring  
4.9 in eastern metropolitan communities, as  
4.10 recommended by the Environmental Health  
4.11 Tracking and Biomonitoring Advisory Panel,  
4.12 and to address other environmental health  
4.13 risks, including air quality. The communities  
4.14 must include Hmong and other immigrant  
4.15 farming communities. Of this amount, up to  
4.16 \$689,000 the first year and \$689,000 the  
4.17 second year are for transfer to the Department  
4.18 of Health.

4.19 (h) \$51,000 the first year and \$51,000 the  
4.20 second year are from the environmental fund  
4.21 for the listing procedures for impaired waters  
4.22 required under this act.

4.23 (i) \$350,000 the first year is from the  
4.24 environmental fund for completing the St.  
4.25 Louis River mercury total maximum daily  
4.26 load study. This is a onetime appropriation.

4.27 (j) \$141,000 the second year is to implement  
4.28 and enforce Minnesota Statutes, section  
4.29 325F.071. Of this amount, up to \$65,000 may  
4.30 be transferred to the commissioner of health.

4.31 (k) \$200,000 the first year and \$200,000 the  
4.32 second year are from the environmental fund  
4.33 for sampling fish and water for per- and

5.1 polyfluoroalkyl substances at multiple surface  
5.2 waters.

5.3 (l) \$450,000 the first year and \$250,000 the  
5.4 second year are from the environmental fund  
5.5 for inventorying the types of facilities that are  
5.6 a potential source of per- and polyfluoroalkyl  
5.7 substances contamination.

5.8 (m) \$300,000 the first year and \$200,000 the  
5.9 second year are from the environmental fund  
5.10 to evaluate materials going to wastewater and  
5.11 solid waste facilities that result in high levels  
5.12 of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances at these  
5.13 locations. This is a onetime appropriation.

5.14 Subd. 3. **Industrial** 15,988,000 16,337,000

	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
5.16		
5.17	<u>14,987,000</u>	<u>15,336,000</u>
5.18	<u>1,001,000</u>	<u>1,001,000</u>

5.19 (a) \$1,001,000 the first year and \$1,001,000  
5.20 the second year are from the remediation fund  
5.21 for the leaking underground storage tank  
5.22 program to investigate, clean up, and prevent  
5.23 future releases from underground petroleum  
5.24 storage tanks and for the petroleum  
5.25 remediation program for vapor assessment  
5.26 and remediation. These same annual amounts  
5.27 are transferred from the petroleum tank fund  
5.28 to the remediation fund.

5.29 (b) \$393,000 the first year and \$393,000 the  
5.30 second year are from the environmental fund  
5.31 to further evaluate the use and reduction of  
5.32 trichloroethylene around Minnesota and  
5.33 identify its potential health effects on  
5.34 communities. Of this amount, up to \$121,000

6.1 each year may be transferred to the  
 6.2 commissioner of health.  
 6.3 (c) \$184,000 the second year is from the  
 6.4 environmental fund to purchase air emissions  
 6.5 monitoring equipment to support compliance  
 6.6 and enforcement activities. Of this amount,  
 6.7 \$180,000 is a onetime appropriation.

6.8 **Subd. 4. Municipal** 8,624,000 8,637,000

	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
6.10 <u>General</u>	<u>177,000</u>	<u>190,000</u>
6.11 <u>State Government</u>		
6.12 <u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>75,000</u>	<u>75,000</u>
6.13 <u>Environmental</u>	<u>8,372,000</u>	<u>8,372,000</u>

6.15 (a) \$177,000 the first year and \$190,000 the  
 6.16 second year are for:

6.17 (1) a municipal liaison to assist municipalities  
 6.18 in implementing and participating in the  
 6.19 rulemaking process for water quality standards  
 6.20 and navigating the NPDES/SDS permitting  
 6.21 process;

6.22 (2) enhanced economic analysis in the  
 6.23 rulemaking process for water quality  
 6.24 standards, including more-specific analysis  
 6.25 and identification of cost-effective permitting;

6.26 (3) developing statewide economic analyses  
 6.27 and templates to reduce the amount of  
 6.28 information and time required for  
 6.29 municipalities to apply for variances from  
 6.30 water quality standards; and

6.31 (4) coordinating with the Public Facilities  
 6.32 Authority to identify and advocate for the  
 6.33 resources needed for municipalities to achieve  
 6.34 permit requirements.

7.1 (b) \$50,000 the first year and \$50,000 the  
7.2 second year are from the environmental fund  
7.3 for transfer to the Office of Administrative  
7.4 Hearings to establish sanitary districts.

7.5 (c) \$952,000 the first year and \$952,000 the  
7.6 second year are from the environmental fund  
7.7 for subsurface sewage treatment system  
7.8 (SSTS) program administration and  
7.9 community technical assistance and education,  
7.10 including grants and technical assistance to  
7.11 communities for water-quality protection. Of  
7.12 this amount, \$129,000 each year is for  
7.13 assistance to counties through grants for SSTS  
7.14 program administration. A county receiving  
7.15 a grant from this appropriation must submit  
7.16 the results achieved with the grant to the  
7.17 commissioner as part of its annual SSTS  
7.18 report. Any unexpended balance in the first  
7.19 year does not cancel but is available in the  
7.20 second year.

7.21 (d) \$784,000 the first year and \$784,000 the  
7.22 second year are from the environmental fund  
7.23 to address the need for continued increased  
7.24 activity in new technology review, technical  
7.25 assistance for local governments, and  
7.26 enforcement under Minnesota Statutes,  
7.27 sections 115.55 to 115.58, and to complete the  
7.28 requirements of Laws 2003, chapter 128,  
7.29 article 1, section 165.

7.30 (e) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes,  
7.31 section 16A.28, the appropriations  
7.32 encumbered on or before June 30, 2023, as  
7.33 grants or contracts for subsurface sewage  
7.34 treatment systems, surface water and  
7.35 groundwater assessments, storm water, and

8.1 water-quality protection in this subdivision  
 8.2 are available until June 30, 2026.

8.3 **Subd. 5. Operations** 10,690,000 10,704,000

8.4 Appropriations by Fund

8.5	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
8.6 <u>General</u>	<u>2,531,000</u>	<u>2,532,000</u>
8.7 <u>Environmental</u>	<u>6,078,000</u>	<u>6,091,000</u>
8.8 <u>Remediation</u>	<u>2,081,000</u>	<u>2,081,000</u>

8.9 (a) \$1,003,000 the first year and \$1,003,000  
 8.10 the second year are from the remediation fund  
 8.11 for the leaking underground storage tank  
 8.12 program to investigate, clean up, and prevent  
 8.13 future releases from underground petroleum  
 8.14 storage tanks and for the petroleum  
 8.15 remediation program for vapor assessment  
 8.16 and remediation. These same annual amounts  
 8.17 are transferred from the petroleum tank fund  
 8.18 to the remediation fund.

8.19 (b) \$2,531,000 the first year and \$2,532,000  
 8.20 the second year are to support agency  
 8.21 information technology services provided at  
 8.22 the enterprise and agency level.

8.23 (c) \$1,100,000 the first year and \$1,100,000  
 8.24 the second year are from the environmental  
 8.25 fund to develop and maintain systems to  
 8.26 support permitting and regulatory business  
 8.27 processes and agency data.

8.28 **Subd. 6. Remediation** 11,537,000 11,537,000

8.29 Appropriations by Fund

8.30	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
8.31 <u>Environmental</u>	<u>508,000</u>	<u>508,000</u>
8.32 <u>Remediation</u>	<u>11,029,000</u>	<u>11,029,000</u>

8.33 (a) All money for environmental response,  
 8.34 compensation, and compliance in the



9.1 remediation fund not otherwise appropriated  
9.2 is appropriated to the commissioners of the  
9.3 Pollution Control Agency and agriculture for  
9.4 purposes of Minnesota Statutes, section  
9.5 115B.20, subdivision 2, clauses (1), (2), (3),  
9.6 (6), and (7). At the beginning of each fiscal  
9.7 year, the two commissioners must jointly  
9.8 submit to the commissioner of management  
9.9 and budget an annual spending plan that  
9.10 maximizes resource use and appropriately  
9.11 allocates the money between the two  
9.12 departments. This appropriation is available  
9.13 until June 30, 2023.

9.14 (b) \$363,000 the first year and \$363,000 the  
9.15 second year are from the environmental fund  
9.16 to manage contaminated sediment projects at  
9.17 multiple sites identified in the St. Louis River  
9.18 remedial action plan to restore water quality  
9.19 in the St. Louis River Area of Concern.

9.20 (c) \$3,198,000 the first year and \$3,198,000  
9.21 the second year are from the remediation fund  
9.22 for the leaking underground storage tank  
9.23 program to investigate, clean up, and prevent  
9.24 future releases from underground petroleum  
9.25 storage tanks and for the petroleum  
9.26 remediation program for vapor assessment  
9.27 and remediation. These same annual amounts  
9.28 are transferred from the petroleum tank fund  
9.29 to the remediation fund.

9.30 (d) \$257,000 the first year and \$257,000 the  
9.31 second year are from the remediation fund for  
9.32 transfer to the commissioner of health for  
9.33 private water-supply monitoring and health  
9.34 assessment costs in areas contaminated by  
9.35 unpermitted mixed municipal solid waste

- 10.1 disposal facilities and drinking water
- 10.2 advisories and public information activities
- 10.3 for areas contaminated by hazardous releases.
- 10.4 **Subd. 7. Resource Management and Assistance**                      35,048,000                      35,077,000
- 10.5                      Appropriations by Fund
- |      | <u>2022</u>       | <u>2023</u>       |
|------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 10.6 |                   |                   |
| 10.7 | <u>300,000</u>    | <u>300,000</u>    |
| 10.8 | <u>34,748,000</u> | <u>34,777,000</u> |
- 10.9 (a) Up to \$150,000 the first year and \$150,000
- 10.10 the second year may be transferred from the
- 10.11 environmental fund to the small business
- 10.12 environmental improvement loan account
- 10.13 under Minnesota Statutes, section 116.993.
- 10.14 (b) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000
- 10.15 the second year are for competitive recycling
- 10.16 grants under Minnesota Statutes, section
- 10.17 115A.565. Of this amount, \$300,000 the first
- 10.18 year and \$300,000 the second year are from
- 10.19 the general fund, and \$700,000 the first year
- 10.20 and \$700,000 the second year are from the
- 10.21 environmental fund. This appropriation is
- 10.22 available until June 30, 2025.
- 10.23 (c) \$694,000 the first year and \$694,000 the
- 10.24 second year are from the environmental fund
- 10.25 for emission-reduction activities and grants to
- 10.26 small businesses and other
- 10.27 nonpoint-emission-reduction efforts. Of this
- 10.28 amount, \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000
- 10.29 the second year are to continue work with
- 10.30 Clean Air Minnesota, and the commissioner
- 10.31 may enter into an agreement with
- 10.32 Environmental Initiative to support this effort.

- 11.1 (d) \$17,750,000 the first year and \$17,750,000  
11.2 the second year are from the environmental  
11.3 fund for SCORE block grants to counties.
- 11.4 (e) \$119,000 the first year and \$119,000 the  
11.5 second year are from the environmental fund  
11.6 for environmental assistance grants or loans  
11.7 under Minnesota Statutes, section 115A.0716.
- 11.8 (f) \$400,000 the first year and \$400,000 the  
11.9 second year are from the environmental fund  
11.10 for grants to develop and expand recycling  
11.11 markets for Minnesota businesses.
- 11.12 (g) \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000 the  
11.13 second year are from the environmental fund  
11.14 for reducing and diverting food waste,  
11.15 redirecting edible food for consumption, and  
11.16 removing barriers to collecting and recovering  
11.17 organic waste. Of this amount, \$500,000 each  
11.18 year is for grants to increase food rescue and  
11.19 waste prevention. This appropriation is  
11.20 available until June 30, 2025.
- 11.21 (h) All money deposited in the environmental  
11.22 fund for the metropolitan solid waste landfill  
11.23 fee in accordance with Minnesota Statutes,  
11.24 section 473.843, and not otherwise  
11.25 appropriated, is appropriated for the purposes  
11.26 of Minnesota Statutes, section 473.844.
- 11.27 (i) Any unencumbered grant and loan balances  
11.28 in the first year do not cancel but are available  
11.29 for grants and loans in the second year.  
11.30 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section  
11.31 16A.28, the appropriations encumbered on or  
11.32 before June 30, 2023, as contracts or grants  
11.33 for environmental assistance awarded under  
11.34 Minnesota Statutes, section 115A.0716;

12.1 technical and research assistance under  
 12.2 Minnesota Statutes, section 115A.152;  
 12.3 technical assistance under Minnesota Statutes,  
 12.4 section 115A.52; and pollution prevention  
 12.5 assistance under Minnesota Statutes, section  
 12.6 115D.04, are available until June 30, 2025.

12.7 **Subd. 8. Watershed** 9,158,000 9,158,000

12.8	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
12.9	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
12.10 <u>General</u>	<u>1,959,000</u>	<u>1,959,000</u>
12.11 <u>Environmental</u>	<u>6,965,000</u>	<u>6,965,000</u>
12.12 <u>Remediation</u>	<u>234,000</u>	<u>234,000</u>

12.13 (a) \$1,959,000 the first year and \$1,959,000  
 12.14 the second year are for grants to delegated  
 12.15 counties to administer the county feedlot  
 12.16 program under Minnesota Statutes, section  
 12.17 116.0711, subdivisions 2 and 3. Money  
 12.18 remaining after the first year is available for  
 12.19 the second year.

12.20 (b) \$208,000 the first year and \$208,000 the  
 12.21 second year are from the environmental fund  
 12.22 for the costs of implementing general  
 12.23 operating permits for feedlots over 1,000  
 12.24 animal units.

12.25 (c) \$122,000 the first year and \$122,000 the  
 12.26 second year are from the remediation fund for  
 12.27 the leaking underground storage tank program  
 12.28 to investigate, clean up, and prevent future  
 12.29 releases from underground petroleum storage  
 12.30 tanks and for the petroleum remediation  
 12.31 program for vapor assessment and  
 12.32 remediation. These same annual amounts are  
 12.33 transferred from the petroleum tank fund to  
 12.34 the remediation fund.

13.1	<b><u>Subd. 9. Environmental Quality Board</u></b>		<u>1,274,000</u>	<u>1,274,000</u>
13.2	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>			
13.3		<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	
13.4	<u>General</u>	<u>1,081,000</u>	<u>1,081,000</u>	
13.5	<u>Environmental</u>	<u>193,000</u>	<u>193,000</u>	
13.6	<b><u>Subd. 10. Transfers</u></b>			
13.7	<u>The commissioner must transfer up to</u>			
13.8	<u>\$44,000,000 from the environmental fund to</u>			
13.9	<u>the remediation fund for purposes of the</u>			
13.10	<u>remediation fund under Minnesota Statutes,</u>			
13.11	<u>section 116.155, subdivision 2.</u>			
13.12	<b><u>Sec. 3. NATURAL RESOURCES</u></b>			
13.13	<b><u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u></b>		<b><u>\$ 315,179,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 313,409,000</u></b>
13.14	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>			
13.15		<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	
13.16	<u>General</u>	<u>93,840,000</u>	<u>91,111,000</u>	
13.17	<u>Natural Resources</u>	<u>107,072,000</u>	<u>108,032,000</u>	
13.18	<u>Game and Fish</u>	<u>113,638,000</u>	<u>113,637,000</u>	
13.19	<u>Remediation</u>	<u>111,000</u>	<u>111,000</u>	
13.20	<u>Permanent School</u>	<u>518,000</u>	<u>518,000</u>	
13.21	<u>The amounts that may be spent for each</u>			
13.22	<u>purpose are specified in the following</u>			
13.23	<u>subdivisions.</u>			
13.24	<b><u>Subd. 2. Land and Mineral Resources</u></b>			
13.25	<b><u>Management</u></b>		<u>6,479,000</u>	<u>6,506,000</u>
13.26	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>			
13.27		<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	
13.28	<u>General</u>	<u>1,874,000</u>	<u>1,901,000</u>	
13.29	<u>Natural Resources</u>	<u>4,043,000</u>	<u>4,043,000</u>	
13.30	<u>Game and Fish</u>	<u>344,000</u>	<u>344,000</u>	
13.31	<u>Permanent School</u>	<u>218,000</u>	<u>218,000</u>	
13.32	<u>(a) \$319,000 the first year and \$319,000 the</u>			
13.33	<u>second year are for environmental research</u>			
13.34	<u>relating to mine permitting, of which \$200,000</u>			

- 14.1 each year is from the minerals management  
 14.2 account and \$119,000 each year is from the  
 14.3 general fund.
- 14.4 (b) \$3,083,000 the first year and \$3,083,000  
 14.5 the second year are from the minerals  
 14.6 management account in the natural resources  
 14.7 fund for use as provided under Minnesota  
 14.8 Statutes, section 93.2236, paragraph (c), for  
 14.9 mineral resource management, projects to  
 14.10 enhance future mineral income, and projects  
 14.11 to promote new mineral-resource  
 14.12 opportunities.
- 14.13 (c) \$218,000 the first year and \$218,000 the  
 14.14 second year are transferred from the forest  
 14.15 suspense account to the permanent school fund  
 14.16 and are appropriated from the permanent  
 14.17 school fund to secure maximum long-term  
 14.18 economic return from the school trust lands  
 14.19 consistent with fiduciary responsibilities and  
 14.20 sound natural resources conservation and  
 14.21 management principles.
- 14.22 (d) \$338,000 the first year and \$338,000 the  
 14.23 second year are from the water management  
 14.24 account in the natural resources fund for  
 14.25 mining hydrology.
- 14.26 (e) On the day following final enactment, the  
 14.27 commissioner must cancel to the general fund  
 14.28 \$42,000 from the fiscal year 2021 general fund  
 14.29 appropriations for Lands and Minerals.
- 14.30 **Subd. 3. Ecological and Water Resources** 35,795,000 36,021,000
- 14.31 Appropriations by Fund
- |                      | <u>2022</u>       | <u>2023</u>       |
|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 14.32 <u>General</u> | <u>18,790,000</u> | <u>19,016,000</u> |

- 15.1 Natural Resources                    11,481,000        11,481,000
- 15.2 Game and Fish                        5,524,000        5,524,000
- 15.3 (a) \$4,222,000 the first year and \$4,222,000
- 15.4 the second year are from the invasive species
- 15.5 account in the natural resources fund and
- 15.6 \$2,831,000 the first year and \$2,831,000 the
- 15.7 second year are from the general fund for
- 15.8 management, public awareness, assessment
- 15.9 and monitoring research, and water access
- 15.10 inspection to prevent the spread of invasive
- 15.11 species; management of invasive plants in
- 15.12 public waters; and management of terrestrial
- 15.13 invasive species on state-administered lands.
- 15.14 (b) \$5,556,000 the first year and \$5,556,000
- 15.15 the second year are from the water
- 15.16 management account in the natural resources
- 15.17 fund for only the purposes specified in
- 15.18 Minnesota Statutes, section 103G.27,
- 15.19 subdivision 2.
- 15.20 (c) \$124,000 the first year and \$124,000 the
- 15.21 second year are for a grant to the Mississippi
- 15.22 Headwaters Board for up to 50 percent of the
- 15.23 cost of implementing the comprehensive plan
- 15.24 for the upper Mississippi within areas under
- 15.25 the board's jurisdiction.
- 15.26 (d) \$10,000 the first year and \$10,000 the
- 15.27 second year are for payment to the Leech Lake
- 15.28 Band of Chippewa Indians to implement the
- 15.29 band's portion of the comprehensive plan for
- 15.30 the upper Mississippi River.
- 15.31 (e) \$264,000 the first year and \$264,000 the
- 15.32 second year are for grants for up to 50 percent
- 15.33 of the cost of implementing the Red River
- 15.34 mediation agreement.

- 16.1 (f) \$2,298,000 the first year and \$2,298,000  
16.2 the second year are from the heritage  
16.3 enhancement account in the game and fish  
16.4 fund for only the purposes specified in  
16.5 Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94,  
16.6 paragraph (h), clause (1).
- 16.7 (g) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes,  
16.8 section 290.431, \$100,000 the first year and  
16.9 \$100,000 the second year may be used for  
16.10 nongame wildlife information, education, and  
16.11 promotion.
- 16.12 (h) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes,  
16.13 section 84.943, \$13,000 the first year and  
16.14 \$13,000 the second year from the critical  
16.15 habitat private sector matching account may  
16.16 be used to publicize the critical habitat license  
16.17 plate match program.
- 16.18 (i) \$6,000,000 the first year and \$6,000,000  
16.19 the second year are for the following activities:
- 16.20 (1) financial reimbursement and technical  
16.21 support to soil and water conservation districts  
16.22 or other local units of government for  
16.23 groundwater-level monitoring;
- 16.24 (2) surface water monitoring and analysis,  
16.25 including installing monitoring gauges;
- 16.26 (3) groundwater analysis to assist with  
16.27 water-appropriation permitting decisions;
- 16.28 (4) permit application review incorporating  
16.29 surface water and groundwater technical  
16.30 analysis;
- 16.31 (5) precipitation data and analysis to improve  
16.32 irrigation use;



17.1 (6) information technology, including  
 17.2 electronic permitting and integrated data  
 17.3 systems; and  
 17.4 (7) compliance and monitoring.  
 17.5 (j) \$410,000 the first year and \$410,000 the  
 17.6 second year are from the heritage enhancement  
 17.7 account in the game and fish fund for grants  
 17.8 to the Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Species  
 17.9 Research Center at the University of  
 17.10 Minnesota to prioritize, support, and develop  
 17.11 research-based solutions that can reduce the  
 17.12 effects of aquatic invasive species in  
 17.13 Minnesota by preventing spread, controlling  
 17.14 populations, and managing ecosystems and to  
 17.15 advance knowledge to inspire action by others.

17.16 (k) On the day following final enactment, the  
 17.17 commissioner must cancel to the general fund  
 17.18 \$427,000 from the fiscal year 2021 general  
 17.19 fund appropriations for Ecological and Water  
 17.20 Resources.

17.21 **Subd. 4. Forest Management** 51,735,000 52,315,000

17.22	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
17.23	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
17.24	<u>General</u>	<u>33,657,000</u>
17.25	<u>Natural Resources</u>	<u>34,237,000</u>
17.26	<u>Game and Fish</u>	<u>16,661,000</u>
		<u>1,417,000</u>

17.27 (a) \$7,521,000 the first year and \$7,521,000  
 17.28 the second year are for prevention,  
 17.29 presuppression, and suppression costs of  
 17.30 emergency firefighting and other costs  
 17.31 incurred under Minnesota Statutes, section  
 17.32 88.12. The amount necessary to pay for  
 17.33 presuppression and suppression costs during  
 17.34 the biennium is appropriated from the general

18.1 fund. By January 15 of each year, the  
18.2 commissioner of natural resources must submit  
18.3 a report to the chairs and ranking minority  
18.4 members of the house and senate committees  
18.5 and divisions having jurisdiction over  
18.6 environment and natural resources finance that  
18.7 identifies all firefighting costs incurred and  
18.8 reimbursements received in the prior fiscal  
18.9 year. These appropriations may not be  
18.10 transferred. Any reimbursement of firefighting  
18.11 expenditures made to the commissioner from  
18.12 any source other than federal mobilizations  
18.13 must be deposited into the general fund.

18.14 (b) \$15,386,000 the first year and \$15,386,000  
18.15 the second year are from the forest  
18.16 management investment account in the natural  
18.17 resources fund for only the purposes specified  
18.18 in Minnesota Statutes, section 89.039,  
18.19 subdivision 2.

18.20 (c) \$1,417,000 the first year and \$1,417,000  
18.21 the second year are from the heritage  
18.22 enhancement account in the game and fish  
18.23 fund to advance ecological classification  
18.24 systems (ECS) scientific management tools  
18.25 for forest and invasive species management.

18.26 (d) \$855,000 the first year and \$863,000 the  
18.27 second year are for the Forest Resources  
18.28 Council to implement the Sustainable Forest  
18.29 Resources Act.

18.30 (e) \$1,143,000 the first year and \$1,143,000  
18.31 the second year are for the Next Generation  
18.32 Core Forestry data system. Of this  
18.33 appropriation, \$868,000 is from the general  
18.34 fund and \$275,000 from the forest

19.1 management investment account in the natural  
 19.2 resources fund.

19.3 (f) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the  
 19.4 second year are from the forest management  
 19.5 investment account in the natural resources  
 19.6 fund for forest road maintenance on state  
 19.7 forest roads.

19.8 (g) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the  
 19.9 second year are for forest road maintenance  
 19.10 on county forest roads.

19.11 (h) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the  
 19.12 second year are from the forest management  
 19.13 investment account in the natural resources  
 19.14 fund for collecting light detection and ranging  
 19.15 data for forest inventory. This is a onetime  
 19.16 appropriation and is available until June 30,  
 19.17 2024.

19.18 (i) On the day following final enactment, the  
 19.19 commissioner must cancel to the general fund  
 19.20 \$751,000 from the fiscal year 2021 general  
 19.21 fund appropriations for Forestry.

19.22 **Subd. 5. Parks and Trails Management** 90,533,000 91,806,000

19.23	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
19.24	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
19.25 <u>General</u>	<u>27,563,000</u>	<u>27,876,000</u>
19.26 <u>Natural Resources</u>	<u>60,670,000</u>	<u>61,630,000</u>
19.27 <u>Game and Fish</u>	<u>2,300,000</u>	<u>2,300,000</u>

19.28 (a) \$6,435,000 the first year and \$6,435,000  
 19.29 the second year are from the natural resources  
 19.30 fund for state trail, park, and recreation area  
 19.31 operations. This appropriation is from revenue  
 19.32 deposited in the natural resources fund under  
 19.33 Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94,  
 19.34 paragraph (h), clause (2).

20.1 (b) \$19,528,000 the first year and \$19,528,000  
20.2 the second year are from the state parks  
20.3 account in the natural resources fund to  
20.4 operate and maintain state parks and state  
20.5 recreation areas.

20.6 (c) \$890,000 the first year and \$890,000 the  
20.7 second year are from the natural resources  
20.8 fund for park and trail grants to local units of  
20.9 government on land to be maintained for at  
20.10 least 20 years for parks or trails. This  
20.11 appropriation is from revenue deposited in the  
20.12 natural resources fund under Minnesota  
20.13 Statutes, section 297A.94, paragraph (h),  
20.14 clause (4). Any unencumbered balance does  
20.15 not cancel at the end of the first year and is  
20.16 available for the second year.

20.17 (d) \$9,624,000 the first year and \$9,624,000  
20.18 the second year are from the snowmobile trails  
20.19 and enforcement account in the natural  
20.20 resources fund for the snowmobile  
20.21 grants-in-aid program. Any unencumbered  
20.22 balance does not cancel at the end of the first  
20.23 year and is available for the second year.

20.24 (e) \$2,135,000 the first year and \$2,135,000  
20.25 the second year are from the natural resources  
20.26 fund for the off-highway vehicle grants-in-aid  
20.27 program. Of this amount, \$1,660,000 each  
20.28 year is from the all-terrain vehicle account;  
20.29 \$150,000 each year is from the off-highway  
20.30 motorcycle account; and \$325,000 each year  
20.31 is from the off-road vehicle account. Any  
20.32 unencumbered balance does not cancel at the  
20.33 end of the first year and is available for the  
20.34 second year.

21.1 (f) \$117,000 the first year and \$117,000 the  
 21.2 second year are from the cross-country-ski  
 21.3 account in the natural resources fund for  
 21.4 grooming and maintaining cross-country-ski  
 21.5 trails in state parks, trails, and recreation areas.

21.6 (g) \$1,250,000 the first year and \$2,250,000  
 21.7 the second year are from the state land and  
 21.8 water conservation account in the natural  
 21.9 resources fund for priorities established by the  
 21.10 commissioner for eligible state projects and  
 21.11 administrative and planning activities  
 21.12 consistent with Minnesota Statutes, section  
 21.13 84.0264, and the federal Land and Water  
 21.14 Conservation Fund Act. Any unencumbered  
 21.15 balance does not cancel at the end of the first  
 21.16 year and is available for the second year.

21.17 (h) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the  
 21.18 second year are for matching grants for local  
 21.19 parks and outdoor recreation areas under  
 21.20 Minnesota Statutes, section 85.019,  
 21.21 subdivision 2.

21.22 (i) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the  
 21.23 second year are for matching grants for local  
 21.24 trail connections under Minnesota Statutes,  
 21.25 section 85.019, subdivision 4c.

21.26 (j) On the day following final enactment, the  
 21.27 commissioner must cancel to the general fund  
 21.28 \$614,000 from the fiscal year 2021 general  
 21.29 fund appropriations for Parks and Trails.

21.30 **Subd. 6. Fish and Wildlife Management** 78,306,000 78,309,000

21.31	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
21.32		<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
21.33	<u>General</u>	<u>279,000</u>	<u>282,000</u>

22.1	<u>Natural Resources</u>	<u>1,982,000</u>	<u>1,982,000</u>
22.2	<u>Game and Fish</u>	<u>76,045,000</u>	<u>76,045,000</u>
22.3	<u>(a) \$8,658,000 the first year and \$8,658,000</u>		
22.4	<u>the second year are from the heritage</u>		
22.5	<u>enhancement account in the game and fish</u>		
22.6	<u>fund only for activities specified under</u>		
22.7	<u>Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94,</u>		
22.8	<u>paragraph (h), clause (1). Notwithstanding</u>		
22.9	<u>Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94, five</u>		
22.10	<u>percent of this appropriation may be used for</u>		
22.11	<u>expanding hunter and angler recruitment and</u>		
22.12	<u>retention.</u>		
22.13	<u>(b) \$8,546,000 the first year and \$8,546,000</u>		
22.14	<u>the second year are from the deer management</u>		
22.15	<u>account for the purposes identified in</u>		
22.16	<u>Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.075,</u>		
22.17	<u>subdivision 1.</u>		
22.18	<u>(c) On the day following final enactment, the</u>		
22.19	<u>commissioner must cancel to the general fund</u>		
22.20	<u>\$6,000 from the fiscal year 2021 general fund</u>		
22.21	<u>appropriations for Fish and Wildlife.</u>		
22.22	<u>Subd. 7. Enforcement</u>	<u>47,464,000</u>	<u>47,585,000</u>
22.23	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>		
22.24		<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
22.25	<u>General</u>	<u>7,490,000</u>	<u>7,612,000</u>
22.26	<u>Natural Resources</u>	<u>11,855,000</u>	<u>11,855,000</u>
22.27	<u>Game and Fish</u>	<u>28,008,000</u>	<u>28,007,000</u>
22.28	<u>Remediation</u>	<u>111,000</u>	<u>111,000</u>
22.29	<u>(a) \$1,718,000 the first year and \$1,718,000</u>		
22.30	<u>the second year are from the general fund for</u>		
22.31	<u>enforcement efforts to prevent the spread of</u>		
22.32	<u>aquatic invasive species.</u>		
22.33	<u>(b) \$1,580,000 the first year and \$1,580,000</u>		
22.34	<u>the second year are from the heritage</u>		

23.1 enhancement account in the game and fish  
23.2 fund for only the purposes specified under  
23.3 Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94,  
23.4 paragraph (h), clause (1).

23.5 (c) \$1,082,000 the first year and \$1,082,000  
23.6 the second year are from the water recreation  
23.7 account in the natural resources fund for grants  
23.8 to counties for boat and water safety. Any  
23.9 unencumbered balance does not cancel at the  
23.10 end of the first year and is available for the  
23.11 second year.

23.12 (d) \$315,000 the first year and \$315,000 the  
23.13 second year are from the snowmobile trails  
23.14 and enforcement account in the natural  
23.15 resources fund for grants to local law  
23.16 enforcement agencies for snowmobile  
23.17 enforcement activities. Any unencumbered  
23.18 balance does not cancel at the end of the first  
23.19 year and is available for the second year.

23.20 (e) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the  
23.21 second year are from the all-terrain vehicle  
23.22 account in the natural resources fund for grants  
23.23 to qualifying organizations to assist in safety  
23.24 and environmental education and monitoring  
23.25 trails on public lands under Minnesota  
23.26 Statutes, section 84.9011. Grants issued under  
23.27 this paragraph must be issued through a formal  
23.28 agreement with the organization. By  
23.29 December 15 each year, an organization  
23.30 receiving a grant under this paragraph must  
23.31 report to the commissioner with details on  
23.32 expenditures and outcomes from the grant. Of  
23.33 this appropriation, \$25,000 each year is for  
23.34 administering these grants. Any unencumbered

24.1 balance does not cancel at the end of the first  
 24.2 year and is available for the second year.

24.3 (f) \$510,000 the first year and \$510,000 the  
 24.4 second year are from the natural resources  
 24.5 fund for grants to county law enforcement  
 24.6 agencies for off-highway vehicle enforcement  
 24.7 and public education activities based on  
 24.8 off-highway vehicle use in the county. Of this  
 24.9 amount, \$498,000 each year is from the  
 24.10 all-terrain vehicle account, \$11,000 each year  
 24.11 is from the off-highway motorcycle account,  
 24.12 and \$1,000 each year is from the off-road  
 24.13 vehicle account. The county enforcement  
 24.14 agencies may use money received under this  
 24.15 appropriation to make grants to other local  
 24.16 enforcement agencies within the county that  
 24.17 have a high concentration of off-highway  
 24.18 vehicle use. Of this appropriation, \$25,000  
 24.19 each year is for administering these grants.

24.20 Any unencumbered balance does not cancel  
 24.21 at the end of the first year and is available for  
 24.22 the second year.

24.23 (g) On the day following final enactment, the  
 24.24 commissioner must cancel to the general fund  
 24.25 \$168,000 from the fiscal year 2021 general  
 24.26 fund appropriations for Enforcement.

24.27 **Subd. 8. Operations Support**

4,000,000

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24.28 \$4,000,000 the first year is for legal costs. Of  
 24.29 this amount, up to \$2,000,000 the first year  
 24.30 may be transferred to the Minnesota Pollution  
 24.31 Control Agency. This is a onetime  
 24.32 appropriation and is available until June 30,  
 24.33 2025.



25.1	<u>Subd. 9. Pass Through Funds</u>	<u>867,000</u>	<u>867,000</u>
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25.2                           Appropriations by Fund

		<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
25.4	<u>General</u>	<u>187,000</u>	<u>187,000</u>
25.5	<u>Natural Resources</u>	<u>380,000</u>	<u>380,000</u>
25.6	<u>Permanent School</u>	<u>300,000</u>	<u>300,000</u>

25.7   (a) \$380,000 the first year and \$380,000 the  
 25.8   second year are from the natural resources  
 25.9   fund for grants to be divided equally between  
 25.10 the city of St. Paul for the Como Park Zoo and  
 25.11 Conservatory and the city of Duluth for the  
 25.12 Lake Superior Zoo. This appropriation is from  
 25.13 revenue deposited to the natural resources fund  
 25.14 under Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94,  
 25.15 paragraph (h), clause (5).

25.16 (b) \$187,000 the first year and \$187,000 the  
 25.17 second year are for the Office of School Trust  
 25.18 Lands.

25.19 (c) \$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the  
 25.20 second year are transferred from the forest  
 25.21 suspense account to the permanent school fund  
 25.22 and are appropriated from the permanent  
 25.23 school fund for the Office of School Trust  
 25.24 Lands.

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

25.26	<u>Sec. 4. BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL</u>		
25.27	<u>RESOURCES</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>14,970,000</u> <u>\$</u> <u>15,065,000</u>

25.28 (a) \$3,423,000 the first year and \$3,423,000  
 25.29 the second year are for natural resources block  
 25.30 grants to local governments to implement the  
 25.31 Wetland Conservation Act and shoreland  
 25.32 management under Minnesota Statutes,  
 25.33 chapter 103F, and local water management  
 25.34 under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 103B. The

26.1 board may reduce the amount of the natural  
26.2 resources block grant to a county by an  
26.3 amount equal to any reduction in the county's  
26.4 general services allocation to a soil and water  
26.5 conservation district from the county's  
26.6 previous year allocation when the board  
26.7 determines that the reduction was  
26.8 disproportionate.

26.9 (b) \$3,116,000 the first year and \$3,116,000  
26.10 the second year are for grants to soil and water  
26.11 conservation districts for the purposes of  
26.12 Minnesota Statutes, sections 103C.321 and  
26.13 103C.331, and for general purposes, nonpoint  
26.14 engineering, and implementation and  
26.15 stewardship of the reinvest in Minnesota  
26.16 reserve program. Expenditures may be made  
26.17 from these appropriations for supplies and  
26.18 services benefiting soil and water conservation  
26.19 districts. Any district receiving a payment  
26.20 under this paragraph must maintain a web page  
26.21 that publishes, at a minimum, its annual report,  
26.22 annual audit, annual budget, and meeting  
26.23 notices.

26.24 (c) \$761,000 the first year and \$761,000 the  
26.25 second year are to implement, enforce, and  
26.26 provide oversight for the Wetland  
26.27 Conservation Act, including administering the  
26.28 wetland banking program and in-lieu fee  
26.29 mechanism.

26.30 (d) \$1,560,000 the first year and \$1,560,000  
26.31 the second year are for the following  
26.32 cost-share programs:

26.33 (1) \$260,000 each year is for the feedlot water  
26.34 quality cost-sharing program for feedlots under  
26.35 500 animal units and nutrient and manure

- 27.1 management projects in watersheds where  
27.2 there are impaired waters;
- 27.3 (2) \$1,200,000 each year is for cost-sharing  
27.4 programs of soil and water conservation  
27.5 districts for perennially vegetated riparian  
27.6 buffers, erosion control, water retention and  
27.7 treatment, and other high-priority conservation  
27.8 practices; and
- 27.9 (3) \$100,000 each year is for county  
27.10 cooperative weed management programs and  
27.11 to restore native plants in selected invasive  
27.12 species management sites.
- 27.13 (e) \$166,000 the first year and \$166,000 the  
27.14 second year are to provide technical assistance  
27.15 to local drainage management officials and  
27.16 for the costs of the Drainage Work Group. The  
27.17 board must coordinate with the Drainage Work  
27.18 Group according to Minnesota Statutes,  
27.19 section 103B.101, subdivision 13.
- 27.20 (f) \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the  
27.21 second year are for a grant to the Red River  
27.22 Basin Commission for water quality and  
27.23 floodplain management, including  
27.24 administration of programs. This appropriation  
27.25 must be matched by nonstate funds.
- 27.26 (g) \$140,000 the first year and \$140,000 the  
27.27 second year are for grants to Area II  
27.28 Minnesota River Basin Projects for floodplain  
27.29 management.
- 27.30 (h) \$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the  
27.31 second year are for conservation easement  
27.32 stewardship.
- 27.33 (i) \$240,000 the first year and \$240,000 the  
27.34 second year are for a grant to the Lower



29.1 (a) \$2,540,000 the first year and \$2,540,000  
 29.2 the second year are for metropolitan-area  
 29.3 regional parks operation and maintenance  
 29.4 according to Minnesota Statutes, section  
 29.5 473.351.

29.6 (b) \$6,600,000 the first year and \$6,600,000  
 29.7 the second year are from the natural resources  
 29.8 fund for metropolitan-area regional parks and  
 29.9 trails maintenance and operations. This  
 29.10 appropriation is from revenue deposited in the  
 29.11 natural resources fund under Minnesota  
 29.12 Statutes, section 297A.94, paragraph (h),  
 29.13 clause (3).

29.14 **Sec. 6. CONSERVATION CORPS**  
 29.15 **MINNESOTA** **\$ 945,000 \$ 945,000**

29.16	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
29.17	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
29.18	<u>General</u>	<u>455,000</u>
29.19	<u>Natural Resources</u>	<u>490,000</u>

29.20 Conservation Corps Minnesota may receive  
 29.21 money appropriated from the natural resources  
 29.22 fund under this section only as provided in an  
 29.23 agreement with the commissioner of natural  
 29.24 resources.

29.25 **Sec. 7. ZOOLOGICAL BOARD** **\$ 15,939,000 \$ 13,959,000**

29.26	<u>Appropriations by Fund</u>	
29.27	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
29.28	<u>General</u>	<u>15,749,000</u>
29.29	<u>Natural Resources</u>	<u>190,000</u>

29.30 \$190,000 the first year and \$190,000 the  
 29.31 second year are from the natural resources  
 29.32 fund from revenue deposited under Minnesota  
 29.33 Statutes, section 297A.94, paragraph (h),  
 29.34 clause (5). The general fund current law base



31.1 **ARTICLE 2**31.2 **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

31.3 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 16A.125, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

31.4 Subd. 5. **Forest trust lands.** (a) The term "state forest trust fund lands" as used in this  
31.5 subdivision, means public land in trust under the constitution set apart as "forest lands under  
31.6 the authority of the commissioner" of natural resources as defined by section 89.001,  
31.7 subdivision 13.

31.8 (b) The commissioner of management and budget shall credit the revenue from the forest  
31.9 trust fund lands to the forest suspense account. The account must specify the trust funds  
31.10 interested in the lands and the respective receipts of the lands.

31.11 (c) After a fiscal year, the commissioner of management and budget shall certify the  
31.12 costs incurred for forestry during that year under appropriations for the improvement,  
31.13 administration, and management of state forest trust fund lands and construction and  
31.14 improvement of forest roads to enhance the forest value of the lands. The certificate must  
31.15 specify the trust funds interested in the lands. After presentation to the Legislative Permanent  
31.16 School Fund Commission, the commissioner of natural resources shall supply the  
31.17 commissioner of management and budget with the information needed for the certificate.  
31.18 The certificate shall include an analysis that compares costs certified under this section with  
31.19 costs incurred on other public and private lands with similar land assets.

31.20 (d) After a fiscal year, the commissioner shall distribute the receipts credited to the  
31.21 suspense account during that fiscal year as follows:

31.22 (1) the amount of the certified costs incurred by the state for forest management, forest  
31.23 improvement, and road improvement during the fiscal year shall be transferred to the forest  
31.24 management investment account established under section 89.039;

31.25 (2) the amount of costs incurred by the Legislative Permanent School Fund Commission  
31.26 under section 127A.30, and by the school trust lands director under section 127A.353, shall  
31.27 be transferred to the general fund;

31.28 (3) an amount equal to 80 percent of the revenue generated from fees for camping at  
31.29 state forest campgrounds located on state forest trust lands must be transferred to the special  
31.30 revenue fund, is appropriated to the commissioner of natural resources for maintaining,  
31.31 operating, and improving state forest campgrounds located on state forest trust lands, and  
31.32 is available until spent;

32.1 ~~(3)~~ (4) the balance of the certified costs incurred by the state during the fiscal year shall  
 32.2 be transferred to the general fund; and

32.3 ~~(4)~~ (5) the balance of the receipts shall then be returned prorated to the trust funds in  
 32.4 proportion to their respective interests in the lands which produced the receipts.

32.5 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 84.943, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

32.6 Subd. 3. **Appropriations matched by private funds or certain state appropriations.** (a)  
 32.7 Appropriations transferred to the critical habitat private sector matching account and money  
 32.8 credited to the account under section 168.1296, subdivision 5, may be expended only to the  
 32.9 extent that they are matched ~~equally~~ with contributions from private sources ~~or~~ by funds  
 32.10 contributed to the nongame wildlife management account; or by appropriations from the  
 32.11 environment and natural resources trust fund, the outdoor heritage fund, or bond proceeds  
 32.12 for projects that benefit critical natural habitat. The private contributions may be made in  
 32.13 cash, property, land, or interests in land. Appropriations transferred to the account that are  
 32.14 not matched within three years from the date of the appropriation shall cancel to the source  
 32.15 of the appropriation. For the purposes of this section, the private contributions of property,  
 32.16 land, or interests in land that are retained by the commissioner shall be valued in accordance  
 32.17 with their appraised value.

32.18 (b) For every dollar used as a match under paragraph (a), the commissioner may expend  
 32.19 up to two dollars from the account for the purposes described in subdivision 6.

32.20 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 84.943, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

32.21 Subd. 5. **Pledges and contributions.** ~~(a)~~ The commissioner of natural resources may  
 32.22 accept contributions and pledges to the critical habitat private sector matching account. A  
 32.23 pledge that is made contingent on an appropriation is acceptable and shall be reported with  
 32.24 other pledges as required in this section. The commissioner may agree to match a contribution  
 32.25 contingent on a future appropriation. In the budget request for each biennium, the  
 32.26 commissioner shall report the balance of contributions in the account and the amount that  
 32.27 has been pledged for payment in the succeeding two calendar years.

32.28 ~~(b) Money in the account is appropriated to the commissioner of natural resources only~~  
 32.29 ~~for the direct acquisition or improvement of land or interests in land as provided in section~~  
 32.30 ~~84.944. To the extent of available appropriations other than bond proceeds, the money~~  
 32.31 ~~matched to the nongame wildlife management account may be used for the management~~  
 32.32 ~~of nongame wildlife projects as specified in section 290.431. Acquisition includes:~~



33.1 ~~(1) purchase of land or an interest in land by the commissioner; or~~

33.2 ~~(2) acceptance by the commissioner of gifts of land or interests in land as program~~  
 33.3 ~~projects.~~

33.4 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 84.943, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
 33.5 read:

33.6 Subd. 6. Expenditures. Money in the account may be expended only for:

33.7 (1) acquiring or improving land or interests in land as provided in section 84.944 and  
 33.8 expenses related thereto. Acquiring includes:

33.9 (i) purchasing land or an interest in land; or

33.10 (ii) accepting gifts of land or interests in land as program projects;

33.11 (2) managing nongame wildlife projects as specified in section 290.431; or

33.12 (3) land-management-related activities for critical natural habitat, including but not  
 33.13 limited to monitoring surveys, rare resources projects, native plant communities projects,  
 33.14 conservation easement stewardship, and research that informs critical natural habitat best  
 33.15 management practices.

33.16 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 85.019, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
 33.17 read:

33.18 Subd. 6. Administering grants. Up to 2.5 percent of appropriations for grants under  
 33.19 this section from revenue deposited in the natural resources fund under Minnesota Statutes,  
 33.20 section 297A.94, paragraph (h), clause (4), may be used by the commissioner for the actual  
 33.21 costs of administering the grants.

33.22 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 85.052, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

33.23 Subdivision 1. **Authority to establish.** (a) The commissioner may establish, by written  
 33.24 order, provisions for the use of state parks for the following:

33.25 (1) special parking space for automobiles or other motor-driven vehicles in a state park  
 33.26 or state recreation area;

33.27 (2) special parking spurs, campgrounds for automobiles, sites for tent camping, other  
 33.28 types of lodging, camping, or day use facilities, and special auto trailer coach parking spaces,  
 33.29 for the use of the individual charged for the space or facility;

34.1 ~~(3) improvement and maintenance of golf courses already established in state parks, and~~  
34.2 ~~charging reasonable use fees; and~~

34.3 ~~(4) (3) providing water, sewer, and electric service to trailer or tent campsites and charging~~  
34.4 ~~a reasonable use fee; and~~

34.5 (4) administrative penalties related to courtesy warnings and letters issued for failure to  
34.6 display a state park permit as required under section 85.053, subdivision 2.

34.7 (b) Provisions established under paragraph (a) are exempt from section 16A.1283 and  
34.8 the rulemaking provisions of chapter 14. Section 14.386 does not apply.

34.9 (c) For the purposes of this subdivision, "lodging" means an enclosed shelter, room, or  
34.10 building with furnishings for overnight use.

34.11 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 85.052, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

34.12 Subd. 6. **State park reservation system.** (a) The commissioner may, by written order,  
34.13 develop reasonable reservation policies for campsites and other lodging. These policies are  
34.14 exempt from rulemaking provisions under chapter 14 and section 14.386 does not apply.

34.15 (b) The revenue collected from the state park reservation fee established under subdivision  
34.16 5, including interest earned, shall be deposited in the state park account in the natural  
34.17 resources fund and is annually appropriated to the commissioner for the cost of operating  
34.18 the state park reservation and point-of-sale system.

34.19 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 85.053, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
34.20 read:

34.21 Subd. 5a. **Free permit; members of federally recognized tribes.** (a) The commissioner  
34.22 must issue an annual state park permit for no charge to any member of the 11 federally  
34.23 recognized tribes in Minnesota. To qualify for a free state park permit under this subdivision,  
34.24 an individual must present a qualifying tribal identification, as determined by each of the  
34.25 tribal governments, to the park attendant on duty or other designee of the commissioner.

34.26 (b) For vehicles permitted under paragraph (a), the permit issued under this subdivision  
34.27 is valid only when displayed on a vehicle owned and occupied by the person to whom the  
34.28 permit is issued.

34.29 (c) The commissioner may issue a daily state park permit free of charge to an individual  
34.30 who qualifies under paragraph (a) and does not own or operate a motor vehicle.

35.1 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 85.055, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

35.2 Subdivision 1. **Fees.** (a) The fee for state park permits for:

35.3 (1) an annual use of state parks is ~~\$35~~ \$45;

35.4 (2) a second or subsequent vehicle state park permit is ~~\$26~~ \$35;

35.5 (3) a state park permit valid for one day is ~~\$7~~ \$10;

35.6 (4) a daily vehicle state park permit for groups is ~~\$5~~ \$8;

35.7 (5) an annual permit for motorcycles is ~~\$30~~ \$40;

35.8 (6) an employee's state park permit is without charge; and

35.9 (7) a state park permit for persons with disabilities under section 85.053, subdivision 7,  
35.10 paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (3), is ~~\$12~~ \$20.

35.11 (b) The fees specified in this subdivision include any sales tax required by state law.

35.12 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 86B.415, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

35.13 Subdivision 1. **Watercraft 19 feet or less.** (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) and  
35.14 subdivision 1a, the fee for a watercraft license for watercraft 19 feet or less in length is ~~\$27~~  
35.15 \$39.

35.16 (b) The watercraft license fee:

35.17 (1) for watercraft, other than personal watercraft, 19 feet in length or less that is offered  
35.18 for rent or lease, the fee is ~~\$9~~ \$13;

35.19 (2) for a sailboat, 19 feet in length or less, the fee is ~~\$10.50~~ \$15.25;

35.20 (3) for a watercraft 19 feet in length or less used by a nonprofit corporation for teaching  
35.21 boat and water safety, the fee is as provided in subdivision 4;

35.22 (4) for a watercraft owned by a dealer under a dealer's license, the fee is as provided in  
35.23 subdivision 5;

35.24 (5) for a personal watercraft, the fee is ~~\$37.50~~ \$54.50; and

35.25 (6) for a watercraft less than 17 feet in length, other than a watercraft listed in clauses  
35.26 (1) to (5), the fee is ~~\$18~~ \$26.

36.1 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 86B.415, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

36.2 Subd. 1a. **Canoes, kayaks, sailboards, paddleboards, paddleboats, or rowing**  
36.3 **shells.** The fee for a watercraft license for a canoe, kayak, sailboard, paddleboard, paddleboat,  
36.4 or rowing shell over ten feet in length is ~~\$10.50~~ \$15.25.

36.5 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 86B.415, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

36.6 Subd. 2. **Watercraft over 19 feet.** Except as provided in subdivisions 1a, 3, 4, and 5,  
36.7 the watercraft license fee:

36.8 (1) for a watercraft more than 19 feet but less than 26 feet in length is ~~\$45~~ \$65.25;

36.9 (2) for a watercraft 26 feet but less than 40 feet in length is ~~\$67.50; and~~ \$98;

36.10 (3) for a watercraft 40 feet in length or longer is ~~\$90;~~ \$130.50; and

36.11 (4) for watercraft more than 19 feet in length that is offered for rent or lease by a  
36.12 homestead resort under section 273.13, subdivision 22, paragraph (c), is \$50.

36.13 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 86B.415, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

36.14 Subd. 3. **Watercraft over 19 feet for hire.** The license fee for a watercraft more than  
36.15 19 feet in length for hire with an operator is ~~\$75~~ \$108.75 each.

36.16 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 86B.415, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

36.17 Subd. 4. **Watercraft used by nonprofit corporation for teaching.** The watercraft  
36.18 license fee for a watercraft used by a nonprofit organization for teaching boat and water  
36.19 safety is ~~\$4.50~~ \$5.50 each.

36.20 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 86B.415, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

36.21 Subd. 5. **Dealer's license.** There is no separate fee for watercraft owned by a dealer  
36.22 under a dealer's license. The fee for a dealer's license is ~~\$67.50~~ \$98.

36.23 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 86B.415, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

36.24 Subd. 7. **Watercraft surcharge.** ~~A \$10.60~~ An \$11 surcharge is placed on each watercraft  
36.25 licensed under subdivisions 1 to 5 for control, public awareness, law enforcement, monitoring,  
36.26 and research of aquatic invasive species such as zebra mussel, purple loosestrife, and Eurasian  
36.27 watermilfoil in public waters and public wetlands.

37.1 Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 97A.075, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

37.2 Subdivision 1. **Deer, bear, and lifetime licenses.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision,  
37.3 "deer license" means a license issued under section 97A.475, subdivisions 2, clauses (5),  
37.4 (6), (7), ~~(13) (15)~~, ~~(14) (16)~~, and ~~(15) (17)~~; 3, paragraph (a), clauses (2), (3), (4), ~~(10) (12)~~,  
37.5 ~~(11) (13)~~, and ~~(12) (14)~~; and 8, paragraph (b), and licenses issued under section 97B.301,  
37.6 subdivision 4.

37.7 (b) The deer management account is established as an account in the game and fish fund  
37.8 and may be used only for deer habitat improvement or deer management programs, including  
37.9 a computerized licensing system. The following amounts must be credited to the deer  
37.10 management account:

37.11 (1) \$16 from each annual deer license issued under section 97A.475, subdivisions 2,  
37.12 clauses (5), (6), and (7); 3, paragraph (a), clauses (2), (3), and (4); and 8, paragraph (b);

37.13 (2) \$2 from each annual deer license issued under sections 97A.475, subdivisions 2,  
37.14 clauses ~~(13) (15)~~, ~~(14) (16)~~, and ~~(15) (17)~~; and 3, paragraph (a), clauses ~~(10) (12)~~, ~~(11) (13)~~,  
37.15 and ~~(12) (14)~~; and 97B.301, subdivision 4; and

37.16 (3) \$16 annually from the lifetime fish and wildlife trust fund, established under section  
37.17 97A.4742, for each license issued to a person 18 years of age or older under section 97A.473,  
37.18 subdivision 4, and \$2 annually from the lifetime fish and wildlife trust fund for each license  
37.19 issued to a person under 18 years of age.

37.20 (c) \$1 from each annual deer license and each bear license and \$1 annually from the  
37.21 lifetime fish and wildlife trust fund, established in section 97A.4742, for each license issued  
37.22 under section 97A.473, subdivision 4, must be credited to the deer and bear management  
37.23 account and is appropriated to the commissioner for deer- and bear-management programs,  
37.24 including a computerized licensing system.

37.25 (d) Fifty cents from each deer license is credited to the emergency deer feeding and wild  
37.26 Cervidae health-management account and is appropriated for emergency deer feeding and  
37.27 wild Cervidae health management. Money appropriated for emergency deer feeding and  
37.28 wild Cervidae health management is available until expended.

37.29 (e) When the unencumbered balance in the appropriation for emergency deer feeding  
37.30 and wild Cervidae health management exceeds \$2,500,000 at the end of a fiscal year, the  
37.31 unencumbered balance over \$2,500,000 is canceled and is available for deer- and  
37.32 bear-management programs and computerized licensing.

38.1 Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 97A.075, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

38.2 Subd. 7. **Wolf licenses; account established.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision, "wolf  
38.3 license" means a license or permit issued under section 97A.475, subdivision 2, clause ~~(20)~~  
38.4 (22); 3, paragraph (a), clause ~~(16)~~ (18); or 20, paragraph (b).

38.5 (b) A wolf management and monitoring account is created in the game and fish fund.  
38.6 Revenue from wolf licenses must be credited to the wolf management and monitoring  
38.7 account and is appropriated to the commissioner only for wolf management, research,  
38.8 damage control, enforcement, and education. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary,  
38.9 money credited to the account may not be used to pay indirect costs or agency shared  
38.10 services.

38.11 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 97A.126, is amended by adding a subdivision  
38.12 to read:

38.13 Subd. 3. **Walk-in-access hunter validation; fee.** The fee for a walk-in-access hunter  
38.14 validation is \$3. An agent must collect an issuing fee according to section 97A.485,  
38.15 subdivision 6.

38.16 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 97A.475, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

38.17 Subd. 2. **Resident hunting.** Fees for the following licenses, to be issued to residents  
38.18 only, are:

38.19 (1) for persons age 18 or over and under age 65 to take small game, \$15.50;

38.20 (2) for persons age 65 or over, \$7 to take small game;

38.21 (3) for persons age 18 or over to take turkey, \$26;

38.22 (4) for persons age 13 or over and under age 18 to take turkey, \$5;

38.23 (5) for persons age 18 or over to take deer with firearms during the regular firearms  
38.24 season, \$34;

38.25 (6) for persons age 18 or over to take deer by archery, \$34;

38.26 (7) for persons age 18 or over to take deer by muzzleloader during the muzzleloader  
38.27 season, \$34;

38.28 (8) to take moose, for a party of not more than six persons, \$356;

38.29 (9) for persons age 18 or over to take bear, \$44;

38.30 (10) to take elk, for a party of not more than two persons, \$287;

- 39.1 (11) to take Canada geese during a special season, \$4;
- 39.2 (12) to take light geese during the light goose conservation order, \$2.50;
- 39.3 (13) to take sandhill crane during the sandhill crane season, \$3;
- 39.4 ~~(12)~~ (14) to take prairie chickens, \$23;
- 39.5 ~~(13)~~ (15) for persons age 13 or over and under age 18 to take deer with firearms during
- 39.6 the regular firearms season, \$5;
- 39.7 ~~(14)~~ (16) for persons age 13 or over and under age 18 to take deer by archery, \$5;
- 39.8 ~~(15)~~ (17) for persons age 13 or over and under age 18 to take deer by muzzleloader
- 39.9 during the muzzleloader season, \$5;
- 39.10 ~~(16)~~ (18) for persons age 10, 11, or 12 to take bear, no fee;
- 39.11 ~~(17)~~ (19) for persons age 13 or over and under age 18 to take bear, \$5;
- 39.12 ~~(18)~~ (20) for persons age 18 or over to take small game for a consecutive 72-hour period
- 39.13 selected by the licensee, \$19, of which an amount equal to one-half of the fee for the
- 39.14 migratory-waterfowl stamp under subdivision 5, clause (1), shall be deposited in the
- 39.15 waterfowl habitat improvement account under section 97A.075, subdivision 2; one-half of
- 39.16 the fee for the pheasant stamp under subdivision 5, clause (2), shall be deposited in the
- 39.17 pheasant habitat improvement account under section 97A.075, subdivision 4; and one-half
- 39.18 of the small-game surcharge under subdivision 4, shall be deposited in the wildlife acquisition
- 39.19 account;
- 39.20 ~~(19)~~ (21) for persons age 16 or over and under age 18 to take small game, \$5;
- 39.21 ~~(20)~~ (22) to take wolf, \$30;
- 39.22 ~~(21)~~ (23) for persons age 12 and under to take turkey, no fee;
- 39.23 ~~(22)~~ (24) for persons age 10, 11, or 12 to take deer by firearm, no fee;
- 39.24 ~~(23)~~ (25) for persons age 10, 11, or 12 to take deer by archery, no fee; and
- 39.25 ~~(24)~~ (26) for persons age 10, 11, or 12 to take deer by muzzleloader during the
- 39.26 muzzleloader season, no fee.
- 39.27 Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 97A.475, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
- 39.28 Subd. 3. **Nonresident hunting.** (a) Fees for the following licenses, to be issued to
- 39.29 nonresidents, are:
- 39.30 (1) for persons age 18 or over to take small game, \$90.50;

- 40.1 (2) for persons age 18 or over to take deer with firearms during the regular firearms  
40.2 season, \$180;
- 40.3 (3) for persons age 18 or over to take deer by archery, \$180;
- 40.4 (4) for persons age 18 or over to take deer by muzzleloader during the muzzleloader  
40.5 season, \$180;
- 40.6 (5) for persons age 18 or over to take bear, \$225;
- 40.7 (6) for persons age 18 or over to take turkey, \$91;
- 40.8 (7) for persons age 13 or over and under age 18 to take turkey, \$5;
- 40.9 (8) to take raccoon or bobcat, \$178;
- 40.10 (9) to take Canada geese during a special season, \$4;
- 40.11 (10) to take light geese during the light goose conservation order, \$2.50;
- 40.12 (11) to take sandhill crane during the sandhill crane season, \$3;
- 40.13 ~~(10)~~ (12) for persons age 13 or over and under age 18 to take deer with firearms during  
40.14 the regular firearms season in any open season option or time period, \$5;
- 40.15 ~~(11)~~ (13) for persons age 13 or over and under age 18 to take deer by archery, \$5;
- 40.16 ~~(12)~~ (14) for persons age 13 or over and under age 18 to take deer during the muzzleloader  
40.17 season, \$5;
- 40.18 ~~(13)~~ (15) for persons age 13 or over and under 18 to take bear, \$5;
- 40.19 ~~(14)~~ (16) for persons age 18 or over to take small game for a consecutive 72-hour period  
40.20 selected by the licensee, \$75, of which an amount equal to one-half of the fee for the  
40.21 migratory-waterfowl stamp under subdivision 5, clause (1), shall be deposited in the  
40.22 waterfowl habitat improvement account under section 97A.075, subdivision 2; one-half of  
40.23 the fee for the pheasant stamp under subdivision 5, clause (2), shall be deposited in the  
40.24 pheasant habitat improvement account under section 97A.075, subdivision 4; and one-half  
40.25 of the small-game surcharge under subdivision 4, shall be deposited into the wildlife  
40.26 acquisition account;
- 40.27 ~~(15)~~ (17) for persons age 16 or 17 to take small game, \$5;
- 40.28 ~~(16)~~ (18) to take wolf, \$250;
- 40.29 ~~(17)~~ (19) for persons age 12 and under to take turkey, no fee;
- 40.30 ~~(18)~~ (20) for persons age ten, 11, or 12 to take deer by firearm, no fee;



41.1 ~~(19)~~ (21) for persons age ten, 11, or 12 to take deer by archery, no fee;

41.2 ~~(20)~~ (22) for persons age ten, 11, or 12 to take deer by muzzleloader during the  
41.3 muzzleloader season, no fee; and

41.4 ~~(21)~~ (23) for persons age 10, 11, or 12 to take bear, no fee.

41.5 (b) A \$5 surcharge shall be added to nonresident hunting licenses issued under paragraph  
41.6 (a), clauses (1) to (6) and (8). An additional commission may not be assessed on this  
41.7 surcharge.

41.8 Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 97A.475, subdivision 3a, is amended to read:

41.9 Subd. 3a. **Deer license donation and surcharge.** (a) A person may agree to add a  
41.10 donation of \$1, \$3, or \$5 to the fees for annual resident and nonresident licenses to take  
41.11 deer by firearms or archery established under subdivisions 2, clauses (5), (6), (7), ~~(13)~~ (15),  
41.12 ~~(14)~~ (16), and ~~(15)~~ (17), and 3, paragraph (a), clauses (2), (3), (4), ~~(10)~~ (12), ~~(11)~~ (13), and  
41.13 ~~(12)~~ (14).

41.14 (b) Beginning March 1, 2008, fees for bonus licenses to take deer by firearms or archery  
41.15 established under section 97B.301, subdivision 4, must be increased by a surcharge of \$1.

41.16 (c) An additional commission may not be assessed on the donation or surcharge.

41.17 Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 97A.475, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

41.18 Subd. 4. **Small-game surcharge and donation.** (a) Fees for annual licenses to take  
41.19 small game must be increased by a surcharge of \$6.50, except licenses under subdivisions  
41.20 2, clauses ~~(18)~~ (20) and ~~(19)~~ (21); and 3, paragraph (a), clause ~~(14)~~ (16) and (17). An  
41.21 additional commission may not be assessed on the surcharge and the following statement  
41.22 must be included in the annual small-game-hunting regulations: "This \$6.50 surcharge is  
41.23 being paid by hunters for the acquisition and development of wildlife lands."

41.24 (b) A person may agree to add a donation of \$1, \$3, or \$5 to the fees for annual resident  
41.25 and nonresident licenses to take small game. An additional commission may not be assessed  
41.26 on the donation. The following statement must be included in the annual small-game-hunting  
41.27 regulations: "The small-game license donations are being paid by hunters for administration  
41.28 of the walk-in access program."

42.1 Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 97A.485, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

42.2 Subd. 6. **Licenses to be sold and issuing fees.** (a) Persons authorized to sell licenses  
42.3 under this section must issue the following licenses for the license fee and the following  
42.4 issuing fees:

42.5 (1) to take deer or bear with firearms and by archery, the issuing fee is \$1;

42.6 (2) Minnesota sporting, the issuing fee is \$1;

42.7 (3) to take small game, to take fish by angling or by spearing, and to trap fur-bearing  
42.8 animals, the issuing fee is \$1;

42.9 (4) to apply for a limited hunt drawing, the issuing fee is \$1 unless the application requires  
42.10 a license purchase at the time of application and the license purchase requires an application  
42.11 fee;

42.12 (5) for a prairie-chicken license, the issuing fee is \$1;

42.13 (6) for a turkey license, the issuing fee is \$1;

42.14 (7) for an elk license, the issuing fee is \$1;

42.15 (8) for a moose license, the issuing fee is \$1;

42.16 (9) for a wolf license, the issuing fee is \$1;

42.17 (10) for a light goose permit, the issuing fee is \$1;

42.18 (11) for a sandhill crane permit, the issuing fee is \$1;

42.19 (12) for an apprentice-hunter validation, the issuing fee is \$1;

42.20 (13) for a walk-in-hunter validation, the issuing fee is \$1;

42.21 ~~(10)~~ (14) for a stamp validation that is not issued simultaneously with a license, an  
42.22 issuing fee of 50 cents may be charged at the discretion of the authorized seller;

42.23 ~~(11)~~ (15) for stamp validations issued simultaneously with a license, there is no fee;

42.24 ~~(12)~~ (16) for licenses, seals, tags, or coupons issued without a fee under section 97A.441,  
42.25 subdivisions 1 to 6a, or 97A.465, there is no fee;

42.26 ~~(13)~~ (17) for lifetime licenses, there is no fee; and

42.27 ~~(14)~~ (18) for all other licenses, permits, renewals, or applications or any other transaction  
42.28 through the electronic licensing system under this chapter or any other chapter when an  
42.29 issuing fee is not specified, an issuing fee of \$1 may be charged at the discretion of the  
42.30 authorized seller.

43.1 (b) Only one issuing fee may be collected when selling more than one stamp in the same  
43.2 transaction after the end of the season for which the stamp was issued.

43.3 (c) The agent shall keep the issuing fee as a commission for selling the licenses.

43.4 (d) The commissioner shall collect the issuing fee on licenses sold by the commissioner.

43.5 (e) A license, except stamps, must state the amount of the issuing fee and that the issuing  
43.6 fee is kept by the seller as a commission for selling the licenses.

43.7 (f) For duplicate licenses, including licenses issued without a fee, the issuing fees are:

43.8 (1) for licenses to take big game, 75 cents; and

43.9 (2) for other licenses, 50 cents.

43.10 (g) The commissioner may issue one-day angling licenses in books of ten licenses each  
43.11 to fishing guides operating charter boats upon receipt of payment of all license fees, excluding  
43.12 the issuing fee required under this section. Copies of sold and unsold licenses shall be  
43.13 returned to the commissioner. The commissioner shall refund the charter boat captain for  
43.14 the license fees of all unsold licenses. Copies of sold licenses shall be maintained by the  
43.15 commissioner for one year.

43.16 Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 97B.022, is amended by adding a subdivision  
43.17 to read:

43.18 Subd. 3. **Apprentice-hunter validation; fee.** The fee for an apprentice-hunter validation  
43.19 is \$3.50. Fees collected must be deposited in the firearms safety training account, except  
43.20 for the electronic licensing system commission established by the commissioner under  
43.21 section 84.027, subdivision 15, and issuing fees collected under section 97A.485, subdivision  
43.22 6, and are appropriated annually to the Enforcement Division of the Department of Natural  
43.23 Resources for administering the firearm safety course program.

43.24 Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 97B.715, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

43.25 Subdivision 1. **Stamp required.** (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) or section  
43.26 97A.405, subdivision 2, a person required to possess a small-game license may not hunt  
43.27 pheasants without a pheasant stamp validation.

43.28 (b) The following persons are exempt from this subdivision:

43.29 (1) residents and nonresidents under age 18 and residents over age 65;

43.30 (2) persons hunting on licensed commercial shooting preserves;

44.1 (3) resident disabled veterans with a license issued under section 97A.441, subdivision  
44.2 6a; and

44.3 (4) residents and nonresidents hunting on licenses issued under section 97A.475,  
44.4 subdivision 2, clause ~~(18)~~ (20); or 3, paragraph (a), clause ~~(14)~~ (16).

44.5 Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 97B.801, is amended to read:

44.6 **97B.801 MINNESOTA MIGRATORY-WATERFOWL STAMP REQUIRED.**

44.7 (a) Except as provided in this section or section 97A.405, subdivision 2, a person required  
44.8 to possess a small-game license may not take migratory waterfowl without a  
44.9 migratory-waterfowl stamp validation.

44.10 (b) Residents under age 18 or over age 65; resident disabled veterans with a license  
44.11 issued under section 97A.441, subdivision 6a; and persons hunting on their own property  
44.12 are not required to possess a stamp validation under this section.

44.13 (c) Residents and nonresidents with licenses issued under section 97A.475, subdivision  
44.14 2, clause ~~(18)~~ (20); or 3, paragraph (a), clause ~~(14)~~ (16), are not required to possess a stamp  
44.15 validation under this section.

44.16 Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 97C.081, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

44.17 Subd. 3. **Contests requiring permit.** (a) Unless subdivision 3a applies, a person must  
44.18 have a permit from the commissioner to conduct a fishing contest if:

44.19 (1) there are more than 25 boats for open-water contests, more than 150 participants for  
44.20 ice-fishing contests, or more than 100 participants for shore-fishing contests;

44.21 (2) entry fees are more than \$25 per person; or

44.22 (3) the contest is limited to trout species.

44.23 (b) The commissioner shall charge a fee for the permit that recovers the costs of issuing  
44.24 the permit and of monitoring the activities allowed by the permit. Notwithstanding section  
44.25 16A.1283, the commissioner may, by written order published in the State Register, establish  
44.26 contest permit fees. The fees are not subject to the rulemaking provisions of chapter 14, and  
44.27 section 14.386 does not apply.

44.28 (c) The commissioner may require the applicant to furnish evidence of financial  
44.29 responsibility in the form of a surety bond or bank letter of credit in the amount of \$25,000  
44.30 if entry fees are over \$25 per person, or total prizes are valued at more than \$25,000, and  
44.31 if the applicant has either:

45.1 (1) not previously conducted a fishing contest requiring a permit under this subdivision;  
45.2 or

45.3 (2) ever failed to make required prize awards in a fishing contest conducted by the  
45.4 applicant.

45.5 (d) The permit fee for any individual contest may not exceed the following amounts:

45.6 (1) \$70 for an open-water contest not exceeding 50 boats and without off-site weigh-in;

45.7 (2) \$225 for an open-water contest with more than 50 boats and without off-site weigh-in;

45.8 (3) \$280 for an open-water contest not exceeding 50 boats with off-site weigh-in;

45.9 (4) \$560 for an open-water contest with more than 50 boats with off-site weigh-in; or

45.10 (5) \$135 for an ice-fishing contest with more than 150 participants; or

45.11 (6) \$50 for a contest where all participants are age 18 years or under.

45.12 Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 97C.081, subdivision 3a, is amended to read:

45.13 Subd. 3a. **No permit required.** A person may conduct a fishing contest without a permit  
45.14 from the commissioner if:

45.15 (1) the contest is not limited to specifically named waters;

45.16 ~~(2) all the contest participants are age 18 years or under;~~

45.17 ~~(3)~~ (2) the contest is limited to rough fish and participants are required to fish with a  
45.18 hook and line; or

45.19 ~~(4)~~ (3) the total prize value is \$500 or less.

45.20 Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 115.03, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

45.21 Subdivision 1. **Generally.** The agency is hereby given and charged with the following  
45.22 powers and duties:

45.23 (a) to administer and enforce all laws relating to the pollution of any of the waters of  
45.24 the state;

45.25 (b) to investigate the extent, character, and effect of the pollution of the waters of this  
45.26 state and to gather data and information necessary or desirable in the administration or  
45.27 enforcement of pollution laws, and to make such classification of the waters of the state as  
45.28 it may deem advisable;

46.1 (c) to establish and alter such reasonable pollution standards for any waters of the state  
46.2 in relation to the public use to which they are or may be put as it shall deem necessary for  
46.3 the purposes of this chapter and, with respect to the pollution of waters of the state, chapter  
46.4 116;

46.5 (d) to encourage waste treatment, including advanced waste treatment, instead of stream  
46.6 low-flow augmentation for dilution purposes to control and prevent pollution;

46.7 (e) to adopt, issue, reissue, modify, deny, ~~or~~ revoke, reopen, enter into, or enforce  
46.8 reasonable orders, permits, variances, standards, rules, schedules of compliance, and  
46.9 stipulation agreements, under such conditions as it may prescribe, in order to prevent, control  
46.10 or abate water pollution, or for the installation or operation of disposal systems or parts  
46.11 thereof, or for other equipment and facilities:

46.12 (1) requiring the discontinuance of the discharge of sewage, industrial waste or other  
46.13 wastes into any waters of the state resulting in pollution in excess of the applicable pollution  
46.14 standard established under this chapter;

46.15 (2) prohibiting or directing the abatement of any discharge of sewage, industrial waste,  
46.16 or other wastes, into any waters of the state or the deposit thereof or the discharge into any  
46.17 municipal disposal system where the same is likely to get into any waters of the state in  
46.18 violation of this chapter and, with respect to the pollution of waters of the state, chapter  
46.19 116, or standards or rules promulgated or permits issued pursuant thereto, and specifying  
46.20 the schedule of compliance within which such prohibition or abatement must be  
46.21 accomplished;

46.22 (3) prohibiting the storage of any liquid or solid substance or other pollutant in a manner  
46.23 which does not reasonably assure proper retention against entry into any waters of the state  
46.24 that would be likely to pollute any waters of the state;

46.25 (4) requiring the construction, installation, maintenance, and operation by any person  
46.26 of any disposal system or any part thereof, or other equipment and facilities, or the  
46.27 reconstruction, alteration, or enlargement of its existing disposal system or any part thereof,  
46.28 or the adoption of other remedial measures to prevent, control or abate any discharge or  
46.29 deposit of sewage, industrial waste or other wastes by any person;

46.30 (5) establishing, and from time to time revising, standards of performance for new sources  
46.31 taking into consideration, among other things, classes, types, sizes, and categories of sources,  
46.32 processes, pollution control technology, cost of achieving such effluent reduction, and any  
46.33 nonwater quality environmental impact and energy requirements. Said standards of  
46.34 performance for new sources shall encompass those standards for the control of the discharge

47.1 of pollutants which reflect the greatest degree of effluent reduction which the agency  
47.2 determines to be achievable through application of the best available demonstrated control  
47.3 technology, processes, operating methods, or other alternatives, including, where practicable,  
47.4 a standard permitting no discharge of pollutants. New sources shall encompass buildings,  
47.5 structures, facilities, or installations from which there is or may be the discharge of pollutants,  
47.6 the construction of which is commenced after the publication by the agency of proposed  
47.7 rules prescribing a standard of performance which will be applicable to such source.

47.8 Notwithstanding any other provision of the law of this state, any point source the construction  
47.9 of which is commenced after May 20, 1973, and which is so constructed as to meet all  
47.10 applicable standards of performance for new sources shall, consistent with and subject to  
47.11 the provisions of section 306(d) of the Amendments of 1972 to the Federal Water Pollution  
47.12 Control Act, not be subject to any more stringent standard of performance for new sources  
47.13 during a ten-year period beginning on the date of completion of such construction or during  
47.14 the period of depreciation or amortization of such facility for the purposes of section 167  
47.15 or 169, or both, of the Federal Internal Revenue Code of 1954, whichever period ends first.  
47.16 Construction shall encompass any placement, assembly, or installation of facilities or  
47.17 equipment, including contractual obligations to purchase such facilities or equipment, at  
47.18 the premises where such equipment will be used, including preparation work at such  
47.19 premises;

47.20 (6) establishing and revising pretreatment standards to prevent or abate the discharge of  
47.21 any pollutant into any publicly owned disposal system, which pollutant interferes with,  
47.22 passes through, or otherwise is incompatible with such disposal system;

47.23 (7) requiring the owner or operator of any disposal system or any point source to establish  
47.24 and maintain such records, make such reports, install, use, and maintain such monitoring  
47.25 equipment or methods, including where appropriate biological monitoring methods, sample  
47.26 such effluents in accordance with such methods, at such locations, at such intervals, and in  
47.27 such a manner as the agency shall prescribe, and providing such other information as the  
47.28 agency may reasonably require;

47.29 (8) notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, and with respect to the pollution  
47.30 of waters of the state, chapter 116, requiring the achievement of more stringent limitations  
47.31 than otherwise imposed by effluent limitations in order to meet any applicable water quality  
47.32 standard by establishing new effluent limitations, based upon section 115.01, subdivision  
47.33 13, clause (b), including alternative effluent control strategies for any point source or group  
47.34 of point sources to insure the integrity of water quality classifications, whenever the agency  
47.35 determines that discharges of pollutants from such point source or sources, with the

48.1 application of effluent limitations required to comply with any standard of best available  
48.2 technology, would interfere with the attainment or maintenance of the water quality  
48.3 classification in a specific portion of the waters of the state. Prior to establishment of any  
48.4 such effluent limitation, the agency shall hold a public hearing to determine the relationship  
48.5 of the economic and social costs of achieving such limitation or limitations, including any  
48.6 economic or social dislocation in the affected community or communities, to the social and  
48.7 economic benefits to be obtained and to determine whether or not such effluent limitation  
48.8 can be implemented with available technology or other alternative control strategies. If a  
48.9 person affected by such limitation demonstrates at such hearing that, whether or not such  
48.10 technology or other alternative control strategies are available, there is no reasonable  
48.11 relationship between the economic and social costs and the benefits to be obtained, such  
48.12 limitation shall not become effective and shall be adjusted as it applies to such person;

48.13 (9) modifying, in its discretion, any requirement or limitation based upon best available  
48.14 technology with respect to any point source for which a permit application is filed after July  
48.15 1, 1977, upon a showing by the owner or operator of such point source satisfactory to the  
48.16 agency that such modified requirements will represent the maximum use of technology  
48.17 within the economic capability of the owner or operator and will result in reasonable further  
48.18 progress toward the elimination of the discharge of pollutants; ~~and~~

48.19 (10) requiring that applicants for wastewater discharge permits evaluate in their  
48.20 applications the potential reuses of the discharged wastewater; and

48.21 (11) requiring parties who enter into a negotiated agreement to settle an enforcement  
48.22 matter with the agency to reimburse the agency according to this clause for oversight costs  
48.23 that are incurred by the agency and associated with implementing the negotiated agreement.  
48.24 The agency may recover oversight costs exceeding \$25,000. Oversight costs include  
48.25 personnel and direct costs associated with inspections, sampling, monitoring, modeling,  
48.26 risk assessment, permit writing, engineering review, economic analysis and review, and  
48.27 other record or document review. Only oversight costs incurred after executing the negotiated  
48.28 agreement are covered by this clause. The agency's legal and litigation costs are not covered  
48.29 by this clause. The commissioner has discretion as to whether to apply this clause in cases  
48.30 when the agency is using schedules of compliance to bring a class of regulated parties into  
48.31 compliance. Reimbursement amounts are appropriated to the commissioner;

48.32 (f) to require to be submitted and to approve plans and specifications for disposal systems  
48.33 or point sources, or any part thereof and to inspect the construction thereof for compliance  
48.34 with the approved plans and specifications thereof;



49.1 (g) to prescribe and alter rules, not inconsistent with law, for the conduct of the agency  
49.2 and other matters within the scope of the powers granted to and imposed upon it by this  
49.3 chapter and, with respect to pollution of waters of the state, in chapter 116, provided that  
49.4 every rule affecting any other department or agency of the state or any person other than a  
49.5 member or employee of the agency shall be filed with the secretary of state;

49.6 (h) to conduct such investigations, issue such notices, public and otherwise, and hold  
49.7 such hearings as are necessary or which it may deem advisable for the discharge of its duties  
49.8 under this chapter and, with respect to the pollution of waters of the state, under chapter  
49.9 116, including, but not limited to, the issuance of permits, and to authorize any member,  
49.10 employee, or agent appointed by it to conduct such investigations or, issue such notices and  
49.11 hold such hearings;

49.12 (i) for the purpose of water pollution control planning by the state and pursuant to the  
49.13 Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, to establish and revise planning areas,  
49.14 adopt plans and programs and continuing planning processes, including, but not limited to,  
49.15 basin plans and areawide waste treatment management plans, and to provide for the  
49.16 implementation of any such plans by means of, including, but not limited to, standards, plan  
49.17 elements, procedures for revision, intergovernmental cooperation, residual treatment process  
49.18 waste controls, and needs inventory and ranking for construction of disposal systems;

49.19 (j) to train water pollution control personnel, and charge such fees therefor as are  
49.20 necessary to cover the agency's costs. All such fees received shall be paid into the state  
49.21 treasury and credited to the Pollution Control Agency training account;

49.22 (k) to impose as additional conditions in permits to publicly owned disposal systems  
49.23 appropriate measures to insure compliance by industrial and other users with any pretreatment  
49.24 standard, including, but not limited to, those related to toxic pollutants, and any system of  
49.25 user charges ratably as is hereby required under state law or said Federal Water Pollution  
49.26 Control Act, as amended, or any regulations or guidelines promulgated thereunder;

49.27 (l) to set a period not to exceed five years for the duration of any national pollutant  
49.28 discharge elimination system permit or not to exceed ten years for any permit issued as a  
49.29 state disposal system permit only;

49.30 (m) to require each governmental subdivision identified as a permittee for a wastewater  
49.31 treatment works to evaluate in every odd-numbered year the condition of its existing system  
49.32 and identify future capital improvements that will be needed to attain or maintain compliance  
49.33 with a national pollutant discharge elimination system or state disposal system permit; and

50.1 (n) to train subsurface sewage treatment system personnel, including persons who design,  
 50.2 construct, install, inspect, service, and operate subsurface sewage treatment systems, and  
 50.3 charge fees as necessary to pay the agency's costs. All fees received must be paid into the  
 50.4 state treasury and credited to the agency's training account. Money in the account is  
 50.5 appropriated to the agency to pay expenses related to training.

50.6 The information required in clause (m) must be submitted in every odd-numbered year to  
 50.7 the commissioner on a form provided by the commissioner. The commissioner shall provide  
 50.8 technical assistance if requested by the governmental subdivision.

50.9 The powers and duties given the agency in this subdivision also apply to permits issued  
 50.10 under chapter 114C.

50.11 Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 115.071, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

50.12 Subdivision 1. **Remedies available.** The provisions of sections 103F.701 to 103F.755,  
 50.13 this chapter and chapters 114C, 115A, and 116, and sections 325E.10 to 325E.1251 and  
 50.14 325E.32 and all rules, standards, orders, stipulation agreements, schedules of compliance,  
 50.15 and permits adopted or issued by the agency thereunder or under any other law now in force  
 50.16 or hereafter enacted for the prevention, control, or abatement of pollution may be enforced  
 50.17 by any one or any combination of the following: criminal prosecution; action to recover  
 50.18 civil penalties; injunction; action to compel or cease performance; or other appropriate  
 50.19 action, in accordance with the provisions of said chapters and this section.

50.20 Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 115.071, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

50.21 Subd. 4. **Injunctions.** Any violation of the provisions, rules, standards, orders, stipulation  
 50.22 agreements, variances, schedules of compliance, or permits specified in this chapter and  
 50.23 chapters 114C and 116 ~~shall constitute~~ constitutes a public nuisance and may be enjoined  
 50.24 as provided by law in an action, in the name of the state, brought by the attorney general.  
 50.25 Injunctive relief under this subdivision may include but is not limited to a requirement that  
 50.26 a facility or person immediately cease operation or activities until such time as the  
 50.27 commissioner has reasonable assurance that renewed operation or activities will not violate  
 50.28 state pollution requirements, cause harm to human health, or result in a serious violation of  
 50.29 an applicable permit.

51.1 Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 115.071, is amended by adding a subdivision  
51.2 to read:

51.3 Subd. 8. **Stipulation agreements.** In exercising enforcement powers over a term of a  
51.4 stipulation agreement when a party asserts a good cause or force majeure claim for an  
51.5 extension of time to comply with a stipulated term, the commissioner must not grant the  
51.6 extension if the assertion is based solely on increased costs.

51.7 Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 115.071, is amended by adding a subdivision  
51.8 to read:

51.9 Subd. 9. **Compliance when required permit not obtained.** The commissioner may  
51.10 require a person or facility that fails to obtain a required permit to comply with any terms  
51.11 of a permit that would have been issued had the person or facility obtained a permit, including  
51.12 but not limited to reporting, monitoring, controlling pollutant discharge, and creating and  
51.13 implementing operations and maintenance plans. The person or facility is subject to liability  
51.14 and penalties, including criminal liability, for failing to operate in compliance with a permit  
51.15 not obtained beginning at the time a permit should have been obtained.

51.16 Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 115A.03, is amended by adding a subdivision  
51.17 to read:

51.18 Subd. 10b. **Environmental justice.** "Environmental justice" means that communities  
51.19 of color, indigenous communities, and low-income communities have a healthy environment  
51.20 and are treated fairly when environmental statutes, rules, and policies are developed, adopted,  
51.21 implemented, and enforced.

51.22 Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 115A.03, is amended by adding a subdivision  
51.23 to read:

51.24 Subd. 10c. **Environmental justice community.** "Environmental justice community"  
51.25 means a people, group, or geographic location that experiences environmental harms and  
51.26 risks that prevent environmental justice.

51.27 Sec. 37. [115A.40] CITATION.

51.28 Sections 115A.40 to 115A.405 may be cited as the "Landfill Responsibility Act."

52.1 Sec. 38. **[115A.401] LEGISLATIVE GOALS AND INTENT.**

52.2 (a) It is the goal of the Landfill Responsibility Act to reduce the environmental impacts  
52.3 from all aspects of solid waste, from acquiring product material through disposing of product,  
52.4 and to prioritize the expansion of waste reduction or source reduction activities across the  
52.5 state. In accordance with the goals and policies of this chapter and the waste management  
52.6 preferences in section 115A.02, the Landfill Responsibility Act supports waste reduction  
52.7 and reuse.

52.8 (b) The legislature intends for the projects developed under the Landfill Responsibility  
52.9 Act to encourage a greater awareness of the need for and benefits of waste reduction and  
52.10 reuse and to develop a greater degree of cooperation and coordination among all elements  
52.11 of government, industry, and the public in advancing more sustainable actions.

52.12 Sec. 39. **[115A.402] DEFINITIONS.**

52.13 Subdivision 1. **Applicability.** For the purposes of sections 115A.40 to 115A.405, the  
52.14 terms defined in this section have the meanings given.

52.15 Subd. 2. **Applicable area.** "Applicable area" means an area described in a permit for a  
52.16 disposal facility that accepted mixed municipal solid waste during the immediately preceding  
52.17 year.

52.18 Subd. 3. **Covered entity.** "Covered entity" means the owner or operator of a disposal  
52.19 facility at which an applicable area is located.

52.20 Subd. 4. **Rate charged.** "Rate charged" means the total amount charged by a covered  
52.21 entity, per ton, to accept solid waste at a disposal facility for treatment, storage, processing,  
52.22 transfer, disposal, or any other purpose and includes tipping fees and service charges.

52.23 Sec. 40. **[115A.403] LANDFILL RESPONSIBILITY PROJECTS.**

52.24 Subdivision 1. **Project application and eligibility.** (a) Every three years, or more  
52.25 frequently at the commissioner's discretion, the commissioner must provide public notice  
52.26 and solicit proposals for eligible landfill responsibility projects.

52.27 (b) At any time after the notice is provided under paragraph (a), a person may propose  
52.28 a landfill responsibility project. Proposals must be submitted in the form and manner  
52.29 prescribed by the commissioner. At a minimum, a proposal must include:

52.30 (1) a description of the proposer's qualifications with waste reduction or source reduction;

- 53.1 (2) a description of the scope of the project, including how the project will result in  
53.2 waste reduction or source reduction;
- 53.3 (3) the expected amount of waste reduction or source reduction attributable to the project;
- 53.4 (4) a description of the timeline of the project;
- 53.5 (5) a detailed annual budget for the project;
- 53.6 (6) identification and a description of environmental justice communities served by the  
53.7 project;
- 53.8 (7) a description of how the project meets the following minimum requirements:
- 53.9 (i) is administered in the state;
- 53.10 (ii) does not supplant existing work;
- 53.11 (iii) provides a high return in environmental benefits, including but not limited to reducing  
53.12 greenhouse gas emissions;
- 53.13 (iv) demonstrates cost-effectiveness;
- 53.14 (v) has measurable outcomes for waste reduction or source reduction; and
- 53.15 (vi) includes only waste reduction or source reduction activities; and
- 53.16 (8) any other information required by the commissioner to evaluate the project.
- 53.17 (c) Only waste reduction and reuse as a waste management practice under section  
53.18 115A.02, paragraph (b), clause (1), are eligible for project funding under this section. Waste  
53.19 management practices under section 115A.02, paragraph (b), clauses (2) to (6), are not  
53.20 eligible.
- 53.21 (d) The commissioner must establish and maintain a list of eligible landfill responsibility  
53.22 projects and make the list available to covered entities. The commissioner must evaluate  
53.23 proposals submitted under paragraph (b) and determine whether to include each proposal  
53.24 on the list of eligible landfill responsibility projects. The commissioner may remove a project  
53.25 from the list at any time if the project no longer meets the minimum criteria under paragraph  
53.26 (b), clause (7), or if the commissioner determines the project will not be completed as  
53.27 proposed.
- 53.28 (e) The waste reduction or source reduction activities of an eligible project as described  
53.29 in a proposal under paragraph (b) may not begin until:
- 53.30 (1) the project is included in a plan approved by the commissioner under subdivision 4;  
53.31 or

54.1 (2) the proposal is rescinded or the project is removed from the eligible projects list.

54.2 Subd. 2. **Obligation.** (a) Each year, a covered entity must fund eligible landfill  
 54.3 responsibility projects according to this subdivision in an amount at least equal to the covered  
 54.4 entity's obligation determined under paragraph (b).

54.5 (b) A covered entity's obligation is three percent of the covered entity's revenue and is  
 54.6 calculated according to the formula:

54.7  $X=(A*B) * 0.03$

54.8 Where:

54.9 X is the total obligation that the covered entity must meet in the three-year approved  
 54.10 plan

54.11 A is the annual average rate charged at an applicable area during the three-year period  
 54.12 immediately preceding the date a plan must be submitted under subdivision 3

54.13 B is the total tons of solid waste accepted in the applicable area during the three-year  
 54.14 period immediately preceding the date a plan must be submitted under subdivision 3

54.15 Subd. 3. **Covered entity plans.** (a) By January 1, 2023, and every third year thereafter,  
 54.16 or more frequently as determined by the commissioner, a covered entity must submit a plan  
 54.17 to the commissioner in the form and manner prescribed by the commissioner. The plan must  
 54.18 include:

54.19 (1) the covered entity's obligation for the plan period as calculated in subdivision 2;

54.20 (2) a selection of projects from the list of eligible projects under subdivision 1, paragraph  
 54.21 (d), according to the following:

54.22 (i) selection must be made so that 40 percent of the obligation will directly serve  
 54.23 environmental justice communities; and

54.24 (ii) the total selection must include projects with budgets that annually meet or exceed  
 54.25 the covered entity's obligation for the period of the plan;

54.26 (3) estimated amounts of waste reduction or source reduction for each selected project,  
 54.27 categorized by material type;

54.28 (4) a description of how the covered entity will annually meet its obligation for each of  
 54.29 the three years in the plan period; and

54.30 (5) any other criteria required by the commissioner to determine the sufficiency of the  
 54.31 plan.

55.1 (b) The commissioner may modify dates for plan submission under paragraph (a) if the  
55.2 commissioner determines it is necessary to implement the Landfill Responsibility Act.

55.3 Subd. 4. **Commissioner review.** (a) Upon receiving a plan under subdivision 3, the  
55.4 commissioner must:

55.5 (1) notify a covered entity if a plan is incomplete, specifying the specific items that need  
55.6 to be submitted to make the plan complete;

55.7 (2) giving first-come first-served preference based on when a plan is submitted, require  
55.8 a covered entity to revise and resubmit a plan if the commissioner determines it necessary  
55.9 to:

55.10 (i) ensure that no more than 25 percent of the total obligation of all covered entities is  
55.11 allocated to a single recipient;

55.12 (ii) prevent duplicative selection of eligible projects;

55.13 (iii) prioritize fully funding individual eligible projects before selecting additional projects  
55.14 for funding; or

55.15 (iv) implement the Landfill Responsibility Act and remain consistent with other state  
55.16 law; and

55.17 (3) provide covered entities with plan approval, including any modifications required  
55.18 under this paragraph, within 45 days after the plan is submitted under subdivision 3.

55.19 (b) After receiving initial approval of a plan, a covered entity must revise and resubmit  
55.20 a plan for approval or disapproval if the eligible projects change during the plan period. If  
55.21 a project can no longer be completed as described, a covered entity must choose another  
55.22 project to meet its obligation. The covered entity must resubmit its plan to the commissioner  
55.23 if there is a substantial change in obligation or if an eligible project is unable to be performed  
55.24 as described.

55.25 Subd. 5. **Project implementation.** (a) After a plan is approved under subdivision 4, a  
55.26 covered entity must implement the plan.

55.27 (b) After a person receives funding from a covered entity, the covered entity and the  
55.28 person receiving funding must implement the plan according to the proposal submitted  
55.29 under subdivision 1. If a person implementing the project is no longer able to perform the  
55.30 project according to the proposal, the person must immediately notify the covered entity  
55.31 and the commissioner.

56.1 Subd. 6. Reporting requirements. (a) No later than February 1 each year, a covered  
56.2 entity must submit a report to the commissioner for the preceding calendar year. The annual  
56.3 report must be submitted in a form and manner prescribed by the commissioner and must  
56.4 include:

56.5 (1) a description of the covered entity's progress made toward objectives detailed in the  
56.6 plan developed under subdivision 3, including a summary of the projects completed for the  
56.7 reporting year;

56.8 (2) evidence, such as receipts, of meeting the covered entity's obligation for the previous  
56.9 year;

56.10 (3) the rate charged during the preceding calendar year;

56.11 (4) proof of how at least 40 percent of the covered entity's obligation is met through  
56.12 projects directly serving environmental justice communities; and

56.13 (5) any other information requested by the commissioner to determine compliance.

56.14 (b) No later than February 1 each year, a person receiving funding for a landfill  
56.15 responsibility project must submit a report to the commissioner for the preceding calendar  
56.16 year. The annual report must be submitted in a form and manner prescribed by the  
56.17 commissioner and must include:

56.18 (1) proof of the amount of funding received and the time frame for each eligible project;

56.19 (2) the time frame for the project;

56.20 (3) a description of the amount of waste reduction or source reduction achieved by the  
56.21 project during the reporting year by weight, categorized by material type;

56.22 (4) a description of how the project served environmental justice communities, if  
56.23 applicable;

56.24 (5) a description of how the data was measured and the activities used to achieve the  
56.25 specified waste reduction or source reduction amounts; and

56.26 (6) any other information requested by the commissioner to determine compliance.

56.27 Subd. 7. Operating record. A covered entity must record and maintain in an operating  
56.28 record all information used to determine the rate charged, including gate receipts and financial  
56.29 records, for a minimum of five years.



57.1 Subd. 8. **Duty to provide information.** If the commissioner requests information to  
57.2 determine compliance with this section, a person must furnish to the commissioner any  
57.3 information that the person may have or may reasonably obtain.

57.4 Sec. 41. **[115A.404] LANDFILL RESPONSIBILITY ASSESSMENT.**

57.5 (a) By January 1 each year, a covered entity must pay to the commissioner an assessment  
57.6 fee according to this section. The commissioner must deposit the fee in the state treasury  
57.7 and credit the fee to the environmental fund.

57.8 (b) The annual assessment fee is calculated for each covered entity according to the  
57.9 formula:

57.10  $X = A * (B/C)$

57.11 Where:

57.12 X is the assessment fee owed by each covered entity

57.13 A is the anticipated total annual cost to the agency to administer and implement the  
57.14 Landfill Responsibility Act for the following year, as determined by the commissioner

57.15 B is the total amount of solid waste, measured in tons, disposed of in a covered entity's  
57.16 applicable area or applicable areas according to the covered entity's most recent annual  
57.17 report

57.18 C is the total amount of solid waste, measured in tons, disposed of in the applicable areas  
57.19 at all covered entities according to the covered entities' most recent annual reports

57.20 Sec. 42. **[115A.405] WASTE COMPOSITION STUDY.**

57.21 Subdivision 1. **Waste composition study.** By January 1 each year, the commissioner  
57.22 must conduct a waste composition study at covered entities. When identifying facilities for  
57.23 waste composition studies, the commissioner must rotate the covered entities and each  
57.24 covered entity must allow the commissioner to perform a waste composition study at least  
57.25 once every three years.

57.26 Subd. 2. **Access.** The commissioner or commissioner's designee, upon presentation of  
57.27 credentials, may enter upon any public or private property to take any action authorized by  
57.28 this section. The covered entity must provide access to pertinent books and records and  
57.29 provide reasonable accommodations for a waste composition study to be completed  
57.30 accurately and safely.

58.1 Subd. 3. **Data compilation.** The commissioner must annually compile and summarize  
58.2 the waste composition data. The commissioner must make the summary information available  
58.3 to the public.

58.4 Sec. 43. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 115A.565, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

58.5 Subdivision 1. **Grant program established.** The commissioner ~~shall~~ must make  
58.6 competitive grants to political subdivisions or federally recognized tribes to establish curbside  
58.7 recycling or composting, increase recycling or composting, reduce the amount of recyclable  
58.8 materials entering disposal facilities, or reduce the costs associated with hauling waste by  
58.9 locating collection sites as close as possible to the site where the waste is generated. To be  
58.10 eligible for grants under this section, a political subdivision or federally recognized tribe  
58.11 must be located outside the seven-county metropolitan area and a city must have a population  
58.12 of less than 45,000.

58.13 Sec. 44. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 115B.421, is amended to read:

58.14 **115B.421 CLOSED LANDFILL INVESTMENT FUND.**

58.15 (a) The closed landfill investment fund is established in the state treasury. The fund  
58.16 consists of money credited to the fund, and interest and other earnings on money in the  
58.17 fund. Beginning July 1, 2003, funds must be deposited as described in section 115B.445.  
58.18 The fund shall be managed to maximize long-term gain through the State Board of  
58.19 Investment. Money in the fund is appropriated to the commissioner and may be spent by  
58.20 ~~the commissioner~~ after fiscal year 2020 in accordance with sections 115B.39 to 115B.444.

58.21 (b) The commissioner of management and budget must allocate the amounts available  
58.22 in any biennium to the commissioner for the purposes provided in sections 115B.39 to  
58.23 115B.444 based on work plans submitted by the commissioner and may adjust the allocations  
58.24 if the commissioner submits revised work plans. The commissioner must submit copies of  
58.25 the work plans to the chairs of the senate and house of representatives committees and  
58.26 divisions having jurisdiction over environment policy and finance. The commissioner may  
58.27 submit one work plan for the landfill cleanup program covering all funding sources to meet  
58.28 the work plan requirements under section 116.155 and this section.

58.29 Sec. 45. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 116.06, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
58.30 read:

58.31 Subd. 6a. **Commissioner.** "Commissioner" means the commissioner of the Minnesota  
58.32 Pollution Control Agency.

59.1 Sec. 46. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 116.06, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
59.2 read:

59.3 Subd. 6b. **Community of color.** "Community of color" means a geographically distinct  
59.4 population with a substantial number of individuals who identify as Black, African American,  
59.5 Hispanic, Latinx, Asian, Pacific Islander, or any other nonwhite race.

59.6 Sec. 47. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 116.06, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
59.7 read:

59.8 Subd. 6c. **Cumulative impacts.** "Cumulative impacts" means the potential public health  
59.9 and environmental impacts from combined pollutant exposures and risks, incorporating the  
59.10 context of community vulnerabilities, assessed from publicly accessible data based on the  
59.11 past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future levels, emissions, and discharges affecting  
59.12 the geographical area.

59.13 Sec. 48. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 116.06, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
59.14 read:

59.15 Subd. 10a. **Environmental justice.** "Environmental justice" means that communities  
59.16 of color, indigenous communities, and low-income communities have a healthy environment  
59.17 and are treated fairly when environmental statutes, rules, and policies are developed, adopted,  
59.18 implemented, and enforced.

59.19 Sec. 49. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 116.06, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
59.20 read:

59.21 Subd. 10b. **Environmental justice area of concern.** "Environmental justice area of  
59.22 concern" means a census tract or tracts:

59.23 (1) wherein at least 40 percent of people reported income less than 200 percent of the  
59.24 federal poverty level;

59.25 (2) wherein at least 45 percent of the people identify as people of color in the most recent  
59.26 data from the United States Census Bureau; or

59.27 (3) that are in Indian Country, as defined in United States Code, title 18, section 1151.

59.28 Sec. 50. [116.065] ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AREAS OF CONCERN.

59.29 (a) When a new facility or a proposed expansion of an existing facility is located in an  
59.30 environmental justice area of concern, the owner or operator of the facility must conduct

60.1 an analysis of the cumulative impacts that the facility or expansion would cause or contribute  
 60.2 to in the environmental justice area of concern.

60.3 (b) An owner or operator of a facility or project that requires a state permit under chapters  
 60.4 115 to 116 and that is located in an environmental justice area of concern must hold at least  
 60.5 one public meeting in the area of concern before the commissioner issues or denies a permit.

60.6 (c) The commissioner may require a permitted facility located in an environmental justice  
 60.7 area of concern to hold in-person meetings with neighbors to share information and discuss  
 60.8 community concerns. The commissioner may set the number and frequency of required  
 60.9 meetings as permit conditions.

60.10 (d) The commissioner may deny permits in an environmental justice area of concern if  
 60.11 the commissioner finds that a new facility that requires a permit from the agency would  
 60.12 cause or contribute to adverse cumulative impacts. The commissioner may consider other  
 60.13 compelling public interests in the decision to issue permits according to this section.

60.14 (e) The commissioner must adopt rules according to chapter 14 to implement this section.

60.15 Sec. 51. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 116.07, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

60.16 Subd. 6. **Pollution Control Agency; exercise of powers.** In exercising all its powers,  
 60.17 the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency shall give due consideration to must:

60.18 (1) consider the establishment, maintenance, operation and expansion of business,  
 60.19 commerce, trade, industry, traffic, and other economic factors and other material matters  
 60.20 affecting the feasibility and practicability of any proposed action, including, but not limited  
 60.21 to, the burden on a municipality of any tax which may result therefrom, and shall must take  
 60.22 or provide for such action as may be reasonable, feasible, and practical under the  
 60.23 circumstances; and

60.24 (2) to the extent reasonable, feasible, and practical under the circumstances:

60.25 (i) ensure that actions or programs that have a direct, indirect, or cumulative impact on  
 60.26 environmental justice areas of concern incorporate community-focused practices and  
 60.27 procedures in agency processes, including communication, outreach, engagement, and  
 60.28 education to enhance meaningful, timely, and transparent community access;

60.29 (ii) collaborate with other state agencies to identify, develop, and implement means to  
 60.30 eliminate and reverse environmental and health inequities and disparities;

61.1 (iii) promote the utility and availability of environmental data and analysis for  
61.2 environmental justice areas of concern, other agencies, federally recognized tribal  
61.3 governments, and the public;

61.4 (iv) encourage coordination and collaboration with residents of environmental justice  
61.5 areas of concern to address environmental and health inequities and disparities; and

61.6 (v) ensure environmental justice values are represented to the agency from a  
61.7 commissioner-appointed environmental justice advisory committee that is composed of  
61.8 diverse members and that is developed and operated in a manner open to the public and in  
61.9 accordance with the duties described in the bylaws and charter adopted and maintained by  
61.10 the commissioner.

61.11 Sec. 52. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 116.07, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

61.12 Subd. 9. **Orders; investigations.** ~~The agency shall have~~ commissioner has the following  
61.13 powers and duties for ~~the enforcement of~~ enforcing any provision of this chapter and chapter  
61.14 114C, relating to air contamination or waste:

61.15 (1) to adopt, issue, reissue, modify, deny, revoke, reopen, enter into or enforce reasonable  
61.16 orders, schedules of compliance and stipulation agreements;

61.17 (2) to require the owner or operator of any emission facility, air contaminant treatment  
61.18 facility, potential air contaminant storage facility, or any system or facility related to the  
61.19 storage, collection, transportation, processing, or disposal of waste to establish and maintain  
61.20 records; to make reports; to install, use, and maintain monitoring equipment or methods;  
61.21 and to make tests, including testing for odor where a nuisance may exist, in accordance with  
61.22 methods, at locations, at intervals, and in a manner as the agency shall prescribe; and to  
61.23 provide other information as the agency may reasonably require;

61.24 (3) to conduct investigations, issue notices, public and otherwise, and order hearings as  
61.25 it may deem necessary or advisable for the discharge of its duties under this chapter and  
61.26 chapter 114C, including but not limited to the issuance of permits; and to authorize any  
61.27 member, employee, or agent appointed by it to conduct the investigations and issue the  
61.28 notices; and

61.29 (4) to require parties who enter into a negotiated agreement to settle an enforcement  
61.30 matter with the agency to reimburse the agency according to this clause for oversight costs  
61.31 that are incurred by the agency and associated with implementing the negotiated agreement.  
61.32 The agency may recover oversight costs exceeding \$25,000. Oversight costs include  
61.33 personnel and direct costs associated with inspections, sampling, monitoring, modeling,

62.1 risk assessment, permit writing, engineering review, economic analysis and review, and  
 62.2 other record or document review. Only oversight costs incurred after executing the negotiated  
 62.3 agreement are covered by this clause. The agency's legal and litigation costs are not covered  
 62.4 by this clause. The commissioner has discretion as to whether to apply this clause in cases  
 62.5 where the agency is using schedules of compliance to bring a class of regulated parties into  
 62.6 compliance. Reimbursement amounts are appropriated to the commissioner.

62.7 Sec. 53. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 116.07, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
 62.8 read:

62.9 Subd. 9a. **Stipulation agreements.** In exercising enforcement powers over a term of a  
 62.10 stipulation agreement when a party asserts a good cause or force majeure claim for an  
 62.11 extension of time to comply with a stipulated term, the commissioner must not grant the  
 62.12 extension if the assertion is based solely on increased costs.

62.13 Sec. 54. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 116.07, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
 62.14 read:

62.15 Subd. 9b. **Compliance when required permit not obtained.** The commissioner may  
 62.16 require a person or facility that fails to obtain a required permit to comply with any terms  
 62.17 of a permit that would have been issued had the person or facility obtained a permit, including  
 62.18 but not limited to reporting, monitoring, controlling pollutant discharge, and creating and  
 62.19 implementing operations and maintenance plans. The person or facility is subject to liability  
 62.20 and penalties, including criminal liability, for failing to operate in compliance with a permit  
 62.21 not obtained beginning at the time a permit should have been obtained.

62.22 Sec. 55. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 116.11, is amended to read:

62.23 **116.11 EMERGENCY POWERS.**

62.24 Subdivision 1. **Imminent and substantial danger.** If there is imminent and substantial  
 62.25 danger to the health and welfare of the people of the state, or of any of them, as a result of  
 62.26 the pollution of air, land, or water, the agency commissioner may by emergency order direct  
 62.27 the immediate discontinuance or abatement of the pollution without notice and without a  
 62.28 hearing or at the request of the agency commissioner, the attorney general may bring an  
 62.29 action in the name of the state in the appropriate district court for a temporary restraining  
 62.30 order to immediately abate or prevent the pollution. The agency commissioner's order or  
 62.31 temporary restraining order ~~shall remain~~ is effective until notice, hearing, and determination  
 62.32 pursuant to other provisions of law, or, in the interim, as otherwise ordered. A final order

63.1 of the ~~agency~~ commissioner in these cases ~~shall be~~ is appealable in accordance with chapter  
63.2 14.

63.3 Subd. 2. Other acts of concern. (a) The commissioner may exercise the authority under  
63.4 paragraph (b) when the commissioner has evidence of a pattern of behavior that includes  
63.5 any of the following:

63.6 (1) falsification of records;

63.7 (2) a history of noncompliance with schedules of compliance or terms of a stipulation  
63.8 agreement;

63.9 (3) chronic or substantial permit violations; or

63.10 (4) operating with or without a permit where there is evidence of danger to the health  
63.11 or welfare of the people of the state or evidence of environmental harm.

63.12 (b) When the commissioner has evidence of a pattern of behavior specified in paragraph  
63.13 (a), then regardless of the presence of imminent and substantial danger, the commissioner  
63.14 may investigate and may:

63.15 (1) exercise emergency powers according to subdivision 1;

63.16 (2) suspend or revoke a permit;

63.17 (3) issue an order to cease operation or activities;

63.18 (4) require financial assurances;

63.19 (5) reopen and modify a permit to require additional terms;

63.20 (6) require additional agency oversight; or

63.21 (7) pursue other actions deemed necessary to abate pollution and protect human health.

63.22 Sec. 56. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 168.1295, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

63.23 **Subdivision 1. General requirements and procedures.** (a) The commissioner shall  
63.24 issue state parks and trails plates to an applicant who:

63.25 (1) is a registered owner of a passenger automobile, recreational vehicle, one-ton pickup  
63.26 truck, or motorcycle;

63.27 (2) pays a fee in the amount specified for special plates under section 168.12, subdivision  
63.28 5;

63.29 (3) pays the registration tax required under section 168.013;

64.1 (4) pays the fees required under this chapter;

64.2 (5) contributes a minimum of ~~\$60~~ \$70 annually to the state parks and trails donation  
64.3 account established in section 85.056; and

64.4 (6) complies with this chapter and rules governing registration of motor vehicles and  
64.5 licensing of drivers.

64.6 (b) The state parks and trails plate application must indicate that the contribution specified  
64.7 under paragraph (a), clause (5), is a minimum contribution to receive the plate and that the  
64.8 applicant may make an additional contribution to the account.

64.9 (c) State parks and trails plates may be personalized according to section 168.12,  
64.10 subdivision 2a.

64.11 Sec. 57. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 325E.046, is amended to read:

64.12 **325E.046 STANDARDS FOR LABELING PLASTIC BAGS, FOOD OR**  
64.13 **BEVERAGE PRODUCTS, AND PACKAGING.**

64.14 Subdivision 1. **"Biodegradable" label.** ~~A manufacturer, distributor, or wholesaler person~~  
64.15 ~~may not sell or offer for sale in this state a plastic bag covered product labeled~~  
64.16 ~~"biodegradable," "degradable," "decomposable," or any form of those terms, or in any way~~  
64.17 ~~imply that the bag covered product will chemically decompose into innocuous elements in~~  
64.18 ~~a reasonably short period of time in a landfill, composting, or other terrestrial environment~~  
64.19 ~~unless a scientifically based standard for biodegradability is developed and the bags are~~  
64.20 ~~certified as meeting the standard.~~ break down, fragment, degrade, biodegrade, or decompose  
64.21 in a landfill or other environment, unless an ASTM standard specification is adopted for  
64.22 the term claimed and the specification is approved by the legislature.

64.23 Subd. 2. **"Compostable" label.** (a) ~~A manufacturer, distributor, or wholesaler person~~  
64.24 ~~may not sell or offer for sale in this state a plastic bag covered product labeled "compostable"~~  
64.25 ~~unless, at the time of sale or offer for sale, the bag covered product:~~

64.26 (1) ~~meets the ASTM Standard Specification for Compostable Labeling of Plastics~~  
64.27 ~~Designed to be Aerobically Composted in Municipal or Industrial Facilities (D6400). Each~~  
64.28 ~~bag must be labeled to reflect that it meets the standard. For purposes of this subdivision,~~  
64.29 ~~"ASTM" has the meaning given in section 296A.01, subdivision 6, or its successor or the~~  
64.30 ASTM Standard Specification for Labeling of End Items that Incorporate Plastics and  
64.31 Polymers as Coatings or Additives with Paper and Other Substrates Designed to be  
64.32 Aerobically Composted in Municipal or Industrial Facilities (D6868) or its successor, and  
64.33 the covered product is labeled to reflect that it meets the specification;



65.1 (2) is comprised of only wood without any coatings or additives; or

65.2 (3) is comprised of only paper without any coatings or additives.

65.3 (b) A covered product labeled "compostable" and meeting the criteria under paragraph  
65.4 (a) must be clearly and prominently labeled on the product, or on the product's smallest unit  
65.5 of sale, to reflect that it is intended for an industrial or commercial compost facility. The  
65.6 label required under this paragraph must be in legible text size and font.

65.7 Subd. 2a. **Certification of compostable products.** Beginning January 1, 2023, a person  
65.8 may not sell or offer for sale a covered product labeled as "compostable" unless the person  
65.9 obtains certification that the product meets the requirements of subdivision 2 from an entity  
65.10 that:

65.11 (1) is a nonprofit corporation;

65.12 (2) as its primary focus of operation, promotes the production, use, and appropriate end  
65.13 of life for materials and products that are designed to fully biodegrade in specific biologically  
65.14 active environments such as industrial composting; and

65.15 (3) is technically capable of and willing to perform analysis necessary to determine a  
65.16 product's compliance with subdivision 2.

65.17 Subd. 3. **Enforcement; civil penalty; injunctive relief.** (a) A ~~manufacturer, distributor,~~  
65.18 ~~or wholesaler~~ person who violates ~~subdivision 1 or 2~~ this section is subject to a civil or  
65.19 administrative penalty of \$100 for each prepackaged saleable unit sold or offered for sale  
65.20 up to a maximum of \$5,000 and may be enjoined from those violations.

65.21 (b) The attorney general may bring an action in the name of the state in a court of  
65.22 competent jurisdiction for recovery of civil penalties or for injunctive relief as provided in  
65.23 this subdivision. The attorney general may accept an assurance of discontinuance of acts  
65.24 in violation of ~~subdivision 1 or 2~~ this section in the manner provided in section 8.31,  
65.25 subdivision 2b.

65.26 (c) The commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency may enforce this section under  
65.27 sections 115.071 and 116.072.

65.28 (d) When requested by the attorney general or the commissioner of the Pollution Control  
65.29 Agency, a person selling or offering for sale a covered product labeled as compostable must  
65.30 furnish to the attorney general or the commissioner any information that the person may  
65.31 have or may reasonably obtain that is relevant to show compliance with this section.

66.1 Subd. 4. **Definitions.** For purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings  
 66.2 given them:

66.3 (1) "ASTM" has the meaning given in section 296A.01, subdivision 6;

66.4 (2) "covered product" means a bag, food or beverage product, or packaging;

66.5 (3) "food or beverage product" means a product that is used to wrap, package, contain,  
 66.6 serve, store, prepare, or consume a food or beverage, such as plates, bowls, cups, lids, trays,  
 66.7 straws, utensils, and hinged or lidded containers; and

66.8 (4) "packaging" has the meaning given in section 115A.03, subdivision 22b.

66.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2022.

66.10 Sec. 58. **REPEALER.**

66.11 Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 115.44, subdivision 9, is repealed.

66.12 **ARTICLE 3**

66.13 **STATE LANDS**

66.14 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 84.63, is amended to read:

66.15 **84.63 CONVEYANCE OF INTERESTS IN LANDS TO STATE AND, FEDERAL,**  
 66.16 **AND TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS.**

66.17 (a) Notwithstanding any existing law to the contrary, the commissioner of natural  
 66.18 resources is hereby authorized on behalf of the state to convey to the United States, to a  
 66.19 federally recognized Indian tribe, or to the state of Minnesota or any of its subdivisions,  
 66.20 upon state-owned lands under the administration of the commissioner of natural resources,  
 66.21 permanent or temporary easements for specified periods or otherwise for trails, highways,  
 66.22 roads including limitation of right of access from the lands to adjacent highways and roads,  
 66.23 flowage for development of fish and game resources, stream protection, flood control, and  
 66.24 necessary appurtenances thereto, such conveyances to be made upon such terms and  
 66.25 conditions including provision for reversion in the event of non-user as the commissioner  
 66.26 of natural resources may determine.

66.27 (b) In addition to the fee for the market value of the easement, the commissioner of  
 66.28 natural resources shall assess the applicant the following fees:

66.29 (1) an application fee of \$2,000 to cover reasonable costs for reviewing the application  
 66.30 and preparing the easement; and

67.1 (2) a monitoring fee to cover the projected reasonable costs for monitoring the  
67.2 construction of the improvement for which the easement was conveyed and preparing special  
67.3 terms and conditions for the easement. The commissioner must give the applicant an estimate  
67.4 of the monitoring fee before the applicant submits the fee.

67.5 (c) The applicant shall pay these fees to the commissioner of natural resources. The  
67.6 commissioner shall not issue the easement until the applicant has paid in full the application  
67.7 fee, the monitoring fee, and the market value payment for the easement.

67.8 (d) Upon completion of construction of the improvement for which the easement was  
67.9 conveyed, the commissioner shall refund the unobligated balance from the monitoring fee  
67.10 revenue. The commissioner shall not return the application fee, even if the application is  
67.11 withdrawn or denied.

67.12 (e) Money received under paragraph (b) must be deposited in the land management  
67.13 account in the natural resources fund and is appropriated to the commissioner of natural  
67.14 resources to cover the reasonable costs incurred for issuing and monitoring easements.

67.15 (f) A county or joint county regional railroad authority is exempt from all fees specified  
67.16 under this section for trail easements on state-owned land.

67.17 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 92.502, is amended to read:

67.18 **92.502 LEASE OF TAX-FORFEITED AND STATE LANDS.**

67.19 (a) Notwithstanding section 282.04 or other law to the contrary, St. Louis County may  
67.20 enter a 30-year lease of tax-forfeited land for a wind energy project.

67.21 (b) The commissioner of natural resources may enter a 30-year lease of land administered  
67.22 by the commissioner for a wind energy project.

67.23 (c) The commissioner of natural resources may enter a 30-year lease of land administered  
67.24 by the commissioner for recreational trails and facilities. The commissioner may assess the  
67.25 lease applicant a monitoring fee to cover the projected reasonable costs of monitoring  
67.26 construction of the recreational trail or facility and preparing special terms and conditions  
67.27 of the license to ensure proper construction. The commissioner must give the applicant an  
67.28 estimate of the monitoring fee before the applicant is required to submit the fee. Upon  
67.29 completion of construction of the trail or facility, the commissioner must refund the  
67.30 unobligated balance from the monitoring fee revenue.

68.1 (d) Notwithstanding section 282.04 or other law to the contrary, Lake and St. Louis  
68.2 Counties may enter into 30-year leases of tax-forfeited land for recreational trails and  
68.3 facilities.

68.4 Sec. 3. ADDITION TO STATE PARK.

68.5 [85.012] [Subd. 18.] Fort Snelling State Park, Dakota County. The following areas  
68.6 are added to Fort Snelling State Park, Dakota County:

68.7 (1) that part of Section 28, Township 28 North, Range 23 West, Dakota County,  
68.8 Minnesota, bounded by the Dakota County line along the Minnesota River and the following  
68.9 described lines:

68.10 Beginning at the intersection of the south line of Lot 18 of Auditor's Subdivision Number  
68.11 29 of Mendota, according to the plat on file in the Office of the Dakota County Recorder,  
68.12 with the westerly right-of-way line of the existing Sibley Memorial Highway; thence  
68.13 northerly along said westerly right-of-way line to the north line of said Lot 18; thence  
68.14 westerly along the north line of said Lot 18 to the easterly right-of-way line of the  
68.15 Chicago and Northwestern Railroad; thence northerly and northeasterly along said  
68.16 easterly right-of-way to the east line of said Section 28;

68.17 (2) that part of Section 33, Township 28 North, Range 23 West, Dakota County,  
68.18 Minnesota, lying westerly of the easterly right-of-way of the Chicago and Northwestern  
68.19 Railroad;

68.20 (3) that part of Government Lot 6 of Section 33, Township 28 North, Range 23 West,  
68.21 Dakota County, Minnesota, lying East of the easterly right-of-way of the Chicago and  
68.22 Northwestern Railroad and West of the westerly right-of-way of Sibley Memorial Highway  
68.23 and North of the South 752 feet of said Government Lot 6;

68.24 (4) the North 152 feet of the South 752 feet of that part of Government Lot 6 of Section  
68.25 33, Township 28 North, Range 23 West, Dakota County, Minnesota, lying East of the  
68.26 easterly right-of-way of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad and West of the westerly  
68.27 right-of-way of Sibley Memorial Highway;

68.28 (5) the North 270 feet of the South 600 feet of that part of Government Lot 6 lying  
68.29 between the westerly right-of-way of Sibley Memorial Highway and the easterly right-of-way  
68.30 of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad in Section 33, Township 28 North, Range 23  
68.31 West, Dakota County, Minnesota;

68.32 (6) that part of the South 20 rods of Government Lot 6 of Section 33, Township 28  
68.33 North, Range 23 West, Dakota County, Minnesota, lying East of the easterly right-of-way

69.1 of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad and West of the westerly right-of-way of Sibley  
69.2 Memorial Highway, excepting therefrom that part described as follows:

69.3 Commencing at the southeast corner of said Government Lot 6; thence North 89 degrees  
69.4 56 minutes 54 seconds West assumed bearing along the south line of said Government  
69.5 Lot 6 a distance of 260.31 feet to the point of beginning of the property to be described;  
69.6 thence continue North 89 degrees 56 minutes 54 seconds West a distance of 71.17 feet;  
69.7 thence northwesterly a distance of 37.25 feet along a nontangential curve concave to  
69.8 the East having a radius of 4,098.00 feet and a central angle of 00 degrees 31 minutes  
69.9 15 seconds the chord of said curve bears North 23 degrees 31 minutes 27 seconds West;  
69.10 thence northerly a distance of 127.39 feet along a compound curve concave to the East  
69.11 having a radius of 2,005.98 feet and a central angle of 03 degrees 38 minutes 19 seconds;  
69.12 thence North 70 degrees 22 minutes 29 seconds East not tangent to said curve a distance  
69.13 of 65.00 feet; thence southerly a distance of 123.26 feet along a nontangential curve  
69.14 concave to the East having a radius of 1,940.98 feet and a central angle of 03 degrees  
69.15 38 minutes 19 seconds the chord of said curve bears South 21 degrees 26 minutes 40  
69.16 seconds East; thence southerly a distance of 65.42 feet to the point of beginning along  
69.17 a compound curve concave to the East having a radius of 4,033.00 feet and a central  
69.18 angle of 00 degrees 55 minutes 46 seconds;

69.19 (7) that part of Government Lot 5 of Section 33, Township 28 North, Range 23 West,  
69.20 Dakota County, Minnesota, lying East of the easterly right-of-way of the Chicago and  
69.21 Northwestern Railroad and West of the westerly right-of-way of Sibley Memorial Highway,  
69.22 excepting therefrom that part described as follows:

69.23 Commencing at the southeast corner of said Government Lot 5; thence North 89 degrees  
69.24 56 minutes 18 seconds West assumed bearing along the south line of said Government  
69.25 Lot 5 a distance of 70.48 feet to the point of beginning of the property to be described;  
69.26 thence continue North 89 degrees 56 minutes 18 seconds West along said south line of  
69.27 Government Lot 5 a distance of 40.01 feet; thence North 01 degree 30 minutes 25 seconds  
69.28 East a distance of 6.08 feet; thence northerly a distance of 185.58 feet along a tangential  
69.29 curve concave to the West having a radius of 4,427.00 feet and a central angle of 02  
69.30 degrees 24 minutes 07 seconds; thence South 89 degrees 06 minutes 18 seconds West  
69.31 not tangent to said curve a distance of 25.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 53 minutes  
69.32 42 seconds West a distance of 539.13 feet; thence northerly a distance of 103.77 feet  
69.33 along a tangential curve concave to the West having a radius of 1,524.65 feet and a  
69.34 central angle of 03 degrees 53 minutes 59 seconds; thence northerly a distance of 159.33  
69.35 feet along a compound curve concave to the West having a radius of 522.45 feet and a

70.1 central angle of 17 degrees 28 minutes 23 seconds; thence northwesterly a distance of  
70.2 86.78 feet along a tangential curve concave to the West having a radius of 1,240.87 feet  
70.3 and a central angle of 04 degrees 00 minutes 25 seconds; thence North 26 degrees 16  
70.4 minutes 30 seconds West tangent to said curve a distance of 92.39 feet; thence  
70.5 northwesterly a distance of 178.12 feet along a tangential curve concave to the East  
70.6 having a radius of 4,098.00 feet and a central angle of 02 degrees 29 minutes 25 seconds  
70.7 to a point on the north line of said Government Lot 5 which is 331.48 feet from the  
70.8 northeast corner thereof as measured along said north line; thence South 89 degrees 56  
70.9 minutes 54 seconds East along said north line of Government Lot 5 a distance of 71.17  
70.10 feet; thence southeasterly a distance of 146.53 feet along a nontangential curve concave  
70.11 to the East having a radius of 4,033.00 feet and a central angle of 02 degrees 04 minutes  
70.12 54 seconds the chord of said curve bears South 25 degrees 14 minutes 03 seconds East;  
70.13 thence South 26 degrees 16 minutes 30 seconds East tangent to said curve a distance of  
70.14 92.39 feet; thence southerly a distance of 91.33 feet along a tangential curve concave  
70.15 to the West having a radius of 1,305.87 feet and a central angle of 04 degrees 00 minutes  
70.16 25 seconds; thence southerly a distance of 179.15 feet along a tangential curve concave  
70.17 to the West having a radius of 587.45 feet and a central angle of 17 degrees 28 minutes  
70.18 23 seconds; thence southerly a distance of 108.20 feet along a compound curve concave  
70.19 to the West having a radius of 1,589.65 feet and a central angle of 03 degrees 53 minutes  
70.20 59 seconds; thence South 00 degrees 53 minutes 42 seconds East tangent to said curve  
70.21 a distance of 539.13 feet; thence southerly a distance of 187.26 feet along a tangential  
70.22 curve concave to the West having a radius of 4,467.00 feet and a central angle of 02  
70.23 degrees 24 minutes 07 seconds; thence South 01 degree 30 minutes 25 seconds West  
70.24 tangent to said curve a distance of 5.07 feet to the point of beginning; and

70.25 (8) that part of Government Lot 4 of Section 33, Township 28 North, Range 23 West,  
70.26 Dakota County, Minnesota, lying East of the easterly right-of-way of the Chicago and  
70.27 Northwestern Railroad and northerly of the following described line:

70.28 Commencing at the southeast corner of said Government Lot 4; thence North 89 degrees  
70.29 55 minutes 42 seconds West assumed bearing along the south line of said Government  
70.30 Lot 4 a distance of 312.44 feet to corner B205, MNDOT Right-of-Way Plat No. 19-93,  
70.31 according to the recorded map thereof; thence continue North 89 degrees 55 minutes 42  
70.32 seconds West along said south line of Government Lot 4 a distance of 318.00 feet to the  
70.33 easterly right-of-way of Chicago and Northwestern Railroad; thence northerly along  
70.34 said railroad right-of-way a distance of 387.97 feet along a nontangential curve concave  
70.35 to the West having a radius of 2,963.54 feet and a central angle of 07 degrees 30 minutes

71.1 03 seconds, the chord of said curve bears North 00 degrees 42 minutes 41 seconds East;  
 71.2 thence North 03 degrees 02 minutes 21 seconds West tangent to said curve along said  
 71.3 railroad right-of-way a distance of 619.45 feet to the point of beginning of the line to  
 71.4 be described; thence North 89 degrees 35 minutes 27 seconds East a distance of 417.92  
 71.5 feet; thence North 18 degrees 18 minutes 58 seconds East a distance of 317.52 feet to a  
 71.6 point on the north line of said Government Lot 4 which is 135.00 feet from the northeast  
 71.7 corner thereof as measured along said north line and there terminating.

71.8 **Sec. 4. ADDITION TO STATE RECREATION AREA.**

71.9 **[85.013] [Subd. 12a.] Iron Range Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Area, St. Louis**  
 71.10 **County.** The following area is added to Iron Range Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Area,  
 71.11 St. Louis County: that part of the South Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 15,  
 71.12 Township 58 North, Range 17 West, St. Louis County, Minnesota, lying northerly of the  
 71.13 following described line:

71.14 Commencing at the West quarter corner of said Section 15; thence North 01 degree 24  
 71.15 minutes 27 seconds West, bearing assumed, along the west line of said South Half of  
 71.16 the Northwest Quarter a distance of 1,034.09 feet to a 3/4-inch rebar with plastic cap  
 71.17 stamped "MN DNR LS 44974" (DM) and the point of beginning; thence South 62 degrees  
 71.18 44 minutes 07 seconds East 405.24 feet to a DM; thence South 82 degrees 05 minutes  
 71.19 24 seconds East 314.95 feet to a DM; thence South 86 degrees 18 minutes 01 second  
 71.20 East 269.23 feet to a DM; thence North 81 degrees 41 minutes 24 seconds East 243.61  
 71.21 feet to a DM; thence North 71 degrees 48 minutes 05 seconds East 478.17 feet to a DM;  
 71.22 thence North 60 degrees 53 minutes 38 seconds East 257.32 feet to a DM; thence South  
 71.23 09 degrees 16 minutes 07 seconds East 179.09 feet to a DM; thence South 49 degrees  
 71.24 16 minutes 00 seconds East 127.27 feet to a DM; thence South 50 degrees 16 minutes  
 71.25 11 seconds East 187.13 feet to a DM; thence South 67 degrees 11 minutes 35 seconds  
 71.26 East 189.33 feet to a DM; thence South 67 degrees 13 minutes 16 seconds East 209.43  
 71.27 feet to a DM; thence South 80 degrees 39 minutes 19 seconds East 167.59 feet to a DM  
 71.28 on the east line of said South Half of the Northwest Quarter, and there terminating.

71.29 **Sec. 5. DELETIONS FROM STATE PARKS.**

71.30 **Subdivision 1. [85.012] [Subd. 18.] Fort Snelling State Park, Dakota County.** The  
 71.31 following areas are deleted from Fort Snelling State Park, Dakota County:

71.32 (1) all of Section 33, Township 28 North, Range 23 West of the 4th Principal Meridian  
 71.33 lying westerly of the westerly right-of-way line of the existing Minnesota Trunk Highway

72.1 No. 13, excepting the right-of-way owned by the Chicago and Northwestern railway  
 72.2 company; and

72.3 (2) all of Section 28, Township 28 North, Range 23 West of the 4th Principal Meridian  
 72.4 bounded by the Dakota County line along the Minnesota River and the following described  
 72.5 lines: Beginning at the south line of said Section 28 at its intersection with the westerly  
 72.6 right-of-way line of the existing Minnesota Trunk Highway No. 13; thence northerly along  
 72.7 the said westerly right-of-way line of existing Minnesota Trunk Highway No. 13 to the  
 72.8 southerly right-of-way line of existing Minnesota Trunk Highway Nos. 55 and 100; thence  
 72.9 along the existing southerly right-of-way line of Minnesota Trunk Highway Nos. 55 and  
 72.10 100 to the westerly right-of-way line owned by the Chicago and Northwestern railway  
 72.11 company; thence northeasterly along the said westerly right-of-way line of the Chicago and  
 72.12 Northwestern railway to the east line of said Section 28, excepting therefrom the right-of-way  
 72.13 owned by the Chicago and Northwestern railway company.

72.14 Subd. 2. [85.012] [Subd. 60.] William O'Brien State Park, Washington County. The  
 72.15 following areas are deleted from William O'Brien State Park, Washington County:

72.16 (1) those parts of Section 25, Township 32 North, Range 20 West, Washington County,  
 72.17 Minnesota, described as follows:

72.18 The West two rods of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, the West two  
 72.19 rods of the North two rods of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, and the  
 72.20 East two rods of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; and

72.21 (2) the East two rods over and across the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter,  
 72.22 excepting therefrom the North 200 feet of said Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter.  
 72.23 Also, the West 2 rods of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, excepting therefrom  
 72.24 the North 266 feet of said Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter. Also, the South 66  
 72.25 feet of the North 266 feet of that part of said Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter  
 72.26 lying southwesterly of the existing public road known as 199th Street North.

72.27 Sec. 6. PRIVATE SALE OF SURPLUS STATE LAND; CASS COUNTY.

72.28 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 94.09 to 94.16, the commissioner of  
 72.29 natural resources may sell by private sale the surplus land that is described in paragraph (c).

72.30 (b) The commissioner may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct  
 72.31 errors and ensure accuracy.

72.32 (c) The land to be conveyed is located in Cass County and is described as: the westerly  
 72.33 20.00 feet of the West Half of the Northeast Quarter, Section 16, Township 139 North,



73.1 Range 30 West, Cass County, Minnesota. The Grantor, its employees and agents only,  
73.2 reserves a perpetual easement for ingress and egress over and across the above described  
73.3 land.

73.4 (d) The Department of Natural Resources has determined that the land is not needed for  
73.5 natural resource purposes and that the state's land management interests would best be  
73.6 served if the land was returned to private ownership.

73.7 **Sec. 7. PRIVATE SALE OF SURPLUS STATE LAND; LAKE OF THE WOODS**  
73.8 **COUNTY.**

73.9 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 94.09 to 94.16, the commissioner of  
73.10 natural resources may sell by private sale the surplus land that is described in paragraph (c).

73.11 (b) The commissioner may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct  
73.12 errors and ensure accuracy.

73.13 (c) The land to be conveyed is located in Lake of the Woods County and is described  
73.14 as: a strip of land lying in Government Lot 3, Section 5, Township 163 North, Range 34  
73.15 West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, Lake of the Woods County, Minnesota; said strip of  
73.16 land being 33.00 feet in width lying 16.50 feet on each side of the following described  
73.17 centerline:

73.18 Commencing at the southeast corner of said Government Lot 3; thence North 00 degrees  
73.19 09 minutes 28 seconds West, assumed bearing, along the east line of said Government  
73.20 Lot 3, a distance of 690 feet, more or less, to the south line of that particular tract of land  
73.21 deeded to the State of Minnesota according to Document No. 75286, on file and of record  
73.22 in the Office of the Recorder, Lake of the Woods County, Minnesota; thence South 89  
73.23 degrees 50 minutes 32 seconds West, along said south line of that particular tract of  
73.24 land, a distance of 200.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 09 minutes 28 seconds East,  
73.25 parallel with the east line of said Government Lot 3, a distance of 40.00 feet; thence  
73.26 South 89 degrees 50 minutes 32 seconds West, a distance of 16.50 feet to the point of  
73.27 beginning of the centerline to be herein described; thence South 00 degrees 09 minutes  
73.28 28 seconds East, parallel with the east line of said Government Lot 3, a distance of 650.5  
73.29 feet, more or less, to the south line of said Government Lot 3 and said centerline there  
73.30 terminating.

73.31 (d) The Department of Natural Resources has determined that the land is not needed for  
73.32 natural resource purposes and that the state's land management interests would best be  
73.33 served if the land was returned to private ownership.

74.1 **Sec. 8. PRIVATE SALE OF SURPLUS STATE LAND; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.**

74.2 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 94.09 to 94.16, the commissioner of  
74.3 natural resources may convey the surplus land that is described in paragraph (c) to a local  
74.4 unit of government for no consideration.

74.5 (b) The commissioner may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct  
74.6 errors and ensure accuracy.

74.7 (c) The land to be conveyed is located in St. Louis County and is described as: that part  
74.8 of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 27, Township 52 North, Range  
74.9 17 West, St. Louis County, Minnesota, described as follows:

74.10 Commencing at the quarter corner between Sections 27 and 28 of said Township 52  
74.11 North, Range 17 West; thence running East 624 feet; thence North 629 feet to the point  
74.12 of beginning; thence North 418 feet; thence East 208 feet; thence South 418 feet; thence  
74.13 West 208 feet to the point of beginning.

74.14 (d) The Department of Natural Resources has determined that the land is not needed for  
74.15 natural resource purposes and that the state's land management interests would best be  
74.16 served if the land were conveyed to a local unit of government.

74.17 **Sec. 9. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LANDS; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.**

74.18 (a) Notwithstanding the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, or  
74.19 other law to the contrary, St. Louis County may sell by private sale the tax-forfeited lands  
74.20 described in paragraph (c).

74.21 (b) The conveyances must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney  
74.22 general may make changes to the land descriptions to correct errors and ensure accuracy.

74.23 (c) The lands to be sold are located in St. Louis County and are described as:

74.24 (1) Lot 5, Block 9, including part of vacated Seafield Street adjacent, Bristol Beach 1st  
74.25 Division, Duluth (parcel 010-0300-01030); and

74.26 (2) that part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Township 58, Range  
74.27 15, Section 5, lying northerly of the northerly right-of-way line of the town of White road  
74.28 running in an east-west direction connecting County Road No. 138 with State Highway No.  
74.29 135 and lying westerly of the following described line: commencing at the northeast corner  
74.30 of Government Lot 3; thence South 89 degrees 46 minutes 22 seconds West along the north  
74.31 line of Government Lot 3 558.28 feet; thence South 27 degrees 50 minutes 01 second West  
74.32 102.75 feet; thence South 41 degrees 51 minutes 46 seconds West 452.29 feet; thence South

75.1 28 degrees 19 minutes 22 seconds West 422.74 feet; thence South 30 degrees 55 minutes  
75.2 42 seconds West 133.79 feet; thence southwesterly 210.75 feet along a tangential curve  
75.3 concave to the southeast having a radius of 300 feet and a central angle of 40 degrees 15  
75.4 minutes 00 seconds; thence South 09 degrees 19 minutes 19 seconds East tangent to said  
75.5 curve 100.30 feet, more or less, to the north line of said Southeast Quarter of the Northwest  
75.6 Quarter; thence North 89 degrees 09 minutes 31 seconds East along said north line 40.44  
75.7 feet to the point of beginning of the line; thence South 09 degrees 19 minutes 19 seconds  
75.8 East 148 feet, more or less, to said right-of-way line and said line there terminating. Surface  
75.9 only (parcel 570-0021-00112).

75.10 (d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would best  
75.11 be served if the lands were returned to private ownership.

75.12 **Sec. 10. PUBLIC SALE OF SURPLUS STATE LAND BORDERING PUBLIC**  
75.13 **WATER; WADENA COUNTY.**

75.14 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 92.45, the commissioner of natural  
75.15 resources may sell by public sale the surplus land bordering public water that is described  
75.16 in paragraph (c).

75.17 (b) The commissioner may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct  
75.18 errors and ensure accuracy.

75.19 (c) The land that may be sold is located in Wadena County and is described as: the  
75.20 Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 26, Township 136 North, Range 34  
75.21 West, Wadena County, Minnesota, except that part described as follows:

75.22 Beginning at the northeast corner of said Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter;  
75.23 thence West 10 rods; thence South 8 rods; thence East 10 rods; thence North 8 rods to  
75.24 the point of beginning and there terminating.

75.25 (d) The land borders the Redeye River. The Department of Natural Resources has  
75.26 determined that the land is not needed for natural resource purposes and that the state's land  
75.27 management interests would best be served if the land were returned to private ownership.

**115.44 CLASSIFICATION OF WATERS; STANDARDS OF QUALITY AND PURITY.**

Subd. 9. **Annual report.** (a) By January 15 each year, the commissioner shall post on the Pollution Control Agency's website a report on the agency's activities the previous calendar year to implement standards and classification requirements into national pollutant discharge elimination system and state disposal system permits held by municipalities. The report must include:

(1) a summary of permits issued or reissued over the previous calendar year, including any changes to permitted effluent limits due to water quality standards adopted or revised during the previous permit term;

(2) highlights of innovative approaches employed by the agency and municipalities to develop and achieve permit requirements in a cost-effective manner;

(3) a summary of standards development and water quality rulemaking activities over the previous calendar year, including economic analyses;

(4) a summary of standards development and water quality rulemaking activities anticipated for the next three years, including economic analyses;

(5) a process and timeframe for municipalities to provide input to the agency regarding their needs based on the information provided in the report; and

(6) a list of anticipated permitting initiatives in the next calendar year that may impact municipalities and the agency's plan for involving the municipalities throughout the planning and decision-making process. The plan must include opportunities for input and public comment from municipalities on rulemaking initiatives prior to preparation of a statement of need and reasonableness required under section 14.131. The commissioner must ensure the agency's plan under this clause is implemented.

(b) For the purposes of this section, "economic analyses" must include assessments of the potential costs to regulated municipalities associated with water quality standards or rules proposed by the agency.